### **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

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## **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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Forty-fifth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Thursday, May 2, 2019 and is called to order at 4:28 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 74 members present and 1 member absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 74 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, 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, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

**ABSENT** – 1: Representative Fogarty.

#### INVOCATION

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

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

#### Senate Bill No. 372

**BY** Ciccone, Lombardi, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MUNICIPAL POLICE CONTRACTS (Extends provisions of an existing collective bargaining agreement for municipal police arbitration purposes until a successor agreement is reached or an interest arbitration award is rendered.) {LC1233/1} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 376

**BY** Ciccone, Lombardi, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION (Continues all provisions of firefighter's collective bargaining agreements until a successor agreement has been reached or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.) {LC1234/1} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 510 SUB A

**BY** Lynch Prata, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Ciccone **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - PAYMENT OF WAGES - VIOLATIONS (Increases penalties for violations of certain wage and hour laws.) {LC1867/A/2} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 512 SUB A

BY McCaffrey, Lawson, Goodwin, Lynch Prata, Valverde

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- ARBITRATION --CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS (Requires that the contractual provisions contained in an otherwise expired collective bargaining agreement with certified school teachers and municipal employees would continue until a successor agreement has been reached between the parties.) {LC1367/A/1}

05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 747

BY Lombardi, Ciccone, Gallo, Lynch Prata, Ruggerio

**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.) {LC1824/1} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 748

BY Lombardi, Ciccone, Gallo, Lynch Prata, Archambault

**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.) {LC1843/1} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Labor

#### Senate Bill No. 840 BY Ciccone ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF 61 PILSUDSKI ST., LLC {LC2446/1} 05/02/2019 Referred to House Corporations

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

House Bill No. 6053 BY Millea, McKiernan, Almeida, Vella-Wilkinson, Morin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS - PUBLIC RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Establishes public records program managed by administrator/state archivist for custody/disposal of state records assisted by 17 member advisory commission with civil penalties for violations.) {LC2510/1} 05/02/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

#### House Bill No. 6054

**BY** Azzinaro, Kennedy, Shekarchi, Edwards, Blazejewski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR SHOP ACT (Allows a motor vehicle repair shop owner to sell, at a commercially recordable sale, a customer's vehicle if they fail to pay over thirty (30) days of properly charged storage fees.) {LC2485/1} 05/02/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

#### House Bill No. 6055

**BY** Costantino, Lyle **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- CHECK CASHING (Exempts persons hosting state-operated video lottery games and state-operated casino gaming from the requirement that they construct and maintain bulletproof glass and steel partitions at check cashing stations, transaction windows, and/or similar areas.) {LC2496/1} 05/02/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

#### HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Representative Ackerman addresses the members in recognition of Holocaust Remembrance Day.

#### GUESTS

Representative Ackerman welcomes to the House Chamber for Holocaust Remembrance Day: Alice Eichenbaum–Holocaust Survivor; Al Silverstein–Holocaust Survivor; Jorge Gardos –Holocaust Survivor and his wife Donna; Kat Fortye–URI Student; Grace DeSanti–URI Student; Rob Cohen–URI Filmmaker and Professor, URI; Adam Roth, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, URI; Jeannette Riley, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, URI; Marty Cooper, Chairman, Holocaust-Genocide Education Committee; Judith Jamieson, Member, Holocaust-Genocide Education Committee; and Paula Olivieri, Member, Holocaust-Genocide Education Committee. Speaker Mattiello welcomes them and thanks them for all their good work.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

House Resolution No. 6056 BY Ackerman, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Knight, Kislak ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING "HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY" ON MAY 2, 2019 {LC2479/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ackerman seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Knight, Kislak, McNamara, Vella-Wilkinson, Morin and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### **GUESTS**

Representative McEntee welcomes to the House Professor Marci Hamilton, Robert A. Fox Leadership Program Professor of Practice, University of Pennsylvania and Peg Langhammer, Executive Director of Day One.

Speaker Mattiello welcomes Professor Hamilton and Peg to the House.

