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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the first day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and nineteen.

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Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Twenty-eighth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, March 19, 2019 and is called to order at 4:32 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 73 members present and 2 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 73 The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

ABSENT – 2: Representatives Handy, Millea.

INVOCATION

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

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Thursday, March 14, 2019, is approved.

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY



House of Representatives

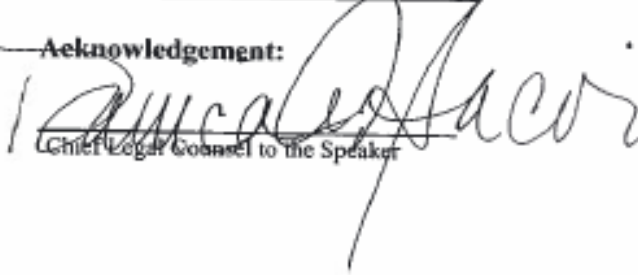
CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST 2019

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Representative Morin
hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # 5810
entitled: RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW – UNFAIR SALES
PRACTICES – GIFT CERTIFICATES
which is currently in the House Committee on HOUSE CORPORATIONS

Signature: 

House District # 49

Date: March 19, 2019

Acknowledgement:

Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

NOTE: This request must be submitted to the Clerk of the House, who will retain the original and a copy to be placed in the committee's original bill file

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Christopher Millea is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**TRANSFER OF BILLS**

Chairman Craven, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Corporation:

House Bill No. 5480

BY Ucci, Chippendale, Jacquard, Lima, Morin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS - INTERNET PRIVACY AND SECURITY (Establishes that manufacturers of devices capable of connecting to the Internet equip the devices with reasonable security features.) {LC889/1} 03/19/2019 Committee transferred to House Corporations

Chairman Craven, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Finance:

House Bill No. 5347

BY Craven, Bennett, Shanley, McEntee, Caldwell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PROMPT PROCESSING OF CLAIMS (Provides greater details to be considered when deciding if there has been substantial compliance with the statutes requiring the prompt processing and payment of health insurance claims.) {LC1327/1} 03/19/2019 Committee transferred to House Finance

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019:**1. 2019-H 5305**

BY Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - RHODE ISLAND UNINSURED PROTECTION FUND

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Chairman Williams moves passage of the act, seconded by Representative Almeida, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Walsh, Hull, Jackson, Fellela, Barros, Vella-Wilkinson, and Casey

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

2. 2019-S 242

BY Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - RHODE ISLAND UNINSURED PROTECTION FUND

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

Chairman Williams moves passage of the act, seconded by Leader Shekarchi and Representative Fellela.

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

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

3. 2019-H 5257

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF ST. PETER'S-BY-THE-SEA, NARRAGANSETT, RHODE ISLAND

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Jacquard moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Casey, Johnston, Tanzi, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Abney, and McEntee.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Morin, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader Shekarchi and Speaker Mattiello extend get well wishes to Larry Berman and asks members to keep him in their thoughts and prayers.

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 5870

BY Lyle, Ackerman, Costantino, Shekarchi, Filippi

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOHN A. LUCAS {LC2208/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Lyle seconded by Representatives Ackerman, Costantino, Leaders Shekarchi, Filippi, Representatives Tanzi, McNamara, Edwards, Bennett, Canario, and Azzinaro by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Edwards-An Act relating to Refinancing Garvee Bonds.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 5871**BY** McLaughlin, Shekarchi, Filippi, Mattiello, Edwards**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF LOLA A. MORAN {LC2211/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative McLaughlin seconded by Leaders Shekarchi, Filippi, Speaker Mattiello, Representatives Johnston, Ackerman, Maldonado, and Corvese by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 5872**BY** Shekarchi, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2201/1}

Majority Leader Shekarchi request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 5873**BY** Shekarchi, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC2200/1}

Majority Leader Shekarchi request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

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

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Lima-An Act relating to Codifying Supreme Court Justice Ruling on Stun Guns.

Representative Slater-An Act relating to Elections-Mail Ballots

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Cassar addresses members in honor of Women's History Month in regards to Charity Quamino in Newport's history.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Ucci-An Act relating to Vehicle Registrations-License Plates

Representative O'Brien-An Act relating to Education
An Act relating to Criminal Offenses

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Craven announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

Chairman Abney announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Representative McLaughlin wishes all a Happy St. Joseph's Day.

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

GUESTS

Representative Quattrocchi acknowledges the 2nd amendment patriots and thanks them. Speaker Mattiello also welcomes them to the House and thanks them for their advocacy.

TRANSMITTAL

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:00 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Ruggiero, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Nancy Allen Logan; on motion of Representative Lyle, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of John A. Lucas; on motion of Representative McLaughlin, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. Lola A. Moran; on motion of Representative Lima, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Edward G. DiMuccio; on motion of Representative Place, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Ryan Ferris; on motion of Representative Ucci, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Giovanni "John" Quarto; on motion of Representative Lyle, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Clare P. Sandberg seconded by Leaders Shekarchi and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT B. JACQUARD

Dear Lord: As we start a new work week we ask your blessing on this people's house. Guide us with your wisdom to always respect those whom we disagree, and to always be willing to listen to opposing viewpoints. Amen.

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senate Bill No. 37 SUB A

BY Ruggerio, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Algieri, Conley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- VIDEO-
LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING (Authorizes and provide for online
sports wagering through authorized hosting facilities in Rhode Island.) {LC721/A/1}

03/19/2019 Transmitted to Governor

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019:

1. **2019-H 5118**
BY Bennett
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

2. **2019-H 5129 SUB A**
BY Solomon
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW--RESALE OF UNITS

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

3. **2019-H 5467**
BY Lombardi
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF CARS INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2019:

1. **2019-H 5182 SUB A**
BY Phillips
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES -- SPECIAL EVENTS LICENSE

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

2. **2019-H 5253**
BY O'Brien
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT]

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

- 3. 2019-H 5516**
BY Blazejewski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, March 15, 2019