# State of Rhode Island

# Journal of the Senate

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.

Volume 150, No. 29Thursday, June 01, 2023Twenty-Ninth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:21 o'clock P.M.

# **ROLL CALL**

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

**PRESENT – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# ABSENT – 0:

# **INVOCATION**

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Gallo to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

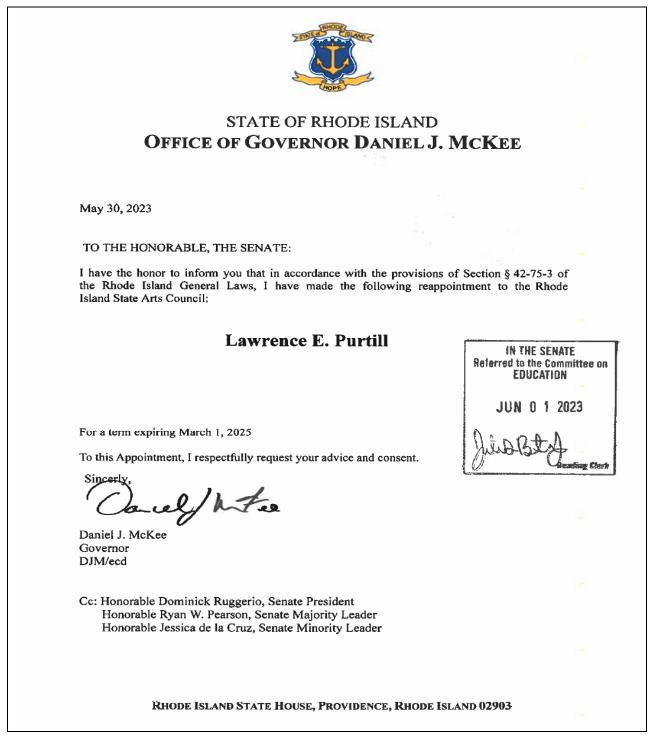
# **APPROVAL OF RECORD**

The Senate Journal of the Twenty-Seventh Day of the 2023 proceedings is read in part.

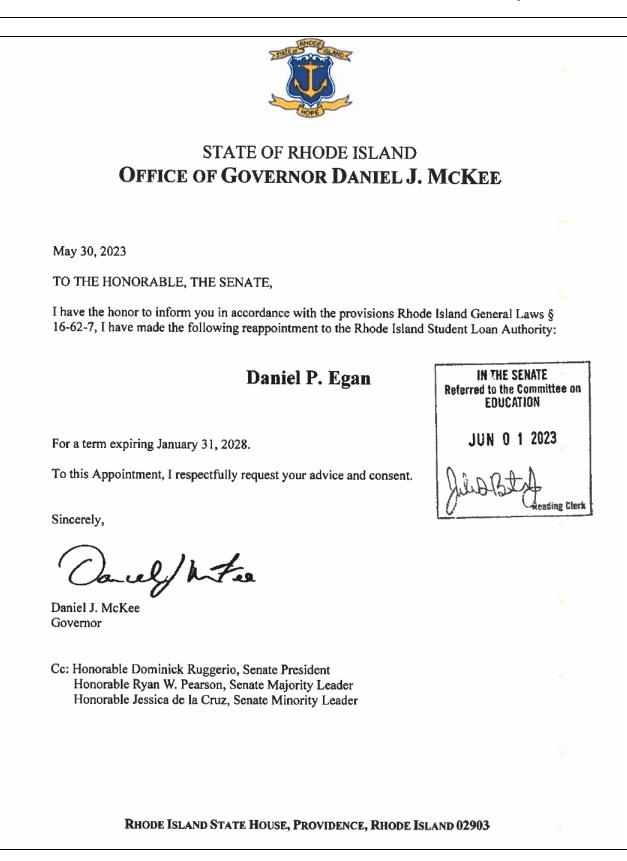
Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

# **APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR**

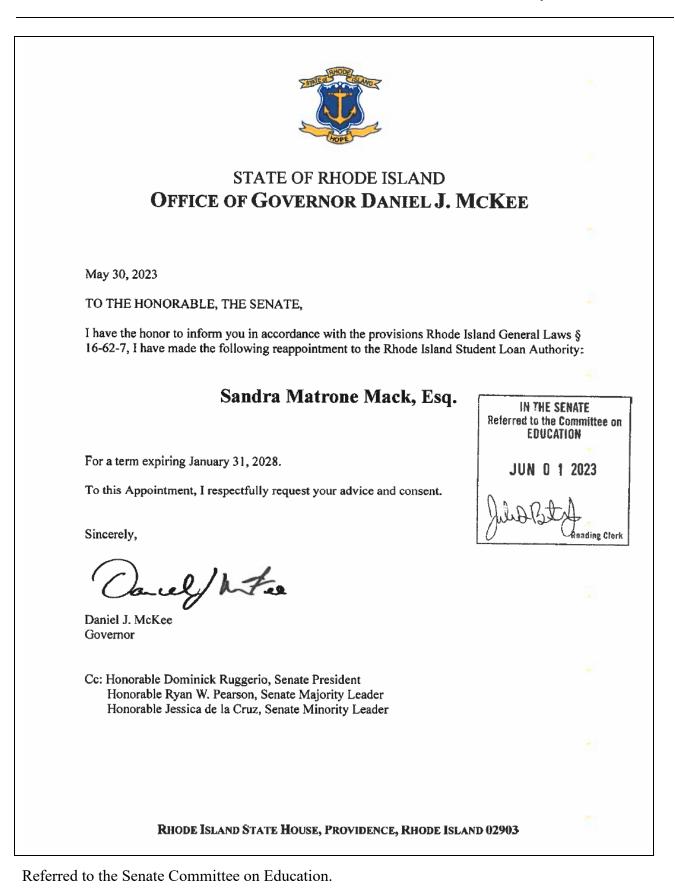
The Honorable President presents the following communication from His Excellency, The Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:



Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.



