

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Journal of the Senate

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Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Third Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, at 4:11 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT –37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Algiere, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, Crowley, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Satchell, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Sheehan.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Second Legislative Day of the 2019 proceedings is read in part.

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

APPOINTMENTS BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE RI SUPREME COURT

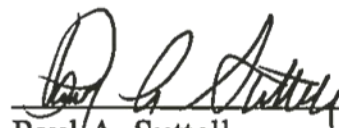
His Honor, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, transmits the following appointments and requests the advice and consent of the Senate:

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by the provisions of G. L. § 8-8.2-1, I hereby appoint Alan R. Goulart of North Kingstown to the position of Magistrate of the Traffic Tribunal, succeeding himself for a second term of ten (10) years.

To this appointment, I respectfully request the advice and consent of the Honorable Senate.

Dated at Providence on this 4th day of January, 2019.



Paul A. Suttell
Chief Justice

January 4, 2019

Received and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SUPREME COURT**

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by the provisions of G. L. § 8-8.2-1, I hereby assign Michael DiChiro, Jr. of Johnston to the position of Magistrate of the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal for a term of ten (10) years.

To this appointment, I respectfully request the advice and consent of the Honorable Senate.

Dated at Providence on this 4th day of January, 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul A. Suttell", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul A. Suttell
Chief Justice

Received and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

COMMUNICATIONS



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

January 8, 2019

The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero
President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President,

Please be advised that I will be unable to attend the Senate Session today, Tuesday, January 8, 2019.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

James C. Sheehan
Senator – District 36

Received and ordered to be placed on file.



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

January 8, 2019

The Honorable Senate
Senate Chamber
State House
Providence, RI 02903

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to Section 5.1 of the Interim Senate Rules, I am making the following appointments to the Senate Committee on Finance:

Senate Committee on Finance
William J. Conley, Jr, Chairperson
Louis P. DiPalma, First Vice Chairperson
Walter S. Felag, Jr., Second Vice Chairperson
Ryan W. Pearson, Secretary
Sandra Cano
Frank A. Ciccone, III
Melissa A. Murray
Thomas J. Paolino
James A. Seveney
V. Susan Sosnowski

Sincerely,

Dominick J. Ruggerio
President of the Senate

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 6**BY** Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Algieri, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF FRANK CICCONE, II
{LC307/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator McCaffrey requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators, Algieri, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, Crowley, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Satchell, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

Senate Bill No. 7**BY** Ruggerio, Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allow the Honorable Hanna M. Gallo to join Claritza Mejia Salazar and Thomas G. Casale in marriage on or about January 11, 2019, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)
{LC372/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator McCaffrey requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators, Algieri, Conley, Coyne, Lynch Prata, Metts.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Algieri, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, Crowley, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Satchell, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.**NAYS** – 0:

CONSENT CALENDAR**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019:**

- 1. 2019-S 2**
BY Ruggiero
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE HAROLD J. MILLER

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 2. 2019-S 3**
BY Algieri
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF SUZANNE CARCIERI

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 3. 2019-S 4**
BY Algieri
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE JOHN SIDNEY MCCAIN III

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 4. 2019-S 5**
BY Algieri
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE GEORGE HERBERT WALKER BUSH, 41ST PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator McCaffrey, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Algieri, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, Crowley, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Satchell, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

TRANSMITTAL

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Miller announces that the Nurse Anesthetists Reception will meet tomorrow between 5:00 o'clock P.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M. at the Providence Marriot Hotel.

Senator Conley announces that the Committee on Finance will meet tomorrow after the conclusion of Ethics training in Room 211.

Senator Goodwin announces that Ethics training will be held at the rise of the Senate tomorrow in the Lounge of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator McCaffrey seconded by Senator Goodwin the Senate adjourns in memory of Frank Ciccone, II at 4:24 o'clock P.M.

ROBERT L. RICCI
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR ROGER A. PICARD

Dear Lord, as senators we have great responsibility to our constituents. Help us to emulate your example of patience, respect, and kindness to all, as we strive to solve the problems, and improve the lives, of those we serve. Amen.