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Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Fourteenth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

ABSENT – 2: Senators Calkin, Morgan.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Ana B. Quezada to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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


APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Twelfth Legislative Day of the 2021 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

<p>SENATOR CYNTHIA M. MENDES District 18</p> <hr/> <p>Room 212 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p>sen-mendes@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p>Committee on Commerce</p> <hr/> <p>Committee on Special Legislation & Veterans' Affairs</p>
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April 12, 2021

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

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised that I will be unable to attend Senate Session Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

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

Sincerely,

Cynthia Mendes
Cynthia Mendes
Senator District ~ 18

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Cc: Gabriel Rei

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 817****BY** Goldin**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING "HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY" ON APRIL 8, 2021, AND RECOGNIZING THE 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL'S ESTABLISHMENT
{LC2630/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Goldin requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Goldin moves passage, seconded by Senators Miller, Kallman, Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Picard, Quezada, Sosnowski, Valverde.

The senate resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 818**BY** Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING LEO D. COVAS, ESQ., FOR HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
{LC2650/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator McCaffrey requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators Archambault, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski.

The senate resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 820**BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL OF 2021, TO BE "SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC2683/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Mack requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Mack moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Bell, Burke, Mack, Sosnowski.

The senate resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 821

BY Mack

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK ON APRIL 11TH - 17TH, 2021, IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC2682/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Mack requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Mack moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Quezada, Sosnowski, Valverde.

The senate resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 819

BY Bell, Quezada, Acosta, Goodwin, Mack

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ABELARDO "ABE" HERNANDEZ
{LC2607/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Bell requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Bell moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Ciccone, Coyne, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

Senate Resolution No. 822**BY** Cano, Kallman**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE UNTIMELY PASSING OF THE HONORABLE AMA AMPONSAH {LC2644/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Cano requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Cano moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski.

Senator Kallman speaks on the resolution.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College

- 1. 2021-S 811**
BY Coyne
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF MOTHERS' MORNING OUT, LLC

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

- 2. 2021-S 812**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL, 2021, TO BE "THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD" IN RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

- 3. 2021-S 813**
BY Coyne
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF RETIRED PROVIDENCE POLICE DETECTIVE STEPHEN J. SPRINGER

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

4. **2021-S 816**
BY Seveney
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF FRAJEELAI, LLC

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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 Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

6. **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 in concurrence.

7. **2021-H 5101**
BY Ruggiero
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

8. **2021-H 5217**
BY Nardone
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF COVENTRY

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

9. **2021-H 5330**
BY Knight
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

10. **2021-H 6068**
BY Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF RANERE ASSOCIATES, INC.

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

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

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College

1. ***The Appointment of the Honorable Sabina Matos as Lieutenant Governor of the State of Rhode Island***

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

Senator Coyne moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Lombardi, Lombardo, Felag, Anderson, Sosnowski, Miller, Algieri, Raptakis, DiMario, Kallman, Mack, Acosta, Valverde, Algieri, Rogers, Murray, Ciccone, Cano, Euer, Lawson, Quezada, Seveney.

Senators Ciccone, Bell, Cano discuss the appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Quezada and by unanimous consent, The Honorable President of the Senate welcomes newly appointed Lieutenant Governor Sabina Matos, her husband Patrick Ward, her two children Diego and Annemarie, and her mother Dionne Carrasco.

GUEST SPEAKER

Upon suggestion of Senator Quezada and by unanimous consent, The Honorable President of the Senate welcomes newly appointed Lieutenant Governor Sabina Matos.

The Honorable Lieutenant Governor Sabina Matos addresses the members of the Senate.

2. 2021-S 22

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET METERING

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Ciccone, Lombardi, Archambault, Lawson, Pearson, DiMario, Burke, Bell, Seveney, Rogers, Algieri, Kallman, Cano, Picard, Murray, Euer, DiPalma, Kallman, Quezada, Gallo, Felag, Goodwin, Miller.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

3. 2021-S 23**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --
TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY SERVICES - TOWN OF NEW
SHOREHAM

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Lombardo, Ciccone, Archambault, Cano, Lombardi, Lawson, Burke, Murray, Felag, DiPalma, Murray, Euer, DiPalma, Kallman, Quezada, Coyne, Felag, Picard, Pearson, DiMario.

Senators Bell and Sosnowski discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 2: Senators Bell, Mack.

