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Sixty Sixth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, at 7:29 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 33 Senators present and 5 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

ABSENT – 5: Senators Algieri, Crowley, Gallo, Lombardi, and Satchell.

INVOCATION

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

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

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

GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Coyne and by Unanimous consent, The Honorable President of the Senate, welcomes to the Chamber.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communication from Her Excellency, The Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO

GINA M. RAIMONDO, GOVERNOR

June 27, 2019

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section § 44-34-11 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission:

Patricia Moreau

For a term expiring July 1, 2022.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO

GINA M. RAIMONDO, GOVERNOR

June 27, 2019

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section § 44-34-11 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission:

Robert Burns

For a term expiring July 1, 2022.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gina Raimondo".

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO

GINA M. RAIMONDO, GOVERNOR

June 27, 2019

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section § 44-34-11 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission:

Elyse Pare

For a term expiring July 1, 2022.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

June 28, 2019

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

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that due to illness, I will be absent from the chamber on Friday, June 28, 2019.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Senator Adam J. Satchell
Senate District 09

Received an ordered to be placed on file.



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

June 28, 2019

The Honorable Dominick Ruggerio
President of the Senate
317 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the chamber on Friday, June 28, 2019 for an out of state wedding.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Frank S. Lombardi
Senate District 26

Received an ordered to be placed on file.



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

January 7, 2020

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

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that due to illness, I will be absent from the chamber on Friday, June 28, 2019.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Senator Elizabeth A. Crowley
Senate District 16

Received an ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 1035**BY** Ruggerio, Goodwin, Gallo, Miller**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING PAUL VALLETTA, JR., ON BEING PROMOTED TO THE POSITION OF FIRE CHIEF OF THE CRANSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

{LC2940/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Goodwin requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senators, Pearson, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Sosnowski, Archambault, McKenney, Euer, Miller, Sheehan, Quezada, Lawson, Cano, Bell, Coyne, and DiPalma.

Senator Bell discusses the resolution.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Bill No. 1036**BY** Valverde, Goldin, Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATIONS STANDARDS BOARD [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] (Creates the Right to Read Act to require certain licensed teachers to be proficient in scientific reading instruction.)

{LC2944/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1037**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF "PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND (Extends the reporting date of the commission to study and evaluate the impact of "Project Sustainability" in the State Of Rhode Island, from June 30, 2019, to October 30, 2019, and said commission would expire on December 31, 2019.)

{LC2935/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1038**BY** Miller**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF INSURER PAYMENTS ON ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

{LC2941/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1039**BY** Coyne, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Miller, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTION OF THE STATE PLAN ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS

{LC2938/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR I

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019:**1. 2019-H 5141 SUB A****BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE LICENSING ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

2. 2019-H 5178 SUB A**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

3. 2019-H 5763**BY** Casimiro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

4. **2019-H 6166**
BY Azzinaro
ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE HOLDINGS OF MEMORIAL AND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF WESTERLY

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

5. **2019-H 6208**
BY Speakman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

6. **2019-H 6214**
BY Noret
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

7. **2019-H 6215**
BY Jackson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

8. **2019-H 6216**
BY Jackson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - CONDOMINIUM LAW - MANAGEMENT OF CONDOMINIUM

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

9. **2019-H 6235**
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2-1 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

10. 2019-H 6236 SUB A**BY** Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND CLOSED MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT PLANS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

11. 2019-H 6240**BY** Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT]

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

12. 2019-H 6242**BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - RHODE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE BANK

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

13. 2019-H 5888**BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLES - DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL CODE PROVISIONS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

14. 2019-H 6169 SUB A**BY** Fellela**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

15. 2019-H 6206**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

- 16. 2019-H 6080 as amended**
BY Morin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Finance recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

- 17. 2019-H 5419**
BY Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMMISSION ON THE DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

- 18. 2019-H 5672 SUB A**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- THE PERMANENT AIR QUALITY MONITORING ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

- 19. 2019-H 5536 SUB A**
BY Mattiello
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

- 20. 2019-H 6143 SUB A**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF WARWICK -- SEWER AUTHORITY

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

- 21. 2019-S 1029**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JEFFREY R. HENAULT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

- 22. 2019-S 1030**
BY Ruggerio
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES
ON THE PASSING OF MICHAEL J. EANNARINO

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

CONSENT CALENDAR II

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019:

- 1. 2019-H 5028 SUB A as amended**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - THE
RHODE ISLAND UTILITY FAIR SHARE ROADWAY REPAIR ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

- 2. 2019-H 5291**
BY Nardone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -
STATE REGISTER

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

- 3. 2019-H 5382 SUB A**
BY Lima
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES --
RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

4. **2019-H 5544 SUB A**
BY Jacquard
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

5. **2019-H 5639**
BY Kennedy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND
RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

6. **2019-H 6086 SUB A**
BY Serodio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF
PUPILS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

7. **2019-H 6091 SUB A**
BY Serodio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND
PARTNERSHIPS -- SENIOR SAVINGS PROTECTION ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

8. **2019-H 5365**
BY Edwards
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -
DESIGNERS OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage in concurrence.

9. **2019-H 5458 SUB A**
BY Kennedy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - CASUALTY INSURANCE
RATING

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

10. 2019-H 5465 SUB A**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

11. 2019-H 5466 SUB A**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE - ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Labor recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

12. 2019-H 5708**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE-- PROCEDURE GENERALLY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

13. 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 Education recommends passage in concurrence.

14. 2019-H 6094**BY** Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage in concurrence.

15. Appointment of Elyse Pare to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission: for a term expiring July 1, 2022.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

16. Appointment of Robert Burns to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission: for a term expiring July 1, 2022.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

17. Appointment of Patricia Moreau to the Rhode Island Vehicle Value Commission: for a term expiring July 1, 2022.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

18. 2019-S 1037

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF "PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

19. 2019-S 1038

BY Miller

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF INSURER PAYMENTS ON ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

20. 2019-S 1039

BY Coyne

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTION OF THE STATE PLAN ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019:

- 1. 2019-S 399**
BY Seveney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Seveney, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Picard, Archambault, Bell, DiPalma, and Morgan.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 2. 2019-H 5182 SUB A**
BY Phillips
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
LICENSES -- SPECIAL EVENTS LICENSE

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

Senator Murray, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Conley, Lawson, DiPalma, Felag, and Quezada.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson,

Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

3. 2019-H 5433

BY Ackerman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- SEIZURE OF ANIMALS BEING CRUELLY TREATED

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Archambault, Coyne, and Felag.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 2 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz, and Morgan.