#### **APPROVAL OF RECORD**

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Wednesday, May 1, 2019, is approved.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Kathleen Fogarty is unable to attend session today, Thursday, May 2, 2019.

#### NOW PRESIDING

At 4:45 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker Mattiello yields the rostrum to the Honorable Speaker Pro Temp Kennedy.

#### CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

#### IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019:

1. 2019-H 5459 BY Williams ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- RECIPROCITY AGREEMENTS

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Jacquard moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Johnston, Tobon, Blazejewski, McNamara, Jackson, Diaz, Slater, Bennett, Almeida, Cassar, Cortvriend, Speakman, Abney, Donovan, Vella-Wilkinson, Tanzi, Kazarian, Alzate, and Barros.

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, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, 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, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:



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

I, Nicholas A. Marriello, State Representative, District 5, hereby under oath depose and say:

- (Matter requiring action: i.e. Bill number) I expect to be called upon, in my capacity as 1. State Representative, to participate in the consideration of, and/or to vote upon:
- (Nature of the potential conflict), I have the following interest in the matter: My Sou is in Physician Assistant school. 2.
- 3. (Please select one of the following):
- ( ) A. In compliance with Section 36-14-6(1) of the General Laws I hereby state that, despite the potential conflict stated above. I am able to vote and otherwise participate fairly, objectively, and in the public interest regarding the matter described in paragraph 1 above for the following reason(s):
  - In compliance with Section 36-14-6(1) & (2)A of the General Laws, I hereby request the Speaker of the House of Representatives to excuse me from voting on or participating in the consideration of the matter described in paragraph 1 above.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND COUNTY OF BOULENC

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Subscribed and sworn to under the penalties for perjury before me this 2019

NOTARY PUBLIC

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

SPEAKER

Copies:

White - RI Ethics Commission

Yellow – Representative

Pink – House Clerk

#### 2. 2019-Н 5572

**BY** Bennett **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Solomon, Edwards, Corvese, Kislak, Jackson, Kazarian, Tobon, Barros, Blazejewski, Cassar, Abney, Serodio, McEntee, Craven, Speakman, Casimiro, and Leader Shekarchi.

Representative Chippendale and Leader Shekarchi discuss the act.

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

YEAS - 65: Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Handy, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, Morin, Nardone, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serodio, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams.

NAYS - 6: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Newberry, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

RECUSED - 1: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello

#### RULE 7D

#### The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Almeida -An Act relating to OIC

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Vice Chairwoman Diaz announces that the Committee on Special Legislation will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

House Resolution No. 6057 BY Shekarchi, Noret, Abney, Filippi, Mattiello ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING "NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK" ON MAY 12TH THROUGH MAY 18TH IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2540/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader Shekarchi seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Representative Abney, Leader Filippi, Representatives Noret and Tanzi by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Bennett announces that the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### RULE 7D

#### The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Amore-An Act relating to Education

Representative Jackson-An Act relating to Superior Court

Representative McNamara-An Act relating to Certification of Teachers

Representative Corvese-An Act relating to Naming of State Buildings

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Solomon announces that the Committee on Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 205 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### House Resolution No. 6058

**BY** Diaz, Serpa, Caldwell, Ackerman, Fellela **ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING "WORLD LUPUS DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND ON MAY 10, 2019 {LC2404/1}

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 Serpa, Caldwell, Ackerman, Fellela, Carson, Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan, McEntee, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Ruggiero, Cortvriend, Ajello, Walsh, Maldonado, Casimiro, Kazarian, Messier Roberts, Leader Shekarchi, and Noret by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

#### House Resolution No. 6059

**BY** Hull, Phillips, Lombardi, Filippi, McLaughlin **ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2, 2019, AS "NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2547/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Hull seconded by Representatives Phillips Lombardi, Leaders Filippi Shekarchi, and Bennett by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### RULE 7D

#### The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Vella-Wilkinson-An Act relating to Public Officers and Employees

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

House Resolution No. 6060 BY Bennett, Edwards, Jacquard, Diaz, Slater ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF MAY 6TH THROUGH MAY 12TH AS "NATIONAL NURSES WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2488/1

