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Twentieth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Wednesday, February 27, 2019 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 Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Handy, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

ABSENT – 3: Representatives Barros, Corvese, Marshall.

INVOCATION

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

(For Invocation, see App

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Tuesday, February 26, 2019, is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Arthur Corvese is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 27, 2019.

Representative Jean Philippe Barros is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 27, 2019.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

Senate Bill No. 139 SUB A

BY Miller, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Goldin, Satchell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING (Amends current law so that, as part of a comprehensive discharge plan, a hospital would be allowed to try to contact the patient's emergency contact and the recovery coach, in accordance with federal law.) {LC742/A/2}

02/27/2019 Referred to House Finance

Senate Bill No. 386

BY Satchell

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF MP CLEANING CO. INC. {LC1471/1}

02/27/2019 Referred to House Corporations

NEW BUSINESS**House Bill No. 5536**

BY Mattiello, Jacquard, Johnston, Canario, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS – THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016 (Provides that law enforcement personnel, emergency medical personnel, and agencies participating in the HOPE initiative be exempt from civil liability or criminal prosecution as a result of administering opioid antagonists.) {LC1979/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5537

BY Mattiello, Caldwell, Serpa, Alzate, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Restricts initial prescription to adult patient for opiate and all minor prescriptions to 7 day supply with exceptions for certain conditions/medicines designed for substance abuse/opioid dependence treatment.) {LC1484/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5538

BY Mattiello, Alzate, Mendez, Serodio, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (School boards to establish threat assessment policies and teams. Oversight committee for the teams is established.) {LC1723/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5539**BY** Shekarchi, Solomon, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley, Bennett**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO DEVELOP STATEWIDE SEPSIS PROTOCOLS {LC1646/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.**House Bill No. 5540****BY** McNamara, Ackerman, Shanley, Newberry, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - CLINICAL TRIALS WEBSITE (Requires the state department of health to create and maintain a website which contains meaningful information about clinical, drug, biological, and device products' clinical trials currently underway in RI aimed at potential clinical trial participants.) {LC1226/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.**House Bill No. 5541**

(Department of Health)

BY McNamara, Shanley, Solomon, Bennett, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Expands the provisions requiring the reporting of immunization status and any other relevant information to adults, not just children, and requires the department of health to include routine adult immunization in the department's immunization program.) {LC1551/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.**House Bill No. 5542****BY** Kennedy, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- KRATOM CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (Regulates the distribution of food products containing the drug kratom, a drug of concern for its stimulant and sedative effects, to consumers by the department of health. Effective September 1, 2019.) {LC1599/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.**House Bill No. 5543**

(Department of Health)

BY Williams, Alzate, Shanley, Diaz, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS (Adds the multi-disciplinary maternal mortality review committee to the review of the office of state medical examiners and extend certain immunities and confidentiality agreements to multi-disciplinary teams.) {LC1829/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.**House Bill No. 5544****BY** Jacquard, McNamara, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC1849/1}
02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5545**BY** Slater, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - HARM REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM (Authorizes the establishment of harm reduction centers.) {LC1344/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5546**BY** Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF TEACHERS GENERALLY (Requires that teachers be trained and certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).) {LC1848/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5547**BY** Newberry, Place, Chippendale, Roberts, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CIVIC LITERACY (Requires the commissioner of elementary and secondary education to adopt a course of study on the nation's founding and related documents, including the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, and the Federalist Papers.) {LC976/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5548**BY** Roberts, Nardone, Filippi, Quattrocchi, Lyle**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING THE TRANSPORTATION OF SENIOR CITIZENS INCLUDING SENIOR CITIZENS WITH MEDICAL DISABILITIES {LC1762/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5549**BY** Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Morin, Jackson, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES (Authorizes a pharmacist to prescribe and dispense hormonal contraceptive patches and self-administered oral hormonal contraceptives, provided that the pharmacist has completed a training program approved by the state board of pharmacy.) {LC536/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5550**BY** Casimiro, Ackerman, Shanley, Noret, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY (Requires various health care facilities and child care facilities to have automated external defibrillators on site.) {LC83/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5551**BY** Caldwell, Mattiello, Casey, Craven, Marszalkowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - NALOXONE PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAM (Requires public places to have naloboxes or naloxone on the premises for access and use during emergencies by trained employees or the general public with "Good Samaritan" protections.) {LC1321/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5552

(by request)

BY Caldwell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Prohibits the use of seclusion in schools except to prevent immediate injury to the pupil or others.) {LC1322/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5553

BY Alzate, McNamara, Casimiro, Kazarian, Maldonado

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENCOURAGING MORE PERSONS OF COLOR TO ENTER THE FIELD OF EDUCATION (Creates a 9 member commission to study and make recommendations for encouraging more persons of color to enter the field of education, and who would report back by January 28, 2020, and expire on March 28, 2020.) {LC1929/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5554

BY Messier, Johnston, Donovan, Casey, O'Brien

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ANTI-LITTERING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS {LC1953/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5555

BY Ajello, Knight, Kislak, Cassar, Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY- LILA MANFIELD SAPINSLEY COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT (Creates the Lila Manfield Sapinsley Compassionate Care Act, to provide a legal mechanism whereby a terminally ill patient may choose to end their life using drugs prescribed by a physician.) {LC90/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5556

BY Donovan, Canario, Tanzi, Carson, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH CARE ACCESSIBILITY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE ACT (Develops a common summary of payments forms, to be used by all health insurance carriers and to be provided to health care consumers, providing the consumer with their responsibility for payment, of any portion of a health care provider claim.) {LC1808/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5557**BY** Shekarchi, Solomon, Cassar, Marszalkowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DETERMINATION OF NEED FOR NEW HEALTH-CARE EQUIPMENT (Exempts both single/multiple entity physician-owned ambulatory surgical centers from CON requirements treating them as a physicians' practice extension governed by DOH.) {LC1129/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5558**BY** Tanzi, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Carson, Hawkins**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHARMACIES

(Authorizes a licensed pharmacist, who successfully completes a course on tobacco cessation therapy, to prescribe and dispense tobacco cessation drug products to a qualified patient pursuant to rules adopted by the board of pharmacy.) {LC1879/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5559**BY** Kislak, Donovan, Ranglin-Vassell, Williams, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STUDENTS

(Requires the RIDE, within the next three years, to create a plan where all RI teachers would be trained in the BEARS curriculum (BEARS training includes hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation, Heimlich maneuver, and bleeding control).) {LC1734/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5560**BY** Alzate, Casimiro, Kazarian, Walsh, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

CONCUSSION ACT (Requires all school districts to designate an athletic trainer to be available for high school athletic practices and games.) {LC998/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5561**BY** Carson, Cortvriend, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- TRAINING OF

ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE EVENT OF DISASTER EMERGENCIES (Requires state and municipal elected officials to attend a one-day biennial training seminar in emergency management for disaster emergencies.) {LC1626/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5562**BY** Cortvriend, Shekarchi, Canario, Ruggiero, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