4. 2019-H 5436 SUB A as amended

BY Ucci

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL CARE

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended in concurrence.

Senator Murray, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Goodwin, Cano, Valverde, Lawson, and Quezada.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –30: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 3: Senators Archambault, de la Cruz, and Morgan.

5. 2019-H 5478 SUB A

BY Craven

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

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Felag, and Nesselbush.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –30: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, McKenney, and Morgan.

6. 2019-H 5758

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION
AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Metts, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Archambault, Lawson, Quezada, Murray, and Lynch Prata.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 4 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –29: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

7. 2019-H 6055
BY Costantino
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- CHECK CASHING

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Ciccone, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardo, Sheehan, Felag, Quezada, Bell, and DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative, 1 Senator voting in the negative, and 2 Senators abstaining as follows:

YEAS –29: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Metts.

RECUSED – 2: Senators Cano, and Pearson.

8. 2019-H 5936 SUB A
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- STUDENT LOAN BILL OF RIGHTS ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Euer, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Metts, Quezada, Lombardo, Archambault, Murray, Nesselbush, McKenney, and Coyne.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative, and 2 Senators abstaining as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

RECUSED – 2: Senators Cano, and Pearson.

9. 2019-H 6117 SUB A**BY** Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -
MINIMUM WAGES

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Ciccone, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardo, Felag, Sheehan, Metts, and Quezada.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

10. 2019-H 6250**BY** Phillips**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES
AND SUPERINTENDENTS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Picard, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Pearson, Lawson, Metts, DiPalma, Sheehan, and Murray.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

11. 2019-H 5298**BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - NURSE ANESTHETISTS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Miller, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, Valverde, Coyne, Lombardo, Felag.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 2 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz, and Morgan.

12. 2019-H 5764 SUB A**BY** Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION - NOMINATION -
DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY - PRIMARY VOTES

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Cano, Archambault, Felag, and Coyne.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

13. 2019-H 6164 SUB A**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--
COURTS -- SUPERIOR COURT

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Lynch Prata, Bell, Coyne, Ciccone, Archambault, Metts, and Sheehan.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

14. 2019-S 865 SUB A**BY** Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION
ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

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

Senator Pearson, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, DiPalma, Cano, Felag, Seveney.

Senators Bell, and Pearson discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

15. 2019-H 6102**BY** Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Felag, Cano, and Goodwin.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.**NAYS – 0:****16. 2019-H 6207****BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY
CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Coyne, Lynch Prata, Morgan, Lombardo, Quezada, Ciccone, and de la Cruz.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.**NAYS – 0:****17. 2019-S 1036****BY** Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RHODE ISLAND
CERTIFICATIONS STANDARDS BOARD [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT]

Ordered on the Calendar.

Senator Valverde, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, DiPalma, Seveney, Coyne, and Lynch Prata.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

18. 2019-H 5887 SUB B

BY O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATIONS STANDARDS BOARD [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT]

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

Senator Valverde, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Murray, Lombardo, Pearson, Goldin, Coyne, Seveney, Lombardo, and Pearson.

The bill marked Substitute “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Paolino extends his thanks to Sue Nolin in the President’s Office for all that she has done all week for the Senators and Senate staff.

Senator Cano, announces that member will receive the RI 2020 census on June 30, 2019.

GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Cano and by Unanimous consent, The Honorable President of the Senate, welcomes to the Chamber Pawtucket Mayor Donald Grebien, and Jeanne Boyle.

STAND AT EASE

Upon the motion of Senator Goodwin the Senate stands at ease at 8:05 o'clock P.M.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5507

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Noret, Serodio, Serpa, Jackson, Hawkins

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (Codifies the lawful procedure for a bicyclist to follow when complying with traffic control signals.)

{LC1395/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5145 SUB A

BY Ruggiero, Shekarchi, Marszalkowski, Blazejewski, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS (Enables Rhode Island businesses to voluntarily promulgate standards to guide its business activities in a sustainable and responsible manner, as well as metrics for assessing whether it has met its objectives.)

{LC164/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5590 SUB A as amended

BY Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -SALES AND USE TAXES- ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION (Enacts two 10 year statute of limitations on two separate tax functions.)

{LC1524/A/3}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5679 as amended

(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}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5695 SUB A

(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/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5778 SUB A**BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -

REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT (Regulates

fiduciary and designated recipient access to digital assets relating to probate practice and

procedure by creating the "Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act" to promote uniformity of the law among states that enact it.)

{LC1465/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6019 SUB A**BY** Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- RHODE

ISLAND NONCOMPETITION AGREEMENT ACT (Creates a comprehensive statutory scheme to address all aspects of noncompetition agreements.)

{LC2416/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6185**BY** Azzinaro, Filippi, Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO

EXCEED \$71,410,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER

EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION,

IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35% FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR STATE AID AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY ANY GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY CAPITAL FUND (Authorizes the town of Westerly to issue general obligation bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness not to exceed \$71,410,000 for school improvements.)
{LC2771/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6254

BY Diaz, Slater, McKiernan, Maldonado, Mendez

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES - VIOLATIONS (Allows a person to make satisfactory arrangements for the payment of motor vehicle fines or costs, and would permit a person to request an ability to pay hearing before a license is suspended for failure to pay such fines or costs.)

{LC2896/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6251

BY Ackerman, McLaughlin, Marszalkowski, Phillips

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Cumberland, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Cumberland on November 6, 2018.)

{LC2909/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5678

(Lieutenant Governor)

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}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6259

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE

CHARTER OF PRP, INC.
{LC2932/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 589 SUB A as amended

(Secretary of State)

BY McKenney

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.)

{LC1541/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 673 as amended

BY Cano, Conley, Crowley, Nesselbush

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND PROJECTS (Authorizes state and local incremental tax revenues generated in the arts district, the growth center district and the ballpark district in the city of Pawtucket to be allocated to finance improvements in the districts.)

{LC2103/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6153 SUB A as amended

BY Tobon, Barros, Messier, Johnston, Lyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND PROJECTS (Authorizes state and local incremental tax revenues generated in the arts district, the growth center district and the ballpark district in the city of Pawtucket to be allocated to finance improvements in the districts.)

{LC2687/A/2}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 5034 SUB A

BY Craven, Lombardi, Hull, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT (Allows state employees who had also been a correctional officer to elect to combine their service time earned from each job, for the determination of their retirement eligibility date and calculation of retirement benefits.)

{LC53/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6237**BY** Lombardi, Hull, Diaz, Slater, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts any proposed retailers' Class B license to be located at 671 Broadway Street, Plat 35, Lot 566 in the city of Providence from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from schools or places of worship.)

