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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Twelfth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, Tuesday, March 9, 2021, and is called to order at 4:05 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

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

PRESENT – 71: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson and Williams.

ABSENT – 4: Representatives Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts

INVOCATION

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

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Thursday, March 4, 2021, is approved.

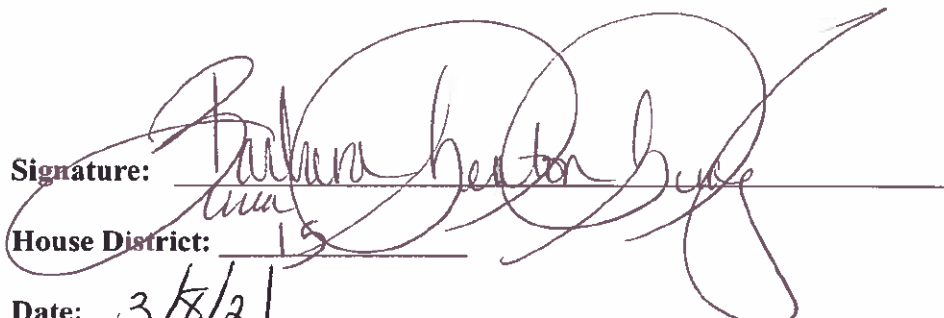

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY



House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Rep. Fenton-Fung hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H-5887 entitled: **An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government – Open Meetings** which is currently in the House Committee on State Government & Elections

Signature: 
House District: 15
Date: 3/8/21
Acknowledgement: 
Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

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

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY



House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Rep. Fenton-Fung hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H-5888 entitled: An Act Relating to Education --URI which is currently in the House Committee on State Government & Elections

Signature: _____

House District: _____

Date: 3/8/21

Acknowledgement:

Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

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

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY



House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Rep. Fenton-Fung
hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H-5889
entitled: An Act Relating to Education --URI
which is currently in the House Committee on State Government & Elections

Signature: _____

House District: 15

Date: 3/8/21

Acknowledgement:

Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

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CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021:

- 1. 2021-H 5100**
BY Solomon
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Chairman Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Noret, Caldwell, Hawkins, Carson, Phillips, Azzinaro, Costantino, Serpa, Cortvriend, Donovan, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McNamara, Hull, Casey, Solomon, Lima S., Fellela, McGaw, Bennett, Corvese, Knight, Deputy Speaker Lima C., Ruggiero, McEntee, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Abney, and Chippendale.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 3 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Perez, and Ranglin-Vassell.

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

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

- 2. 2021-H 5164**
BY Bennett
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Chairman Casey moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Amore, Phillips, Craven, Noret, Ruggiero, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Morales, Hawkins, Biah, Henries, Donovan, Speakman, McEntee, Azzinaro, Cortvriend, Handy, Ajello Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Edwards, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McNamara, Tanzi, Hull, Casey, Solomon, Casimiro, Whip Kazarian, Lima S., McGaw, and Messier.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi and Perez.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

3. 2021-H 5241

BY Vella-Wilkinson

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES**

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Chairman Casey moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Abney, Speakman, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Biah, Donovan, Amore, Caldwell, Morales, McEntee, Ruggiero, Vella -Wilkinson, Cassar, Cortvriend, Handy, Ajello, Fogarty, Bennett, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Hull, Cardillo, Shanley, Craven, Edwards, McNamara, Diaz, Tanzi, Lima S., Casimiro, Felix, Whip Kazarian, Alzate, Barros, McGaw, and Noret.

Representatives Place, Fenton- Fung, and Carson discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative Place seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, and Representative Chippendale offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5241

AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5241, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES", as follows:

1. On page 1, line 7, after the language "age," by inserting the language "or an emancipated minor,".

2. On page 1, line 12, after the language "oral hormonal contraceptive" by inserting the language ", and only if the previous prescription was procured with the consent of one parent or legal guardian".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Place

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Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Filippi, and Place discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 59 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Morgan, Nardone, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi.

NAYS - 59: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Newberry, Noret, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representative Cassar and McEntee continue the discussion on the act.

Representative Place requests to sever lines 10-12 on page 1.
The Honorable Speaker rules it is not divisible.

ANNOUNCEMENT**PROXY VOTES**

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 3 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Perez and Ranglin-Vassell.

Read and on a roll call vote, 66 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 4: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Price, Quattrocchi.