PRESERVATION OF FAMILIES WITH DISABLED PARENT ACT (Precludes the disability of a parent from serving as a basis for denial or restriction in matters involving a child's welfare, foster care, family law, guardianship and adoption.) {LC1365/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5563**BY** Cortvriend, Fogarty, Carson, Tanzi, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A SET OF KEY ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE PRINCIPLES AND CONCEPTS TO BE INFUSED IN ALL SUBJECTS FOR K-12 PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS {LC1650/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5564**BY** Cortvriend, Canario, Fogarty, Tanzi, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SUICIDE PREVENTION - THE NATHAN BRUNO AND JASON FLATT ACT (Creates the "Nathan Bruno and Jason Flatt Act" which requires training of teachers and school personnel regarding suicide awareness and prevention and establishment of a conflict resolution process between teachers or school personnel and students.) {LC1900/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5565**BY** Marszalkowski, Cortvriend, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PFAS IN FOOD PACKAGING (Prohibits PFAS, a class of fluorinated organic chemicals, from being used in food packaging.) {LC1920/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5566**BY** Solomon, Vella-Wilkinson, Canario, Jackson, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - HOME COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY (Expands eligibility for elderly services assistance to persons under age 65 suffering from physician confirmed Alzheimer's disease related dementia with income not to exceed 250% of federal poverty level.) {LC1704/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5567**BY** Solomon, Phillips, Johnston, Casimiro, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE BREAST CANCER ACT (Amends the current law so that digital breast tomosynthesis (dbt) screenings are available wherever mammograms are conducted and to provide insurance coverage for such screenings.) {LC1987/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5568**BY** Ackerman, Shekarchi, Casimiro, O'Brien, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER ACT (Establishes an emergency telephone system call review and quality improvement and would require at least one 911 system operator trained in telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation be on duty at all time.) {LC1653/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5569**BY** Ackerman, Ucci, Marszalkowski, McNamara, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION ADOPTION OF THE STATE PLAN ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS {LC1983/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5570**BY** Bennett, Edwards, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - THE HEALING ART OF ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE - NEW TITLE (Changes title of chapter 5-37.2 and throughout, replacing words "Oriental medicine" with "East Asian medicine" and allows certified individuals to practice the art of acupuncture and East Asian medicine using Chinese medical diagnostic methods.) {LC1826/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5571**BY** Bennett, Edwards, Solomon, Diaz, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- RHODE ISLAND PATHWAYS PROJECT (Requires the executive office of health and human services (EOHHS) to conduct a study to assess the impact of using Medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment of the chronically homeless.) {LC1827/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5572**BY** Bennett, Edwards, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS (Updates the laws relating to physician assistants to reflect current standards and terminology.) {LC1429/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5573

(Dept. of Elderly Affairs)

BY Bennett, Jacquard, Edwards, Diaz, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ABUSE IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (Makes amendments providing for additional reporting duties and requirements for persons with knowledge of mistreatment or neglect of elders.) {LC1788/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5574**BY** Serpa, Vella-Wilkinson, Fellela, Williams, Amore**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - PAUL W. CROWLEY STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE (Restructures professional development investment fund to assume duties of dissemination of curriculum materials/frameworks/assessments/development plans with annual allocation of \$200 per student.) {LC1709/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5575**BY** Serpa, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - QUALITY SELF-DIRECTED SERVICES - INDIVIDUAL COMPANIONS OF COMPANIONSHIP AND HOMEMAKING SERVICES (Revises law protecting beneficiaries from fraud, waste, abuse, neglect and provides state oversight when long-term services and beneficiaries use an individual companion for delivery of Medicaid services.) {LC1710/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5576**BY** Shekarchi, Ackerman, Lima, Kazarian, Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX (Provides tax relief for pass-through entities that would be unable to take a federal income tax deduction for state and local income taxes they pay on their personal tax returns.) {LC1711/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5577**BY** Blazejewski, Carson, Ajello, Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Exempts reusable bags not including paper/plastic bags from state sales tax.) {LC1931/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5578**BY** Blazejewski, Millea, McKiernan, Craven, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - FEES (Provides for a fee increase for filing an action in district court, superior court and family court.) {LC1916/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5579**BY** Lima, Serpa, Shekarchi, Williams, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (Requires the executive office of health and human services to adjust the per diem reimbursement rate to nursing facilities every 3 years; and provides that any time state minimum wage is increased, the reimbursement rate increases by the same percentage.) {LC1729/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5580**BY** Lima, Serpa, Shekarchi, Williams, Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (Mandates no new initial licenses for nursing facilities to be issued prior to July 1, 2022. Prior to July 1, 2022, licensing agency not allowed to increase licensed bed capacity.) {LC1708/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5581

BY Williams, Shanley, Diaz, Almeida, Alzate

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALE AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Imposes 1% state tax on sale of hookah tobacco/vaping devices, accessories/supplies/replacement parts & 1% local hookah tobacco/vaping devices tax to be used by cities/towns for education of persons of the dangers of hookah tobacco/vaping device usage.) {LC1737/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5582

(OHIC)

BY Bennett, Jacquard, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - OVERSIGHT OF RISK-BEARING PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS (Provides the office of the health insurance commissioner with oversight of risk-bearing provider organizations and health care risk contracts.) {LC1790/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5583

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Jackson, Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX SALES (Exempts RIMHFC-acquired tax lien property from nonutilization tax/allows RIMHFC to foreclose after 1 yr if mortgage foreclosed/property abandoned/replaces 2 members of defunct organizations with existing organization members on advisory board.) {LC1503/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5584

BY Craven, McEntee, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Provides for school construction projects approved after July 1, 2019, that Rhode Island based architectural businesses be used or the project is only eligible to receive five (5) incentive points.) {LC1716/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5585

(Office of Energy Resources)

BY McEntee, Craven, Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides funding to Rhode Island department of environmental management, office of energy resources and to coastal resource management council from any offshore land lease fees associated with offshore wind systems that access state waters.) {LC1794/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5586

(Judiciary)

BY Mendez, McKiernan, O'Brien, Hawkins, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - STATE FUNDS (Adds the Judiciary's Indirect Cost Recovery – Supreme Court, Victims' Rights Information, RI Supreme Court Disciplinary Counsel and Small Claims Mediation accounts to the list of restricted receipt accounts which are not subject to indirect cost recovery.) {LC1755/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5587

BY Roberts, Filippi, Price, Quattrocchi, Nardone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND COMMERCE CORPORATION (Requires the Rhode Island commerce corporation to submit quarterly financial reports to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house and the secretary of state.) {LC1683/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5588

BY Filippi, Quattrocchi, Newberry, Nardone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- AUTOMATED SCHOOL-ZONE-SPEED-ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM ACT OF 2016 (Requires the 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.) {LC1681/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5589

BY Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - STATE INVESTMENT COMMISSION (Requires investment commission to include separate section in annual report providing information and supporting documents relating to alternative investment consultant(s), hiring, performance, and confidentiality agreements.) {LC1663/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5590

BY Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION, SALES AND USE, ESTATE AND TRANSFER, PERSONAL INCOME TAXES--ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION (Enacts 10 yr statute of limitations on assessment/collection action by the tax administrator for sales and use tax, estate tax, personal income tax, and business corporation tax. Takes effect July 1, 2019.) {LC1524/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5591

BY Filippi, Roberts, Quattrocchi, Nardone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX -- DEDUCTION FOR MAINTAINING RESIDENCE {LC1667/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5592