{LC2873/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Resolution No. 6238**BY** Abney**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PAY CERTAIN CLAIMS

{LC2875/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6241 SUB A**BY** Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY (Requires all candidates to file financial statements within 30 days after filing notice of organization.)

{LC2890/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 699 SUB B**BY** Ruggerio, Ciccone, Pearson, Lombardo, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (Pet shops shall provide records to DEM including breeder info, health cert., license and inspection information for each dog or cat offered for sale.)

{LC2016/B/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6168 SUB A**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (Pet shops shall provide records to DEM including breeder info, health cert., license and inspection information for each dog or cat offered for sale.)

{LC2417/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Calendar.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Chairwoman Lynch Prata, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

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}

From the Committee on Judiciary to the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Chairwoman Gallo, from the Committee on Education, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 6084 SUB A

BY Amore, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Edwards, Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY

ACT (Provides for greater school-based management at the school level and expands the duties of school improvement teams and establishes a new chapter on education accountability.)

{LC2601/A/2}

From the Committee on Education to the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Chairman Miller, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

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}

From the Committee on Health and Human Services to the Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 1041**

BY Lombardo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE MERITS AND FEASIBILITY OF A PYROLYSIS OR GASIFICATION FACILITY IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND (Creates a 7 member commission to study of the merits and feasibility of a pyrolysis or gasification facility in the State, and who would report back to the Senate by March 7, 2020, and would expire on May 7, 2020.)

{LC2945/1}

Ordered to the Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1042

BY Pearson, Conley, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE TO STUDY RHODE ISLAND'S EDUCATION FUNDING FORMULA (Creates a 9 member commission to study Rhode Island's education funding formula, and reports back to the Senate by January 2, 2020, and expire on January 5, 2021.)

{LC2937/1}

Ordered to the Consent Calendar.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, on Friday, June 28th at 9:05 o'clock P.M.

Senator Bell Requests that Item 5 (House Bill 5695 Sub A) be taken off Consent Calendar III and be placed on the bottom of the Regular Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR III

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019:**1. 2019-H 5507**

BY Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

2. **2019-H 5145 SUB A**
BY Ruggiero
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
3. **2019-H 5590 SUB A as amended**
BY Filippi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -SALES AND USE TAXES-
ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
4. **2019-H 5679 as amended**
BY Kennedy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -
ENGINEERS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
5. **2019-H 5778 SUB A**
BY Ucci
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -
REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
6. **2019-H 6019 SUB A**
BY Blazejewski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
RHODE ISLAND NONCOMPETITION AGREEMENT ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
7. **2019-H 6185**
BY Azzinaro
ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT
TO EXCEED \$71,410,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER
EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION,
RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND
EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE
TOWN, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A
REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35%
FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR STATE AID AND PROVIDED THAT THE
AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY ANY GRANT RECEIVED FROM
THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY CAPITAL FUND

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

8. 2019-H 6254

BY Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -
SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES - VIOLATIONS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

9. 2019-H 6251

BY Ackerman

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE
HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

10. 2019-H 5678

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

11. 2019-H 6259

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
CHARTER OF PRP, INC.

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

12. 2019-H 5572

BY Bennett

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

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

13. 2019-S 1041

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE
COMMISSION TO STUDY THE MERITS AND FEASIBILITY OF A PYROLYSIS
OR GASIFICATION FACILITY IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

- 14. 2019-S 1042**
BY Pearson
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE TO STUDY RHODE ISLAND'S EDUCATION FUNDING FORMULA

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

CALENDAR

- 19. 2019-S 589 SUB A as amended**
BY McKenney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTER REGISTRATION

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator McKenney, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Lynch Prata, Lombardo, Sheehan, and Nesselbush.

Senators Bell, and McKenney discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 26 Senators voting in the affirmative and 6 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –26: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 6: Senators Bell, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

- 20. 2019-H 5700**
BY Craven
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator McKenney, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, and Archambault.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 26 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 6 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –26: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 6: Senators Bell, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

21. 2019-S 673 as amended

BY Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND PROJECTS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Cano, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Nesselbush, Quezada, Felag, Murray, Goldin, Conley, Archambault, and Coyne.

The act is read and passed, as amended, on a roll call vote, with 28 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 4 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –28: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

22. 2019-H 6153 SUB A as amended

BY Tobon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND PROJECTS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Cano, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McKenney, Archambault, Conley, Murray, Nesselbush, Quezada, and Bell.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, and the original

bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 27 Senators voting in the affirmative and 4 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –27: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

23. 2019-H 5034 SUB A

BY Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES --
RETIREMENT

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Felag, Archambault, DiPalma, and Conley.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative and 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –29: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, and Rogers.

24. 2019-H 6237

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
LICENSES

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Felag, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Nesselbush, and Bell.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence on a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson,

Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Metts.

25. 2019-H 6238

BY Abney

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PAY CERTAIN CLAIMS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lynch Prata, Quezada, DiPalma, Conley, and Pearson.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

26. 2019-H 6241 SUB A

BY Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Coyne, and Archambault.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 27. 2019-S 699 SUB B**
BY Ruggerio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Coyne, Goldin, Quezada, Murray, and Sheehan.

The bill marked Substitute “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 28. 2019-H 6168 SUB A**
BY Slater
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Quezada, Murray, Lombardo, and Coyne.

Senator Murray discusses the act.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 29. 2019-H 6084 SUB A**
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION
ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on Education recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

Senator Pearson, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, Quezada, Felag, Lynch Prata, DiPalma, and Seveney.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, in concurrence, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

30. 2019-H 5695 SUB A

BY Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - THE HOSPITAL CONVERSIONS ACT

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Felag, Sheehan, DiPalma, and Quezada.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative, and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

RECUSED – 1: Senator Bell.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 1040****BY** Ruggerio, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Lynch Prata, Conley**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION THANKING THE SENATE STAFF FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK, DEDICATED SERVICE AND DEVOTION TO THE SENATE AND THE CITIZENS OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC2936/1}

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, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

Senator McCaffrey, Lynch Prata, and President Ruggerio speak on the resolution.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

STAND AT EASE

Upon the motion of Senator Goodwin the Senate stands at ease at 9:29 o'clock P.M.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 315 SUB A as amended**BY** Nesselbush, Cano, Quezada, Conley, Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION (Statute of limitation for childhood sex abuse claims extended to 35 years.)