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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

May 30, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions Rhode Island General Laws § 16-62-7, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island Student Loan Authority:

# **Robert J. Delaney**

For a term expiring January 31, 2028.

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

el/hFee

Daniel J. McKee Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President Honorable Ryan W. Pearson, Senate Majority Leader Honorable Jessica de la Cruz, Senate Minority Leader

Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

IN THE SENATE Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION JUN 0 1 2023





# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

May 25, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Section § 20-3-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Marine Fisheries Council:

# **David Bethoney**

(Senior Manager of Conservation)

Vice Chris Rein

For a term expiring April 1, 2027.

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

el/hte

Daniel J. McKee Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President Honorable Ryan W. Pearson, Senate Majority Leader Honorable Jessica de la Cruz, Senate Minority Leader

Referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

IN THE SENATE Referred to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE JUN 0 1 2023 AUDBLA

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## COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OFFICE OF THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER **ROOM 120, STATE HOUSE** PROVIDENCE 02903 JESSICA de la CRUZ MINORITY LEADER 401-222-2708 June 1, 2023 Dear Senate President Ruggerio, Please be advised that I am currently out of the state and will be absent from the Senate session today, Thursday, June 1, 2023. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate journal. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Respectfully, suca do Gessica de la Cruz Senate Minority Leader

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

SENATOR GORDON E. ROGERS Senate Minority Whip District 21

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State of Rhode Island



# Senate Chamber

SECRETARY Committee on Housing & Municipal Government

Committee on Environment & Agriculture

Ex-Officio

June 1, 2023

Dear Senate President Ruggerio,

Please be advised that I am currently out of the state and will be absent from the Senate session today, Thursday, June 1, 2023. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate journal. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully, Gordon Rogers Senate Minority Whip

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

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sen-lombardi@rilegislature.gov		
June 1, 2023		
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Mr. John Fleming		
Secretary of the Senate		
State House, Room 220		
Providence, RI 02903		
Dear Mr. Secretary:		
Pursuant to Rule 4.1 of t bill be withdrawn:	the Senate Rules, I would like to respectfo	ully request that the following
2023 Senate Bill Divorce and Sep	No.1016; entitled An Act Relating to Do aration	mestic Relations –
This legislation has been	assigned to the Senate Committee on Ju	diciary.
I appreciate your assista me.	nce in this matter. If you have any questi	ons, please feel free to contact
Sincerely,		
13/2:		
Frank S. Lombardi		
Senate District 26		
CC: The Honorable I	Dawn M. Euer, Chair, Senate Committee	on Judiciary

## **IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS**

Senate Resolution No. 1087 BY Gallo, Raptakis, F. Lombardi ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING AND THANKING FATHER ANDREW G. GEORGE FOR 40 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE TO GOD AND THE PARISH OF THE CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION {LC3124/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

#### **GUESTS**

Upon the suggestion of Senator DiPalma and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Carly Noble, Summer Intern from Brown University.

Senate Resolution No. 1088 BY Mack, Murray ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION JOYOUSLY CELEBRATING AND COMMEMORATING JUNE OF 2023, AS "PRIDE MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC3099/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Mack requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Mack moves passage, seconded by Senators Murray, Bell, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McKenney, Miller, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier. The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

#### GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Mack and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Julio E. Berroa and Gem Marley.

#### Senate Resolution No. 1089

**BY** Lawson, Picard, Lombardo, Raptakis **ENTITLED,** SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING JUNE 1, 2023, AS "RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC3105/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Lawson requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lawson moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

#### **GUESTS**

Upon the suggestion of Senator Lawson and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber from Rhode Island College; President Jack Warner, Provost Carolyn Masters, Vice President Ciara Cano Morales, Athletic Director Donald Tencher, constituents Bob Westlake and Judy Oulette.

#### SENATOR MARK DALY REMARKS

The Honorable Senator Lawson presents Senator Mark Daly, Vice Chair of the Senate of Ireland.

Senator Mark Daly, Vice Chair of the Senate of Ireland, addresses the members of the Senate.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023:

1. The Reappointment of Vahid Ownjazayeri to the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank for a term expiring March 1, 2025.

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

2. The Appointment of Randy R. Rossi (Appointment by the Treasurer) to the Public Finance Management Board for a 3 year term

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

3. 2023-Н 5720

**BY** Phillips **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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

#### 4. 2023-H 6292 SUB A

**BY** McNamara **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT

OF LOCAL TAXES

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

# 5. 2023-H 6296 SUB A

#### BY Serpa

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF COVENTRY TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$25,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING AND/OR EQUIPPING OF AND/OR ADDITIONS TO SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE SCHOOL HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 49.2 % FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT

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

# 6. 2023-H 6308

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

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

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

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

 $\mathbf{NAYS} - \mathbf{0}$ :

# CALENDAR

# **IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023:**

1. 2023-S 165 BY F. Lombardi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM OWNERSHIP

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Kallman, Sosnowski, Zurier, LaMountain, Burke, Lawson.

The act is read and passed, 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, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

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#### 2023-S 171 SUB A BY Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES

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

Senator Euer moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Sosnowski, DiMario, Gu, Zurier, Lawson, Mack, Bell, Lauria, Quezada, Tikoian, Valverde.

Senators Bell and Euer discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

3. 2023-S 465 BY Zurier ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIES --MICROGRIDS DOCKET

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Zurier moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dipalma, Sosnowski, Gu, Lauria.

Senator DiPalma discusses the act.

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

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

## 4. 2023-S 469 BY DiMario ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Zurier, Lawson, Cano, Murray.

The act is read and passed, 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, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# **NAYS – 0:**

# 2023-S 856 BY LaMountain ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gu, Zurier, Britto, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Miller, Gallo, Burke, and Murray.

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

**YEAS – 34:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 2: Senators DeLuca and Morgan.

# 6. 2023-S 14 SUB A

**BY** Miller

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- DISPOSABLE FOOD SERVICE CONTAINERS

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Miller moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, DiMario, Gallo, Gu, Zurier, Lombardi, Lawson, Paolino, LaMountain, Lauria, Valverde, Quezada, Murray.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 5 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, De Luca, Morgan, Raptakis, Rogers.

# 7. 2023-S 15 SUB A

**BY** Miller

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPPORT THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Miller moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Sosnowski, Kallman, DiPalma, Gu, Lauria, Cano, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Quezada, Lombardi.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 3 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 34:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

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

# 8. 2023-S 703 SUB A BY Sosnowski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Lawson, Lombardi, LaMountain.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

#### 9. 2023-S 206 SUB A

**BY** DiPalma

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$190,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL AND THE RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEMOLITION, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPING COSTS

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lombardo, Ciccone, Zurier, Murray.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS - 0:

# 10. 2023-H 5526 SUB A

**BY** Cortvriend

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$190,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL AND THE RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEMOLITION, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPING COSTS

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, Zurier, Lombardo.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

# 11. 2023-S 226 BY Sosnowski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CANCER BENEFITS FOR FIRE FIGHTERS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Gu, Zurier, Miller, DeLuca, Cano, Quezada, Murray, Valverde.

The act is read and passed, 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, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# NAYS - 0:

12. 2023-S 773 BY Ruggerio ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Lombardo, Lombardi, Morgan, Burke, Tikoian.

The act is read and passed, 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, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

# 13. 2023-S 928 SUB A

**BY** Murray

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- STATEWIDE TANGIBLE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Morgan, Pearson, Miller, Sosnowski, Cano, McKenney, Mack, Picard, Britto, Raptakis, Ujifusa, Valverde, Quezada, Bell.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

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

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

 $\mathbf{NAYS} - \mathbf{0}$ :

# 14. 2023-S 991 SUB A

**BY** Ruggerio **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag and Lombardi.

Senator DiPalma seconded by Senators Euer, Felag, Lombardi, LaMountain, Tikoian offers the following written motion to amend:

#### FLOOR AMENDMENT

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#### 2023 -- S 0991 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC

# TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- S 0991 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY", as

follows:

1 On page 1, line 16 after the language "community," by inserting the language "the Amalgamated Transit
Union,".
Respectfully submitted,
President Ruggerio
LC002917/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 34:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

## **NAYS – 0:**

Senators Ujifusa discusses the act as amended.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Felag.

The act is read and passed, as amended upon a roll call vote, with 26 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 26:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 10: Senators Bell, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Mack, Morgan, Paolino, Quezada, Rogers, and Ujifusa.

# 15. 2023-S 576 SUB A BY Miller 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.

Senator Miller moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Sosnowski, DiMario, Zurier, Mack, Bell, Ujifusa, Murray

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 35:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

 $\mathbf{NAYS} - \mathbf{0}$ :

16. 2023-S 583 SUB A BY Lawson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Zurier, Murray.

Senator Lawson seconded by Senators Britto, Zurrier, and DiMario offers the following written motion to amend:

#### FLOOR AMENDMENT

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#### 2023 -- S 0583 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- S 0583 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE --

MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 7, after the word "rights" by inserting the following language, "for standardized Medicare Supplement Plan A

during an annual enrollment period of at least one month each calendar year, as established by the issuer".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Lawson

LC002104/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, DiMario, Lauria and Felag.

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

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

# 17. 2023-S 723 SUB A

**BY** DiMario **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- MENTAL HEALTH LAW

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

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Valverde, LaMountain, Quezada, Felag, Zurier, Murray.

Senator DiMario seconded by Senators Lombardi and Valverde offers the following written motion to amend:

#### FLOOR AMENDMENT

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#### 2023 -- S 0723 SUBSTITUTE A

# AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS --

#### MENTAL HEALTH LAW

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- S 0723 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL

HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- MENTAL HEALTH LAW", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 31, at the end of the line after the second appearance of the word "professional", by inserting the language "as defined in §40.1-5-2(9) and".

2. On page 3, lines 32 through 34, by deleting the language "<u>who has a minimum of a master's degree in a clinical practice</u>, a license as a registered nurse, or a license as an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) as defined in § 40.1-5-2".

3. On page 4, line 2, after the word "with", by deleting the word "a", and by inserting in place thereof the language": (i)

<u>A</u>".

4. On page 4, line 3, after the language "<u>(CMHC)</u>", by inserting the language "<u>which is conducting emergency psychiatric</u> assessments for individuals under consideration for admission to an inpatient mental health facility;".

5. On page 4, line 3, after the word "<u>or</u>", by deleting the language "<u>licensed hospital</u>", and by inserting in place thereof the language "(ii) A licensed hospital which is".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator DiMario

LC002292/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 35:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# **NAYS – 1:**

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, DiMario, Lauria and Felag.

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

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# **NAYS – 0:**

# 18. 2023-S 793 SUB A BY Lawson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

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

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Miller, Lauria, Sosnowski.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

## 19. 2023-S 873 SUB A BY Lawson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --THE MEDICAID REENTRY ACT

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

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Kallman, Cano, Sosnowski, DiMario, Zurier, Ujifusa, Bell, Murray, Valverde, Miller.

Senators Miller and Kallman discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS - 0:

# 20. 2023-S 145 BY Cano ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --RHODE ISLAND PARENTAL AND FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Quezada, DiMario, Burke, Valverde, Murray.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 31:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

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

## 21. 2023-S 423 BY Acosta ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- WORKERS' COOPERATIVES

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Mack, Gu, Pearson.

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

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, DeLuca, Morgan, and Paolino, Rogers.

# 22. 2023-S 425 BY DiPalma ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- IDENTITY THEFT PROTECTION ACT OF 2015

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Ciccone, Sosnowski, Lawson, Gu, Zurier, Valverde, Quezada.

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

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

# **NAYS – 0:**

# 23. 2023-S 658 BY Ciccone ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ELEVATORS, ESCALATORS AND DUMBWAITERS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Zurier, Lombardo, DiPalma, Ujifusa, Quezada, Lawson.

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

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS - 0:

# 24. 2023-S 660 BY Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Euer moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardo, Felag, DiMario, Gu, Lawson.

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

**YEAS – 35:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 2: Senators Bell and Morgan.

## 25. 2023-S 828 BY Goodwin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --PAYMENT OF WAGES

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Lawson, Paolino.

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

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:** 

# 2023-S 927 SUB A BY McKenney ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF NURSING SERVICE AGENCIES

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

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone and Zurier.

Senator McKenney seconded by Senators Ciccone and Felag offers the following written motion to amend:

# FLOOR AMENDMENT

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# 2023 -- S 0927 SUBSTITUTE A

# AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF NURSING SERVICE

# AGENCIES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2023 -- S 0927 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING

TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF NURSING SERVICE AGENCIES", as follows:

1. On page 2, lines 13 and 14, by deleting the language "<u>a client, including, but not limited</u>

<u>to,</u>".

2. On page 3, line 16, by deleting the language "and/or hire".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator McKenney

LC002689/3

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 36:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Bell.

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Murray and Burke.

The act is read and passed, as amended upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 35:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

# 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 or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Raptakis announces that the Senate Committee on Judiciary will meet today at the rise of the senate in Room 313.

Senator Kallman announces that the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet today at the rise of the senate in Room 212.

Senator Valverde announces that the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today at the rise of the senate in the Senate Lounge.

Senator Valverde announces that because Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> is National Donut Day she has provided donuts to the main office from Allie's Donuts in North Kingstown who are celebrating their 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

#### RECESS

Upon the Motion of Senator Pearson, seconded by Senator Paolino, the Senate stands in Recess at 5:51 o'clock P.M.

# FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

#### Senate Bill No. 88 SUB A

**BY** Tikoian, F. Lombardi, Raptakis, Felag, Britto, Ciccone **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SPEED RESTRICTIONS (Requires those vehicles traveling on any roadway or highway to move over to the left lane or slow down upon approaching a nonemergency vehicle that is stationary on the side of any roadway or highway.) {LC1047/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 5294 SUB A

**BY** Hull, J. Lombardi, Tanzi, Felix, Newberry, Slater, McNamara, Bennett **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SPEED RESTRICTIONS (Requires those vehicles traveling on any roadway or highway to move over to the left lane or slow down upon approaching a nonemergency vehicle that is stationary on the side of any roadway or highway.) {LC817/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

#### 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}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

# House Bill No. 5013

**BY** Bennett, Baginski, McGaw, Fenton-Fung, McNamara, Corvese, Solomon **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Extends the authorization for physical therapists to order diagnostic imaging as an authorized practice of physical therapy until December 31, 2025.) {LC442/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 5682 SUB A

(Dept. of Health) BY Giraldo, Potter ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS (Provides DOH multidisciplinary team review of drug overdose deaths may gather info of deaths from family willing to do so to help identify prevention/intervention strategies.) {LC1618/A/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

## House Bill No. 6376

**BY** Caldwell, Shanley **ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF EAST GREENWICH TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, ALTERATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, DEMOLITION, ATHLETIC FIELDS, LANDSCAPING, PARKING AND COSTS OF FINANCING AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$180,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR (Authorizes the town of East Greenwich to issue not more than \$180,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, renovation, alteration, furnishing and equipping of public schools and school facilities in the town.)

{LC2888/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 6386

BY Edwards, Kennedy, Diaz

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STONE BRIDGE FIRE DISTRICT TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,250,000) TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS WATER SYSTEM (Authorizes the Stone Bridge Fire District in the town of Tiverton to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,250,000).) {LC2986/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 6385

**BY** Knight, Speakman **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Repeals a section of the general laws that restricts the ability of the town of Warren to enact an ordinance in order to adopt the more favorable tax classification provisions of § 44-5-11.8.) {LC2988/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 6276

BY McEntee, Spears, Tanzi, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW HIGH SCHOOL, ATHLETIC FACILITY, AND OTHER SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, DEMOLITION, ATHLETIC FIELDS, LANDSCAPING AND PARKING AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES, INCLUDING ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND OTHER PROJECT-RELATED CONSULTING COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes South Kingstown to issue up to \$125,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, renovation, furnishing and equipping of a new high school, athletic facility, and other school facilities in the town.) {LC2752/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 6335

**BY** Quattrocchi **ENTITLED,** AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS SECTION 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS BY THE TOWN OF SCITUATE TO FINANCE A WATER PROJECT AT THE SCITUATE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (In accordance with § 16-7-44 approving the issuance of \$1,000,000 bonds by the town of Scituate to finance a water project at the Scituate high school/middle school.) {LC2877/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### House Bill No. 5466

(Office of Veterans Services)

**BY** Azzinaro, Fellela, Solomon, Abney, Donovan, Serpa, J. Lombardi, Costantino, Shallcross Smith, Hull

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME (Requires that the administrator for the Rhode Island veterans' home be a licensed nursing home administrator and removes the requirement that the administrator be an honorably discharged veteran.) {LC1312/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

#### House Bill No. 5544

(Dept. of Education (RIDE) BY Donovan, Cortvriend, Spears ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Amends the provisions of law relative to eligibility for attendance for kindergarten students.) {LC1614/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

#### House Bill No. 5900

(Judiciary) BY Marszalkowski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- VICTIM'S RIGHTS (Amends the current requirement of payment of initial filing fee and service of process costs when the victim of crime is still owed restitution at the expiration of the case and seeks to enforce the civil judgment entered at disposition.) {LC2411/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

#### House Bill No. 6067

**BY** Cortvriend, Spears, Dawson, Carson, Shallcross Smith, Ajello **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE --LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS (Provides that supported decision-making pursuant to chapter 66.13 of title 42 be added to the Limited Guardianship and Guardianship of Adults forms section as one of the less restrictive alternatives to guardianship that have been explored.)

 $\{LC2216/1\}$ 

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5513 SUB A

**BY** Baginski, Potter, Dawson, J. Brien, McEntee **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS -- DEATH BY WRONGFUL ACT (Raises the minimum recovery in a civil action to recover for a wrongful death from \$250,000 to \$365,000 and automatically increases for inflation the minimum recovery annually on January 31. The increase is based on the consumer price index.) {LC998/A/2}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5276 SUB A

**BY** Phillips, Knight, Morales, McEntee, Serpa, Costantino, Lima **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES (Providers of a club, facility, or services to a consumer must stop automatic deductions from the consumer's account or credit card within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving a notice to stop from the consumer.) {LC775/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce.

## House Bill No. 5032

**BY** Hull, O'Brien, Fogarty, Morales, J. Lombardi, Bennett, Abney **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Requires all public utilities to maintain a customer service facility within the state to perform services such as addressing customer inquiries and accepting bill payments.) {LC405/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce.

## House Bill No. 5009

(Dept. of Education (RIDE) **BY** McNamara, Shallcross Smith, Ackerman, Noret, Donovan, Roberts **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - PUPIL
TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES ("Pupil Transportation Vehicle" to be and constructed to seat not more than ten (10) passengers including the operator, rather than the existing limit of eight (8) passengers.)
{LC52/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

## House Bill No. 5222 SUB A

**BY** Casimiro, Donovan, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Fellela, Lima, Knight, Serpa, Boylan, Shanley **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE NATHAN BRUNO AND JASON FLATT ACT (Provides that in the event of the death of an educator or a student, a local educational agency be given up to five (5) days after the death to implement a flexible school schedule for teachers and students.) {LC707/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

## House Bill No. 6272

BY McNamara, Donovan

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (Extends the due date for the district action plan each and every year from September 1 to December 31, and further require that there are no fewer than five (5) school district education reviews annually beginning in academic year 2024-2025.) {LC2747/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

## House Bill No. 5176 SUB A

**BY** McGaw, Shekarchi, Ajello, Speakman, Donovan, Kislak, Tanzi, Cotter, Stewart, Felix **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires group health plans and health insurance issuers that provide prescription benefits to cover at least one type of prescribed epinephrine auto-injectors and cartridges without copay or deductible.) {LC151/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

## House Bill No. 5463

(Dept. of Administration) BY Edwards, Bennett, Casey, Ackerman, McEntee ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES (Provides that the maximum aggregate amounts for small purchases within the chapter on state purchases be adjusted to not exceed \$25,000 for construction and \$10,000 for all other purchases.) {LC1298/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

## House Bill No. 5782 SUB A

(City of Providence) **BY** Biah, Hull, J. Lombardi, Morales, DeSimone, Batista, O'Brien, Diaz, Slater **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Subjects to taxation real property owned by nonprofit institutions of higher education/nonprofit hospitals also amends charters issued by the general assembly to nonprofit institutions/hospitals.) {LC1798/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

## House Bill No. 5951

(Office of Veterans Services) BY Azzinaro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Includes the national guard in the definition of who is eligible for veterans' exemptions.) {LC2187/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

#### House Bill No. 5204 SUB A

**BY** Diaz, Slater, Edwards, Perez, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Batista, Abney, Biah, Azzinaro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING (Requires the secretary of housing to create a consumer guide of landlord-tenant laws to be updated annually.) {LC591/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6059 SUB A

**BY** Craven, Shekarchi, McGaw, Shanley, Dawson, O'Brien **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Amends certain general laws relative to zoning ordinance variances, special use permits, modifications thereto and also amends provisions relative to substandard lots of record and the merger of such lots.) {LC2094/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6061 SUB A as amended

**BY** Craven, Shekarchi, McGaw, Shanley, Dawson, O'Brien **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND (Amends the provisions relative to the subdivision of land and the application process requesting relief from zoning ordinances and the review process thereof.) {LC2437/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6081 SUB A

**BY** Shekarchi, Speakman, Knight, Donovan, Tanzi, Cruz, Cortvriend, Casey, Potter **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING (Provides amendments relative to low- and moderate-income housing and modifies and clarifies the procedure for review of applications to build such housing.) {LC2127/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6082 SUB A as amended

**BY** Speakman, Kazarian, Shekarchi, Cotter, Knight, Donovan, Tanzi, Cruz, Cortvriend, Casey **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Amends several sections of law relating to zoning ordinances to provide uniform zoning standards for accessory dwelling units.) {LC1326/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6085 SUB A

**BY** Casey, Shekarchi, Corvese, J. Brien, Noret, Speakman, Potter, Marszalkowski, Kazarian, Costantino

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RHODE ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE ACT (Amends the required contents of a comprehensive plan providing that the "implementation program" component of the requirements include a 5 year strategic plan to ensure that the comprehensive plan goals and policies are implemented in a timely fashion.) {LC2439/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6087 as amended

**BY** Cruz, Shekarchi, Kazarian, Speakman, Potter, Stewart, Casimiro, Slater, Blazejewski, Abney

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Prohibits the requirement that a fee be paid for a rental application for real property.)

 $\{LC2022/1\}$ 

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 6090 SUB A

**BY** Alzate, Shekarchi, Tanzi, Donovan, Shallcross Smith, McNamara **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Provides that adaptive reuse for the conversion of commercial property into residential or mixed-use developments shall be a permitted use and allowable by specific and objective provisions of a zoning ordinance, subject to certain restrictions.) {LC2438/A/2}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

## House Bill No. 5127 SUB A

**BY** Diaz, Hull, J. Lombardi, Slater, Edwards, Vella-Wilkinson, Caldwell, Morales, Bennett, Felix

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT--CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT (Directs the department of corrections to collect information from individuals entering its custody: sex, race, nativity (country of origin), religion, and level of education.)

{LC407/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5435 SUB A

**BY** Edwards, Diaz, Ackerman, Cortvriend, Kislak, Knight, Kazarian, Alzate, Baginski, Potter **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DNA DETECTION OF SEXUAL AND VIOLENT OFFENDERS (Requires the state crime laboratory to conduct an audit of DNA samples in the DNA databank to ascertain the rate of compliance with DNA recording requirements.) {LC1435/A/1}

## House Bill No. 5457 SUB A

**BY** Cortvriend, Carson, Donovan, McGaw, Edwards, Finkelman ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL CODE PROVISIONS (Establishes regulations for the registration and operation of low-speed vehicles in this state.) {LC1148/A/3}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

#### House Bill No. 5665

(by request) BY Carson, Cortvriend, Donovan, Abney, Finkelman ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --NEWPORT AND BRISTOL COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU (Creates a doing business as for Discover Newport as a short title for the bureau.) {LC1315/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5722 SUB A

**BY** Caldwell, Shanley, Lima **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT-- OPEN MEETINGS (Amends the Open Meetings law to permit members of some public bodies to participate using videoconferencing technology.) {LC1842/A/3}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5758 SUB A

**BY** Noret, Casimiro, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese, Alzate, Solomon, Craven, Lima, Casey, J. Lombardi **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS (Requires that all vehicle model years prior to 2002 would not be required to be issued a title certificate until ownership is

transferred or the current owner creates a security interest in the vehicle.) {LC1155/A/1}

## House Bill No. 5843 SUB A

**BY** Serpa **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW (Provides that the "meetings" requirements from § 34-36.1-3.08 be applicable to condominiums created before July 1, 1982 and permits remote participation in condominium meetings.) {LC1128/A/2}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5933

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Serpa, Noret, Place

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- POSTING OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES (Requires employers in the state with more than 50 employees to display a poster containing basic information on veterans' benefits and services which would be created and distributed by the DLT in consultation with the office of veterans services.)

 $\{LC2035/1\}$ 

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

## House Bill No. 5955 SUB A

(Board of Elections) BY Dawson, McEntee, O'Brien, Craven ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS (Establishes a three (3) day transmittal period after the deadline for local boards to accept mail ballot applications, if delivered via the postal service.) {LC2089/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 6083 SUB A

**BY** Batista, Shekarchi, Hull, Shallcross Smith, Noret, McNamara **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING (Amends several sections of law relating to low-and moderate-income housing and the application, appeal, and judicial review process.) {LC1448/A/1}

## House Bill No. 5960 SUB A

(Board of Elections) **BY** Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Casimiro, Noret, Solomon **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES (Requires a write-in candidate to file a declaration of intent with the same office at which the declaration of candidacy would be filed, and require similar residency requirements for write-in candidates that exists for declared candidates.) {LC2086/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 6024

BY Serpa

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUM LAW (Provides that the "rights of secured lenders" provision from § 34-36.1-2.19 be applicable to condominiums created before July 1, 1982 and creates a process for condominium associations to notify unit mortgage holders for certain association actions.) {LC1126/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 6060 SUB A

**BY** Shekarchi, Hull, Edwards, Cortvriend, Kazarian, Blazejewski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS --SUPERIOR COURT (Establishes a land use calendar within the superior court, effective January 1, 2024.) {LC2192/A/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 6084 SUB A as amended

**BY** Felix, Shekarchi, Azzinaro, Hull, Kazarian, Tanzi **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Creates the transit oriented development pilot program to encourage residential housing near convenient public transportation.) {LC2193/A/1}

