

# State of Rhode Island

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# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The House of Representatives meets at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, Tuesday, May 25, 2021, and is called to order at 4:08 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 68 members present and 7 members absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 68: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, 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, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson and Williams.

**ABSENT** – 7: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Solomon.

## INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Tanzi 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 Wednesday, May 19, 2021, is approved.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Representative Casey is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

Representative Ranglin-Vassell is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Speaker Shekarchi announces that beginning next Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, we will hold our sessions back in the House Chamber for the remainder of the year.

The State House is scheduled to re-open to the public on a limited basis beginning Tuesday, and the consensus of the members is that it is time to conduct our business there as well. I polled the Democratic members, and the vast majority would like to return. I have spoken with Leader Filippi and that is the consensus of his caucus as well.

Consistent with our policy at the Vets since last week, when we return to the State House, members who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear masks. However, if you have not been fully vaccinated, you are required to wear your mask.

We will be removing the plexiglass in the chamber.

Also, we will put some tables and chairs in the House Lounge if you don't feel comfortable in the chamber for a long period of time.

Finally, when we return to the State House next Tuesday, we will no longer be accepting proxy votes. When we established the proxy votes in January during the height of the pandemic, it was to accommodate members who had to miss sessions or quarantine. However, with everyone having the opportunity to be vaccinated and the state being reopened, the proxy voting will end after this Thursday's session.

There will be no changes to the committee process. Members who are unable to attend hearings in person at the State House will still have a virtual option.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we hit the home stretch of our session.

**CALENDAR**

From the Calendar are taken:

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021:**

- 1. 2021-H 5697**  
**BY Williams**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION**

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Speakman, Amore, Henries, Donovan, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Morales, McEntee, O'Brien, Caldwell, Ruggiero, Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Azzinaro, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Deputy Speaker Lima, Cassar, Cortvriend, Shanley, Noret, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Ajello, Hull, Tanzi, Corvese, Kislak, Diaz, Costantino, Cardillo, Bennett, Edwards, Slater, Giraldo, Fellela, McGaw, Potter, Felix, Casimiro, Whip Kazarian, Alzate, Barros, Messier, and McLaughlin.

By unanimous consent, Representative Williams, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Whip Kazarian, Representatives Barros, Felix, Ajello, McGaw, Ruggiero, Cortvriend, McEntee, Fogarty, Vella-Wilkinson, Carson, McNamara, Hull, Donovan, Biah, Amore, Abney, Bennett, Morales, Casimiro, Giraldo, Costantino, Deputy Speaker Lima, McLaughlin, Edwards, Cardillo, Speakman, Felix, Alzate, and Messier, offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2021 -- H 5697**

AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5697, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION", as follows:

1. On page 2, line 12, by deleting the word "for" and inserting in place thereof the word "that".
2. On page 2, line 12, by inserting the word "for" before the word "racial".
3. On page 2, line 12, by inserting the word "for" before the word "social".
4. On page 2, line 18, by adding the following language after the language "schools.": "In the words of civil rights leader, Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of a true education." Doctor King further stated, "History will have to record that the greatest tragedy of this period of social transition was not the strident clamor of the bad people, but the appalling silence of the good people.""

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Williams

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Representatives Williams and Minority Leader Filippi discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 66 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, 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, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

Minority Leader Filippi requests that the House divides out paragraph 6 as amended on page 2.

The Honorable Speaker rules it is not divisible.

By unanimous consent, Representative Morgan, seconded by Deputy Speaker Lima offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2021 -- H 5697**

AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5697, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- AFRICAN HERITAGE HISTORY EDUCATION", as follows:

1. On page 3, between lines 17 and 18, by inserting the following language:

"16-110-4. Mandatory instructions in the history of various nations.

(a) Legislative Findings:

(1) Rhode Island was formed on the principle of tolerance and acceptance for all.

(2) Since its beginning, it has been a welcoming home to people from all countries of the world.

(3) Each person regardless of race, origin or ethnicity has contributed to the strength and vitality of Rhode Island's culture and society.

(4) This great melting pot of people has made Rhode Island unique among the people of the world.

(5) Rhode Island refused to ratify the constitution until the Bill of Rights was added, setting a precedent for our country.

(6) The rights included in that document were too important to be left unwritten.

(7) In the current climate of troubling division and attacks on people of different ethnicities, it is important to recognize, not only our international legacies, but also the ties that bind us together.