{LC1190/A/3}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Consent Calendar.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Chairwoman Lynch Prata, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5113 as amended

BY Corvese, Azzinaro, Edwards, Slater, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY ACT (Creates the "animal abuser registry act" which would require all persons convicted of crimes involving animal abuse to register with an online registry to be established and maintained by the attorney general's office.)
{LC261/1}

From the Committee on Judiciary to the Calendar.

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}

From the Committee on Judiciary to the Calendar.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, on Friday, June 28th at 9:47 o'clock P.M.

CALENDAR**32. 2019-H 5119**

BY Morin

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

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Sosnowski, DiPalma, Cano, and Archambault.

Senators Bell, and Lynch Prata discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –30: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Cano, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

CONSENT CALENDAR IV

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019:

- 1. 2019-S 315 SUB A as amended**
BY Nesselbush
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--
PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

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

YEAS –31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Conley, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 31. 2019-H 5113 as amended**
BY Corvese
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

Senator Lynch Prata, moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, and DiPalma.

Senators Murray, and Raptakis discuss the act.

The act fails passage, on a roll call vote, with 8 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 22

Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS –8: Senators Coyne, DiPalma, Goodwin, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, McKenney, Metts, and Ruggiero.

NAYS – 22: Senators, Archambault, Bell, Cano, Conley, de la Cruz, Euer, Felag, Goldin, Lawson, Lombardo, Morgan, Murray, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all authorized 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.

RECESS

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator McCaffrey, the Senate stands in recess at 9:58 o'clock P.M.

ROBERT L. RICCI
Secretary of the Senate

JOHN S. BAXTER
Reading Clerk

GABRIEL REI
Deputy Clerk of the Senate

NICHOLAS R. MELO
Senate Voting Clerk

JUSTIN McCARTHY
Data Entry Clerk & Senate Voting Clerk

KAITLYN ALVES
Sound System Technician

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR MARRYELLEN GOODWIN**

Lord, today we express to You our gratitude and especially thank You for the many friendships we have formed and for the fruits of our efforts. As we depart from this chamber today, grant us your peace and grace. Enable us to enjoy the days ahead, ever mindful of Your presence in our lives. Amen.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5949

BY Tobon, Barros, Edwards, Johnston, Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT (Imposes a fee of one hundred sixty dollars (\$160) for all domestic and foreign corporations for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state.)

{LC1990/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Commerce.

House Bill No. 6210

BY Edwards, Canario, Bennett, Kennedy, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - THE RHODE ISLAND CESSPOOL ACT OF 2007 (Allows DEM to extend certain deadlines for required sewer construction in the replacement of cesspools, which deadlines would not extend beyond January 1, 2025.)

{LC2790/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 668

BY Conley, Nesselbush, Crowley, Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- RHODE ISLAND OPPORTUNITY ZONE TAX CREDIT AND TAX EXEMPTION ACT (Provides a tax credit for qualified investments in "opportunity zones" as defined by federal law and located in Rhode Island.)

{LC2102/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Finance.

House Bill No. 5709 as amended

(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}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill No. 5485 SUB A**BY** Fellela, Ucci, Costantino, Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (Establishes a voluntary mutual consent sibling adoption registry where adult adopted children and adult siblings can identify each other.)

{LC1459/A/3}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill No. 6209**BY** Lyle, Nardone, Filippi, Roberts, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS (Adds the house and senate minority leaders, or their designees, to the E-911 advisory commission.)

{LC2799/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill No. 5817 SUB A**BY** Marszalkowski, Casimiro, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULTS (Provides that a school teacher or employee that engages in sexual penetration of a student over fourteen (14) and less than eighteen (18) shall be guilty of third degree sexual assault.)

{LC1992/A/1}

From the House of Representatives to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON SUNDAY, JUNE 30TH**House Bill No. 5151 SUB A as amended**

(Governor)

BY Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2020

{LC763/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Sunday, June 30, 2019.

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON MONDAY, JULY 1ST**Senate Bill No. 315 SUB A as amended****BY** Nesselbush, Cano, Quezada, Conley, Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION (Statute of limitation for childhood sex abuse claims extended to 35 years.)

{LC1190/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor Monday, July 1, 2019.

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, JULY 2ND**Senate Bill No. 406 SUB A as amended****BY** Sosnowski, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- ASSENT TO FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT (Assents to the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act, and empowers the director of DEM to perform those acts necessary, to be in compliance with the provisions of the act for the modernization of the safety of the food supply.)

{LC1642/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

House Bill No. 6218 as amended**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- ASSENT TO FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT (Assents to the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act, and empowers the director of DEM to perform those acts necessary, to be in compliance with the provisions of the act for the modernization of the safety of the food supply.)

{LC2793/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 576 SUB A as amended

BY Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS (Makes sweeping changes to the law on massage therapy licensing.)
{LC1511/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

House Bill No. 6033 SUB A

BY Bennett, Edwards, Kennedy, McNamara, Almeida

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS (Makes sweeping changes to the law on massage therapy licensing.)
{LC2448/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 689 SUB A

BY Euer, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Extends the effective date for the application of the new definition section relative to zoning ordinances and would also extend the current definitions section relative to zoning ordinances.)
{LC1778/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 699 SUB B

BY Ruggerio, Ciccone, Pearson, Lombardo, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (Pet shops shall provide records to DEM including breeder info, health cert., license and inspection information for each dog or cat offered for sale.)
{LC2016/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

House Bill No. 6168 SUB A

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (Pet shops shall provide records to DEM including breeder info, health cert., license and inspection information for each dog or cat offered for sale.)
{LC2417/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 863 SUB B**BY** Gallo, Ruggerio, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Algieri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM (Requires the commissioner of education to develop statewide academic standards and curriculum frameworks for the core subjects of mathematics, English language arts, science and technology, history and social studies, world languages, and the arts.)

{LC2561/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 936 as amended**BY** Picard, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts Woonsocket properties with a Main Street address, located between 2 Main Street (Plat 14, Lot 284) and 194 Main Street (Plat 14, Lot 139), from prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages within 200 feet of any school or church.)

{LC2707/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

House Bill No. 6165**BY** Phillips, Casey, Morin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES (Authorizes Woonsocket city council to exempt Class BV/BM license retailers' from 200 feet prohibition from the sale of alcohol from school/religious entity between 2 Main Street and 194 Main Street.)

{LC2729/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 589 SUB A as amended

(Secretary of State)

BY McKenney**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.)

{LC1541/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

Senate Bill No. 673 as amended

BY Cano, Conley, Crowley, Nesselbush

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- REDEVELOPMENT

AGENCIES AND PROJECTS (Authorizes state and local incremental tax revenues generated in the arts district, the growth center district and the ballpark district in the city of Pawtucket to be allocated to finance improvements in the districts.)