4. 2021-S 31**BY** Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SUICIDE PREVENTION--
THE NATHAN BRUNO AND JASON FLATT ACT

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Seveney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Archambault, Miller, Ciccone, Sosnowski, Cano, Murray, Euer, DiPalma, Kallman, Quezada, DiMario, Picard, Goodwin, Mack, Anderson, Burke, Paolino, Bell, Raptakis, Goldin, Gallo.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

5. 2021-S 79
BY Ruggerio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Ciccone, Valverde, Bell, Lombardo, Lombardi, Archambault, Murray, Euer, Coyne, Kallman, Quezada, Felag, Picard, Raptakis, Goodwin.

Senators DiPalma and Gallo discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz, Rogers.

6. 2021-S 287
BY Gallo
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHING A CLASS SIZE MAXIMUM FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWO (2)

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Cano, Miller, DiMario, Lombardi, Burke, Euer, DiPalma, Bell, Kallman, Burke, Lawson, Picard, Quezada, Valverde, Seveney, Felag, Goodwin.

Senator Rogers discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative, 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 5: Senators Algieri, de la Cruz, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers.

7. 2021-S 349**BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Goodwin, Gallo, Archambault, Pearson, Miller, Sosnowski, DiMario, DiPalma, Kallman, Quezada, Ciccone, Felag, Paolino, Algiere, Burke, Rogers, Lombardi, Lawson, Picard, Valverde, Seveney, Raptakis, Goldin.

Senator Paolino discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

8. 2021-S 288**BY** McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Picard, Lombardo, Felag, Ciccone, Cano, Lawson, Goodwin, Raptakis, Burke, Rogers, Archambault, Seveney, Goldin, Valverde, Euer, DiPalma, Murray, Kallman, DiMario.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 33: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Archambault, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 2: Senators Anderson, Bell.

9. 2021-S 388**BY** Coyne**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE LICENSING OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Coyne moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Lombardo, Anderson, Felag, Archambault, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, Sosnowski, Euer, Valverde, Lombardi, Lawson, Acosta, Quezada, Seveney, DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:**10. 2021-H 5025****BY** Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Archambault, Cano, Euer, DiPalma, Quezada, Gallo, Felag, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Anderson.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative, 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

BUNDLE BILLS

Senator McCaffrey makes the motion to bundle the following bills, seconded by Senators Algieri, Archambault:

- 11. 2021-H 6130**
BY J Lombardi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 12. 2021-H 5481**
BY Kazarian
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 13. 2021-H 5413**
BY Casimiro
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 14. 2021-H 5253**
BY Carson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 15. 2021-H 5483**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 16. 2021-H 5952**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 17. 2021-H 6109**
BY Tanzi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 18. 2021-H 6120**
BY Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 19. 2021-H 5414**
BY Kislak
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 20. 2021-H 5482**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the bundle, seconded by Senators Algiere, Archambault, Gallo, Felag, Ciccone, Sosnowski, Kallman, Burke, Bell, Quezada, Mack, Euer, DiMario.

The bundle is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

- 21. 2021-H 5257 as amended**
BY Williams
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RHODE ISLAND FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Lombardo, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Burke, Anderson, Quezada, Gallo, Valverde, Cano, Murray, Anderson, Felag, Lawson, Mack, DiPalma, Goldin, Euer, Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 5432 SUB A

BY Ackerman, Chippendale, Hawkins, Baginski, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES -- THE MARYELLEN GOODWIN COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING ACT (Insurance coverage for prostate/colon cancer screening.)

{LC514/A/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Miller requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators, Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

NAYS – 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet Thursday, April 15th at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Cano announces that the Committee on Education will meet tomorrow at 4:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Murray announces that the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs will meet tomorrow at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Valverde announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet Thursday, April 15th at 3:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Kallman announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet Thursday, April 15th at 3:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Burke announces that the Committee on Labor will meet tomorrow at 3:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Archambault announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet Thursday, April 15th at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

RECESS

Upon the motion of Senator Maryellen Goodwin, seconded by Senate Majority Leader McCaffrey, moves to recess at 5:40 o'clock P.M., in memory of Abelardo Hernandez and the Honorable Ama Amponsah.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON LABOR**

Chairman Ciccone, from the Committee on Labor, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

The Appointment of Matthew D. Weldon VICE Scott Jensen as the Director of the Department of Labor and Training.

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Chairwoman Cano, from the Committee on Education, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 87

BY Ciccone, Murray, Bell, DiPalma, Cano, Euer, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFIED NURSE-TEACHER

(Requires that only certified nurse-teachers may be employed as school nurses in elementary and secondary schools.)