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Bennett seconded by Representative Edwards, Jacquard, Diaz, Slater, Serpa, Ruggiero, Leader Shekarchi, and many others by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### RULE 7D

#### The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Tobon-An Act relating to Correctional Institutions-Prisoner made goods An Act relating to Cigarettes and other Tobacco Product Tax

Representative Carson-An Act relating to Airbnb's

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

House Resolution No. 6061 BY Mattiello, Shekarchi, Johnston, Alzate, Barros ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RAYMOND R. CODERRE {LC2468/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Johnston seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Alzate, Barros, Messier, Tobon, Lima, Ajello, Jacquard, Hull, Bennett, and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

#### 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.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### House Bill No. 6062

BY Ackerman, Shekarchi, Bennett, Amore, McNamara

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RESTROOM ACCESS ACT (Requires retail establishments with 3 persons or more on premises without public restrooms to allow customers to use employee restrooms for certain medical conditions upon presentation of documentary proof with violators fined \$250. Effective 1/1/20) {LC2532/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

#### House Resolution No. 6063

BY Cortvriend, Blazejewski, Williams, Almeida, Diaz

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE METHOD AND NECESSARY PROCEDURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RHODE ISLAND'S ACTION PLAN TO STAND UP TO CLIMATE CHANGE (Creates a 16 member commission to study the methods and procedures for the implementation of Rhode Island's Action Plan to Stand Up to Climate Change, and would report back to the House by April 15, 2020, and expire on May 15, 2020.) {LC2236/1}

05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

#### House Bill No. 6064

**BY** Speakman, Cortvriend, Knight, Donovan, McEntee **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- PFAS IN DRINKING AND SURFACE WATERS (Establishes process to set maximum contaminate levels of polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).) {LC2482/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

#### House Bill No. 6065

**BY** Williams, Blazejewski, Cassar, Ranglin-Vassell, Vella-Wilkinson **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE (Amends the conditions of bail and recognizance to permit the release of a person charged with a misdemeanor without financial conditions.) {LC2288/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

#### House Bill No. 6066

**BY** Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Slater, Craven, Blazejewski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND MARIJUANA EXPUNGEMENT ACT OF 2019 (Entitles that past criminal misdemeanors and felonies for possession of marijuana may be expunged.) {LC2445/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

#### House Bill No. 6067

**BY** Williams, Craven, Almeida, Barros, Blazejewski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT - THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS EQUITY ACT OF 2019 (Directs the department of business regulation to undertake a social equity and race analysis to examine whether racial disparities exist in matters related to marijuana.) {LC2447/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

#### House Bill No. 6068

(by request) **BY** Shekarchi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - VIDEO -LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING (Casino may extend credit of \$100,000 to a player.) {LC2498/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### House Bill No. 6069

BY Williams, Craven, Slater, Vella-Wilkinson, Blazejewski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT -- THE RHODE ISLAND MARIJUANA SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM (Creates the Rhode Island Marijuana Social Equity Program to provide opportunities to people, who reside in areas determined to be disproportionately harmed by marijuana prohibition and enforcement, in gaining access to the marijuana industry.) {LC2239/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### House Bill No. 6070

BY Williams, Almeida, Cassar, Vella-Wilkinson, Slater ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT - THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS EQUITY ACT OF 2019 (Requires the department of business regulation to provide an equitable distribution of marijuana cultivation or dispensary licenses.) {LC2322/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### **House Resolution No. 6071**

**BY** Diaz. Slater ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 TO TEACH FOR AMERICA RHODE ISLAND {LC2544/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### House Bill No. 6072

BY Edwards, Jacquard, Casey, Williams, Shekarchi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - THE RHODE ISLAND MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM (Removes the prohibition on state appropriations to the municipal infrastructure grant program, and authorizes the state planning council to evaluate, approve and issue such grants, subject to the appropriations provided to the program.) {LC2537/1}