{LC2103/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 3RD

House Bill No. 5131 SUB A

BY Chippendale, Place, Hawkins

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- THE GOLD STAR

FAMILY HIGHWAY (Provides an honorary name to a portion of highway on Chopmist Hill Road from Route 44 in Chepachet to the southern boundary of the town of Glocester, as the Gold Star Family Highway.)

{LC554/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5168

BY Edwards, Diaz, Alzate, Mendez, Tobon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AMERICANIZATION OF

SCHOOLS (Repeals requirement that persons between 16 and 21 who cannot speak, read or write English to attend classes until they learn (minimum 200 hours). Also repeals fines and institutional commitment for failure to take such classes.)

{LC281/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5182 SUB A**BY** Phillips, Ucci, Hawkins, Amore, Serodio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES -- SPECIAL EVENTS LICENSE (Permits cities and towns to issue special events liquor licenses to permit the equivalent of one-day licenses one day each month.)

{LC245/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5251 SUB A**BY** Corvese, Vella-Wilkinson, Lima, O'Brien, Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - ELECTROLYSIS (Establishes the requirements for licensure and regulation of electrologists performing electrolysis and/or laser hair removal.)

{LC1024/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5259 SUB A**BY** Craven, O'Brien, McEntee, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR - UNION REPRESENTATION (Clarifies the rights and options of government employees who decide not to join their employer's exclusive bargaining unit.)

{LC962/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5299 as amended**BY** Hawkins, Lima, Phillips, Noret, Serodio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - EQUAL RIGHTS OF BLIND AND DEAF PERSONS TO PUBLIC FACILITIES (Prohibits misrepresentation of the status of an animal as a service animal in order to acquire any right or privilege afforded disabled persons.)

{LC1237/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5322 as amended**BY** Marszalkowski, Shanley, Maldonado, McKiernan, Millea**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - FOOD DONATIONS (Repeals the current chapter of the general laws regarding immunity for food donors to food banks, and would adopt a new chapter with comprehensive immunity provisions for persons involved in donating food to food banks.)

{LC1318/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5355**BY** Williams, Ajello, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - OPEN MEETINGS (Amends the definition of "public body" to include the board of directors of any library which has funded at least twenty-five percent (25%) of its operational budget in the prior budget year with public funds.)

{LC1345/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5401

(Dept. of Health)

BY Bennett, Edwards, Solomon, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE HEALTH CARE SERVICES FUNDING PLAN ACT (Requires Tricare to pay the healthcare services funding contributions for their contribution enrollees.)

{LC1398/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5431 as amended

(Dept. of Health)

BY Mendez, Alzate, Shanley, Casimiro, Tobon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Includes any "licensed public health dental hygienist" among persons eligible to conduct dental screenings for children in kindergarten, third, and ninth grade.)

{LC1394/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5453 SUB A**BY** McEntee, Craven, Almeida, Ucci, Morin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Exempts from taxation the real property of the surviving spouse of any law enforcement officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the provisions applied only prospectively and not retroactively.)

{LC1376/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5455 SUB A

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Serodio, Amore, Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

(Provides that Class F and F-1 liquor licenses may be issued to corporations, LLCs, and political organizations.)

{LC1553/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5457**BY** Kennedy, Azzinaro, Johnston, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (Allows disability insurance with a benefit limit in excess of a benefit limit available from an admitted insurer to be written in the surplus lines market.)

{LC1494/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5537 SUB A**BY** Mattiello, Caldwell, Serpa, Alzate, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED

SUBSTANCES ACT (Restricts the initial prescription to an adult and all prescriptions to a minor patient for an opiate to a seven (7) day supply with exceptions for certain conditions and medicines designed for substance abuse or opioid dependence treatment.)

{LC1484/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5867**BY** Casimiro, Marszalkowski, Shekarchi, Noret, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - PERSONAL CARE

ATTENDANT PROGRAM (Requires annual reports to track the number of caregiver assessments given as part of the assessments conducted for Medicaid long-term services and supports the creation of a family caregiver support association by the division of elderly affairs.)

{LC1508/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5874

(RI Turnpike and Bridge Authority)

BY Edwards, Canario, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY (Reduces the number of infractions for a person to be considered a "toll violator" from twenty (20) to ten (10). The act also reduces the number of infractions for a person to be considered a "toll evader" from one hundred (100) to twenty (20).)
{LC2181/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5896

BY Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION - VETERANS' EXEMPTIONS (Grants the town council of the town of Jamestown the authority to provide for certain exemptions or tax credits for any veteran of the United States armed services.)
{LC2205/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5909 SUB A

BY Craven, McEntee, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING ACT (Establishes the supported decision-making act which is a less restrictive alternative to guardianship for utilization of the probate courts.)
{LC2231/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 5958 SUB A

BY Costantino, Ackerman, Lyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CONSOLIDATION OF THE ALBION AND SAYLESVILLE FIRE DISTRICTS INTO THE NEW LINCOLN FIRE DISTRICT (Effectuates the consolidation of the Albion and Saylesville Fire Districts into a newly created Lincoln Fire District.)
{LC2261/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6034**BY** Ackerman, Lyle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE MANVILLE FIRE DISTRICT -- AMENDMENT OF CORPORATE CHARTER (Repeals the existing provisions of the Corporate Charter and replaces them in their entirety.)

{LC2481/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6043**BY** Lima, Serpa, Slater, Diaz, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO PUBLIC SAFETY DOGS AND HORSES (Provides special protection to public safety canines and horses that are intentionally or maliciously subjected to cruelty, injuries, or death, by increasing the potential criminal and civil penalties for the offenders.)

{LC2232/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6046**BY** Kazarian, Amore, Serodio, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Providence Country Day School, a Rhode Island nonprofit corporation, located in East Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC2513/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6078**BY** Corvese, O'Brien, Craven, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Names the URI College of Engineering Building as the "Fascitelli Center for Advanced Engineering.")

{LC2549/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6102**BY** Barros, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION (An insurer found in violation of the unfair claims settlement practices act can be liable for three (3) times the amount of damages.) {LC2551/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6121**BY** Fellela**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SANTORO INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES, INC. {LC2638/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6137**BY** McEntee, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- HISTORIC RESIDENCE--TAX CREDIT (This act would amend the definition of commission under the Rhode Island historical preservation and heritage commission to include for purposes of historic structure property tax reduction in the town of Narragansett.) {LC2677/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6182**BY** Mattiello, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Casey Doherty to join Christina Yurchak and Justin Byrne in marriage on or about November 2, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2755/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6183**BY** Donovan, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Joseph Bains to join Mikaela Esau and Earl Coppa in marriage on or about August 3, 2019, within the Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island.) {LC2768/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6184 SUB A as amended**BY** Caldwell, Speakman, Mendez, Vella-Wilkinson, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES (Prohibits insurer from denying application/exclude/limit coverage under any life insurance policy based solely on prescription to carry or possess naloxone.)