BY Filippi, Price, Roberts, Quattrocchi, Nardone

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- RESTRICTION ON TOLLING (Proposes a Constitutional Amendment providing that any new highway or bridge would require voter approval statewide and also in the municipalities affected.) {LC1661/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5593**BY** Filippi, Roberts, Nardone, Quattrocchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION PLATES (Permits the motor vehicle administration to allow auctions of registration plates for charity.) {LC1660/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5594**BY** Quattrocchi, Nardone, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- ESTATE AND TRANSFER TAXES -- COMPUTATION (Requires state net taxable exemption be set at equivalent federal estate tax exemption but not less than \$11,500,000 eff. 1/1/20.) {LC991/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5595**BY** Place, Nardone, Roberts, Chippendale, Lyle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS - RHODE ISLAND UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT (Exempts a developer or seller of an open blockchain token from the provisions of the Rhode Island Uniform Securities Act. A blockchain is a tool utilized in digital currency.) {LC940/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5596**BY** Place, Roberts, Nardone, Filippi, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts virtual currency from taxation.) {LC939/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5597**BY** Roberts, Newberry, Place, Quattrocchi, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX -- PART 44-30-81 PROCEDURE AND ADMINISTRATION (Provides, for the tax year 2018 and thereafter, that any tax overpayment would be refunded with interest calculated at twelve percent (12%) compounded daily if not received by the thirtieth day of June in the subsequent year.) {LC977/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5598**BY** Place, Nardone, Filippi, Roberts, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS - RHODE ISLAND UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT - VIRTUAL CURRENCY (Exempts transactions involving virtual currency from the Rhode Island Uniform Securities Act.) {LC941/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5599**BY** Price, Roberts, Quattrocchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE LIFE APPROPRIATIONS ACT (Creates the life appropriations act prohibiting public dollars from the state of Rhode Island to be awarded to any entity that performs convenience abortions.) {LC1480/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5600**BY** Roberts, Quattrocchi, Nardone, Price, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY - PRESERVATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND (Assigns to the division of agriculture within (DEM) the responsibility of administering all bond referenda approved funding for preservation of farm or agricultural land.) {LC1767/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5601**BY** Tanzi, Fogarty, McEntee, Donovan, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT -- SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULA (Freezes the amount of education aid for local school agencies that are scheduled to receive less aid under the funding formula. The education aid would be frozen at the rate provided in fiscal year 2019 for a period of three (3) years.) {LC1924/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5602**BY** Tanzi, Fogarty, McEntee, Cortvriend, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Provides that the state would reimburse the school committees for the costs of providing student transportation services to public and private school pupils.) {LC1110/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5603**BY** Tanzi, Caldwell, Cortvriend, Millea, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TOBACCO AND NICOTINE PRODUCTS--CHILDREN (Provides certain restrictions on the sale of tobacco products, enhance the definition of "tobacco products", and would raise the minimum age to purchase tobacco products and nicotine delivery systems from 18 to 21 years of age) {LC1932/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5604**BY** Tanzi, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Carson, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- HEALTH CARE FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED (Increases the income eligibility limit for medical assistance coverage for seniors and disabled individuals from one hundred percent (100%) to one hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of federal poverty level.) {LC1108/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5605**BY** Cortvriend, Fogarty, Carson, Amore, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Redefines extraordinary costs associated with the education of special education students to be costs that are above the core foundation amount.) {LC1512/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5606**BY** Cortvriend, Carson, Fogarty, Canario, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - COMPLIANCE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WITH STATE INCOME TAX (Eliminates requirement that political subdivisions provide list of employees as of July 1 of preceding year to take administrator by August 1 of each year.) {LC757/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5607**BY** Carson, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "GROWING TOURISM IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND" (Creates a twenty member "Growing Tourism in the State of Rhode Island" commission to examine, evaluate and provide recommendations to manage and grow Rhode Island's tourism economy, and would report back by January 5, 2021, and expire on March 5, 2021.) {LC170/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5608**BY** Fogarty, Tanzi, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RESIDENCE OF CHILDREN FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES (Requires the department of education and the DCYF to develop a procedure to ensure that the municipalities where group homes or other residential facilities are located are reimbursed for the educational expenses above the cost allocated.) {LC574/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5609**BY** Ranglin-Vassell, Kislak, Lyle, Williams, Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE-- PERINATAL DOULA SERVICES (Provides for medical assistance health care for expectant mothers and establishes medical assistance coverage and reimbursement rates for perinatal doula services.) {LC1841/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5610

(by request)

BY Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the donation of alcoholic beverages to nonprofit organizations that are exempt from federal taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.) {LC1881/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5611**BY** Walsh, Lombardi, Cassar, Caldwell, Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (Establishes a universal, comprehensive, affordable single-payer health care insurance program.) {LC968/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5612**BY** Walsh, Ranglin-Vassell, Williams, Caldwell, Kislak**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT, BENEFITS, AND FISCAL RAMIFICATIONS OF CREATING A SINGLE-PAYER HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN RHODE ISLAND (Creates a nine member special legislative study commission whose purpose it would be to make a comprehensive study of the benefits, ramifications/fiscal impact and cost and of creating a single-payer healthcare system.) {LC1132/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5613

(Attorney General)

BY Amore**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL (Increases from 10% to 25% amount attorney general receives from multi-state initiative settlements/eliminates \$65,000 cap and spending restrictions.) {LC1576/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5614**BY** Amore, Serodio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Exempts from sales tax any amount a construction contractor charges clients for materials and supplies in connection with a construction contract.) {LC586/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5615**BY** Noret, Serpa, Hawkins, Caldwell, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF SALES TAXES (Requires that the tax administrator credit electronic sales and use tax payments made electronically exactly when received.) {LC1383/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5616**BY** Casey, Amore, Fogarty, Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (Provides for authorizations for services to developmentally disabled adults issued on or after July 1, 2019, be developed on an annual basis with funding for these services to be issued on an annual basis.) {LC1705/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5617**BY** Morin, Vella-Wilkinson, Carson, Slater, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM (Amends the definition of "dependent child" and allows an additional year of vocational education upon successful completion of the first year of education at CCRI.) {LC1418/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5618**BY** Morin, Phillips, Vella-Wilkinson, Casey, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Amends the calculation of the permanent foundation education aid to school districts, and would make an adjustment based upon students residing in qualified low-income housing and would apply to all school years commencing on or after July 1, 2019.) {LC161/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5619**BY** Morin, Carson, Williams, Phillips, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING (Provides for increases in the amount of foundation level school support that a community would receive, based upon a community's ability to meet and surpass its minimum low and moderate income housing requirements.) {LC1692/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5620**BY** Morin, Phillips, Vella-Wilkinson, Casey, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Deletes the provisions regarding reimbursement by the state for conventional public housing students. Provides permanent foundation education aid funding for services and instructional services for students residing in conventional public housing units.) {LC162/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5621**BY** Serpa, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - LONG-TERM CARE SERVICE AND FINANCE REFORM (Provides for a Medicaid home nursing care and hospice base rate adjustment for services delivered by highly skilled nursing professionals to high-acuity or high medical necessity Medicaid beneficiaries that have tracheostomies or use ventilators.) {LC1713/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5622**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES (Provides for a use tax exemption for all health care facilities licensed by the department of health that are required by a federal or state government entity to purchase, store, use, or otherwise consume prewritten computer software.) {LC1718/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5623**BY** Serpa, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (Expedites the Medicaid assistance application process and the recoupment process including interim Medicaid assistance payments.) {LC1712/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5624

(Administration)