{LC850/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 355

BY Quezada, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM (Requires the department of education to create a model policy and timeline to assist local education agencies in implementing a dual language immersion program.)

{LC1340/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 457

BY Ciccone, Euer, Calkin, Acosta, Valverde, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE WORLD LANGUAGE AND

DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION ACT (Establishes and require funding for a world language and dual language immersion program.)

{LC1262/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Chairman Felag, from the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 747

BY Cano, Kallman, Mendes, Acosta

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

(Exempts the city of Pawtucket from the restrictions for issuing liquor licenses within two hundred (200') feet of a school or place of worship for the "Tidewater Landing" project.)

{LC2530/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 810

(Secretary of State)

BY Goodwin, McCaffrey, Archambault, Pearson

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE RHODE ISLAND SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (RI 250TH) COMMISSION"

{LC2206/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

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}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

Senate Bill No. 48

BY Miller, Seveney, Coyne, Quezada, Bell, Murray, Valverde, Archambault, Burke, Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOODS AND DRUGS -- THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Expands drug awareness programs to high schools, directs funding from certain civil fines and mandates establishment of criteria for funding.)

{LC325/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 232

BY F Lombardi, Lombardo, Picard, Felag, Quezada, DiMario, Morgan, de la Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Includes in the practice of physical therapy the ordering of diagnostic imaging (x-ray imaging) to be performed by other health care professionals.)

{LC1393/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 306**BY** Archambault, DiPalma, Miller, Valverde, Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROL SUBSTANCES ACT (Requires that professionals authorized to prescribe opioid drugs discuss addiction risks and when appropriate alternative treatments with patients upon the second refill and/or upon the third prescription.)

{LC1041/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chairman Pearson, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 44 SUB A**BY** Sosnowski, DiPalma, Seveney, Rogers, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER/EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ENABLING LEGISLATION (Allows municipalities to establish a program providing property tax exemption to active duty individuals who volunteer services as a firefighter or emergency medical technician.)

{LC419/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

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}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 708**BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO A TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE AND EXXONMOBIL OIL CORPORATION (Provides for a tax treaty between the city of East Providence and ExxonMobil Oil Corporation subject to the ratification of the East Providence city council.)

{LC2562/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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

Senate Bill No. 261**BY** Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS (Exempts volunteer fire companies under the supervision, control, or jurisdiction of another public body from certain posting requirements of the open meetings act.)

{LC1176/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

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}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6190**BY** Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Catherine Mohan to join Kara Hallisey and Kyle Durocher in marriage on or about May 22, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2593/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Chairman Lombardo, from the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 5129**BY** Casimiro, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real property of Ocean State Community Wellness, Inc., a qualified tax-exempt corporation under § 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, for the property located at 7450 Post Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island.)

{LC124/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 823****BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF VICTORIA CHIACU

{LC2727/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 824**BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FEDERAL AID (Requires free lunches to be provided for all elementary and secondary students attending public schools, to the extent state and federal funds are available.)

{LC1990/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 825**BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION EQUALITY-- COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ACT (Furnishes financial support for the planning and implementation of effective community schools that provide students with equitable access to a high-quality education.)

{LC1989/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 826

(Secretary of State)

BY Lombardi, Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- UNIFORM LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT (Enacts the Rhode Island Limited Partnership Act to govern the law of limited partnerships in this state and repeal chapter 12 of title 7 entitled "Limited Partnerships". Effective 1/1/2022.)

{LC2681/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 827

BY Cano, Quezada, Seveney, Kallman, Valverde, Lombardi, Pearson, DiMario, Goodwin, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT) (Define educational disadvantaged students. This act would also require the use of a weighted lottery for charter school establishment, charter renewal and for student applications when there aren't enough seats available.)

{LC2272/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 828

BY Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FOUNDATION LEVEL SCHOOL SUPPORT (Extends the time period that schools have to commence construction to correct health and safety deficiencies in order to qualify for increased school housing aid.)

{LC2638/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 829

BY Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PHYSICAL THERAPY COPAY (Limits copays, coinsurance or office deductible for services of a physical therapist to the amount authorized for the services of a primary care physician or osteopath.)

{LC2661/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 830

BY Valverde, DiMario, Miller, Gallo, Sosnowski, Goldin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE (Prohibits the board of medical licensure and discipline from requiring specialty board certification as a condition of licensure and prohibits the denial of reimbursement for refusal to participate in national board certification program.)