{LC2568/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6202**BY** Mattiello, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Sean Scanlon to join Christina Yurchak and Justin Byrne in marriage on or about November 2, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2754/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6203**BY** Tobon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Dr. Charles A. Steinberg to join Jaelyn Marie Dempsey and Brent Crawford Wilks in marriage on or about October 13, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2819/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6204**BY** Carson, Cortvriend, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John F. Fulone to join Lauren Penta and Nicholas Candela in marriage on or about September 21, 2019, within the Town of Middletown, Rhode Island.)

{LC2822/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6205**BY** Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John F. Fulone to join Victoria Hippert and Justin DeFreitas in marriage on or about October 11, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2821/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6217**BY** Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- PROXIMITY TO SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES (Exempts the property located at 375 Smith Street, Providence, from the provisions prohibiting liquor licenses within a proximity of two hundred feet (200') of a school or church.)

{LC2824/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6220**BY** Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Roxanne Maraziti to join Julie Mara and John G. Genga in marriage on or about August 9, 2019, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2783/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6229**BY** Handy, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Collin Berglund to join Julia Dearden and Thomas Kerr-Vanderslice in marriage on or about August 30, 2019, within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island.)

{LC2838/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6230**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows William F. Dougherty, Esq., to join Ashley A. Morris and Andrew P. Flaherty in marriage on or about August 23, 2019, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.)

{LC2847/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

House Bill No. 6243**BY** Amore, Shekarchi, Serodio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Allison Patricia Reid to join Molly Ellen Reid and Andrew George Caruolo in marriage on or about September 14, 2019, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC2905/1}

Transmitted to the Governor Wednesday, July 3, 2019.

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON FRIDAY, JULY 5TH**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}

Transmitted to the Governor Friday, July 5, 2019.

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON THURSDAY, JULY 11TH**House Bill No. 5028 SUB A as amended****BY** McNamara, Kazarian, Jackson, Vella-Wilkinson, Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - THE RHODE ISLAND UTILITY FAIR SHARE ROADWAY REPAIR ACT (Requires public utilities or utility facilities to repave and repair roadways altered or excavated by them to the satisfaction of state or municipalities providing financial recovery for defective incomplete repairs.)

{LC84/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5034 SUB A**BY** Craven, Lombardi, Hull, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT (Allows state employees who had also been a correctional officer to elect to combine their service time earned from each job, for the determination of their retirement eligibility date and calculation of retirement benefits.)

{LC53/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5141 SUB A**BY** McNamara, Bennett, Edwards, Canario, Lyle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE LICENSING ACT (Allows some persons, who do not otherwise qualify to reside in a special care unit in an assisted living residence to get into that unit under certain circumstances.)

{LC660/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5145 SUB A**BY** Ruggiero, Shekarchi, Marszalkowski, Blazejewski, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS (Enables Rhode Island businesses to voluntarily promulgate standards to guide its business activities in a sustainable and responsible manner, as well as metrics for assessing whether it has met its objectives.)

{LC164/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5170**BY** Corvese, Ucci, Azzinaro, Phillips, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - MERIT SYSTEM (Allows a provisional employee in classified service, who has satisfactorily served in their position for more than five (5) consecutive years, to be deemed qualified to be awarded permanent status in that position, without the need of examination.)

{LC253/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5178 SUB A**BY** Shekarchi, Noret, Ackerman, McNamara, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE (Establishes the Rhode Island Program to address Alzheimer's disease.)

{LC452/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5189**BY** Morin, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Marszalkowski, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- WITHHOLDING OF TAX (Provides that the non-resident withholding requirement for a corporation that sells real estate be consistent with the seven percent (7%) corporate income tax rate.)

{LC765/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5253**BY** O'Brien, McEntee, Craven, Amore**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] (Requires that instruction in health and physical education include information provided to students that mixing opioids and alcohol can cause accidental death.)

{LC766/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5291**BY** Nardone, Filippi, Lyle, Quattrocchi, Price**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - STATE REGISTER (Requires secretary of state to collect/publish governor's executive orders on website arranged by topic rather than in numerical/chronological order.)

{LC986/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5298**BY** McNamara, Jackson, Amore, Ackerman, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - NURSE ANESTHETISTS (Permits a registered nurse who is enrolled in an accredited nurse anesthesia program to practice as a nurse anesthetist under the supervision of a certified registered nurse anesthetist or an anesthesiologist.)

{LC232/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5365**BY** Edwards, Shekarchi, Canario, Price**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - DESIGNERS OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS (Provides that professional engineers who are registered and authorized to practice by the Rhode Island state board of registration for professional engineers be deemed to have met the qualifications for a designer's license.)

{LC287/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5382 SUB A

(General Treasurer)

BY Lima, O'Brien, Amore, Solomon, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS (Requires that retirement contributions be deposited or remitted to the retirement system within three (3) days.)
{LC1207/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5419

BY Diaz, Slater, Azzinaro, Bennett, Ackerman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMMISSION ON THE DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING (Provides conditions to lawfully permit a state employee to be employed as an interpreter or a CART provider outside of the normal working hours.)
{LC1466/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5433

BY Ackerman, Serpa, Vella-Wilkinson, Morin, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- SEIZURE OF ANIMALS BEING CRUELLY TREATED (Authorizes certain state and municipal agents to take possession of animals found abandoned or neglected, and to proceed to provide all necessary care and treatment for the animal.)
{LC1456/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5436 SUB A as amended

BY Ucci, Corvese, Lima, Kazarian, Fellela

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL CARE (Defines pet trainers and requires pet trainers to be licensed. This act further provides an exception to the licensing requirements for dog training programs operated by government agencies.)
{LC1433/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5458 SUB A**BY** Kennedy, Ucci, Azzinaro, Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - CASUALTY INSURANCE RATING (Raises amount from \$1,500 to \$3,000 at which insurer may fail to renew private passenger auto policy/assess premium surcharge for property damage claim payment. Eff. 1/1/20.)
{LC1214/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5465 SUB A**BY** Jacquard, Bennett, Solomon, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS (Requires DOT to establish rules and regulations for the use of steel plates on roadway surfaces, and for towns and cities to adopt the same for use on municipal highways.)
{LC1201/A/3}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5466 SUB A**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE - ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT (Requires that all electrical work performed in the state be done in accordance with the latest edition of the National Electrical Code, and would also require that the state building commission adopt the latest edition of the National Electrical Code.)
{LC1334/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5478 SUB A**BY** Craven, Millea, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY (Provides that an open and obvious danger or defect is not a complete bar to recovery of damages in personal injury or property damage actions.)
{LC1525/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5507

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Noret, Serodio, Serpa, Jackson, Hawkins

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (Codifies the lawful procedure for a bicyclist to follow when complying with traffic control signals.)