(8) Rhode Island has brought together people from around the world, with various languages and traditions and knitted them together into one united family.

(b) Based upon enumerated findings above, the Rhode Island department of education shall make available instructional materials and resources to all of the state's school districts, departments with the histories of all the people of various nationalities, who have come to America to make the United States their new home.

(c) Each school district shall include this material in their curriculum and it shall be an active part of instruction for every student.

(d) These nationalities may include, but not be limited to:

(1) Portuguese Americans;

(2) Cape Verdean Americans;

(3) Italian Americans;

(4) Irish Americans;

(5) French Americans;

- (6) English Americans;
- (7) Hispanic and Latino Americans;
- (8) Dominican, Haitian, Puerto Rican, Jamaican and all Caribbean Americans;
- (9) Guatemalan, Nicaraguan, Costa Rican and all Central America Americans;
- (10) Colombian, Bolivian, Venezuelan, Ecuadorian, and all South American Americans;
- (11) Narragansett, Wampanoag, Nipmuc, Pequot and all Native Americans;
- (12) Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese and all Asian Americans;
- (13) Iranian, Syrian and all Arab and Middle East Americans;
- (14) Greek American;
- (15) Indian Americans;
- (16) Filipino, and all Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian Americans;
- (17) Liberian Americans;
- (18) French-Canadian Americans;
- (19) Laotian, Vietnamese, Hmong and all South East Asian Americans;
- (20) German Americans;
- (21) Armenian Americans;
- (22) Swedish, Norwegian and Northern European Americans;
- (23) Polish, Czech, Ukraine, Serbian and all Eastern Americans;
- (24) Jewish Americans;
- (25) Russian Americans;
- (26) Pakistani Americans; and
- (27) Swiss Americans."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Morgan

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Representatives Morgan, discusses the amendment.

#### **POINTOF ORDER**

Floor Manager Edwards rises on a point of order that the amendment is not germane to the act.

The Honorable Speaker rules that the Point of Order is upheld amendment is not germane to the act.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

Deputy Speaker Lima, Whip Chippendale, Representative Fenton-Fung, Williams, Carson, Cassar, and Morgan discuss the act as amended.

#### **POINTOF ORDER**

Representative Williams rises on a Point of Order for Representative Morgan to speak on the merits of the act as amended.

Speaker Shekarchi upholds the Point of order and requests Representative Morgan to speak on the merits of the bill.

Representative McLaughlin continues the discussion on that as amended.

### VOTING IN SECTIONS

Minority Leader Filippi requests to vote (2021 H-5697) in sections. **Page 1, Line 6 through Page 2 line 21.**

Speaker Shekarchi rules sections 16-110-1 is divisible and can be voted separately.

Read and passed, sections 16-110-1, **Page 1, Line 6 through Page 2 line 21, prevails** on a roll call vote 58 members voting in the affirmative and 8 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 58: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Williams.

NAYS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price, Quattrocchi.

RECUSED - 0:

### PROXY VOTES

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon.**

**Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 0 to be recorded.**

The remainder of the bill is read and passed, as amended, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: 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, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**2. 2021-H 5157 SUB A**

**BY Casimiro**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM**

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

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Speakman, Donovan, Carson, Phillips, O'Brien, Morales, Amore, Vella-Wilkinson, McEntee, Cortvriend, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Cassar, Deputy Speaker Lima, Bennett, Diaz, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McLaughlin, Cardillo, Ruggiero, Edwards, Azzinaro, Tanzi, Hull, Casimiro, Whip Kazarian, Lima S., Fellela, Alzate, Barros, McGaw, Messier, Whip Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, and Minority Leader Filippi.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Ranglin- Vassell, and Solomon.**

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker 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, 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, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**3. 2021-H 5830**

**BY Serpa**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING TO SCHOOLS [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT]**

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Alzate, Fellela, Tanzi, Corvese, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Diaz, Hull, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Messier, Whip Kazarian, McLaughlin, Lima S., Cortvriend, Deputy Speaker Lima, Serpa, Ajello, Majority Leader Blazejewski, McEntee, Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Morales, Cardillo, Donovan, Phillips, Amore, Carson, Edwards, Felix, Casimiro, and Price.

