

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

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**JOURNAL**  
**-OF THE-**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**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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Fifty-second Day

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The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, May 21, 2019 and is called to order at 4:16 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 71 members present and 4 members absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 71 The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, 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, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, 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** – 4: Representatives Blazejewski, Canario, McLaughlin, Morin.

**INVOCATION**

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

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

**APPROVAL OF RECORD**

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Thursday, May 16, 2019, is approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Michael Morin is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 21, 2019.

Representative James McLaughlin is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 21, 2019.

**GUEST**

Representative Lima introduces Keiko to the House.

**CONSENT CALENDER****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019:**

1.     **2019-H 6047**  
      **BY** Quattrocchi  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
2.     **2019-H 6048**  
      **BY** Abney  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
3.     **2019-H 6093**  
      **BY** Abney  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
4.     **2019-S 811**  
      **BY** Sosnowski  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.
5.     **2019-S 812 as amended**  
      **BY** Sosnowski  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

**6. 2019-S 813**  
**BY Ciccone**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

Majority Leader Shekarchi moves passage of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi.

Read and passed, (items 4-6 in concurrence) on a roll call vote 67 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 67: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Barros, Bennett, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Handy, Hawkins, Hull, Jackson, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Kislak, Knight, Lima, Lombardi, Lyle, Maldonado, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, 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.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

### CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

#### IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019:

**1. 2019-H 5978**  
**BY Casimiro**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME**  
**RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN**

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Chairman Solomon moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Johnston, Shanley, and Tanzi.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, 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, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, 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-H 5708**

**BY** McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --  
PROCEDURE GENERALLY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Chairman Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Tanzi, Knight, Lombardi, Ruggiero, McKiernan, and Carson.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, 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, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, 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:

**3. 2019-H 5540 SUB A**

**BY** McNamara

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH - CLINICAL TRIALS WEBSITE

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

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Corvese, Bennett, Solomon, Casimiro, Tanzi, Cortvriend, Cassar, Costantino, Abney, Donovan, Ackerman, Carson, Phillips, Hawkins, Ruggiero, O'Brien, Speakman, and Vella-Wilkinson.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, 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, McNamara, Mendez, Messier, Millea, 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:

### GUESTS

Representative Noret welcomes to the House Chamber as a guest, Demetrius Andrade, World Champion Middleweight Boxer who is an undefeated three-time world champion from Providence. Along with him today are his father Paul Andrade, his mother Sharon, Ed Farris (Manager), Kevin Rooney Jr. (Event Manager), Anthony Leaver, Lewis Ward, Kate Murphy, Matthew Blanchette (PR), his constituent Seth DeRobbio, and Eddie Hearn who played a major role in making this all possible (not present). Speaker Mattiello also welcomes Demetrius to the House and wishes him the best of luck in the future.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **House Resolution No. 6129**

**BY** Noret, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Jackson, Serpa

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING PROVIDENCE NATIVE AND WBO MIDDLEWEIGHT BOXING CHAMPION DEMETRIUS ANDRADE {LC2672/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Noret seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Serpa, Jackson, Williams, and Slater by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Resolution No. 6130****BY** Ucci, Hull, Williams, Fellela, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER CLIFFORD R. MONTEIRO {LC2599/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ucci seconded by Representatives Johnson, Williams, Hull, Fellela, Lombardi, Tanzi, Kislak, Maldonado, Tobon, Ajello, Walsh, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Almeida, Speakman, Abney, Ranglin-Vassell, Casey, Ruggiero, and Donovan by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Resolution No. 6131****BY** Shekarchi, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC2673/1}

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.

**House Resolution No. 6132****BY** Shekarchi, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2674/1}

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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Leader Shekarchi reminds members today is Taco Tuesday and courtesy of Representatives Maldonado and Alzate there are tacos in the House Lounge at the Rise.

Leader Shekarchi wishes Representative Marcia Ranglin-Vassell a Happy Birthday.

Leader Shekarchi congratulates Speaker Mattiello and Representative Lima for receiving the Humane Legislator of the Year Awards from the Humane Society of the United States.

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 Donovan wishes her husband Glen of 41 years, a Happy Retirement after 37 years. Speaker Mattiello also wishes Glen a Happy Retirement.

Representative Ranglin-Vassell congratulates her son Terrence on his graduation from URI with a Bachelor's of Science in Textile Merchandise and Design. Speaker Mattiello also congratulates Terrence.

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

### **RULE 7D**

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

Representative Tobon-An Act relating to Towns and Cities-Redevelopment Agency and Projects

Representative Mendez-An Act relating to State Affairs and Government-Executive Office of Environmental Management

Representative Barros -An Act relating to Tax Credits

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **House Resolution No. 6133**

**BY** Casimiro, Craven, Filippi, Shekarchi, Solomon

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF SANFORD TULLY {LC2615/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Casimiro seconded by Representative Craven, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Solomon, Johnston, and Leader Filippi 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.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:44 o'clock P.M. on motion of Leader Shekarchi seconded by Leader Filippi the House adjourns, on a voice vote.

*Linda M. McElroy*  
*Recording Clerk*



**APPENDIX**

**INVOCATION**

**REPRESENTATIVE EVAN SHANLEY**

Almighty God: We give You thanks for the gift of this day. Bless and guide our deliberations so that we always bring honor to our state and all its' people. Amen

**APPENDIX****TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR****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}

05/21/2019 Transmitted to Governor

**Senate Bill No. 812 as amended****BY** Sosnowski**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.){LC2463/1}

05/21/2019 Transmitted to Governor

**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 Culp in marriage on or about September 21, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.){LC2400/1}

05/21/2019 Transmitted to Governor

**APPENDIX****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2019:**

1.     **2019-H 6012**  
      **BY** Corvese  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF NORTH PROVIDENCE  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
  
2.     **2019-H 5436 SUB A**  
      **BY** Ucci  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL CARE  
  
      Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
  
3.     **2019-H 5287 SUB A**  
      **BY** Shekarchi  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- NON-ERISA COVERED PENSION PLANS  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019:**

1.     **2019-H 5672 SUB A**  
      **BY** McNamara  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- THE PERMANENT AIR QUALITY MONITORING ACT  
  
      Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
  
2.     **2019-H 5113**  
      **BY** Corvese  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY ACT  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. **2019-S 746**  
**BY DiPalma**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE**  
**CHARTER OF MIDDLETOWN ROTARY CLUB, INC.**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Monday, May 20, 2019**