RECUSED - 0:

- 4. 2021-H 5247**
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Chairman Casey moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Amore, Speakman, Carson, Donovan, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Morales, O'Brien, Ruggiero, Cortvriend, Handy, Ajello, Fogarty, Cassar, Deputy Speaker Lima C., Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, McEntee, Bennett Diaz, McNamara, Tanzi, Hull, Edwards, Lima S., Potter, McGaw Felix, and Whip Kazarian.

ANNOUNCEMENT**PROXY VOTES**

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 3 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Perez, and Ranglin-Vassell.

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

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

5. 2021-H 5477

BY McLaughlin

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 TO FINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, AND EQUIPPING OF RECREATIONAL AREAS AND FACILITIES IN THE TOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Phillips, Marszalkowski, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Abney, Azzinaro, Deputy Speaker Lima C., Diaz, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Hull, and Lima S.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 3 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Perez, and Ranglin-Vassell.

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

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

6. 2021-S 53

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 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 IN THE TOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Azzinaro, Abney, Corvese, Hull, Majority Leader Blazejewski, McNamara, Minority Leader Filippi, Lima S., Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, and Diaz.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 1 to be recorded in the affirmative Representative Roberts.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 3 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Perez, and Ranglin-Vassell.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 75 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 75: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy Whip Ackerman announces that in celebration of International Women's Day all women members can gather in the lobby for a picture.

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

Chairman Azzinaro announces that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs will meet at 2 p.m. Friday, in room 35 of the State House.

Representative Casimiro acknowledges the women of the Chamber for International Women's Day.

Representative Felix announces, in honor of International Women's Day, recognition of the Mirabal Sisters' resistance against the regime in the Dominican Republic.

Representative McEntee announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the House, in the House Lounge of the State House.

Representative Williams announces in the continuation of the Black History Month celebration she recognizes Notable Black Inventors.

Representative Casimiro announces that Oversight Subcommittee will meet Thursday, at 10:00 a.m. in the House Lounge of the State House.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces as a reminder, **we will not be meeting this Thursday, March 11th** at the Vets.

Instead of session, Speaker Shekarchi and I strongly recommend all members attend the virtual meeting of the **House Conduct Committee this Thursday at 4 p.m.** The meeting will feature Sexual Harassment Training conducted by Rep. Camille Vella-Wilkinson, the chair of the committee, and Tina Christy, the senior compliance officer of the Rhode Island Commission for Human Rights. Committee members can attend in the House Lounge or by WebEx. All non-committee members have been sent the link to attend the training session, which will be carried live on Capitol TV and will be open to coverage by the media.

Our next House session here at the Vets will be one week from today, Tuesday, March 16th at 4 p.m. Due to the pandemic, we will not be holding our usual St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day ceremony, but resolutions will be offered in honor of those two special occasions.

NEW BUSINESS

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

House Resolution No. 6110

BY Blazejewski, Filippi

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC2383/1}

Majority Leader Blazejewski request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6111**BY** Blazejewski, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2384/1}

Majority Leader Blazejewski requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6112**BY** Craven, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Hull, McEntee, Casimiro, Fogarty, Ajello**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOHN J. (JACK) LEYDEN {LC2388/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Craven seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Hull, McEntee, and Casimiro by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 6113**BY** Noret, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Filippi, Serpa, Casimiro, Alzate, Williams, Fogarty, Ajello**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF NORMAN LANDROCHE, SR. {LC2376/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Casimiro seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Serpa, Alzate, and Noret by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 6114**BY** Morales, Hull, Blazejewski, Filippi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE MOUNT PLEASANT HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE RHODE ISLAND GIRLS BASKETBALL DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIP {LC2390/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Morales seconded by Representatives Felix, Hull, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Filippi, and Speaker Shekarchi by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6115

BY Blazejewski, Filippi, Ajello, Hull, Williams, Batista, Biah, Amore, Diaz, Slater
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE
PASSING OF FRANK LATORRE {LC2341/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Majority Leader Blazejewski seconded by Minority Leader Filippi Representatives Ajello, Hull, Williams, Biah, Diaz, Amore, Slater, Henries, and Batista by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 6116