BY Casimiro, Shanley, Noret, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS (Allows state employees the ability to make an after tax contribution to a qualified Roth contribution program as a part of a deferred compensation plan.) {LC1791/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5625**BY** Casimiro, Ackerman, Shanley, Noret, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS (Limits the application fee for pharmacists to two hundred dollars (\$200) annually.) {LC82/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5626**BY** O'Brien, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Slater, Morin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - RETIREMENT SYSTEM - CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS (Awards all pension system members 3% COLA applied to first \$50,000 of retirement allowance annually exp. 1/1/20 provided prior year investment return gains 10% or more until fund is 80% funded.) {LC360/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5627**BY** O'Brien, Cassar, Maldonado, Serpa, Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special Rhode Island Peace Corps Volunteers license plate.) {LC361/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5628**BY** Maldonado, O'Brien, Blazejewski, Serpa, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - THE CLIMATE CHANGE COASTAL ADAPTATION TRUST FUND (Establishes OSACR, a fund which provides grants to fund projects that adapt infrastructure to address climate change; assess eligibility of projects, allocation, disbursements and the fund's financing. Effective July 1, 2019.) {LC1493/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5629**BY** Marszalkowski, Abney, Slater, Filippi, Morin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE (Provides additional controls on state spending by enhancing reporting requirements and penalties and restricting over expenditures.) {LC1922/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5630**BY** Marszalkowski, Shanley**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.) {LC1301/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5631**BY** Marszalkowski, Cortvriend, Morin, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - STATE FLEET REPLACEMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND (Requires the state to phase in the use of zero emission vehicles beginning in 2020 using state fleet replacement revolving loan funds.) {LC1944/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5632**BY** Marszalkowski, Donovan, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL FUNDS AND PROPERTY (Establishes a pilot program to promote the creation of roof solar installations on school property in order to reduce the use of fossil fuels and to generate electricity in school buildings.) {LC1303/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5633**BY** Solomon, Vella-Wilkinson, Canario, Jackson, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Allows a one-time non-refundable personal/corporate income tax credit for the actual costs of sewer connection for single/multifamily homes based on real property owner's filing status.) {LC156/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5634**BY** Solomon, Casey, Johnston, Vella-Wilkinson, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT (Creates a tax credit for the amount in excess of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) contributed to a public school district for the express purpose of making physical improvements to a school.) {LC154/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5635**BY** Solomon, Vella-Wilkinson, Canario, O'Brien, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - ESTATE AND TRANSFER TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Establishes portability of unused estate tax credit of predeceasing spouse by surviving spouse for decedents dying after 12/31/18.) {LC1378/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5636

BY Solomon, O'Brien, Phillips, Jackson, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LEAN GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE ACT (Would, through the office of management and budget, implement the Lean government initiative and include a mandatory yearly progress report by departments, agencies, boards and commissions.) {LC155/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5637

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Edwards, Canario, Phillips, Almeida, Maldonado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- CONTRACTORS' BONDS (Requires road and bridge contractors for the department of transportation to furnish a bond equal to at least 50% of the contract price on contracts in excess of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).) {LC1830/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5638

(Dept. of Administration)

BY Edwards, Canario, Phillips, Almeida, Maldonado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- PROMPT PAYMENT BY DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (Amends the provisions for prompt payment of monies owed by the department of administration to their contractors or subcontractors.) {LC1786/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5639

BY Kennedy, Price, Chippendale, Filippi, Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION (Provides that any solid waste collected and disposed of by, or on behalf of the district, shall be charged the same tipping fee per ton as the municipal rate and require the waste hauler to certify the tonnage at the time of disposal.) {LC1620/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5640

BY McEntee, Tanzi, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - SUBDIVISION OF LAND (Amends definitions for minor land development and minor subdivision, reduces time periods for minor and major applications, requires public meeting/hearing for waiver/modification to plan, and changes decision time periods.) {LC1389/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5641

BY Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Quattrocchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION (Includes in the definition of affordable housing houses whose assessed value meets the criteria of affordable housing even if such houses are not for sale. In addition, proposed housing developments which meet the criteria would be included.) {LC1670/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5642**BY** Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - EXPLOSIVES - NOTICE

(Expands the notice requirements relating to the use of explosives by requiring two (2) weeks' notice of blasting to the municipality and to owners of structures within five hundred feet (500') of the mutual property line.) {LC1676/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5643**BY** Filippi, Roberts, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - LICENSES GENERALLY

(Requires that notice of application to owners of property within two hundred feet (200') of the site of a proposed liquor licensee be given by certified mail.) {LC1530/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5644**BY** Quattrocchi, Nardone, Roberts, Price, Place**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME

HOUSING (Allows a local review board of a city or town to provide reasonable conditions and limitations on any low and moderate income housing project.) {LC1644/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5645**BY** Fogarty, Shekarchi, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - SUBDIVISION OF LAND (Allows

residential only projects to remain minor and subject to the lesser time period for certification. Adds more time for cert. And resubmission at the master and preliminary plan phases on major projects but reducing such time for the final plan.) {LC576/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5646**BY** Bennett, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - ZONING ORDINANCES (Provides

for the preservation of housing density within a community when a municipality situates alternative uses within a residential zone.) {LC1668/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5647**BY** Williams, Caldwell, Almeida, Walsh, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS

RULES (Prohibits any city or town employee, including private contractors, removing trash from leaving trash receptacles so as to constitute a hazard on the highways.) {LC559/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5648**BY** Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - REGULATION OF SALES (Allows license holders to restrict any person who has not reached his or her twenty first birthday from entering the licensed establishment after ten o'clock (10:00) pm.) {LC1757/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5649**BY** Filippi, Place, Lyle, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ATLANTIC TIME ZONE (Provides for Rhode Island's adoption of the Atlantic Time Zone if and when Massachusetts does so.) {LC1659/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5650**BY** Roberts, Chippendale, Quattrocchi, Ackerman, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS AND INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE (Provides specific language for signs to be posted at certain establishments notifying people of contact information to the national human trafficking resource center.) {LC841/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5651**BY** Quattrocchi, Nardone, Price, Roberts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - NONTRANSPARENT WINDSHIELDS AND WINDOWS (Provides an exemption, for private detectives and private security guards, from the law banning nontransparent windshields and windows.) {LC1847/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5652**BY** Walsh, Hull, Almeida, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- PUBLIC BUILDINGS (Authorizes the painting of a portrait of the president of the senate to be hung in the state house.) {LC1406/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5653**BY** Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE POLICE (Prohibits more than two (2) members of the state police to be from the same family whether by blood, adoption or marriage.) {LC113/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5654**BY** Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - STATE POLICE - DIVERSITY (Beginning June 30, 2019, requires 1 in 5 recruits to the Rhode Island State Police Training Academy be a person of color and also requires vigorous recruitment effort.) {LC114/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5655**BY** Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE POLICE -- EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (Establishes an equal opportunity unit within the division of state police to adopt an equal opportunity plan to increase the ranks of minorities and women among members of the state police.) {LC116/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5656**BY** Williams, Shekarchi, Ackerman, Marszalkowski, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - RHODE ISLAND SECURE CHOICE RETIREMENT SAVINGS PROGRAM ACT (Creates voluntary retirement IRA savings program for workers requiring employers to make available to employees if no employer retirement plan offered.) {LC1220/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5657**BY** Williams, Slater, Diaz, Almeida, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS (Shifts the legal burden of proof in certain workers' compensation actions involving intoxicating substances.) {LC1743/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5658**BY** Ranglin-Vassell, Walsh, Williams, Blazejewski, Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MINIMUM WAGES (Requires the city of Providence to pay its employees no less than fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour commencing January 1, 2020.) {LC1842/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5659**BY** Donovan, Blazejewski, Ranglin-Vassell, Craven, Casimiro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES (Comprehensively addresses wage discrimination by expanding employee protections and the scope of the remedies available to employees who have experienced wage discrimination.) {LC1637/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5660**BY** Walsh, Lombardi, Lyle, Hull, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MINIMUM WAGE-- GRATUITIES (Raises the minimum wage for tipped workers by fifty cents (\$.50) per year commencing on January 1, 2020 until the tipped minimum wage is not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the regular minimum wage.) {LC931/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5661**BY** Walsh, Lombardi, Lyle, Hull, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TIP PROTECTION {LC930/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5662**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MINIMUM WAGES (Removes the overtime exemption for firefighters unless they are paid at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times their regular rate for all hours worked in excess of forty-two (42) hours.) {LC1717/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5663**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS (Removes the overtime exemption for firefighters and rescue service personnel employed by the cities and towns.) {LC1756/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Resolution No. 5664**BY** Messier, Johnston, Donovan, Casey, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO EXPLORE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GULF WARS VETERANS MEMORIAL (This resolution would extend the reporting and expiration dates of the special house commission to explore the construction of a Gulf Wars Veterans Memorial from June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2020, and said commission would expire on August 30, 2020.) {LC1954/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