#### PROXY VOTES

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon**

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

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: 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, 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, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

#### 4. 2021-H 6155

**BY** Craven

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Chairman Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Speakman, Amore, Henries, Caldwell, Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Marszalkowski, McEntee, Ruggiero, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Cardillo, Abney, Donovan, Ajello, Cortvriend, Costantino, Deputy Speaker Lima, Cassar, Knight, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Hull, McLaughlin, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Corvese, Diaz, Bennett, Edwards, McNamara, Tanzi, Giraldo, Lima S., Tobon, Potter, Felix, Casimiro, Whip Kazarian, Alzate, Barros, McGaw, Messier, Fenton-Fung, Price, and Phillips.

#### PROXY VOTES

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon.**



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

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: 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, 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, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**5. 2021-H 6125 SUB A**

**BY** Barros

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDING 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

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

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Amore, Henries, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Cardillo, Morales, Ruggiero, Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley, Speakman, Donovan, Fogarty, Cassar, Bennett, Corvese, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McNamara, Cortvriend, McLaughlin, Hull, Lima S., Casimiro, Potter, Edwards, McEntee, Whip Kazarian, and Alzate.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon.**

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, 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, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, 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, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**6. 2021-H 6175**

**BY** Messier

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

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Williams, Carson, O'Brien, Vella-Wilkinson, Cardillo, Biah, Ajello, Hull, Felix, Alzate, Barros, Messier, Fellela, Bennett, Edwards, and Craven.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, and Solomon.**

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

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker 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, 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, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

7. **2021-H 6119 SUB A**

BY McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SMALL BUSINESSES--  
ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Chairwoman McEntee moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Phillips, O'Brien, Henries, Caldwell, Cardillo, Morales, Batista, Donovan, Biah, Noret, Craven, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Ruggiero, Azzinaro, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Bennett, Edwards, Casimiro, Whip Kazarian, Alzate, Felix, Lima S., Giraldo, Diaz, Deputy Speaker Lima, Costantino, Cassar, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Abney, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Corvese, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McLaughlin, Hull, Tanzi, McNamara, Potter, Barros, McGaw, Messier, and Price.

Representative Speakman and McEntee discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative McEntee, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Donovan, Ajello, Knight, Felix, Whip Kazarian, Edwards, McNamara, speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Diaz, Costantino, Phillips, Speakman, Lima, S., and Cardillo offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2021 -- H 6119 SUBSTITUTE A/4**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SMALL BUSINESSES--ZONING ORDINANCES

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 6119 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SMALL BUSINESSES--ZONING ORDINANCES", as follows:

1. On page 1, line 6, by deleting the language "that has made", and by inserting in place thereof the language "for any".
2. On page 1, line 7, after the word "business", by inserting the word "made".

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative McEntee

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Representative McEntee discusses the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

### PROXY VOTES

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon**

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, 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, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**8. 2021-H 6286**

**BY** Azzinaro

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME

Committee on Veterans` Affairs recommends passage.

Chairman Azzinaro moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Speakman, Phillips, Craven, O'Brien, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Cardillo, Biah, Donovan, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Marszalkowski, Ruggiero, Shanley, Constantino, Cortvriend, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Hull, McLaughlin, Corvese, Diaz, Bennett, Edwards, McNamara, Tanzi, Fellela, Place, Price, Messier, Barros, Felix, Lima S., Casimiro, McEntee, and Whip Kazarian.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon**

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

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: 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, 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, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

9. **2021-S 102**  
**BY** Goodwin  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO  
TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Ajello, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Vella-Wilkinson, Slater, and McLaughlin.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon**

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

Read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: 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, 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, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**10. 2021-S 349**

**BY** Cano

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY

Committee on Education recommends passage in concurrence.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Donovan, Biah, Phillips, Carson, Williams, Cortvriend, Abney, Shallcross Smith, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Henries, Amore, McEntee, Bennett, Diaz, Edwards, Costantino, Casimiro, Felix, Barros, Morgan, Vella-Wilkinson, and Price.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 6 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Ranglin-Vassell, and Solomon**

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

Read and passed, in concurrence, 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, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, 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, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**11. 2021-S 519****BY** McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

Representative O'Brien moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Caldwell, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Shallcross Smith, Corvese, McNamara, Ajello, McEntee, McLaughlin, Price, Messier, Barros, Felix, Whip Kazarian, and Casimiro.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Solomon, and 1 in the negative: Ranglin-Vassell.**

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

Read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote 61 members voting in the affirmative and 9 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 61: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 9: Representatives Cardillo, Chippendale, Costantino, Lima C., Lima S., Morgan, Nardone, Place, Ranglin-Vassell.

