

## State of Rhode Island

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# Journal of the Senate

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**JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at Rhode Island College in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the Fifth day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty One.**

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Nineteenth Legislative Day

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, at 4:14 o'clock P.M.

### ROLL CALL

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

**PRESENT – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators 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, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**ABSENT – 1:** Senator Calkin.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

Senator Maryellen Goodwin asks that the members of the senate take a moment of silence marking one year since the death of George Floyd.

### INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Frank A. Ciccone, III to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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




## APPROVAL OF RECORD

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

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

## COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

<p><b>SENATOR JOHN P. BURKE</b> District 9</p> <hr/> <p>7 Bradley Court West Warwick, Rhode Island 02893</p> <hr/> <p>Room 308 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p>OFFICE: 401-276-5507 CELL: 401-374-4721 sen-burke@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p>Committee on Judiciary</p> <hr/> <p>SECRETARY Committee on Labor</p>
<p>May 25, 2021</p>		
<p>Mr. John E. Fleming, Jr. Secretary of the Senate State House, Room 220 Providence, RI 02903</p>		
<p>Dear Mr. Secretary:</p>		
<p>I respectfully request the withdrawal of my name as a co-sponsor of Senate Bill 2021 – S395 entitled, an act relating to State Affairs and Government – Restrictive Housing Act.</p>		
<p>This legislation is assigned to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.</p>		
<p>I appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.</p>		
<p>Sincerely,</p>		
		
<p>Senator John P. Burke Senator - District 9</p>		
<p>/hsr</p>		
<p>CC: Senator Cynthia Armour Coyne, Chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary</p>		

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES  
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

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

**Senate Resolution No. 245 SUB A**

**BY** Kallman, Quezada, Pearson, McCaffrey, DiMario, Valverde, Coyne, Mack, Miller, Acosta  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY JUSTICE REINVESTMENT PROPOSALS AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCING THE INCARCERATION OF WOMEN (Creates a 13 member commission to study justice reinvestment proposals and provide recommendations for reducing the incarceration of women, and would report back five months after passage, and expire on January 5, 2023.)  
{LC1373/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 413 SUB A**

**BY** Quezada, Calkin, Murray, Lawson, Bell  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS (Requires applicants to pass test to include topics on fair housing and requires 24 hours of continuing education.)  
{LC2155/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar

**Senate Bill No. 917**

**BY** F Lombardi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Norman J. Beliveau to join Jacqueline Amelia Caparco and Renato Garcia Serrocha in marriage on or about July 10, 2021, within the Town of Middletown, Rhode Island.)  
{LC2876/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**House Bill No. 5093 SUB A**

**BY** McNamara  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD (Provides for specific fines and sanctions to operators of motor vehicles who fail to exercise due care to avoid colliding with a vulnerable road user causing injury, serious injury, or death to the vulnerable road user.)  
{LC158/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**House Bill No. 6272****BY** Bennett, Carson, Caldwell, Ackerman, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Daniel Genannt to join Ashley Genannt and Brendan Foley in marriage on or about November 6, 2021, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.)

{LC2753/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**House Bill No. 6273 SUB A****BY** Shallcross Smith**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Cyril Bedford to join Erin Matiziar and Scott Robertson in marriage on or about July 31, 2021, within the Town of Lincoln, Rhode Island.)

{LC2702/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**House Bill No. 6303****BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Elliott Bertrand to join Laura Kolbeck and Benjamin Scott in marriage on or about July 24, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2795/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**House Bill No. 5387 SUB A****BY** Casimiro, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Caldwell, Alzate, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- MARRIAGE LICENSES (Requires a person to be at least eighteen (18) to obtain a marriage license.)

{LC1138/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Resolution No. 929****BY** Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CLIFFORD R. MONTIERO ON BEING HONORED AS THE "HISTORY MAKER RECIPIENT" BY THE RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR A LIFETIME OF COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND EQUALITY

{LC2851/1}

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 Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Miller, Murray, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

**Senate Resolution No. 923**

**BY** DiMario, Coyne, Miller, Picard, Lawson, Rogers, Burke, Lombardo, Quezada, Sosnowski  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING MAY OF 2021 AS "MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH" AND MAY 20TH OF 2021 AS "MENTAL HEALTH ACTION DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
{LC2846/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator DiMario requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

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

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

**Senate Bill No. 928**

**BY** Paolino  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF LIFE SCIENCE RESOURCE PARTNERS INTERNATIONAL, LLC  
{LC2911/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Paolino requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Paolino moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Ciccone, Coyne, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

**Senate Resolution No. 905****BY** Cano, Quezada, Ciccone, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING CARMEN DIAZ-JUSINO FOR HER DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS CAREER AND REQUESTING THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION GIVE HER SERIOUS CONSIDERATION FOR THE POSITION OF SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR NEW ENGLAND  
{LC2849/1}

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 Quezada, Archambault, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Seveney, Sosnowski, DiPalma, Valverde.

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

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College**

1. ***The Reappointment of Domenic Pontarelli to the East Providence Waterfront District for a term expiring March 31, 2025.***

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

2. ***The Appointment of Mohamad Farzan VICE Gretchen Dow Simpson to the Rhode Island State Arts Council for a term expiring March 1, 2024.***

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

3. **2021-S 890**  
**BY** Picard  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

4. **2021-S 900**  
**BY** Euer  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

5. **2021-S 921**  
**BY** Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING AND THANKING CARINA MONGE FOR HER DEDICATED AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE PROVIDENCE PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AND THE RHODE ISLAND STATE SENATE

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

6. **2021-S 922**  
**BY** de la Cruz  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF NORMAN C. MAINVILLE

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

7. **2021-S 926**  
**BY** Gallo  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING COLONEL KIMBERLEE AIELLO ON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY AFTER TWENTY-NINE YEARS OF DEVOTED AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO OUR NATION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

8. **2021-H 5016**  
**BY** Slater  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

9. **2021-H 6279**  
**BY** Quattrocchi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF HOPE SANITARY ASSOCIATION

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

**10. 2021-H 6319****BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends 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 – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, 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, MAY 25, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College**

- 1. *The Appointment of Lindsay P. McGovern (Appointed Coastal pop - 25K) VICE Michelle Collie to the Coastal Resource Management Council for a term expiring January 31, 2023.***

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Senator Euer moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Lombardi, Lombardo, Archambault, Sosnowski, Picard, Burke, DiMario, Felag, Coyne, DiPalma, Lawson, Quezada, Seveney.

Senator Bell discusses the appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**



**2.     *The Reappointment of Deborah A. Proffitt to the Workforce Board for a term expiring March 31, 2023.***

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

Senator Ciccone moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Lombardi, Lombardo, Archambault, Sosnowski, Picard, Burke, DiMario, Felag, Coyne, DiPalma, Lawson, Quezada, Seveney.

Senators Bell, DiPalma, Seveney discuss the appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative, and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators, Acosta, Algiere, Archambault, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 4:** Senators Anderson, Bell, Mack, Mendes.

**3.     **2021-S 79 SUB A****

**BY** Ruggerio

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION**

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

Senator Cano moves passage of the act seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Lombardo, Anderson, Lawson, Burke, Seveney, Goodwin, Ciccone, Valverde, Murray, DiMario, Bell.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

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

**4. 2021-H 5224 SUB A****BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

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

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Lombardo, Quezada, Anderson, Lawson, Burke, Seveney, Goodwin, Ciccone, Valverde, Euer, Murray, DiMario, Bell.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

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

**5. 2021-S 2 SUB A****BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NURSING HOME STAFFING AND QUALITY CARE ACT

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

Senator Goodwin moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Miller, Mendes, Kallman, Lombardo, Quezada, Anderson, Lawson, Burke, Seveney, Ciccone, Valverde, Euer, Murray, DiPalma, DiMario, Bell.

Senators Morgan, Goodwin, Bell, Rogers discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 3 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

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

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

**ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Paolino.

**6. 2021-H 5012 SUB A as amended****BY Slater****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NURSING HOME STAFFING AND QUALITY CARE ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative, 3 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

**ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Paolino.

**7. 2021-S 33****BY Goldin****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION ACCOUTABILITY ACT

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Goldin moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Anderson, Lombardo, Burke, Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Archambault, Mendes, Lawson, Sosnowski, Valverde, DiPalma, Lombardi, Raptakis, Quezada.

Senator de la Cruz discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

- 8. 2021-S 86**  
**BY** Lawson  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Burke, Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Sosnowski, Archambault, Bell, Coyne, Murray, Euer, Mendes, Lawson.

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

- 9. 2021-S 151**  
**BY** Picard  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Picard moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Lombardo, Burke, Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Seveney, Sosnowski, Archambault, Coyne, Murray, Euer, Lawson.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, 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.

**NAYS – 1:** Senator Bell.

- 10. 2021-S 210 SUB A**  
**BY** Felag  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

**NAYS – 0:**

**11. 2021-S 213**

**BY Gallo**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- APPRENTICESHIP PATHWAYS TO EARNING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE ACT**

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Sosnowski, Archambault, DiPalma, Kallman, Coyne, Murray, Burke, Valverde, Lawson.

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**12. 2021-S 282**

**BY Quezada**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS**

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Anderson, Gallo, Felag, Sosnowski, Archambault, DiPalma, Bell, Miller, Kallman, Coyne, Murray, Burke, Valverde, Lawson, Seveney, Goldin.

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**13. 2021-S 283 SUB A**

**BY** Gallo

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

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

*Upon the suggestion of Senate Majority Leader McCaffrey this item is moved to the Calendar on Tuesday, June 01<sup>st</sup>.*

**14. 2021-S 289**

**BY** Gallo

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- OFFICE OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES -- STATE AID TO LIBRARIES

Committee on Education recommends passage.

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

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**15. 2021-S 459****BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Acosta, Burke, Sosnowski, Archambault, DiPalma, Miller, Kallman, Coyne, Murray, Burke, Valverde, Lawson, Seveney, Felag, Ciccone.

Senators Raptakis and Euer discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 1:** Senator Morgan.

**16. 2021-S 187****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**17. 2021-S 193****BY** Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - THEFT, EMBEZZLEMENT, FALSE PRETENSES AND MISAPPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Coyne moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Sosnowski, Goodwin, Anderson, Felag, Lombardo, Cano, Quezada, Archambault, Burke, DiPalma, DiMario.

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

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:****18. 2021-S 513 SUB A****BY** Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS - DEATH BY WRONGFUL ACT

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

Senator Burke moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Gallo, Sosnowski, Miller, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Quezada, Anderson, Lawson, Valverde, Cano, Murray, DiPalma, DiMario.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**



**19. 2021-S 715****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
OPEN MEETINGS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Coyne, Euer, Quezada, Archambault.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.**NAYS – 0:****20. 2021-S 66****BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RHODE ISLAND EARLY  
EDUCATOR INVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Coyne, Sosnowski, Archambault, Murray, Bell, Euer, DiMario, Lawson, Quezada, Valverde, Anderson.

Senator Anderson discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.**NAYS – 0:**

21. **2021-S 268**  
**BY** Sosnowski  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS --  
ROOFING CONTRACTORS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

*Upon the suggestion of Senate Majority Whip Goodwin this item is moved to the Calendar on Tuesday, June 01st.*

22. **2021-S 273**  
**BY** F Lombardi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL  
OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Lombardo, Cano, Coyne, Seveney.

Senator Lombardi seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Burke, Gallo, Sosnowski, Archambault, Euer, Quezada, Cano, DiPalma offers the following written motion to amend:

**FLOOR AMENDMENT**

**TO**

**2021 -- S 0273**

AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON  
HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- S 0273, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS", as follows:

1. On page 1, line 2, by deleting the language "repealed.", and inserting in place thereof the language "amended to read as follows:".

2. On page 1, line 3, by restoring the stricken language "~~25-3-7. Exemptions.~~".

3. On page 1, line 6, by inserting the following language after the language "~~25-3-6.~~": "[All regulations establishing exemptions adopted in accordance with the provisions of § 25-3-6 prior to July 1, 2021, shall remain in full force and effect.](#)"

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Lombardi

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Senators Bell and Cano discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 2 voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 34:** 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, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 2:** Senators Bell, Morgan.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Bell, Burke, Quezada, Coyne, DiPalma, Cano.

The act is read and passed, as amended upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 1:** Senator Morgan.

**23. 2021-S 322****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, DiMario, Cano, Coyne, Euer, Lawson, Quezada, Archambault, Burke, DiPalma.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative, 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 35:** 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, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 2:** Senators Bell and Morgan.

**24. 2021-S 544****BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Gallo, Burke, Murray, Sosnowski, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Coyne, Euer, Quezada, Seveney. Senators Rogers, Bell, Morgan, de la Cruz, Ciccone, Lombardi, Acosta, Lawson discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 27 members voting in the affirmative, 8 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 27:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski.

**NAYS – 8:** Senators Algieri, Bell, de la Cruz, Goldin, Mack, Morgan, Raptakis, Rogers.

**25. 2021-S 547**  
**BY** Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Seveney, DiPalma.

Senator de la Cruz discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 29 members voting in the affirmative, 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 29:** 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, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 6:** Senators Algieri, de la Cruz, Mack, Morgan, Raptakis, Rogers.

**26. 2021-S 687**  
**BY** Lawson  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Ciccone, Felag, Sosnowski, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Coyne, Euer, Quezada, Archambault, Murray, Bell, Seveney, DiPalma.

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, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

**27. 2021-S 688****BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE -- BENEFITS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

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

Senator Goldin discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** 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, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:****28. 2021-S 745****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --  
ELECTRICIANS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Pearson, Felag.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**29. 2021-S 887****BY** McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR -- ORGANIZATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Acosta, Coyne, Euer, Quezada, Sosnowski, Burke, Murray, Valverde, DiMario, Bell, Lawson, DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative, 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

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

**30. 2021-H 5491****BY** Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY

Committee on Education recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, in concurrence, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Acosta, Coyne, Euer, Quezada, Sosnowski, Burke, Murray, Valverde, DiMario, DiPalma, Anderson, Pearson.

Senator de la Cruz discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Algieri, 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, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 0:**

**31. 2021-H 5586 SUB A****BY** Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

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

Senator Pearson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, de la Cruz, Coyne, Sosnowski.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 28 members voting in the affirmative, 8 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 28:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Burke, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 8:** Senators Anderson, Bell, Cano, Goldin, Mack, Mendes, Murray, Quezada.

**32. 2021-H 6051****BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Gallo, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Cano, Anderson, Quezada, Morgan, Archambault, Valverde, Coyne.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative, 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 34:** 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, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Valverde.

**NAYS – 2:** Senators Bell, Mendes.



**TRANSMITTAL**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senate Majority Leader McCaffrey congratulates Senator Leonidas P. Raptakis and his wife Doctor Donna Maria Digidio Raptakis on their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet at the rise of the senate and Thursday, May 27th at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Kallman announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet Thursday, May 27th at 3:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Valverde announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet Thursday, May 27th at 3:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Cano announces that the Committee on Education will meet tomorrow at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

Senator Sosnowski announces that the Committee on Commerce will meet Thursday, May 27th at 5:00 o'clock P.M. via WebEx.

**RECESS**

Upon the motion of Senator Maryellen Goodwin, seconded by Senate Minority Leader Algieri, moves to recess at 6:28 o'clock P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Bill No. 930**

**BY** Goodwin, Bell, Mack, Goldin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE PAUL W. CROWLEY RHODE ISLAND INVESTMENT INITIATIVE (Commencing in fiscal year 2022, that reconstitution and control of a school or district by the department of elementary and secondary education would not exceed 2 years except for a possible 6 month extension when substantial progress is achieved.)

{LC2904/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 931**

(Secretary of State)

**BY** Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT (Allows the continuance of the remote notarization following the expiration of the executive emergency order currently in effect and requires a certificate of any notarial act.)

{LC2458/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 932****BY** Ciccone, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Modifies the summons for reasons other than nonpayment of rent to add a certificate of service section and provides for posting of summons and complaint on tenant's dwelling door. Effective January 1, 2022.)

{LC2890/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 933****BY** Goodwin, Bell, Quezada, Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Requires that school committee terms expire on election day for cities and towns holding elections every four (4) years except for the city of Central Falls.)

{LC2896/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 934****BY** Goldin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TRICYCLE, LLC

{LC2893/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 935****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Kimberley Gaffett to join Abigail Hopkins Stamler and Christopher George Fitzgerald in marriage on or about June 29, 2021, within the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island.)

{LC2929/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 936****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FUNDRAISING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Allows school committees to budget funds for field trips when creating a school budget.)

{LC2924/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

**Senate Bill No. 937****BY** Ciccone, Lombardi, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WORKERS COMPENSATION -- BENEFITS

{LC2928/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

**Senate Bill No. 938****BY** Miller, McCaffrey, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Prohibits the sale or offer for sale of any flavored electronic nicotine delivery system.)

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Resolution No. 939****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 1ST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021 TO BE "OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC2891/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**Senate Resolution No. 940****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS DEPUTY CHIEF TONY CINQUEGRANA, CAPTAIN TYLER PARKS, LIEUTENANT ERIC HOLMANDER, FIREFIGHTER MATTHEW VINER, AND FIREFIGHTER DANIEL KILEY

{LC2860/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 941****BY** Ciccone, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- OPTIONAL RETIREMENT FOR MEMBERS OF POLICE FORCE AND FIRE FIGHTERS (Allows any member in active service, regardless of age, to be eligible for an accidental disability retirement allowance.)

{LC2940/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES  
COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE**

Chairwoman Sosnowski, from the Committee on Commerce, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Senate Bill No. 25****BY** Seveney, Acosta, Anderson, Calkin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NONREGULATED POWER PRODUCER CONSUMER BILL OF RIGHTS (Excludes municipal and government bodies that aggregate electrical loads for residential retail customers from the requirement that a new contract is required when there is a change of terms for electric-generation services.)

{LC383/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 203****BY** Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CLAIMS ADJUSTERS (Authorizes department of insurance, within DBR, in lieu of passing in-state licensing examination, to recognize the competence of an applicant for an insurance claims adjuster license, through an out-of-state proctored examination. Effective Date 1/1/22)

{LC1660/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 206****BY** Sosnowski, Coyne, Seveney, Felag, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - COMMERCIAL FISHERIES (Permits the dockside sale of allowable live lobsters, crabs and live whelk upon issuance of a direct sale dealer license by the department of environmental management to a commercial fishing license holder.)

{LC1098/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 344****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES-- SMALL BUSINESS--OMNIBUS (Omnibus act regarding caterers, hide and leather inspection, constables, sterilization of bedding, mixed-martial arts and pool halls.)

{LC1220/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 346****BY** E Morgan, Rogers, Paolino, Picard, Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- INSPECTIONS (Authorizes the Exeter town sergeant or designees to conduct division of motor vehicles vehicle identifying number and odometer inspections.)

{LC1475/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 629****BY** Ruggerio, Euer, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Pearson, Miller, Gallo, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS- RENEWABLE ENERGY (Increases the percentage of retail electricity sales from renewable energy sources.)

{LC2027/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 631****BY** F Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE ACT (Updates the credit for reinsurance chapter of the general laws to conform to the current standard set by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).)

{LC1615/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 632****BY** DiMario, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (Authorizes the Quonset development corporation to borrow up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for operational purposes; however, the debt would not be a debt of the state and would be secured only by the Quonset development corporation's assets.)

{LC2490/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 634****BY** Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Requires the energy efficiency and resources management council to run a triennial competitive bid process to select an entity to propose and administer system reliability and energy efficiency and conservation procurement until March 1, 2036.)

{LC1726/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 699****BY** Ciccone

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DISTRIBUTED GENERATION INTERCONNECTION (Requires the electric distribution company to report interconnection studies and not charge more than actual costs for the studies.)

{LC2369/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 789**

(Secretary of State)

**BY** Archambault, Pearson

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT (Requires that annual reports of domestic and foreign business corporations, nonprofit corporations, and limited liability companies be filed with the secretary of state between February 1 and May 1 of each year. Effective January 1, 2022.)

{LC2202/1}

Placed on 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. 40 SUB A****BY** Ruggerio, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Gallo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER (Enables the state lottery division of the department of revenue to enter into a contract extension with IGT Global Solutions Corporation and contract extensions with Twin River and affiliates of Twin River.)

{LC767/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**House Bill No. 5223 SUB A**

**BY** Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Abney, Ackerman, Shallcross Smith, Kennedy, Corvese  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER (Enables the state lottery division of the department of revenue to enter into a contract extension with IGT Global Solutions Corporation and contract extensions with Twin River and affiliates of Twin River.)  
{LC1065/A/2}

Placed on Senate 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. 6**

**BY** F Lombardi, McCaffrey, Lombardo, Goodwin, Algiere, de la Cruz, Felag, Coyne, Burke, Cano  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RIGHTS OF NURSING HOME PATIENTS (Department of health to promulgate rules and regulations for essential caregivers at nursing homes during a declared emergency.)  
{LC492/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 169**

**BY** Euer, Miller, Coyne, DiMario, Lawson  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LABORATORIES (Creates a comprehensive system to promote and regulate the effective and competent administration of medical laboratories by focusing on the training, qualifications and licensure of their practitioners.)  
{LC611/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 170**

**BY** Murray, McCaffrey, Miller, Goodwin, Mack, Lawson, Kallman, Bell, Valverde, Goldin  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS (Limits health insurance carriers that provide coverage for prescription insulin drugs used to treat diabetes to fifty (\$50) dollars for a copayment for a thirty (30) day supply of medically necessary insulin.)  
{LC1009/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 234**

**BY** Lawson, Miller, Cano, Goldin, Valverde, Quezada, Bell, DiMario, Murray  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM (Mandates the rules and regulations of the department of health pertaining to newborn screening to include at a minimum, newborn screening tests for all disorders and conditions listed in the current federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel.)  
{LC1548/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 235**

**BY** Gallo, Lombardo  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Authorizes a licensed physical therapist to perform physical therapy services to a student while in school without a prescription or referral, in accordance with the student's IEP or IFSP.)  
{LC1208/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 430**

**BY** Goodwin  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN (Extends the benefits given to eligible women under title XIX state plan commencing for twelve (12) months after one month post-birth.)  
{LC1962/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 485**

**BY** DiMario, Kallman, Euer, Goldin, Valverde  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires health insurance contract plans or policies to provide coverage for a backup battery for at-home medical devices.)  
{LC2072/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 497**

**BY** Felag, Coyne, Seveney, Sosnowski, Ciccone, Raptakis  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS (Pharmacists may discuss reimbursement criteria with individuals presenting prescriptions.)  
{LC1372/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.



**Senate Bill No. 647****BY** DiMario, Miller, Lawson, Valverde, Goldin, Mendes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH CARE REFORM ACT OF 2004--HEALTH INSURANCE OVERSIGHT (Requires the health insurance commissioner to adopt a uniform set of medical criteria for prior authorization and create a required form to be used by a health insurer.)  
{LC2359/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Resolution No. 711****BY** Archambault**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF ACTIVITIES THAT EXPOSE PEOPLE TO TICKS, BETTER EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE SYMPTOMS OF LYME DISEASE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF EARLY DETECTION, AND UPDATE THEIR FINDINGS, DATA, AND PHYSICIAN PROTOCOLS WITH REGARDS TO THE EARLY DETECTION AND TREATMENT OF LYME DISEASE  
{LC2403/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 769 SUB A****BY** Miller, Lawson, Goodwin, Goldin, Calkin, Bell, Kallman, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING (Requires coverage for residential/inpatient mental health services for detox/stabilization/substance abuse disorders without preauthorization or be subject to concurrent review during the first 28 days.)  
{LC353/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 877****BY** DiMario, Valverde, Sosnowski, Acosta, Lawson, Mendes, Anderson, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (Prohibits insurance carriers from charging out-of-pocket expenses to the insured for expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic and mandates that all COVID-19 testing or vaccination is free.)  
{LC2805/1}

Placed on Senate 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 measures:

**Senate Bill No. 51****BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT AND LOAD LIMITS -- MIDDLETOWN (Prohibits the operation of through commercial vehicles on Turner Road in Middletown.)

{LC396/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 175****BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS (Allows the town of Middletown to sell an abandoned highway or driftway to the abutting property owner making the abandonment request at fair market value.)

{LC1079/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 391****BY** Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Increases the number of members of the transit authority from eight to nine and would make the mayor of Providence or designee an ex officio member with voting privileges.)

{LC1326/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 794**

(Department of Transportation)

**BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS (Authorizes the department of transportation to impose a weight restriction or close any state, local or privately-owned bridge, in the interest of public safety.)

{LC1651/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 833 SUB A**

(Dept. of Transportation)

**BY** Lombardo, F 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/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 881****BY** Lawson, Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT (Includes East Providence in the Northern Rhode Island regional tourism district.)

{LC2742/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 899****BY** Archambault**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2020 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

{LC1427/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

**House Bill No. 6127****BY** Donovan, Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BRISTOL (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Bristol, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Bristol on November 3, 2020.)

{LC2397/1}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**House Bill No. 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] (Prohibits the use of a school district's listserv to distribute any political advertisement, invitation, and/or propaganda.)

{LC1403/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

**House Bill No. 5107****BY** Ruggiero, Cortvriend, Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES--MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT (Allows the town of Middletown to enroll its full-time police officers hired on or after July 1, 2021, in a defined contribution plan established by the town and prevents newly hired police officers from becoming members of the retirement system.)

{LC415/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**House Bill No. 6139****BY** Place, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE OAKLAND - MAPLEVILLE NUMBER 4 FIRE DISTRICT

{LC2450/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**House Resolution No. 6002**

(Secretary of State)

**BY** Kennedy, Abney, McNamara, Azzinaro, Edwards, Solomon, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE RHODE ISLAND SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL (RI 250TH) COMMISSION" (Creates a 30 member Rhode Island Semiquincentennial Commission to assist in the observance of the Semiquincentennial and report back findings by July 1, 2023, produce a final accounting of funds by October 1, 2026, and expire on January 1, 2027.)

{LC2131/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.

**House Bill No. 6175****BY** Messier, Barros, Alzate, Tobon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Allows the Pawtucket city council to issue a Class B, C, or N liquor license for use on property located on tax assessor's plat 54B, 65B, and 23A, despite their close proximity to a school or church.)

{LC2556/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.

**House Bill No. 6286****BY** Azzinaro, Fellela, Abney, Donovan, Serpa, Corvese, Costantino, Phillips, Kennedy  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Removes the word "war" from the sentence "honorable discharged war veteran.")

{LC2745/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.

**House Bill No. 5887**

(University of Rhode Island)

**BY** Fogarty, McEntee, Caldwell, Craven, Tanzi, Carson, Amore, McGaw, C Lima, Kennedy  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS (Permits URI Board of Trustees to attend open public board meetings remotely.)

{LC1889/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 5977**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Edwards, Kennedy, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- FREEWAYS (Eliminates the provision a person who solicits a ride in a motor vehicle or backs up a motor vehicle on a freeway is guilty of a misdemeanor. Adds \$100 fine for advertising a motor vehicle for sale on a state highway to the schedule of violations.)

{LC2193/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 5644****BY** Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW -- RESALE OF UNITS (Allows a condominium association to impose a fee of up to one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) for preparation of a resale certificate.)

{LC2009/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 6332****BY** Shallcross Smith**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Robert D. Oster, Esq., to join Jessica Rincon and Michael Dunk in marriage on or about August 28, 2021, within the Town of North Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC2859/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 6339****BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Joseph R. Paolino, Jr., to join Sarah Pillemer and Richard Weiner in marriage on or about October 16, 2021, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.)

{LC2871/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 6348****BY** Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Thomas Edward Back to join Jessica Marie Willis and Scott Michael Laviolette in marriage on or about July 15, 2021, within the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island.)

{LC2885/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 6349****BY** Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Martin Jeffrey Schanck to join Kaleena Lynn Roch and Jason Timothy Machan in marriage on or about July 8, 2021, within the Town of Glocester, Rhode Island.)

{LC2866/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 6354****BY** Donovan, Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Charles Joseph, III, to join Abby Mergenmeier and Drew Todd in marriage on or about November 20, 2021, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.)

{LC2869/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**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, June 01<sup>st</sup> at 3:25 o'clock P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 3:26 o'clock P.M.

**JOHN E. FLEMING, JR.**  
Secretary of the Senate

**Appendix****TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, MAY 25th 2021****Senate Bill No. 2 SUB A**

**BY** Goodwin, Ruggiero, McCaffrey, Lawson, Euer, Gallo, Felag, Coyne, Cano, Burke  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NURSING HOME STAFFING AND QUALITY CARE ACT (Mandates minimum staffing levels and standards for quality care for nursing homes and their residents.)  
{LC362/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**Senate Bill No. 79 SUB A**

**BY** Ruggiero, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Cano, Pearson, Sosnowski, Euer, DiPalma, Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Removes the requirement that the scholarship program cease with the enrollment of the high school graduating class of 2021 at the community college of Rhode Island.)  
{LC1153/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 5012 SUB A as amended**

**BY** Slater, O'Brien  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NURSING HOME STAFFING AND QUALITY CARE ACT (Mandates minimum staffing levels, standards for quality care for nursing homes and their residents, and provides wage increases subject to the rate of inflation.)  
{LC599/A/2}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 5016**

**BY** Slater  
**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.)  
{LC309/1}

Transmitted to Governor.



**House Bill No. 5224 SUB A**

**BY** Shekarchi, Diaz, Amore, Baginski, Blazejewski, Kazarian, Potter, Felix, Biah, Batista  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Removes the requirement that the scholarship program cease with the enrollment of the high school graduating class of 2021 at the community college of Rhode Island.)

{LC1215/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 5491**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Ackerman, McNamara, Biah, Serpa, Giraldo, Filippi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY (Requires the council on elementary and secondary education, in consultation with the Rhode Island department of education, to develop and approve statewide academic standards for the instruction of consumer education in public high schools.)

{LC925/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 5586 SUB A**

**BY** Hull, Cardillo, Perez, Hawkins, Ackerman, Fogarty, McLaughlin, Costantino, Slater, Corvese

**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.)

{LC1095/A/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 6051**

**BY** Kennedy, Abney, Azzinaro, Edwards, Solomon, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson  
**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.")

{LC2212/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 6279**

**BY** Quattrocchi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF HOPE SANITARY ASSOCIATION

{LC2752/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**House Bill No. 6319**

**BY** Kislak

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows William Von Bauer to join Kaitlin Bauer and Gustavo Cabarcas in marriage on or about June 26, 2021, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC2816/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

**Appendix****CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College**

- 1. 2021-S 917**  
**BY F Lombardi**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 2. 2021-S 934**  
**BY Goldin**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TRICYCLE, LLC**

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 3. 2021-S 939**  
**BY Sosnowski**  
**ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 1ST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021 TO BE "OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 4. 2021-S 940**  
**BY Sosnowski**  
**ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS DEPUTY CHIEF TONY CINQUEGRANA, CAPTAIN TYLER PARKS, LIEUTENANT ERIC HOLMANDER, FIREFIGHTER MATTHEW VINER, AND FIREFIGHTER DANIEL KILEY**

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 5. 2021-H 5093 SUB A**  
**BY McNamara**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD**