BY Giraldo, McLaughlin, Barros, Filippi, Blazejewski, Ajello
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION THANKING DR. BEATA NELKEN FOR HER TIRELESS
EFFORTS TO ASSIST THE COMMUNITY OF CENTRAL FALLS AS IT CONFRONTS THE
NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS, AND CONGRATULATING HER ON BEING
HONORED BY THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS ON MARCH 11 AS PART OF
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY 2021 {LC2372/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Giraldo seconded by many others by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

- Representative Amore-An Act relating to Education
- Representative Knight-An Act relating to Firearms
- Representative Shallcross Smith-An Act relating to Hate Crimes
- Representative Ruggiero-An Act relating to Wireless Telecommunication
- Representative Ruggiero-An Act relating to Energy Efficiency
- Representative Bennett-An Act relating to Dairy Farming
- Representative Batista-An Act relating to Drugs
- Representative Batista-An Act relating to Probation Practices
- Representative Slater- An Act relating to Teacher’s Retirement

DESK HELD OPEN

Speaker Shekarchi requests that the desk be held open.

TRANSMITTAL

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

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

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

Senate Bill No. 76 as amended

BY Gallo, Cano, Lawson, Euer, Pearson, Miller, McCaffrey, Sosnowski, Ruggerio, Seveney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM (Requires that commencing with the graduating class of 2022 and all subsequent graduating classes thereafter, all high school students attending public schools shall fulfill at least one-half credit or course requirement in civics education.) {LC1054/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Education

Senate Bill No. 196

BY Ciccone, Acosta, Calkin, Goodwin, Lawson, Anderson, Valverde, Murray, Bell, DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- DIGNITY AT WORK ACT (Establishes the Dignity at Work Act, to provide workers with more protection from bullying and harassment in the workplace.) {LC848/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Labor

Senate Bill No. 224

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes Providence to issue not more than \$140,000,000 bonds to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities throughout the city of Providence.) {LC1266/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Finance

Senate Bill No. 285**BY** Gallo, DiPalma, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL-TO-CAREER TRANSITION ACT OF 1996 (Implements an individual career and academic plan graduation requirement for each student enrolled in public schools in the sixth through twelfth grade, starting with students entering the sixth grade in the 2023-2024 school year.) {LC1217/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Education

Senate Bill No. 325**BY** Pearson, Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 TO FINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR AND EQUIPPING OF RECREATIONAL AREAS AND FACILITIES IN THE TOWN (Authorizes the town of Cumberland to issue general obligation bonds and notes not to exceed \$2,500,000 for the development/improvement/repair/alteration/construction/renovation/equipping of recreational areas and facilities in the town.) {LC1226/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 374**BY** Sosnowski, Algieri, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes the town of South Kingstown to issue not more than \$85,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.) {LC1964/1}

03/10/2021 Referred to House Finance

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
TRANSFER OF BILLS**

Chairman Hull, for the Committee on Municipal Government and Housing, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Corporations:

House Bill No. 6040**BY** O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - THE RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Directs the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority to alter bus route 58.) {LC577/1}

03/11/2021 Committee transferred to House Corporations

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

House Bill No. 5025

BY Newberry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT (Allows North Smithfield historic residence owners to become eligible for state historic residence tax credits.) {LC497/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

House Bill No. 5478

BY Azzinaro, Filippi, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Allows the Westerly Town Council to issue a Class B liquor license for premises located at 169 and 177 Main Street, despite its location within proximity to a school church.) {LC1506/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

House Bill No. 5821

BY Hawkins, Costantino, Biah

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2020 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD {LC1161/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

House Bill No. 6108

BY Kennedy, Azzinaro, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD AND SIDEWALK INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWN (Authorizes the Town of Westerly to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$11,000,000 to finance the construction of road and sidewalk infrastructure improvements and related water line improvements in the town and all costs related thereto.) {LC2373/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Chairman Casey, for the Committee on Health, and Human Services, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of transfer to Committee on House Judiciary:

House Bill No. 5552

BY Perez, Hull, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE (Makes it unprofessional conduct for a physician not to take all reasonable steps to ensure that a viable fetus being carried by their patient is brought to term.) {LC1130/1}

03/12/2021 Committee transferred to House Judiciary

Chairman Casey, for the Committee on Health, and Human Services, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5431

BY Ackerman, Chippendale, Hawkins, Baginski, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RESTROOM ACCESS ACT

(Requires retail establishments with 3 or more employees on the premises without accessible public restroom to allow customers suffering from eligible conditions access to their employee restrooms.)