{LC1395/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5536 SUB A

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/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5541 SUB A as amended

(Dept. 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/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5544 SUB A**BY** Jacquard, McNamara, Bennett, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

PHARMACIES (Establishes audit requirements for pharmacy benefit managers and also establishes annual reporting requirements for health insurers.)

{LC1849/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5590 SUB A as amended**BY** Filippi, Price, Roberts, Place, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -SALES AND USE TAXES- ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION (Enacts two 10 year statute of limitations on two separate tax functions.)

{LC1524/A/3}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5672 SUB A**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 T.F. Green International Airport for two years to July 31, 2021.)

{LC1962/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5678

(Lieutenant Governor)

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5679 as amended

(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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5695 SUB A

(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/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5764 SUB A

(Secretary of State)

BY Alzate, Casimiro, Kazarian, Mendez, Cassar

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION - NOMINATION - DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY - PRIMARY VOTES (Moves the date of primaries to the eighth Tuesday preceding biennial state elections.)
{LC1544/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5765

(Board of Elections)

BY Jacquard, Noret, Edwards, Kennedy, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - ELECTIVE MEETINGS (Mandates that polls in all cities and towns except New Shoreham open at 7 am and provides time for receipt of ballots cast outside the US.)
{LC1926/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5778 SUB A**BY** Ucci

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE - REVISED UNIFORM FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT (Regulates fiduciary and designated recipient access to digital assets relating to probate practice and procedure by creating the "Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act" to promote uniformity of the law among states that enact it.)
{LC1465/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5798 SUB A**BY** Serpa, Noret, Jackson, Roberts, Nardone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COVENTRY SEWER AUTHORITY (Prohibits the town of Coventry from charging its sewage works' users interest charges of no more than five-tenths of one percent (.5%).)

{LC2004/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5847 SUB A**BY** Shekarchi, Solomon, Speakman, Blazejewski, Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES--CURRENCY TRANSMISSIONS (Adds virtual currency to the existing electronic money transmission and sale of check licenses and adds additional regulatory provisions to simplify and clarify licensing related thereto.)

{LC2131/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5888**BY** Ucci, Morin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLES - DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL CODE PROVISIONS (Allows that the year of manufacture plate need only be attached to the rear of the vehicle.)

{LC2217/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5936 SUB A

(Attorney General/General Treasurer)

BY McNamara, Alzate, Amore, Cortvriend, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- STUDENT LOAN BILL OF RIGHTS ACT (Creates the "student loan bill of rights act" which establishes guidelines for the issuance of postsecondary loans.)

{LC2253/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 5986**BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS (Permits, in certain circumstances, the publication, or broadcast of the likeness of an elected official on an official government website with 120 days preceding an election.)

{LC263/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6019 SUB A**BY** Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- RHODE ISLAND NONCOMPETITION AGREEMENT ACT (Creates a comprehensive statutory scheme to address all aspects of noncompetition agreements.)
{LC2416/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

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}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6080 as amended**BY** Morin, Phillips, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Allows Woonsocket to assess different tax rates upon motor vehicles and ratable tangible personal property to comply with Motor Vehicle/Trailer Tax Elimination Act.)
{LC2586/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6084 SUB A**BY** Amore, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Edwards, Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (Provides for greater school-based management at the school level and expands the duties of school improvement teams and establishes a new chapter on education accountability.)
{LC2601/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6086 SUB A**BY** Serodio, Hawkins, Amore, Noret, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Requires private/public schools provide/maintain opioid antagonists on-site including elementary schools.)
{LC2373/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6091 SUB A**BY** Serodio, Hawkins, Amore, Noret, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- SENIOR SAVINGS PROTECTION ACT (Protects seniors and qualified disabled adults from financial exploitation.)

{LC2374/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6094**BY** Azzinaro, Fellela, Casey, Solomon, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE (Changes the name of Gold Star Parents Day to Gold Star Family Day.)

{LC2582/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6114 SUB A**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS (Requires that all persons seeking appointment as a limited guardian or guardian pursuant to chapter 15 of title 33 ("Limited Guardianships and Guardianship of Adults") be required to undergo a criminal background check.)

{LC2611/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6117 SUB A**BY** Costantino, Hawkins**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MINIMUM WAGES (Provides employers who permit employees to report to work shall pay the employee for not less than 3 hrs wages. An exception would be provided for agreed work shifts scheduled for less than 3 hrs and for college student employees working for the college.)

{LC2613/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6124**BY** Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

(Authorizes the board of licenses in the city of Providence to exempt, after application, any proposed retailers' Class B license located at 464-468 Wickenden Street in the city of Providence, regardless of objection to license or statutory prohibition.)

{LC2600/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6134**BY** Williams, Fellela, Alzate, Millea, McKiernan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - WORKERS'

COMPENSATION (Provides employer pays any excess damages for an injured minor/clarifies liability of employer for violation of continuation of health care benefits for injured employee caused by employer/repeals obsolete/inapplicable workers' compensation laws.)

{LC2640/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6143 SUB A**BY** Shekarchi, Vella-Wilkinson, Bennett, Solomon, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF WARWICK -- SEWER AUTHORITY

(Modifies Warwick Sewer Authority Act by expanding number of members; increasing number of votes for by-law changes; providing for as many as thirty year installment payments; relieves owners with functioning septic systems from assessments for 20 years.)

{LC2642/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6164 SUB A**BY** Jacquard, Corvese, Millea, Maldonado, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS --

SUPERIOR COURT (Allows the presiding justice of the superior court, to create a superior court diversion program.)

{LC2713/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6166**BY** Azzinaro, Kennedy, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE HOLDINGS OF MEMORIAL AND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF WESTERLY (Authorizes the Memorial and Library Association of Westerly to take, hold, transmit and convey real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding sixty-five million dollars (\$65,000,000).)

{LC2749/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6169 SUB A**BY** Fellela, O'Brien, Ucci, Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (Amends the membership of the ambulance service coordinating advisory board.)