{LC2641/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 831**BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Eliminates a duplication in the general laws by repealing one section of law that provided a tax levy and stabilization plan in the town of Burrillville.)

{LC2667/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 832**BY** DiPalma, Lombardi, Miller, Seveney, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Requires cities and towns to assess renewable energy resources to be taxed as tangible property and the real property on which it is located shall not be reclassified, revalued or reassessed.)

{LC2672/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government

Senate Bill No. 833

(Dept. of Transportation)

BY Lombardo, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS (Transfers all responsibility for oversize/overweight permitting to the department of transportation and amends and increases fines for all oversize and overweight infractions.)

{LC1652/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 834**BY** Euer, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Valverde, DiMario, Sosnowski, Lawson, Cano, Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT (Eliminates the marital sexual assault exception when a victim is incapacitated, disabled, or helpless.)

{LC511/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 835

(Secretary of State)

BY Coyne, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE (Authorizes the secretary of state and board of elections to conduct an extensive cybersecurity assessment of our election systems and facilities and to establish a cybersecurity review board.)

{LC2204/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 836

(Secretary of State)

BY Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION (Amends the Rhode Island Nonprofit Corporation Act regarding consolidation and merger.)

{LC2203/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 837**BY** Pearson, Seveney, Acosta, Goldin, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE -- CONTRIBUTIONS (Decreases an employee's obligation for contribution from wages and require an employer to contribute one-half of the amount to an employee's contribution.)

{LC2663/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 838**BY** Lombardi, Lombardo, Picard, Lawson, Ciccone, Gallo, Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GAMES OF CHANCE -- FILING REQUIREMENTS (Removes the requirement, that retail businesses that promote themselves using games of chance, have to register those games of chance with the secretary of state and pay a one hundred fifty dollar (\$150) filing fee.)

{LC2660/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 839**BY** Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Chad Cohen to join Bahar Ayasli and Joshua Cohen in marriage on or about July 30, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2666/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 840**BY** Goldin, Miller, Gallo, Paolino, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE EDUCATION COMMISSION (Creates the Holocaust and genocide education commission.)

{LC2049/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 841**BY** Quezada, Cano, Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES -- ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS ASSOCIATION, INC. (Allows the production of special motor vehicle registration plates for the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc.)

{LC2740/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Resolution No. 842**BY** Murray, Picard**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JACQUELINE L. MARTINEAU

{LC2731/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 843**BY** Algieri**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING MR. GEORGE KENT FOR SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF DEVOTED AND FAITHFUL SERVICE TO CHRIST CHURCH IN WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND

{LC2730/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 844**BY** Archambault

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANY CHANGES TO THE LAW, COURT RULES OR TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES CURRENTLY IN PLACE TO ENHANCE THE TIMELY AND COMPLETE DISCLOSURE OF DISCOVERABLE MATERIAL IN CRIMINAL CASES (Extends the reporting date of the taskforce to investigate and make recommendations for changes to the law, court rules or policies and procedures pertaining to discoverable material in criminal cases from January 1, 2020, to September 1, 2021.)

{LC2744/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

TRANSFER OF BILLS

Senator Miller, in accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bill from the Committee on Health and Human Services to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture:

Senate Bill No. 110**BY** Seveney, Anderson, Calkin, DiMario, Quezada, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PFAS IN FOOD PACKAGING (Prohibits PFAS, a class of fluorinated organic chemicals, from being used in food packaging.)

{LC496/1}

Transferred to the to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 5073**BY** McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SECURING THE FINANCIAL FUTURE FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT (Provides that the council on elementary and secondary education be encouraged to maintain, publish and update statewide standards for instruction of personal finance in public high schools.)

{LC185/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

House Bill No. 6037

BY Kazarian, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO A TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE AND EXXONMOBIL OIL CORPORATION (Provides for a tax treaty between the city of East Providence and ExxonMobil Oil Corporation subject to the ratification of the East Providence city council.)

{LC700/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, on Tuesday, April 27th at 4:03 o'clock P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Algieri, Senate adjourns at 4:05 o'clock P.M.

John E. Fleming, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, APRIL 13th 2021****House Bill No. 5101****BY** Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN (Ratifies the town of Jamestown Home Rule Charter amendment to Section 219 of the charter adopted at a November 3, 2020 referendum, concerning the process and procedures by which voter initiative can be activated.)

{LC664/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5217**BY** Nardone, Chippendale, Roberts, Noret, Morgan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF COVENTRY (This act would validate and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Coventry, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Coventry on November 3, 2020.)