House Resolution No. 5665**BY** Blazejewski, Carson, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, McKiernan**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING AN ASSESSMENT OF THE BENEFITS TO RHODE ISLAND OF ENACTMENT OF A GREEN NEW DEAL, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STATE LEGISLATION BASED ON GREEN NEW DEAL PRINCIPLES. {LC1839/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5666**BY** Bennett, Chippendale, Tanzi, Shanley, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT (Provides that applicants/licensees for fossil fuel electricity generating facilities invest in renewable energy facilities in conjunction with the fossil fuel facility construction.) {LC1825/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5667**BY** Bennett, Edwards, Jacquard, Diaz**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.) {LC1761/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5668**BY** Nardone, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- REFUSE DISPOSAL (Prohibits solid waste landfill facilities and municipal waste management facilities from being located closer than one mile from any residential neighborhood in any city or town.) {LC1443/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5669**BY** Carson, Cortvriend**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL WASTE RECYCLING AND REFUSE DISPOSAL (Requires schools to comply with recycling and composting laws and promotes food donation and local food service contracts.) {LC175/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5670**BY** Ruggiero, Solomon, Bennett, Knight, Williams**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECT AND PROCEDURES FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE RHODE ISLAND COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (CRMC) {LC1973/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5671

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY McEntee, Fellela, Ucci, Costantino, Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PLASTIC WASTE REDUCTION ACT (Creates the "Plastic Waste Reduction Act" designed to reduce the use of plastic bags by retail establishments by offering recyclable bag options and providing penalties for violations.) {LC1831/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5672**BY** McNamara, Shekarchi, Shanley, Solomon, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- THE PERMANENT AIR QUALITY MONITORING ACT (Extends the required air quality monitoring program at Green International Airport for two years to July 31, 2021.) {LC1962/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5673**BY** Jacquard, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - SERVICE MEMBER LICENSURE (Provides for service member business license reciprocity for applicant's who have recently established residence in Rhode Island.) {LC1834/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5674**BY** Jacquard, Chippendale, Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW--GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- SERVICE CONTRACTS (Defines service contracts and clarifies that service contracts are not insurance and not otherwise subject to the insurance code.) {LC1686/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5675**BY** Lima, Costantino, Chippendale, Roberts, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AND DOMESTIC ABUSE (Expedites a victim of domestic abuse eligibility for and receipt of unemployment benefits by removing the waiting period and other impediments.) {LC1851/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5676**BY** Williams, Slater, Shanley, Diaz, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - MISSING TITLES FOR OLDER VEHICLES (Allows the owner of motor vehicles, which is between ten (10) and twenty (20) years old and cannot locate a title certificate obtain a registration certificate with the name of the current registered owner(s).) {LC1738/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5677**BY** Williams, Cassar, Almeida, Vella-Wilkinson, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND ESTHETICIANS (Exempts natural hair braiders from the requirement to be licensed as hairdressers or cosmeticians, and would define the practice of natural hair braiding.) {LC9/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5678**BY** Kennedy, Azzinaro, Edwards, Ucci, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Prohibits nonregulated power producers from automatically renewing a contract. Mandates that the nonregulated power producer provide methods for the customer to cancel service and provide the customer with notice of the contract expiration date.) {LC1850/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5679

(Division of Public Utilities & Carriers)

BY Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - ENGINEERS (Requires that plans for natural gas infrastructure be built to a set of design standards approved by a certified engineer if the work poses a material public safety risk.) {LC1787/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5680**BY** Shanley, Lyle, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS-BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND ESTHETICIANS (Enacts a new all-encompassing registration and regulation procedure relating to barbers, hairdressers, cosmeticians, manicurists and estheticians.) {LC1859/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5681

(Secretary of State)

BY Shanley, Casimiro, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS {LC1543/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5682**BY** Filippi, Place, Price, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIMITED-LIABILITY COMPANY ACT (Prevents dissolution of an LLC by permitting member(s) of the LLC to buy the units owned by another member(s) seeking the dissolution.) {LC1537/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5683**BY** Place, Nardone, Roberts, Filippi, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS-ELECTRONIC NETWORKS AND DATABASES (Enables the use of electronic networks and databases for corporate records.) {LC937/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5684**BY** Roberts, Filippi, Nardone, Lyle, Place**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY (Limits the use of toll collection facilities to toll collection only and not for issuing any other motor vehicle violation.) {LC988/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5685**BY** Roberts, Price, Quattrocchi, Nardone, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND CHILD EXPLOITATION PREVENTION {LC551/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Resolution No. 5686**BY** Carson, Abney, Cortvriend, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE RHODE ISLAND DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RHODE ISLAND ATTORNEY GENERAL AND NATIONAL GRID INVESTIGATE AND

DETERMINE THE CAUSES FOR THE RECENT LOSS OF GAS UTILITY SERVICE ON
AQUIDNECK ISLAND {LC1425/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5687

BY Ruggiero, Shekarchi, Almeida, Carson, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- CHECK CASHING (Raises the maximum check cashing fee from fifty cents (\$.50) to six dollars (\$6.00) per check, for persons cashing checks incidental to the retail sale of goods or services.) {LC1975/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5688

BY Cassar, Shekarchi, Williams, Shanley, Walsh

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- INSURER RECEIVERSHIP MODEL ACT (Establishes a process for insurers who wish to utilize receivership rather than the other processes of liquidation or rehabilitation.) {LC1919/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5689

(Attorney General)

BY Phillips, Millea, Hawkins, Shanley, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS - DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Amends the Deceptive Trade Practices Act to clarify the law's exemptions, enable individuals subject to unfair or deceptive acts/practices to recover increased damages/permit the attorney general to seek civil penalties for initial violations of the law.) {LC1573/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5690

BY Noret, Caldwell, Canario, Amore, Serodio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS - PURCHASE AND SALE OF PRECIOUS METALS (Requires a licensed buyer of precious metals or articles, tools, and electronics to take a digital photograph of purchase and upload it to the attorney general's license sales tracking system database, maintained for a period of 3 years.) {LC1938/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5691

BY Morin, Casey, Vella-Wilkinson, Millea, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS (Amends the rules and regulations for sellers of event tickets.) {LC1387/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5692

BY Morin, Vella-Wilkinson, Phillips, Diaz, Ackerman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - EXCAVATION NEAR UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES (Requires any public utility or its contractor to reimburse an excavator for lost time expense incurred, including manpower and equipment from the utilities incorrect marking of underground utilities.) {LC1689/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5693

(Administration)

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS (Eliminates division of planning from evaluation process of future state prop. leases. Eliminates requirement of notice to local planning board's planning program of hearings and zoning changes.) {LC1792/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5694