{LC512/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Chairman Craven, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of transfer to Committee on House State Government and Elections:

House Resolution No. 5729

BY Phillips, Potter, Caldwell, Carson, Cortvriend, Serpa, Fellela, Casey, Lima

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE-OF ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE (Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing four (4) year terms for members of the general assembly, elected members from even numbered districts would begin to be elected to four (4) year terms.) {LC1351/1}

03/12/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

House Resolution No. 5861

BY Place, Nardone

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE -- REFERENDUM ON LINE ITEM VETO (This joint resolution would provide for the publishing and submission to the electors a proposition of amendment to the constitution of the state for a line item veto.) {LC2086/1}

03/12/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

House Resolution No. 5862

BY Fenton-Fung

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE - FOUR YEAR TERMS AND TERM LIMITS FOR REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS (This joint resolution would submit a constitutional amendment to the voters at the next election scheduled for November, 2022 to limit the terms of senators and representatives to 5 consecutive 2 year terms commencing with the election of November, 2024.) {LC1447/1}

03/12/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

House Resolution No. 5983**BY** Kazarian, Morales, Potter, Henries, Edwards, Felix, McGaw**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE - OF SUFFRAGE (This joint resolution would propose an amendment to the state constitution eliminating the thirty-day residency and registration requirement before voting in an election.) {LC1843/1}

03/12/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

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

House Bill No. 5092**BY** Fellela**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- PASSIVE VOLUNTARY ADOPTION MUTUAL CONSENT REGISTRY ACT -- ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (Directs the department of health to provide information regarding the passive voluntary adoption reunion registry on the department of health's website and in the division of vital records.) {LC516/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

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

House Bill No. 5203**BY** Phillips, Caldwell, Noret, O'Brien, Serpa, Hawkins, Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Permits the division of motor vehicles to suspend the registration privileges of motor carriers upon receipt of notice from the department of labor and training that the motor carrier has not secured workers' compensation insurance.) {LC623/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

House Bill No. 5507**BY** Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF M.C. SOUSA TRUCKING & EXCAVATION, INC. {LC1731/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

House Bill No. 5906**BY** Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF WARWICK NECK AVENUE, INC. {LC1497/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Chairman McNamara, for the Committee on Education, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5079**BY** McNamara, Noret, Casimiro, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FUNDRAISING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

(Allows a school district to assess or request a voluntary contribution of money from a student or the student's parent or legal guardian to make a donation, in whole or in part, for the cost of district-sponsored field trips, dances, and clubs.) {LC152/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

House Bill No. 5534**BY** Diaz, Slater, Williams, Batista, Perez**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes Providence to issue not more than \$140,000,000 bonds to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities throughout the city of Providence.) {LC1431/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

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

House Bill No. 5952**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the honorable John G. Edwards to join Kelsey Kristine Edwards and David M. Coletta in marriage on or about October 23, 2021, within the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.) {LC2236/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/16/2021)

Senate Bill No. 74**BY** Goodwin, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows David Raymond Thibodeau, Jr., to join Staci Rae McCabe and Brendan Edward Curran in marriage on or about June 5, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC640/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (03/16/2021)

Senate Bill No. 266**BY** McCaffrey, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Maryellen Goodwin to join Katuska Pérez and Brian Parker in marriage on or about September 3, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC1722/1}

03/12/2021 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (03/16/2021)

NEW BUSINESS**House Bill No. 6117****BY** Ajello, McNamara, Morales, Kislak, Williams, Batista, Amore, O'Brien, Biah, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- MAYORAL ACADEMIES (Requires mayoral academies to use a random selection process to select eligible public school students who would be invited to attend the mayoral academy.) {LC1027/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

House Bill No. 6118**BY** Amore, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION (Prohibits school committees from entering into a school bus service contract unless the contract provides for payments to school bus drivers, monitors and aids for one hundred and eighty (180) days or the length of the contracted for school year.) {LC2314/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

House Bill No. 6119**BY** McEntee, Costantino, Caldwell, Cortvriend, Phillips, Carson, Cassar, Giraldo, Casimiro, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SMALL BUSINESSES--ZONING ORDINANCES (Imposes one year moratorium on enforcement of municipal ordinance or zoning requirement that penalizes owners of food service establishments/bars for modifications/alternations to their premises in response to an emergency declaration.) {LC2362/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Small Business