{LC338/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5330**BY** Knight, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON

{LC1129/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

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}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 6068

BY Casey, Solomon, S Lima, Phillips, Kennedy

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

{LC2280/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 6130

BY J Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Adam Olivere to join Alexa Shanahan and Leighton Scott Lobdell in marriage on or about October 9, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2271/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5481

BY Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows James R. Boyd, Jr., to join Alyssa Lynn LeValley and Andrew James Fleming in marriage on or about July 23, 2021, within the City of East Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC1410/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5413

BY Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Christine K. Bush to join Jenny Miller and Craig Koehler in marriage on or about August 19, 2021, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.)

{LC1339/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5253

BY Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Justice James D. Gleason to join Julia C. Scott and Brandon T. Elliano in marriage on or about August 28, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC870/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5483

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Scott Avedisian to join Lorna M. Simpson and John V. Kelly in marriage on or about August 21, 2021, within the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.)

{LC1283/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

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}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 6109

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Wardle to join Alison Bubly and Adam Feinstein in marriage on or about August 1, 2021, within the Town of Middletown, Rhode Island.)

{LC2335/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

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}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5414

BY Kislak

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows William Bon Bauer to join Kaitlin Bauer and Gustazo Cabarcas in marriage on or about June 21, 2021, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC994/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5482

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Peter Monopoli to join Gabrielle LaBrie and Lee Stamas in marriage on or about July 9, 2021, within the Town of Exeter, Rhode Island.)

{LC1343/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5257 as amended

BY Williams, Knight, Morales, Biah, Giraldo, Speakman, Henries, Potter, Barros, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RHODE ISLAND FAIR HOUSING

PRACTICES ACT (Prohibits discrimination in housing against those persons who have a lawful source of income.)

{LC77/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON THURSDAY, APRIL 15th 2021

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}

Transmitted to Governor.

House Bill No. 5477

BY McLaughlin, Giraldo, Ackerman, Corvese

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.)

{LC1571/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, APRIL 27th 2021

House Bill No. 5432 SUB A

BY Ackerman, Chippendale, Hawkins, Baginski, McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES -- THE MARYELLEN GOODWIN COLORECTAL CANCER
SCREENING ACT (Insurance coverage for prostate/colon cancer screening.)

{LC514/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR ANA B. QUEZADA

Lord, as we deliberate over the bills before us, grant us your wisdom and insight, and above all compassion. Amen.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College**

- 1. 2021-S 823**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF VICTORIA CHIACU

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 2. 2021-S 839**
BY Euer
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 3. 2021-S 842**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JACQUELINE L. MARTINEAU

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 4. 2021-S 843**
BY Algieri
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING MR. GEORGE KENT FOR SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF DEVOTED AND FAITHFUL SERVICE TO CHRIST CHURCH IN WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 5. 2021-S 844**
BY Archambault
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANY CHANGES TO THE LAW, COURT RULES OR TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES CURRENTLY IN PLACE TO ENHANCE THE TIMELY AND COMPLETE DISCLOSURE OF DISCOVERABLE MATERIAL IN CRIMINAL CASES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

6. **2021-H 5478**
 BY Azzinaro
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
 LICENSES

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

7. **2021-H 6190**
 BY Carson
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College

1. *The Appointment of Matthew D. Weldon VICE Scott Jensen as the Director of the Department of Labor and Training*

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

2. **2021-S 87**
BY Ciccone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFIED NURSE-TEACHER

Committee on Education recommends passage.

3. **2021-S 355**
BY Quezada
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM

Committee on Education recommends passage.

4. **2021-S 457**
BY Ciccone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE WORLD LANGUAGE AND DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION ACT

Committee on Education recommends passage.

5. **2021-S 44 SUB A**
BY Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER/EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ENABLING LEGISLATION

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

6. **2021-S 102**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

7. **2021-S 708**
BY Lawson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO A TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE AND EXXONMOBIL OIL CORPORATION
- Committee on Finance recommends passage.
8. **2021-S 48**
BY Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOODS AND DRUGS -- THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT
- Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.
9. **2021-S 232**
BY F Lombardi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS
- Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.
10. **2021-S 306**
BY Archambault
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROL SUBSTANCES ACT
- Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.
11. **2021-S 261**
BY Felag
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS
- Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
12. **2021-S 519**
BY McCaffrey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
- Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
13. **2021-S 747**
BY Cano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES
- Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

14. **2021-S 810**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE RHODE ISLAND SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (RI 250TH) COMMISSION"

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

15. **2021-H 5129**
BY Casimiro
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

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