{LC2712/A/4}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6185**BY** Azzinaro, Filippi, Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$71,410,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35% FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR STATE AID AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY ANY GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY CAPITAL FUND (Authorizes the town of Westerly to issue general obligation bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness not to exceed \$71,410,000 for school improvements.)

{LC2771/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6206**BY** Edwards, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Tiverton, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Tiverton on November 6, 2018.)

{LC2808/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6207**BY** Shekarchi, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION

(This act makes a number of technical amendments to the general laws, prepared at the recommendation of the Law Revision Office. Article I contains the reenactment of title 5 of the general laws. Article II includes the statutory construction provisions.)

{LC2776/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6208**BY** Speakman, Cortvriend, Donovan, Fogarty, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --**TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES** (Adds six members to the commission on traumatic brain injuries.)

{LC2794/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6214**BY** Noret, Solomon, Jackson, Serodio, Amore**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL**ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES** (Adds to the disclosure requirements to be made by the sellers of one to four (4) units of residential real estate, any modifications made to the electrical, heating, plumbing, and ventilation systems.)

{LC2796/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6215**BY** Jackson, McNamara, Costantino, Lima, McLaughlin**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.)

{LC2797/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6216**BY** Jackson, McNamara, Costantino, Lima, McLaughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - CONDOMINIUM LAW -**MANAGEMENT OF CONDOMINIUM** (Provides that financial and other records be made available for examination by unit owners within thirty (30) days of a request being made.)

{LC2792/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6219**BY** Shanley, Casimiro, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - ZONING ORDINANCES

(Expands the definition of "family member" for purposes of zoning ordinances.)

{LC2798/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6235**BY** Amore, Serodio, Kazarian, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2-1

OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE (Ratifies and

confirms the amendment to Section 2-1 of the Home Rule Charter of the city of East Providence

establishing four (4) year terms for members of the city council.)

{LC2869/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6236 SUB A**BY** Maldonado, McLaughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - RETIREMENT OF

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND CLOSED MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT PLANS (Would

facilitate locally administered retirement plans in Central Falls joining municipal employees retirement system.)

{LC2860/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6237**BY** Lombardi, Hull, Diaz, Slater, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

(Exempts any proposed retailers' Class B license to be located at 671 Broadway Street, Plat 35,

Lot 566 in the city of Providence from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from schools or places of worship.)

{LC2873/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Resolution No. 6238**BY** Abney**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PAY CERTAIN

CLAIMS

{LC2875/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6240**BY** Bennett, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] (Exempts those students in grade twelve (12) who are enrolled full-time in a dual enrollment program where the courses are taken on a higher education institution campus from the requirement that they complete health and physical education courses.)

{LC2878/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6241 SUB A**BY** Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY (Requires all candidates to file financial statements within 30 days after filing notice of organization.)

{LC2890/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6242**BY** Ucci, Kennedy, Craven, McKiernan, Place**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - RHODE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (Expands the definition of "approved project" to include resiliency related infrastructure projects, and further prohibits the award of financial assistance for a water pollution abatement project.)

{LC2872/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6250**BY** Phillips, Morin, Casey, Amore, Hawkins**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Allows a school district to conduct instruction through virtual education up to five (5) days when schools have been closed due to inclement weather, emergency or any nonscheduled school closings.)

{LC2907/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6251**BY** Ackerman, McLaughlin, Marszalkowski, Phillips**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Cumberland, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Cumberland on November 6, 2018.)

{LC2909/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6254**BY** Diaz, Slater, McKiernan, Maldonado, Mendez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES - VIOLATIONS (Allows a person to make satisfactory arrangements for the payment of motor vehicle fines or costs, and would permit a person to request an ability to pay hearing before a license is suspended for failure to pay such fines or costs.)

{LC2896/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

House Bill No. 6259**BY** Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF PRP, INC.

{LC2932/1}

Transmitted to Governor Thursday, July 11, 2019.

VETO MESSAGE BY THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, JULY 16th

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
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Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

July 16, 2019

TO THE HONORABLE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

In accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island, and Section 43-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I transmit, with my disapproval, 2019-S 46, "An Act Relating to Education – School Committees and Superintendents."

This legislation would allow school districts with approval from local school boards to substitute teacher-led classroom instruction for virtual learning for as many as five school days a year.

Current law allows school districts to adopt virtual learning plans that can be used in the event of inclement weather. Under that law, virtual learning plans must be approved by the Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (RIDE) for the program to count as an official school day. Approval is required, in part, to ensure that the curriculum maintains a high level of rigor in instruction and guarantees that students who lack access to technology at home are not left behind. Accordingly, RIDE developed an evaluative policy that employs high standards for content and accessibility, so that students are challenged with grade-level appropriate work through virtual learning, but no student is placed at a disadvantage for not having access to technology outside of school. Moreover, RIDE's policy ensures that appropriate, federally-required accommodations are in place for students with documented disabilities as well as English language learners.

Senate Bill 46 amends the existing law and creates a clear work-around, bypassing RIDE and allowing school districts to adopt and implement independent policies. At my urging, RIDE set the bar high for virtual learning plans to protect students and to guarantee that if a student were to participate in virtual learning, the quality of the educational experience would be the equivalent of an official day at school. Plans submitted by some districts have fallen short of the benchmark set by RIDE, suggesting that high-quality instruction would not be guaranteed on virtual learning days without RIDE oversight.

Our 2018 RICAS scores demonstrate that all of our school districts require improvement. Every school day matters. We need more days of high-quality teaching and learning, not fewer. Reducing students' time with teachers – or establishing in law the idea that a packet of worksheets is equivalent to a full day of school with a trained and certified teacher – is not a strategy that increases academic performance.

The Rhode Island Association of School Principals, the Rhode Island Federation of Teachers, and the Rhode Island School Superintendents Association share my concerns regarding matters of student equity and the potential negative impacts to students without access to technology at home. These groups also rightly point out the inevitable high degree of inconsistency among districts if approval is left to local school boards and not decided upon a unified standard by RIDE.

I am supportive of developing innovative ways to ensure that snow days and inclement weather do not interrupt instruction. It is commendable that the legislature seeks to empower schools to develop flexible and innovative approaches to continue learning during unplanned days off. But, we cannot be cavalier about shortening the school year.

By requiring RIDE approval for virtual learning plans, the State has a mechanism to guarantee that all students participate in high-quality educational experiences if a virtual learning day is to count as one of the 180 official school days. Without RIDE approval, we have no ability to ensure the integrity and rigor of academic instruction via virtual learning. Our students' education is too valuable to risk up to a week of instruction without such a safeguard.

I disapprove of this legislation and respectfully urge your support of my veto.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor