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-OF THE-

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the Third Day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

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Thursday, January 26, 2023

Eighth-Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Thursday, January 26, 2023, and is called to order at 4:05 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 67 members present and 8 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 67: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Boylan, Brien, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Cotter, Craven, Cruz, Dawson, DeSimone, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Finkelman, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, O'Brien, Phillips, Place, Potter, Quattrocchi, Rea, Roberts, Sanchez, Serpa, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Spears, Stewart, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson and Voas.

ABSENT – 8: Representatives Diaz, Kislak, Lima, Messier, Morgan, Noret, Perez, Shallcross Smith.

INVOCATION

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

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Tuesday, January 24, 2023, is approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Representative Mary Duffy Messier is unable to attend session today, Thursday, January 26, 2023.
Representative Thomas E. Noret is unable to attend session today, Thursday, January 26, 2023.
Representative Grace Diaz is unable to attend session today, Thursday, January 26, 2023.
Representative Rebecca M. Kislak is unable to attend session today, Thursday, January 26, 2023.
Representative Mary Ann Shallcross Smith is unable to attend session today, Thursday, January 26, 2023.

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023:**1. 2023-H 5051 SUB A**

BY Fogarty

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE YEARS 2023 AND 2024

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

Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Marszalkowski, Biah, Shanley, Carson, Cortvriend, Phillips, Costantino, Kennedy, Azzinaro, Donovan, Abney, Cardillo, Spears, Hull, Ackerman, Corvese, Slater, Edwards, Giraldo, Solomon, McNamara, Potter, Voas, Casimiro, Kazarian, Alzate, Casey, Craven, McEntee, Caldwell, Vella-Wilkinson, Felix, DeSimone, Batista and Finkelman.

Chairwoman Fogarty, Representatives Ackerman, Corvese and Potter discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative Newberry, seconded by Representatives Nardone, Quattrocchi, Fenton-Fung, Roberts, Minority Leader Chippendale and Rea offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO**

2023 -- H 5051 SUBSTITUTE A

HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE YEARS 2023 AND 2024

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- H 5051 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE YEARS 2023 AND 2024", as follows:

1. On page 11, between lines 6 and 7, by inserting the following language:

"(n) Any member, may request, that up to three (3) of the member's bills or resolutions that have been held for further study in any committee, shall be given a vote of the committee, recommending passage to the House, recommending no passage to the House, or reporting the bill or resolution to the House without recommendation. The member must submit any request under this rule to the committee chair by May 31 of the legislative year."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Newberry

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Representatives Newberry and Kazarian discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 57 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Quattrocchi, Rea, Roberts.

NAYS - 57: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Boylan, Brien, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Cotter, Cruz, Dawson, DeSimone, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Finkelman, Fogarty, Giraldo, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Morales, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Sanchez, Serpa, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Spears, Stewart, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Voas.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Representative Newberry, seconded by Representatives Rea, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Minority Leader Chippendale, Fenton-Fung and Nardone offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2023 -- H 5051 SUBSTITUTE A**

**HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE YEARS 2023 AND 2024**

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- H 5051 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE YEARS 2023 AND 2024", as follows:

1. On page 1, line 10, by striking the language "without further debate", and by inserting in

place thereof the language "after the member who appealed the rule of the chair, the majority leader, and the minority leader each have two (2) minutes to debate the appeal".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Newberry

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Representative Newberry and Chairwoman Fogarty discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 57 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Quattrocchi, Rea, Roberts.

NAYS - 57: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Boylan, Brien, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Cotter, Cruz, Dawson, DeSimone, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Finkelman, Fogarty, Giraldo, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Morales, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Sanchez, Serpa, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Spears, Stewart, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Voas.

RECUSED - 0:

Minority Leader Chippendale continues the discussion on the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 61 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 61: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Azzinaro, Baginski, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Boylan, Brien, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Cotter, Craven, Cruz, Dawson, DeSimone, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Finkelman, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Morales, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Roberts, Sanchez, Serpa, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Spears, Stewart, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Voas.

NAYS - 6: Representatives Chippendale, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Quattrocchi, Rea.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

GUESTS

Representative Carson welcomes to the House Chamber author, Douglas Brinkley. Speaker Shekarchi thanks him for his hard work and recognizes a mutual friend, Liz Periks.

Representative Casimiro welcomes and congratulates Michael DiLauro, on his retirement after 41 years in the Rhode Island Public Defender's Office. Speaker Shekarchi thanks Michael for his dedicated services and wishes him the best in his retirement.

Representative Vella-Wilkinson acknowledges and welcomes Roger Richards, U.S. Air Force OEF/OIF Veteran, RI Department of Labor and Training, James White, State Director, US DOL VETS, RDVET for Rhode Island, Jeremy Tolleson, Department of Labor and Training Vets Manager, Joseph Janeiro, State Adjutant, Department of Rhode Island VFW and Sarah Bramblet, Department of Labor and Training Assistant Director WFD. Representative Vella-Wilkinson also congratulates Roger Richards on his retirement from the Air National Guard.

NOW PRESIDING

At 4:46 o'clock P.M., the Honorable Speaker Shekarchi yields the rostrum to the Honorable Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Speakman thanks the State House community for their participation in the blood drive.

Minority Leader Chippendale announces that January is National Mentoring Month and offers his remarks.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces the next House session will be Tuesday, January 31st at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31st all members are invited to attend a "life-saving" training session provided by Representative Baginski in the House Lounge. At 3 p.m., she will be offering all of her colleagues instruction on life-saving emergency responses, including CPR, the Heimlich maneuver and how to use an AED. The program was initiated by Representative Fenton-Fung after watching Damar Hamlin's life being saved on the football field after he suffered a cardiac arrest.

The Deadline to file Campaign Finance Reports with the Board of Elections, is next Tuesday, January 31st. The report covers the period of December 6th through December 31st.

Majority Leader Blazejewski wishes Representative Azzinaro on Sunday, January 29th, a Happy Birthday!

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**House Resolution No. 5241**

BY Felix, Kazarian, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Tanzi, Kennedy, Fellela, Ajello, Azzinaro

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 23, 2023, TO BE "MATERNAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC1040/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Felix discusses the resolution.

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

House Resolution No. 5242

BY Corvese, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Casimiro, Baginski, Potter, Kennedy, Fellela, Ajello, Azzinaro

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 23-29, 2023, TO BE "CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC1099/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Corvese discusses the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Corvese, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Chippendale and Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 5243

BY Speakman, Knight, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Kennedy, Fellela, Ajello, Azzinaro, Cortvriend

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RHONDA FORTIN {LC681/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representatives Speakman and Knight request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Representative Speakman discusses the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Speakman, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski and Minority Leader Chippendale, by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 5244

BY Hull, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Lombardi J, Costantino, Slater, Felix, Batista, DeSimone, Perez **ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING PROVIDENCE POLICE CHIEF HUGH T. CLEMENTS JR., ON BEING APPOINTED TO DIRECT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS AND THANKING HIM FOR MORE THAN THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF PROVIDENCE AND THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC813/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Hull and Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy discuss the resolution.

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

House Resolution No. 5245

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Noret, Casimiro, Chippendale, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Fellela, Ajello **ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ROGER RICHARDS, JR., ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE RHODE ISLAND AIR NATIONAL GUARD AFTER TWO DECADES OF HONORABLE AND MERITORIOUS MILITARY SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC434/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representatives Vella-Wilkinson and Serpa discuss the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Vella-Wilkinson, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Chippendale and many others, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 5246

BY Ackerman, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Knight, Boylan, Finkelman, Ajello, Kislak, Corvese, Chippendale

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING “INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY” ON JANUARY 27, 2023 {LC334/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Ackerman discusses the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ackerman, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Chippendale and many others, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 5247

BY Fogarty, McEntee, Craven, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Tanzi, Spears, Chippendale, Hull, Kennedy

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF VINCENT VESPIA, JR. {LC1051/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Fogarty and Speaker Shekarchi discuss the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Fogarty, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Chippendale and many others, by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 5248

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Casimiro, Solomon, Knight, McEntee, Craven, Lombardi J, Baginski, Corvese

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING AND THANKING MICHAEL A. DILAURO, ESQ. ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT {LC859/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representatives Casimiro and Corvese discuss the resolution

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Casimiro, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Chippendale and many others, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 5249

BY Blazejewski, Chippendale

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC1025/1}

Majority Leader Blazejewski requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

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

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

TRANSMITTAL

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

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

DESK HELD OPEN

The Honorable Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy announces that the desk will be held open.

NEW BUSINESS

House Bill No. 5250

BY McEntee, Craven, Spears, Bennett, O'Brien, Dawson, Cortvriend, Fogarty, Caldwell, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSES (Limits issuance of commercial multipurpose commercial fishing licenses to Rhode Island residents, unless there is no resident applicant, limits number of new licenses issued to that number of licenses surrendered or retired in previous calendar year.) {LC75/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5251

BY Sanchez, Morales, Stewart, Felix, Tanzi, Potter, Slater, Shanley, Caldwell, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM (Requires all public high schools to offer as part of the curriculum a nutrition food preparation and cooking course.Effective July 1, 2023.) {LC905/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Education

House Bill No. 5252**BY** Donovan, Speakman, Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL PUPILS BEYOND CITY AND TOWN LIMITS (Removes the towns of Warren and Bristol from school bus district Region III and places Warren and Bristol in school bus district Region V.) {LC969/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Education

House Bill No. 5253**BY** McNamara, Bennett, Donovan, Felix, Ackerman, Potter, Cruz, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION ACT (Requires the department of education to provide a statewide, universal prekindergarten, early childhood education program for all three (3), four (4) and five (5)-year-old children by September 1, 2025.) {LC71/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5254**BY** Morales, Casimiro, Felix, Giraldo, Vella-Wilkinson, Stewart, Tanzi, Sanchez, Potter, Phillips**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (Would extend Medicaid and CHIP assistance to certain individuals which assistance was lost through to January 1, 2024.) {LC538/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5255**BY** Edwards, Ackerman, Kazarian, Alzate, Potter, Bennett, Caldwell, Craven, Casey, Casimiro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT (Prohibits health benefit plans reviewing prescriptions for opioid addiction treatment.) {LC787/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

House Bill No. 5256**BY** Dawson, Kazarian, Carson, McGaw, Finkelman, Knight, Shanley, O'Brien, McEntee, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Removes the sunset provision of all statutory law requiring coverage for the treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.) {LC795/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

House Bill No. 5257**BY** Shanley, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- COUNTY GRAND JURIES (Permits grand juries to issue reports and would provide for a process for review and acceptance by the superior court for dissemination to the public.) {LC536/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5258**BY** Kazarian, Serpa, Potter, Stewart**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TRADE IN ANIMAL FUR PRODUCTS ACT (Prohibits the sale, offer of sale, trade or distribution of fur products as defined and would make violations punishable by a civil fine.) {LC655/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5259**BY** McNamara, Bennett, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- AIRPORTS AND LANDING FIELDS (Increases the amount of reimbursement funds required to be paid by the Rhode Island airport corporation to the city of Warwick for municipal services from five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000).) {LC63/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 5260**BY** Stewart, Cruz, Sanchez, Morales, Potter, McNamara, Handy, Henries, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ACTIONS BY AND AGAINST TOWNS (Requires a municipality to disclose on their official website the specific issues, details and costs of any legal action of which the town or city is a named defendant.) {LC450/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 5261**BY** Stewart, Cruz, Morales, Henries, Kazarian, Alzate, Sanchez, Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Changes zoning distance notice requirements and requires website and social media hearing notice postings.) {LC452/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 5262**BY** Donovan, Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HISTORICAL AREA ZONING (Allows the town of Bristol to appoint a second auxiliary member to its historical district commission.) {LC794/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 5263**BY** Finkelman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- TAX RELIEF IN THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN (Provides a tax abatement of up to \$2,000 to Jamestown firefighters based upon years of service, quantity of calls responded to and number of training hours and is transferrable to a surviving spouse until remarriage or death.) {LC1087/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 5264

BY McEntee, Carson, Caldwell, Dawson, Craven, Batista, Finkelman, Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Cortvriend

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

(Extends COVID moratorium. Establishes outdoor dining act.) {LC526/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Small Business

House Bill No. 5265

BY Azzinaro, Solomon, Serpa, Casimiro, Corvese, Casey, Vella-Wilkinson, Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION

OF VEHICLES (Increases weight limit of those vehicles which are registerable with prisoner of war plates, Purple Heart plates, Distinguished Service Cross plates, Bronze Star Medal plates, National Guard plates or disabled veterans' plates to twelve thousand pounds.) {LC833/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 5266

BY Shanley, Bennett, Kennedy, Craven, McNamara, Spears

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN

MEETINGS (Permits all members of a public body who are aged sixty five (65) years or over to participate in public meeting by telephone or electronic communication.) {LC733/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

House Bill No. 5267

BY Vella-Wilkinson, McEntee, Morales, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS ACT (Provides that any person convicted of sedition, insurrection, or rebellion, would be prohibited from being an elector, and from being a candidate for public office.) {LC967/1}

01/27/2023 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

(For Co-sponsorship removal request, see Journal of 2-2-2023, page 2.)

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:04 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Fogarty, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Chief Vincent Vespia and Charlie White; on motion of Representative Speakman, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Rhonda Fortin; on motion of Representative Baginski, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Corrine Manzo DeSilva seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Chippendale the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Diane M. DePina
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE JULIE A. CASIMIRO

Lord our God: We humbly ask that you provide us with a righteous sense of purpose. Help us to execute honorably the responsibilities entrusted to us by the citizens of Rhode Island. Amen