RECUSED - 0:

**12. 2021-S 706 as amended****BY** Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Corvese, Phillips, Cardillo, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Abney, Vella-Wilkinson, Deputy Speaker Lima, Fogarty, Hull, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Barros, Whip Kazarian, Costantino, Lima S., and Felix.

**PROXY VOTES**

**Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Casey, Hawkins, Lombardi, Perez, Solomon, and 1 in the negative: Ranglin-Vassell.**

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

Read and passed, as amended, in concurrence and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 54 members voting in the affirmative and 13 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 54: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Fogarty, Hawkins, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morgan, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Quattrocchi, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson.

NAYS - 13: Representatives Ajello, Cassar, Felix, Filippi, Henries, McGaw, Morales, Nardone, Place, Potter, Price, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Donovan announces that the Committee on Health & Human Services will meet today, at 6:00 o'clock P.M, in the House Lounge of the State House.

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

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

The House will be meeting this Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, here at the Vets beginning at 4 p.m. As Speaker Shekarchi announced at the start of session, beginning next Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be meeting back in the House chamber.

All Members are invited to two bill signing ceremonies this week. On Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, the Governor will be signing Rep. Scott Slater's nursing home staffing legislation at 2:30 p.m. at the State House. On Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, the Governor will be signing Speaker Shekarchi's bill to make the College Promise program permanent. It will take place on the CCRI-Warwick campus at 1:30 p.m.



**IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION****House Resolution No. 6359**

**BY** Shekarchi, Blazejewski, McNamara, Shanley, Bennett, Serpa, Vella-Wilkinson, Filippi, Kennedy, O'Brien

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE JOSEPH J. SOLOMON, SR. {LC2907/1}

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

Speaker Shekarchi discusses the Resolution and extends his deepest condolences to the Solomon family.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative McNamara, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, and the entire House of Representatives, by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

**House Resolution No. 6360**

**BY** Diaz, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Slater, Ruggiero, Caldwell, Craven, McEntee, Casimiro, Shallcross Smith

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING AND THANKING COURTNEY E. HAWKINS ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES {LC2870/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

**House Resolution No. 6361**

**BY** Morales, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Filippi, Cassar, Kislak, Felix, Alzate, Henries, Williams

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE TRAGIC PASSING OF TATYANA S. FRANCOIS {LC2916/1}

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

Speaker Shekarchi offers his condolences to Representative Morales and the Family of Tatyana Francois.

There is no objection.

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

**House Resolution No. 6362**

**BY** Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Diaz, Slater, Ruggiero, Craven, Caldwell, Edwards, Kennedy, Kislak  
**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING KATHLEEN SULLIVAN CONNELL ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AS THE RHODE ISLAND STATE DIRECTOR OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS (AARP) AND THANKING HER FOR A LIFETIME OF DEDICATION TO HEALTH CARE AND PUBLIC SERVICE IN RHODE ISLAND {LC2906/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

**House Resolution No. 6363**

**BY** Blazejewski, Filippi  
**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC2913/1}

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 rising vote.

**House Resolution No. 6364**

**BY** Blazejewski, Filippi  
**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2912/1}

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.

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

Representative Casimiro-An Act relating to Corporations - General Provisions

Representative Fenton-Fung-An Act relating to Breast Cancer - Patient Notification

Representative Hull-An Act relating to Public Utilities Carriers –  
Rhode Island Public Transit Authority

Representative Noret-An Act relating to State Affairs and Government

Representative Williams-An Act relating to Workers' Compensation

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

### TRANSMITTAL

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

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

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

**House Bill No. 5247 SUB A**

**BY** Amore, Kazarian

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Defines "chronic intractable pain" for purposes of intractable pain management.) {LC175/A/1}

05/25/2021 Placed on House Calendar (05/27/2021)

**Senate Bill No. 384 SUB A**

**BY** Lawson, Lombardi F, Burke, Murray, Euer, Cano, Sosnowski, Kallman

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Excludes chronic intractable pain from the definition of acute pain management. Prescribes new guidelines for treatment based upon 2016 CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain.) {LC1588/A/1}

05/25/2021 Placed on House Calendar (05/27/2021)

### NEW BUSINESS

**House Bill No. 6365**

**BY** Henries, Amore, Craven, Morales

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM (Mandates DOH rules/regulations for newborn screening to include screening tests for all disorders/conditions with early detection/treatment medical benefit plus new disorders/conditions within 2 yrs. unless not practicable for new disorders.) {LC2898/1}

05/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

**House Bill No. 6366**

**BY** Carson

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Jennifer Crawford to join Kathleen Twomey and Christopher Healy in marriage on or about July 3, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2915/1}

05/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

**House Bill No. 6367**

**BY** Filippi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Abby Sheehan Swienton to join Cathryn Mary Sirini and Gregory Huftalen Swienton in marriage on or about September 16, 2021, within the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island.) {LC2917/1}

05/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

**House Bill No. 6368**

**BY** Newberry

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2903/1}

05/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:48 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative O'Brien , and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Bo W. Guadagno and Michael Carnevale; on motion of Representative Corvese, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Donald J. Zubiago; on motion of Representative Casimiro, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Donna M. August; on motion of Representative Shallcross Smith, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Marci E. Caspoli; on motion of Representative McNamara, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Joseph J. Solomon Sr.; on motion of Representative Morales, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Tatyana Francois seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

**Diane M. DePina**  
**Recording Clerk**

**APPENDIX**

**INVOCATION**

**REPRESENTATIVE TERESA ANN TANZI**

Almighty God: On this, the anniversary of the tragic death of George Floyd, guide our representatives to always stand for truth; no matter the difficulty, for justice; no matter who is against it, and always for hope; no matter the obstacles. Amen

**APPENDIX****TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR****Senate Bill No. 102****BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS (Includes the real and tangible personal property of The Providence Community Health Centers, a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation, located in Providence, Rhode Island, on the list of properties exempt from taxation.) {LC954/1}

05/25/2021 Transmitted to Governor

**Senate Bill No. 349**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Cano, Paolino, Felag, Euer, DiPalma, Gallo, Pearson, Miller, Goodwin, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY (Requires the council on elementary and secondary education, in consultation with the RI department of education, to develop and approve statewide academic standards for the instruction of consumer education in public high schools no later than 12/31/2021.) {LC1995/1}

05/25/2021 Transmitted to Governor

**Senate Bill No. 519****BY** McCaffrey, Archambault, Kallman, Anderson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (Renames the state airport in Warwick from "T.F. Green state airport" to "Rhode Island T.F. Green International Airport.") {LC2295/1}

05/25/2021 Transmitted to Governor

**Senate Bill No. 706 as amended****BY** Ruggerio, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS (Includes the real and tangible personal property of St. John Baptist De La Salle Institute, d/b/a La Salle Academy, a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation, located in Providence, Rhode Island, on the list of properties exempt from taxation.) {LC2455/1}

05/25/2021 Transmitted to Governor

**APPENDIX****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021:**

1.     **2021-H 5644**  
      **BY** Solomon  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW -- RESALE OF UNITS  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
2.     **2021-H 6064**  
      **BY** Caldwell  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
3.     **2021-H 5977**  
      **BY** Edwards  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- FREEWAYS  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
4.     **2021-H 5107**  
      **BY** Ruggiero  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES--MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT  
  
      Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.
5.     **2021-H 6139**  
      **BY** Place  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE OAKLAND - MAPLEVILLE NUMBER 4 FIRE DISTRICT  
  
      Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.
6.     **2021-H 5887**  
      **BY** Fogarty  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS  
  
      Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

7. **2021-H 5888**  
**BY** Fogarty  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

8. **2021-H 6002**  
**BY** Kennedy  
**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE RHODE ISLAND SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (RI 250TH) COMMISSION"

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

9. **2021-H 5247 SUB A**  
**BY** Amore  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

10. **2021-S 384 SUB A**  
**BY** Lawson  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Friday, May 21, 2021**

**Updated: Tuesday, May 25, 2021**



## APPENDIX

## CONSENT CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021:

1.     **2021-H 6332**  
      **BY** Shallcross Smith  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
2.     **2021-H 6339**  
      **BY** Shekarchi  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
3.     **2021-H 6348**  
      **BY** Filippi  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
4.     **2021-H 6349**  
      **BY** Chippendale  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
5.     **2021-H 6354**  
      **BY** Donovan  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.
6.     **2021-S 885**  
      **BY** Felag  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Monday, May 24, 2021**