House Bill No. 6120**BY** Casey, Phillips, Newberry, Amore, O'Brien, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Filippi, Hawkins, Marszalkowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Stephen R. Ucci to join Darlene M. Boudreau and the Honorable Michael A. Morin in marriage on or about July 30, 2021, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.) {LC2333/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 6121

(Governor)

BY Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2021 {LC2461/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6122

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022 {LC2437/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6123

BY Casimiro, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (Authorizes the Quonset development corporation to borrow up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for operational purposes, the debt would not be a debt of the state and would be secured only by the Quonset development corporation's assets.) {LC2307/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6124

BY McLaughlin, Giraldo, Corvese, McNamara, Lima, Chippendale, Casey, Serpa, Amore, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE CREDITS (Exempts active members of the retirement system employed as a state public safety professional and/or a municipal police officer from the cost to purchase credit for military service and interest charges.) {LC2407/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 6125

BY Barros, Shanley, Ruggiero, Batista, Alzate, Giraldo, Kislak, Cassar, Potter, Baginski

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF EACH RHODE ISLAND CITY AND TOWN CREATE AN INDEPENDENT FIVE PERSON COMMISSION TO ENSURE THAT ANY AND ALL FEDERAL MONIES RECEIVED BY THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE FORTHCOMING COVID-19 RELIEF PACKAGE ARE ADMINISTERED WISELY, FAIRLY, HONESTLY AND WITH TRANSPARENCY {LC2354/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 6126

BY Bennett, Marszalkowski, McGaw, Ruggiero, Cortvriend, Carson, Phillips, Serpa, Vella-Wilkinson, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Entitles dairy farms to the exemptions from taxation granted to farmland, forestland, or open space.) {LC2401/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 6127

BY Donovan, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BRISTOL (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Bristol, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Bristol on November 3, 2020.) {LC2397/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 6128

BY Amore

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

(Authorizes the East Providence City Council to issue a Class B liquor license for a retail establishment, located at 332 Bullock Point Avenue.) {LC2293/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 6129

BY Shallcross Smith

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL

THERAPISTS (Authorizes a licensed physical therapist to perform physical therapy services to a student while in school without a prescription or referral, in accordance with the student's IEP or IFSP.) {LC1553/1}

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

House Bill No. 6130

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2271/1}

03/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 6131

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF ROBERT O. CERRONI AUTO REPAIR SERVICES, INC. {LC2199/1}

03/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:02 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Bennett, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Irene M. Deblois; on motion of Representative Shallcross Smith, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Colleen Coyne Killeen; on motion of Representative Azzinaro, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Shirley A. O'Mara; on motion of Representative Casimiro, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Norman L. Landroche Sr.; on motion of Representative Craven, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of John J. Leyden Sr. seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Diane M. DePina
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE DEBORAH J. RUGGIERO

Most gracious and loving God: We remember the struggles of African Americans and their descendants here in America. We thank you for the courage given to our leaders to face such adversity with peace and mercy. Inspire us all to work more faithfully for justice and dignity of life everywhere. Grant us the wisdom and strength to make this a better world for all those who have suffered the indignities of prejudice and exclusion. Amen

APPENDIX

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021:

- 1. 2021-S 74**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

- 2. 2021-S 266**
BY McCaffrey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, March 12, 2021

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021:

1. **2021-H 5203**
BY Phillips
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
2. **2021-H 5507**
BY Kazarian
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
CHARTER OF M.C. SOUSA TRUCKING & EXCAVATION, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
3. **2021-H 5906**
BY Noret
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
CHARTER OF WARWICK NECK AVENUE, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
4. **2021-H 5079**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FUNDRAISING FOR PUBLIC
SCHOOLS

Committee on Education recommends passage.
5. **2021-H 5534**
BY Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO
EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER
EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION,
IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND
EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY,
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE
OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND
PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF

CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

6. **2021-H 5431**
BY Ackerman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RESTROOM ACCESS ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

7. **2021-H 5092**
BY Fellela
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- PASSIVE VOLUNTARY ADOPTION MUTUAL CONSENT REGISTRY ACT -- ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

8. **2021-H 5025**
BY Newberry
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

9. **2021-H 5478**
BY Azzinaro
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

10. **2021-H 5821**
BY Hawkins
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2020 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

11. **2021-H 5952**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

12. 2021-H 6108

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD AND SIDEWALK INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, March 12, 2021