BY Solomon, Shanley, Casey, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Requires an electric utility to bury power lines in the event of a residential power outage lasting ninety-six (96) consecutive hours or more, unless the outage was caused by the resident.) {LC153/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5695

(Attorney General)

BY Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - THE HOSPITAL CONVERSIONS ACT (Extends monitoring of hospital conversions from 3 to 5 years/increases fine for violations from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000/simplifies judicial review.) {LC1571/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5696

BY Shekarchi, Morin, Ucci, Phillips, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION--ZONING ORDINANCES (Provides that notices of amendments to zoning ordinances be sent first class mail. A quorum of the zoning board of review shall be a majority of the authorized members to vote, including alternates.) {LC1625/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5697

BY Shekarchi, Ucci, Solomon, Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - SUBDIVISION OF LAND (Provides that planning board votes for approval require a majority of the members present at the time of the vote, and that members absent at any hearing on a matter may, upon the consent of the applicant, vote on such matter.) {LC1758/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5698

BY Shekarchi, Ackerman, Solomon, Cassar, Marszalkowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Provides that the state board of elections would be exempt from the "administrative procedures act" except for certain rule-making provisions of the "administrative procedures act".) {LC1970/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5699

(Attorney General)

BY Craven, McEntee, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - GOVERNMENTAL TORT LIABILITY (Removes the exception to the (\$100,000.00) limitation of damages when the state is engaged in a proprietary function in the commission of a tort, and would exempt the state and any city or town or fire district from interest awards in civil actions.) {LC1577/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5700

(Board of Elections)

BY Craven, McEntee, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - REGISTRATION OF VOTERS (Allows voters to file state form designating party affiliation rather than in person and change affiliation within 30 days prior to primary election with local canvassing board.) {LC1914/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5701

(Attorney General)

BY Craven, McEntee, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION (Extends the effective date of Chapters 157 and 259 of the 2018 Public Laws from July 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020 in regards to Chapter 11-37.1 ("Sexual Offender Registration and Community Notification").) {LC1581/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5702

BY Craven, McEntee, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - OPEN MEETINGS (Amends multiple sections relating to "open meetings" including utilizing advances in technology for observing meetings, how quorums are calculated, procedures for closed meetings and notice requirements.) {LC1714/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5703

(Attorney General)

BY McKiernan, Almeida, Williams, Blazejewski, Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Defines the term "ghost gun" and bans the manufacture, sale purchase or possession of a machine gun, a ghost gun or an undetectable firearm.) {LC1633/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5704**BY** McKiernan, Almeida, O'Brien, Solomon, Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Allows landlords to recover funds expended or fines associated with violations of local ordinances when such violations are due to actions of their tenants(s), provided that the lease clearly addresses the reimbursement.) {LC1287/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5705**BY** McEntee, Craven, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES--MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES (Amends the towing storage act and clarifies issues related to the towing and storage of vehicles. Non-certified towers must have "Not for hire" lettered on their vehicle and provides increased fine and penalties for violators.) {LC1375/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5706**BY** McEntee, Craven, McKiernan, Blazejewski, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (Provides for a process for married and unmarried parents, to complete adoption to confirm their parentage of children born into their relationships with mutual intent and through assisted reproduction.) {LC1691/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5707**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Kislak, Craven, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- RHODE ISLAND PARENTAGE ACT (Repeals current state law regarding paternity and replaces it with a more comprehensive parentage act that provides procedures establishing parentage, genetic testing, surrogacy agreements and assisted reproduction.) {LC1354/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5708**BY** McEntee, Kislak, Craven, McKiernan, Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY (Adopts the uniform interstate depositions and discovery act, and amends the current law regarding depositions taken for use in a foreign jurisdiction by referencing the new act.) {LC1741/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5709

(Board of Elections)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Morin, Almeida, Williams, Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- NOMINATION OF PARTY AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES (Amends several election statutes to require votes received by declared write-in candidates to be reported, requires a declaration to be filed by candidates to be elected by write-in and considers ballots cast for no office to be "irregular ballots".) {LC1915/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5710**BY** Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Morin, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN (Makes the practice of aiding a minor in the process of getting an abortion a civil and criminal offense.) {LC537/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5711**BY** Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Morin, Jackson, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOODS AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT - OFFENSES AND PENALTIES (Decreases the penalties for unlawful possession of a schedule I, II, III, IV, and V controlled substance from imprisonment for 3 years down to 1 year and a maximum fine of (\$5,000) reduced to a maximum fine of five hundred dollars (\$500).) {LC1502/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5712

(Board of Elections)

BY Marszalkowski, Caldwell, Hawkins, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS (Permits emergency mail ballots at any time prior to any election and would require that electors sign an electronic poll book containing a certificate of facts relating to the circumstances necessitating the emergency application.) {LC1912/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5713

(Judiciary)

BY Maldonado, Casimiro, Diaz, Alzate, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Adds the administrator of the Supreme Court as an individual authorized to perform marriages and would clarify that the current administrators of the superior court, family court, district court, or traffic tribunal are empowered to perform marriages.) {LC1754/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5714

(Board of Elections)

BY Maldonado, Solomon, Slater, Diaz, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES (Provides that a voter may use proof of identity which expired no more than six (6) months prior to voting.) {LC1908/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5715

(Secretary of State)

BY Alzate, Casimiro, Mendez, Tobon, Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTER REGISTRATION (Removes the requirement that party primary voters automatically change their party affiliation to that party and reduces from 90 to 30 days the time before an election that a non-candidate can change their affiliation.) {LC1545/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5716**BY** Williams, Caldwell, Walsh, Almeida, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS - PUBLIC RECORDS (Classifies the names, applications and resumes submitted to the judicial nominating commission as public records.) {LC563/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5717**BY** Williams, Slater, Shanley, Diaz, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS - FAMILY COURT (Expands jurisdiction of family court related to custody or guardianship of immigrant children to include immigrant persons between 18 years and 21 years of age for purposes of abuse and neglect determinations in accordance with federal law.) {LC1744/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5718**BY** Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Quattrocchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - PEN REGISTERS AND TRAP AND TRACE DEVICES (Prohibits the use of a stingray cell-site simulator device by any law enforcement agency except upon application for its use and the granting of its order by the presiding justice of the superior court.) {LC1675/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Resolution No. 5719**BY** Filippi, Price, Roberts, Quattrocchi, Nardone**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND -- STANDING TO SUE GRANTED TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (This joint resolution would propose a constitutional amendment which, if approved by the voters, would grant standing to each member of the general assembly to file a lawsuit in the Superior Court challenging any governmental expenditure or tax.) {LC1657/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5720**BY** Filippi, Place, Roberts, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS

(Requires the sealing of an application for a search warrant unless the court issuing the warrant issues an order granting relief from the seal.) {LC1672/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5721**BY** Newberry, Solomon, Craven, Filippi, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ASSET FORFEITURE (Creates a new chapter to standardize procedures for asset forfeitures for all crimes.) {LC1927/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Resolution No. 5722**BY** Lyle, Newberry**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE (GOVERNOR, AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO APPEAR JOINTLY ON THE BALLOT (Amends the state Constitution to require that the governor and lieutenant governor candidates of a political party appear on the ballot as a single choice commencing with the general election in November, 2022.) {LC990/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5723**BY** Place, Nardone, Price, Roberts, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Amends the definition of firearms to include taser. Permits any person over the age of eighteen (18) to possess a stun gun. Enacts the review and appeal process of applying for a license to carry with the licensing authority or attorney general.) {LC1785/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5724**BY** Roberts, Filippi, Price, Quattrocchi, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS-- COST (Provides that fees for costs charged for search, retrieval or copying of public records shall be waived for members of the general assembly who certify that they are acting in their official capacity.) {LC1662/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5725**BY** Lyle, Place, Quattrocchi, Kislak, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS (Vests with the governor the sole authority to nominate, on the basis of merit, from a list submitted by the judicial nominating commission with the advice and consent of the senate, all judges and magistrates, to all courts.) {LC607/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5726**BY** Kislak, Blazejewski, Donovan, Lyle, Cortvriend**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING (Creates public funding for legislative candidates, would limit contributions of public funds for all candidates for governor, statewide office holders and legislators.) {LC1455/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5727**BY** Tanzi, Craven, Fogarty, Bennett, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES (Requires all candidates for United States President and Vice President file copies of their last 5 years of federal income tax returns with the state board of elections no later than 50 days prior to the general election.) {LC1111/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5728**BY** Tanzi, Donovan, Ranglin-Vassell, Ajello, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (Increases the age from eighteen to twenty-one years for lawful possession, sale, or transfer of firearms or ammunition. Full-time law enforcement, fire marshals and member of U.S. military would be exempt from these prohibitions.) {LC1107/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5729**BY** Carson, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION (Requires initial, biennial, and continuing education in land use law and planning for local planning, zoning, or historic board and commission members.) {LC1224/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5730**BY** Carson, Cortvriend**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES (Requires real estate sellers to provide buyers with an annual building energy cost estimate and imposes a duty on sellers to conduct real estate condition inspections.) {LC1934/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5731**BY** Walsh, Ajello, Newberry, Chippendale, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Requires drug diversion investigator or other state or federal qualified law enforcement agency, to obtain a valid search warrant before accessing the electronic prescription data base for information about medical marijuana patients and cardholders.) {LC929/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5732**BY** Walsh, Caldwell, Hull, Almeida, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PRIMARIES {LC1408/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5733**BY** Walsh, Ranglin-Vassell, Williams, Caldwell, Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL ASSAULT (Establishes criteria for the criminal offense of sexual assault when the victim is in the custody of a peace officer. Provides that a person convicted of custodial sexual assault would face imprisonment for not more than 3 years.) {LC1407/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5734**BY** Costantino, Phillips, Hawkins, Williams, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - REGULATION OF SALES

(Reduces the fee for a state issued identification card to ten dollars (\$10).) {LC1967/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5735**BY** Williams, Caldwell, Walsh, Almeida, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS --

JUDICIAL SELECTION (Requires the judicial nominating commission to consider a nominee's unique background and overall competence in all areas of practice of laws rather than emphasizing trial and courtroom experience in selecting nominees for the judiciary.) {LC558/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5736**BY** Caldwell, Donovan, Knight, Ajello, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN

CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING (Permits campaign funds to be used to pay all childcare expenses that are incurred as a direct result of campaign activity.) {LC1930/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5737

(by request)

BY Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES [SEE

TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] (Requires the installation of video surveillance cameras and equipment in any classroom which has an enrolled child with a disability, who as a result of such disability is unable to communicate.) {LC1323/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5738

(Board of Elections)

BY Caldwell, Craven, Noret, Hawkins, Millea**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN

CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING (Amends provisions of the election laws relative to self-funding campaign contributions, the paperwork to be filed upon dissolution of a campaign account and liabilities imposed upon political action committee treasurers for late filings.)

{LC1909/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5739

(Governor/Attorney General)

BY Caldwell, McEntee, Tanzi, Cassar, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- LARGE CAPACITY FEEDING

DEVICE BAN (Prohibits sale/possession of feeding device holding more than 10 ammunition rounds punishable by up to \$5,000 fine or up to 5 years imprisonment with law enforcement/military personnel exceptions.) {LC1629/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5740

(Attorney General)

BY Caldwell, Ackerman, Williams, McEntee, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC1631/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5741

(Governor/Attorney General)

BY Caldwell, Almeida, Ruggiero, McEntee, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Bans possession, sale and transfer of assault weapons which are not property registered.) {LC1628/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5742

(Attorney General)

BY Millea, Phillips, Hawkins, Solomon, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- GRAND JURIES {LC1835/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5743

(Judiciary)

BY Millea, Phillips, Hawkins, Solomon, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS (Provides that the chief justice of the Supreme Court may declare a disaster emergency and orders necessary action to ensure efficient operation of the judicial system.) {LC1749/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5744

(Judiciary)

BY Millea, Phillips, Hawkins, Solomon, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - LAW PRACTICE (Provides that the rules and regulations pertaining to the unauthorized practice of law committee would be approved and promulgated by the Supreme Court.) {LC1752/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5745

(Judiciary)

BY Canario, Shanley, Donovan, Jackson, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS - DOMESTIC ASSAULT (Updates the language required to be given by police officers when responding to domestic abuse calls.) {LC1751/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5746**BY** Canario, Shanley, Donovan, Jackson, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - USE OF LANES (Makes using the passing lane on limited access highways a violation when not passing another vehicle.) {LC1518/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5747

(Dept. of Corrections)

BY Canario, Casey, Johnston, Jackson, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Includes the chief inspector and inspector as those exempt from carrying a firearm without a permit and would define them as peace officers.) {LC1793/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5748

BY Noret, Jackson, Casimiro, Alzate, Millea

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES-DISORDERLY CONDUCT (Makes threats of mass violence to any educational or religious institution, social, civic or fraternal association a felony and allows the court to set reasonable conditions of release of the defendant in order to assure the safety of the community.) {LC1946/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5749

(Board of Elections)

BY Phillips, Millea, Hawkins, Shanley, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS

(Allows local boards of canvassers to combine voting districts in special elections for approval/rejection of questions or when no officials will be elected or in primary elections only with board of election approval.) {LC1913/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5750

(Governor)

BY Morin, Ucci, Ackerman, Amore, Serodio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- THEFT, EMBEZZLEMENT, FALSE PRETENSES, AND MISAPPROPRIATION (Amends certain campaign contribution and expenditure reporting requirements and would provide for forfeiture of campaign contributions upon a conviction or plea of nolo contendere to specified felony crimes relating to public office.) {LC1695/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5751

BY Casey, Canario, Jacquard, Hull, Morin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - EMERGENCY COMMITMENT FOR DRUG INTOXICATION (Authorizes a seventy-two (72) hour hold to be ordered by a physician in certain instances of substance use disorders.) {LC1618/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5752

(Attorney General)

BY Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Enhances penalties for failure to report lost or stolen firearms to the police department, and specify penalties for making a false report of lost or stolen firearms.) {LC1632/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5753

(Board of Elections)

BY Johnston, Lima, Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING (Assigns financial responsibility for late filings of campaign finance reports to treasurer of committees and authorizes board of elections to institute civil action or refer matter to attorney general and authorizes candidates name kept off the ballot.) {LC1911/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5754

(Attorney General)

BY Johnston, O'Brien, Canario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS {LC1630/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5755

BY Solomon, Johnston, Casey, Vella-Wilkinson, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION (Allows the superior court or the family court in reviewing sex offender level determination by the sex offender board of review, to raise or lower the offender's community notification level.) {LC157/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5756

BY Solomon, Casey, Johnston, Vella-Wilkinson, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW -- MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS (Requires condo unit owners' association officers to verify management agents/companies retained by association are insured regarding services provided.) {LC479/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5757