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

6. **2021-H 6272**  
**BY Bennett**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**
- Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
7. **2021-H 6273 SUB A**  
**BY Shallcross Smith**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**
- Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.
8. **2021-H 6303**  
**BY Craven**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**
- Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
9. **2021-H 5387 SUB A**  
**BY Casimiro**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- MARRIAGE LICENSES**
- Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.
10. **2021-H 6127**  
**BY Donovan**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BRISTOL**
- Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

**Appendix**  
**CALENDAR**

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 01, 2021 in Sapinsley Hall at Rhode Island College**

**1. 2021-S 40 SUB A**

**BY** Ruggerio

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

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

**2. 2021-H 5223 SUB A**

**BY** Shekarchi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

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

**3. 2021-S 283 SUB A**

**BY** Gallo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

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

**4. 2021-S 268**

**BY** Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- ROOFING CONTRACTORS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

**5. 2021-S 25**

**BY** Seveney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NONREGULATED POWER PRODUCER CONSUMER BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

6. **2021-S 203 SUB A**  
**BY** Picard  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CLAIMS ADJUSTERS
- Committee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
7. **2021-S 206 SUB A**  
**BY** Sosnowski  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - COMMERCIAL FISHERIES
- Committee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
8. **2021-S 344 SUB A**  
**BY** Gallo  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES--SMALL BUSINESS--OMNIBUS
- Committee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
9. **2021-S 346**  
**BY** E Morgan  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- INSPECTIONS
- Committee on Commerce recommends passage.
10. **2021-S 629 SUB A**  
**BY** Ruggiero  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS-RENEWABLE ENERGY
- Committee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
11. **2021-S 631 SUB A**  
**BY** F Lombardi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE ACT
- Committee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

- 12. 2021-S 632 SUB A**  
**BY** DiMario  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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

- 13. 2021-S 634 SUB A**  
**BY** Sosnowski  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

- 14. 2021-S 699**  
**BY** Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --  
DISTRIBUTED GENERATION INTERCONNECTION

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

- 15. 2021-S 789 SUB A**  
**BY** Archambault  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND  
PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT

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

- 16. 2021-S 6 SUB A**  
**BY** F Lombardi  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RIGHTS OF  
NURSING HOME PATIENTS

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

- 17. 2021-S 169**  
**BY** Euer  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LABORATORIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

**18. 2021-S 170 SUB A****BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

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

**19. 2021-S 234 SUB A****BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM

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

**20. 2021-S 235****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHYSICAL THERAPISTS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

**21. 2021-S 430****BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

**22. 2021-S 485 SUB A****BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

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

**23. 2021-S 497****BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.



24. **2021-S 647**  
**BY** DiMario  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH CARE REFORM ACT OF 2004--HEALTH  
INSURANCE OVERSIGHT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

25. **2021-S 711**  
**BY** Archambault  
**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE  
RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS  
OF ACTIVITIES THAT EXPOSE PEOPLE TO TICKS, BETTER EDUCATE THE  
PUBLIC ABOUT THE SYMPTOMS OF LYME DISEASE AND THE IMPORTANCE  
OF EARLY DETECTION, AND UPDATE THEIR FINDINGS, DATA, AND  
PHYSICIAN PROTOCOLS WITH REGARDS TO THE EARLY DETECTION AND  
TREATMENT OF LYME DISEASE

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

26. **2021-S 769 SUB A**  
**BY** Miller  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -  
COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING

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

27. **2021-S 877 SUB A**  
**BY** DiMario  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

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

28. **2021-S 51**  
**BY** DiPalma  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE,  
WEIGHT AND LOAD LIMITS -- MIDDLETOWN

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 29. 2021-S 175**  
**BY DiPalma**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS**

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 30. 2021-S 391 SUB A**  
**BY Quezada**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

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

- 31. 2021-S 794**  
**BY Goodwin**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS**

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 32. 2021-S 833 SUB A**  
**BY Lombardo**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS**

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

- 33. 2021-S 881**  
**BY Lawson**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT**

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 34. 2021-S 899**  
**BY Archambault**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2020 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD**

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

**35. 2021-S 245 SUB A****BY** Kallman**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY JUSTICE REINVESTMENT PROPOSALS AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCING THE INCARCERATION OF WOMEN

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

**36. 2021-S 413 SUB A****BY** Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS

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

**John E. Fleming, Jr.**  
Secretary of the Senate

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR FRANK A. CICCONE, III**

Dear Lord, in the days ahead there will be many choices before us as we work to make our State a greater place to live. Help us to work together to reach common ground and find positive solutions for the benefit all of our people. Amen.