05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### House Bill No. 6073

BY Williams, Craven, Slater, Vella-Wilkinson, Blazejewski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT--THE RHODE ISLAND MARIJUANA SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM (Requires the department of business regulation to provide an equitable distribution of marijuana cultivation or dispensary licenses.) {LC2450/1} 05/03/2019 Introduced, referred to House Finance

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

#### Senate Bill No. 151

BY Felag, Raptakis, Seveney, Ciccone, DiPalma

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (Amends the definition of "disabled", for the purposes of property tax relief, to include veterans who earn less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) annually and who receive disability benefits.) {LC778/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 691 SUB A

**BY** Lombardi, McCaffrey **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - ZONING ORDINANCES (Expands the definition of "family member" for purposes of zoning ordinances.) {LC1286/A/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Judiciary

#### Senate Bill No. 811

**BY** Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Keith A. Lewis to join Erica Mary Felins and Justin Moffitt Lewis in marriage on or about June 22, 2019, within the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island.) {LC2492/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Special Legislation

#### Senate Bill No. 813

**BY** Ciccone, Lombardo, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows David Allan Holley to join Mikayla Farrell and Joshua Culpo in marriage on or about September 21, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2400/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Special Legislation

#### Senate Bill No. 690

**BY** Crowley, McCaffrey **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE (Amends the number of communities who may combine to appoint a building official and prohibits requiring a building official to perform duties not in the building code when building code duties are pending.) {LC1314/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Municipal Government

#### Senate Bill No. 313

**BY** Crowley, Nesselbush, Conley **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation real property acquired or leased by a railroad entity used in the boarding or disembarking of railroad passengers or supporting passenger railroad operations and services.) {LC1193/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 452

#### BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING RESOURCES (Allows the residents of New Shoreham who earn up to one hundred forty percent (140%) of area median income to qualify for affordable housing.) {LC1053/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Municipal Government

#### Senate Bill No. 688

**BY** Lombardo, Goodwin, Pearson, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE (Authorizes building inspectors to affix their signatures to permits that pertain to work they inspect.) {LC1474/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Corporations

#### Senate Bill No. 586

(Dept. of Administration) BY Lombardo, Ciccone, Lombardi, Lawson, McCaffrey 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.) {LC1873/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Corporations

#### Senate Bill No. 585

(Dept. of Administration) **BY** Lawson, Felag, Conley, Lombardo, Lombardi **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).) {LC1866/1} 05/03/2019 Referred to House Corporations

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS**

Chairman Jacquard, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

#### House Bill No. 5693

(Dept. of 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} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Chairman Abney for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5381 BY Shekarchi, Lima, Blazejewski, Costantino, Carson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS (Extends the period for musical and theatrical productions to obtain tax credits to July 1, 2024.) {LC1417/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE

Chairman McNamara, for the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

#### House Bill No. 5119

**BY** Morin, Phillips, Casey, Vella-Wilkinson, O'Brien **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE AND CHILD PRODUCTS SAFETY (Increases amount of flame retardant chemicals contained in residential upholstered bedding/furniture manufactured/ sold in state from 100 ppm to 1,000 ppm effective January 1, 2020.) {LC341/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/09/2019)

#### House Bill No. 5163 SUB A

**BY** Phillips, Solomon, Shekarchi, Ucci, Hawkins **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - RHODE ISLAND UNIFORM COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT (Permits applicants for commercial driver's licenses to carry over parts of the required examinations that they passed for a period of two years and require them to retake those portions not passed.) {LC236/A/2} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/08/2019)

#### **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Chairman Craven, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

#### 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} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### Senate Bill No. 503

(Attorney General) **BY** Gallo **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").) {LC1595/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### **COMMITTEE ON LABOR**

Chairwoman Williams, for the Committee on Labor, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

#### House Bill No. 5907

**BY** Edwards, Williams, Diaz, Maldonado, Shekarchi **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (Provides that any women's business enterprise that is certified under the Federal Small Business Act shall be deemed certified by the department of administration as a women's business enterprise.) {LC2244/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/08/2019)

#### COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Chairman Solomon, for the Committee on Municipal Government, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