BY Fellela, Williams, Serpa, Messier, Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CASINO GAMING (This act would prohibit minors under the age of twenty-one (21) years old from engaging in any type of legal casino gambling and be subject to civil penalties for violation.) {LC1421/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5758

(Board of Elections)

BY Slater, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES (Allows voters making a mark rather than signature to vote with proof of identity by affirming their mark to the electronic pollbook without need for an affidavit by election supervisors.) {LC1910/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5759**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATED TO FOOD AND DRUGS - THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT (Prohibits employer discrimination against medical marijuana cardholders testing positive, allows for civil remedies for medical marijuana cardholders experiencing discrimination, provides state as sole regulator for compassion centers/medical marijuana.) {LC1356/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5760

(Attorney General)

BY Slater, Solomon, Williams, Edwards, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Makes the possession of schedule I through V controlled substances and possession of more than an ounce of marijuana misdemeanors punishable by up one year imprisonment and /or a five hundred dollar (\$500) fine or both.) {LC1574/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5761**BY** Diaz, Almeida, Slater, Edwards, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION (Amends definition of educational institutions and defines neighborhood. Prohibits level 3 sex offender from living within 1500 feet from schools, prohibits level 3 offender from moving back to neighborhood where offense was committed.) {LC1089/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5762

(Governor/Attorney General)

BY Diaz, Slater, Blazejewski, Craven, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (Prohibits firearms possession within 300 feet of school grounds except for peace officers, retired law enforcement officers, persons providing school security, firearms on private property and unloaded firearms in containers or locked car racks.) {LC1627/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5763**BY** Casimiro, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS (Authorizes detectives, and any rank above, in the town of North Kingstown police department to sign written complaints, under oath, for the issuance of search warrants.) {LC1939/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5764

(Secretary of State)

BY Alzate, Casimiro, Kazarian, Mendez, Cassar

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION - NOMINATION - DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY, AND PRIMARY VOTES (Sets an earlier deadline for the filing of declaration of candidacy and nomination papers while also moving the party primary from September to August.) {LC1544/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5765

(Board of Elections)

BY Jacquard, Noret, Edwards, Kennedy, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - ELECTIVE MEETINGS {LC1926/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5766

(Attorney General)

BY Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES (Extends the look-back period from five (5) years to ten (10) years for third and subsequent offenses for driving under the influence of liquor or drugs and refusal to submit to chemical testing.) {LC1579/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5767

BY Lima, Casey, Ucci, Solomon, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Authorizes the use of stun guns/tasers after issuance of permit from attorney general.) {LC1374/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5768

BY Lima, Serpa, Ackerman, Marshall, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - TRADE IN COVERED ANIMAL PARTS OR PRODUCTS (Prohibits the purchase, sale, offer for sale or possession with intent to sell covered animal parts or products and provide for penalties for violation ranging from misdemeanor to felony upon conviction.) {LC1462/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5769

BY Blazejewski, Morin, O'Brien, Mendez, Maldonado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LOCAL OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY ACT (Creates a process that provides affected employees an opportunity to purchase the business that employs them, but is in danger of being sold or going out of business.) {LC1838/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Small Business

House Bill No. 5770**BY** Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Morin, Marszalkowski, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - HOTELS (Provides guidelines and restrictions pertaining to short-term rentals to address health and safety concerns.)
{LC1489/1}

02/27/2019 Introduced, referred to House Small Business

CALENDAR

From the Calendar is taken:

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2019:**1. 2019-H 5091****BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TEN TREES GROUP, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Leader Shekarchi moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives McLaughlin, Kislak, Abney, Noret, Craven, Diaz, Cassar, Cortvriend, Blazejewski, Canario 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 Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Handy, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

GUESTS

Representative Ucci welcomes to the House Chamber as guests his constituent, George Tashjian, along with his daughter, Olivia Tashjian and her friend, Halle Peloquin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Noret wishes his daughter, Robbie a Happy “9th” Birthday on February 17th during recess. Speaker Mattiello also wishes Robbie a Happy Birthday.

Representative Azzinaro wishes his daughter, Mary Banks a Happy “30th” Birthday. Speaker Mattiello also wishes Mary a Happy Birthday.

Representatives Almeida and Williams address the members of the House in regards to Black History Month.

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 5771**

BY Diaz, Williams, Slater, Maldonado, Mendez

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC INDEPENDENCE ON FEBRUARY 27, 2019 {LC219/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Diaz seconded by Representatives Slater, Williams, Mendez, Maldonado, Leaders Filippi, Shekarchi, Representative Noret, Speaker Mattiello and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

Representative Diaz discusses the resolution.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

GUESTS

Representative Tanzi welcomes to the House as guests the Narragansett School System’s FFA Program (Future Farmers of America): Charles Ashworth, Edward Beck, Kallie Bonneau, Lindsey Broomhead, Melissa Chianese, Hannah Conlon, Emily Crane, Alexander Day, Victoria DeVoe, Abigail Foster, Hannah Foster, Sophia Gallant, Nicholas Godena, Benjamin Hoxsie, Emma Hughes, Paige Martone, Erin McCaffrey, Brooke Minty, Todd Poulos, Calla Reardon, Katelyn Slaga, Flynn Sullivan, Kevin Versakos, and Aliana Zabel along with their advisors Gregory Breene, Aaron Gathen and Meredith Ashworth.

Representative McEntee congratulates the Narragansett High School’s Agricultural Program.

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Azzinaro-An Act relating to Military Affairs & Defense
An Act relating to Rhode Island Veterans Home

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

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 Chairman Canario 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.

Chairman Craven announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 205 of the State House.

Representative Maldonado invites members to the 10th Anniversary Joint Celebration of Black History Month in the Senate at the rise of the House.

Chairman Williams announces that the Committee on Labor 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 bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Fogarty-An Act relating to Medical Licensure and Discipline

Representative Serpa-An Act relating to Coventry Sewer Authority

Representative Tobon-An Act relating to Affairs & Government
An Act relating to Department of Business Regulation-Automobile Wreckage
Salvage Yards
An Act relating to Taxation-Property Subject to Taxation
An Act relating to Health & Safety-Proper Management and Unused Paint

Representative Diaz-An Act relating to State Affairs & Government

Representative Ucci-An Act relating to Child Support

Representative Ranglin-Vassell-An Act relating to Marijuana Equity

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

GUEST

Representative Fellela welcomes to the House as a guest her constituent, Rita Marcella.

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. 5383

BY Edwards, Bennett, Chippendale, Canario, Mendez

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING (Amends current law so that, as part of a comprehensive discharge plan, a hospital would be allowed to try to contact the patient's emergency contact and the certified peer recovery specialists, in accordance with federal law.) {LC1121/1}

02/27/2019 Committee transferred to House H.E.W.

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 5:00 PM o'clock P.M on motion of Representative Millea and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Jeremy Wall; seconded by Leaders Shekarchi and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE DEBORAH RUIGGIERO

Dear God: Every year we set aside one month to better educate ourselves and our children to the often neglected accomplishments of African Americans in the course of American history. Let us now all work to recognize, and fully appreciate, the accomplishments of African Americans so instrumental to the very foundation of American society. Amen.

APPENDIX

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019:

1. **2019-H 5295**
 BY Ucci
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

2. **2019-H 5336**
 BY Amore
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. **2019-H 5359**
 BY Newberry
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, February 15, 2019

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019:

1. 2019-H 5016

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY VETERAN AND MILITARY SPOUSE EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Veterans` Affairs recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, February 15, 2019