#### House Resolution No. 5932

**BY** Marszalkowski **ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN BLACKSTONE VALLEY (Extends the reporting and expiration dates of the commission to study and make recommendations to encourage economic development within Blackstone Valley from February 5, 2019, to June 27, 2019, and would expire on July 9, 2019.) {LC2247/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/08/2019)

#### House Bill No. 5993

BY Caldwell

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Allows the town of East Greenwich to adopt a flexible tiered tax classification system regardless of whether it is a revaluation or update year and also to provide an exemption to small businesses for tangible personal property taxes.) {LC2423/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on House Calendar (05/09/2019)

#### COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

Chairman Casey, for the Committee on Special Legislation, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

#### House Bill No. 6017 SUB A

#### BY McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Roger Kroha to join Jennifer Nasser and Daniel Rubino in marriage on or about October 12, 2019, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.) {LC2475/A/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### House Bill No. 6018

#### **BY** Ruggiero

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Austin Murphy to join Catherine K. DeVoe and Kurt R. Worell in marriage on or about July 27, 2019, within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island.) {LC2477/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### House Bill No. 6036

**BY** Caldwell **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Cory J. Bilodeau to join Linda M. Bilodeau and Paul D. O'Mara in marriage on or about June 7, 2019, within the Town of East Greenwich, Rhode Island.) {LC2504/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### House Bill No. 6037

**BY** Caldwell **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Alison S. Carcieri-Cassidy to join Nicole Elaine Russo and Sean Dominic Carlino in marriage on or about August 17, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2505/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### Senate Bill No. 783

**BY** Goodwin, McCaffrey **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Mary Ann Scholz to join Stephanie Theresa Daub and Robert Edward Struck, II, in marriage on or about September 14, 2019, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.) {LC2348/1} 05/03/2019 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (05/07/2019)

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 5:15 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Johnston, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Helen F. Duffy; on behalf of Speaker Mattiello, Leaders Shekarchi and Filippi, on motion of Representative Johnston, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Raymond R. Coderre; on motion of Representative Quattrocchi, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Jeremiah Yeaw; seconded by Majority Whip Edwards and Leader Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy Recording Clerk

#### APPENDIX

#### **INVOCATION**

#### **REPRESENTATIVE MIA A. ACKERMAN**

#### HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

In the Jewish tradition, we are commanded to remember, and not to forget, the <u>Day of Holocaust</u> <u>Remembrance</u>.

As we remember the six million, the eleven million, the indifference and the evil.

We shall never forget those who perished.

We shall never forget those who saved even a single life. As it is written in the Talmud: "He who saves one life has saved the world."

We ask that our memories of these atrocities never fade and the world does not see such monstrosities again.

We say "never again" and we dedicate our lives to the idea that justice does not allow persecution or genocide, and we pray for all those who fight for justice and freedom.

Above all we pray for *shalom* – for wholeness and peace- to be in our mist now and forever. Amen

#### APPENDIX

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019:

1. 2019-H 6017 SUB A BY McEntee ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

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

2. 2019-Н 6018

**BY** Ruggiero **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

3. 2019-Н 6036

BY Caldwell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

4. 2019-Н 6037

**BY** Caldwell **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

5. 2019-S 783

**BY** Goodwin **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe** Clerk of the House

Friday, May 3, 2019

#### APPENDIX

#### CALENDAR

#### IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019:

1. 2019-H 5693 BY Solomon ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2. 2019-Н 5701

**BY** Craven **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**3. 2019-S 503** 

4.

**BY** Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

**2019-H 5381 BY** Shekarchi **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

#### IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019:

1. 2019-H 5163 SUB A

**BY** Phillips **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - RHODE ISLAND UNIFORM COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT

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

#### 2. 2019-Н 5932

#### **BY** Marszalkowski

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN BLACKSTONE VALLEY

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

#### 3. 2019-Н 5907

#### **BY** Edwards

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

#### IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019:

#### 1. 2019-Н 5119

**BY** Morin **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE AND CHILD PRODUCTS SAFETY

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

#### 2. 2019-Н 5993

**BY** Caldwell **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

**Francis McCabe** Clerk of the House

Friday, May 3, 2019