## House Resolution No. 6163

**BY** Solomon, Edwards, Kazarian, Casimiro, Spears, Casey, Potter, Cruz, Felix, Kislak **ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE THE LONG-TERM OUTCOMES AND REDUCE RECIDIVISM OF FEMALES WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE POPULATION (Creates a 19 member task force whose purpose it would be to improve outcomes and reduce recidivism of females in the criminal justice system, and who would report back by February 5, 2024, and expire on April 5, 2024.) {LC2602/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 6240

**BY** Baginski, Noret **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS (Requires unanimous vote of local board of canvassers for the combination of voting districts for any special election and requires unanimous vote of canvassers for combination of voting districts for any special election or presidential primary.) {LC2483/1}

Introduced, referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

## House Bill No. 5761 SUB A

**BY** Felix, Henries, Kislak, Giraldo, Tanzi, Morales, McNamara, Fogarty, Kazarian, Casimiro **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE -- MEDIATION CONFERENCE (Removes the sunset provision relative to mediation coverage prior to mortgage foreclosures.) {LC1796/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES 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:

The Appointment of Bernard L. Patenaude (Full Time Fire Chief) VICE Paul Shatraw to the Fire Education & Training Coordinating Board for a term expiring January 31, 2024.

## Senate Bill No. 802

**BY** Lombardo, DiPalma, Ciccone, Gallo, Pearson **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE (Brings state law into federal compliance by prohibiting or otherwise lending this use of refrigerant designated as acceptable pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 7671k as long as the refrigerant is listed and installed in accordance therewith) {LC1273/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 1005

**BY** Rogers, DeLuca, Raptakis **ENTITLED**, AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 492 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 2006 AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT (Amends the Central Coventry Fire District Charter to provide for purchasing, installing, operating and maintaining street lighting and the funding for its debt.) {LC2969/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

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

## Senate Bill No. 129

**BY** Cano, Ciccone, Quezada, Lawson, DiPalma, Burke, Murray, Acosta, Euer, Kallman **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF SALES -- STATE IDENTIFICATION CARDS (Allows the division of motor vehicles to issue a state identification card to residents unable to establish lawful presence in the United States upon proof of residence in this state and a tax identification number.) {LC269/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 163

**BY** Euer, Cano, Goodwin, Gallo, Sosnowski, Lawson, DiMario, Murray, Mack, Kallman ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE--MEDIATION CONFERENCE (Removes the sunset provision relative to mediation coverage prior to mortgage foreclosures.) {LC1374/1}

## Senate Bill No. 380 SUB A

**BY** McKenney, Britto, Burke, LaMountain, Kallman **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- STATEWIDE REFERENDA ELECTIONS (Amends certain election statutes to require ballot questions be written in plain language reasonably calculated to be understood by persons with middle school reading comprehension skills.) {LC1393/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 417 SUB A

**BY** McKenney, Sosnowski, Euer, Pearson, Miller, DiMario, Gallo, DiPalma, Gu, Kallman **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides rights/privileges of shore may be exercised, where shore exists, on wet/dry sand/rocky beaches up the natural vegetation line to be determined by CRMC with limited liability for abutters.) {LC1241/A/2}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 644 SUB A

**BY** Euer, DiPalma, Felag

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS --RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY (Extends the repayment period for toll violations, and requires the RI transit and bridge authority to notify frequent violators by certified mail that their driver's license may be in jeopardy for failure to pay toll violations.) {LC2147/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 653 SUB A

BY LaMountain, Burke, McKenney, Acosta, Mack, Euer

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE (Requires the clerk of the court to return any bail money posted to the defendant or the person who provided the bail money at the time of judgment of the case and that the money shall not be used to pay costs, fines or restitution or any other assessment.) {LC2048/A/1}

#### Senate Bill No. 729

(Attorney General) BY Mack, Acosta, Euer, McKenney, Bell, Britto, Lawson, DiMario, Kallman, Gu ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LEAD HAZARD MITIGATION (Establishes an escrow account for tenants to deposit their rent whenever the leased property is not compliant with the lead hazard risk reduction provisions in state law.) {LC2542/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 739

(Attorney General) BY Lawson, Euer, Cano, McKenney, Murray, Lauria, Miller, Britto, Mack ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LEAD HAZARD MITIGATION (Allows for a property owner who fails to comply with lead hazard mitigation provisions to be subject to damages and reasonable attorneys' fees.) {LC2543/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## Senate Bill No. 742 SUB A

(Secretary of State) **BY** Lawson, DiMario, F. Lombardi, Euer, Cano, McKenney, Murray, Lauria, Miller, Britto **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS (Designates a liaison position within the secretary of state's office to formulate communication between the department of state and the board of elections and adds accessible voting devices to the equipment maintained by secretary of state.) {LC865/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

#### Senate Bill No. 804

(Attorney General) BY Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Requires landlords to register certain identifying information on a statewide registry and for pre-1978 properties, provide a valid certificate of conformance with the lead hazard mitigation act.) {LC2544/1}

Senate Bill No. 850 SUB A (Dept. of Business Regulation) BY LaMountain ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE APPRAISER CERTIFICATION ACT (Amends the Real Estate Appraiser Certification Act and the Real Estate Appraisal Management Company ("AMC") Registration Act.) {LC1641/A/1

Placed on the 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:

## House Bill No. 5013

**BY** Bennett, Baginski, McGaw, Fenton-Fung, McNamara, Corvese, Solomon **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Extends the authorization for physical therapists to order diagnostic imaging as an authorized practice of physical therapy until December 31, 2025.) {LC442/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5682 SUB A (Dept. of Health) BY Giraldo, Potter ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS (Provides DOH multidisciplinary team review of drug overdose deaths may gather info of deaths from family willing to do so to help identify prevention/intervention strategies.) {LC1618/A/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

## COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

## The Appointment of Kimberly Merolla-Brito as Director of Department of Human Services

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 276 BY Miller ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE MEDICAID SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER REQUESTS AND RENEWALS (This joint resolution would approve an amendment to Medicaid section 1115 demonstration waiver requests and renewals.) {LC1458/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

#### Senate Bill No. 299

**BY** Gallo, Pearson, DiPalma, Euer, Felag **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS (Defines an audiologist as an individual licensed to practice audiology by the department of health.) {LC899/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Senate Bill No. 1090 (Dept. of Education (RIDE)) BY Gallo, Lombardo, DiPalma, Ciccone ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Amends the provisions of law relative to eligibility for attendance for kindergarten students.) {LC1647/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

## Senate Bill No. 1091

**BY** Pearson, Picard

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$52,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND OTHER RELATED SCHOOL FACILITIES AND THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON LAND PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY THE B.F. NORTON SCHOOL IN THE TOWN PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY ANY GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY CAPITAL FUND (Authorizes the town of Cumberland to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$52,000,000 to finance construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, furnishing, & equipping of a new elementary school and other related school facilities.) {LC3109/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

## Senate Bill No. 1092

**BY** Euer, DiPalma **ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES-NEWPORT (Provides that the property tax rate for each classification in Newport be uniform, except for non-owner occupied and owner-occupied properties.) {LC3129/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

## Senate Bill No. 1093

(RIPTA) BY Miller, Ruggerio ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Authorizes the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority to enter into certain projects and procure related services including the Dorrance Street transit center, using design build contracting and progressive design build contracting.) {LC2400/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

## 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 06<sup>th</sup> at 4:45 o'clock P.M.

## **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

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

The Appointment of Susan Nahabedian, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

Placed on the Calendar.

## The Appointment of Ronald F. Cascione, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

Placed on the Calendar.

## The Appointment of Samantha S. Polisena, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

Placed on the Calendar.

## COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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

## Senate Bill No. 948

**BY** Ruggerio, Pearson, Ciccone, Gallo, Felag, F. Lombardi, Lombardo ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- VIDEO LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING (Legalizes iGaming by patrons located in the State of Rhode Island. Effective 4/1/2024.) {LC2885/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

## ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator Pearson, seconded by de la Cruz, the Senate adjourns at 4:49 o'clock P.M.

JOHN E. FLEMING, JR. Secretary of the Senate

## Appendix

## TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON THURSDAY, JUNE 01<sup>ST</sup>

#### House Bill No. 5720

(Dept. of Revenue) BY Phillips, Serpa, Costantino, Corvese, Lima ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Amends the contents of what is to be displayed on a motor vehicle registration plate.) {LC1713/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## House Bill No. 6292 SUB A

(by request) BY McNamara, Shekarchi, Bennett, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Amends Warwick's ration of Class 1 and Class 2 property tax rates by reducing the minimum ratio of the Class 1 property tax rates from 75% to 57% of Class 2 property tax rates.) {LC2827/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## House Bill No. 6296 SUB A

**BY** Serpa, Noret **ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF COVENTRY TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$25,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING AND/OR EQUIPPING OF AND/OR ADDITIONS TO SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE SCHOOL HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 49.2 % FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT (Authorizes Coventry to vote to approve a bond referendum for up to \$25,000,000.) {LC1175/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## House Bill No. 6308 BY Donovan

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts any proposed retailers' Class BV license to be located at 499 Hope Street, Map 9, Lot 75 in the town of Bristol from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from the premises of schools or places of worship.) {LC2857/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## Senate Bill No. 206 SUB A

**BY** DiPalma **ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$190,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL AND THE RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEMOLITION, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPING COSTS (Authorizes the town of Middletown to issue not more than \$190,000,000 in bonds and notes to finance school construction and renovation.) {LC1484/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## House Bill No. 5526 SUB A

BY Cortvriend, Abney, Finkelman

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$190,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL AND THE RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEMOLITION, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPING COSTS (Authorizes the town of Middletown to issue not more than \$190,000,000 in bonds and notes to finance school construction and renovation.) {LC1506/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

## Appendix

## **INVOCATION**

## SENATOR HANNA M. GALLO

Dear Lord, We thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve as public servants for this great state. As the days get longer, and the pressures of our legislative duties compete with our own personal lives, grant us the wisdom and patience to work together for the benefit of all our citizens. Amen.

## Appendix

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

## IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023:

1. The Appointment of Captain Richard M. Comeau (Public Member) VICE Captain J. Peter Fritz to the State Pilotage Commission for a term expiring May 1, 2025.

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

2. The Appointment of Priscilla De La Cruz VICE Elizabeth Stubblefield Loucks, MSC, MBA to the Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council for a term expiring April 1, 2026.

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

# 3. The Appointment of Jordan Day VICE William Riccio to the Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council for a term expiring April 1, 2025.

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

## 4. 2023-H 5013

BY Bennett

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

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

#### 5. 2023-Н 5265

**BY** Azzinaro **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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

## 6. 2023-H 5682 SUB A

**BY** Giraldo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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

## 7. 2023-Н 6276

BY McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW HIGH SCHOOL, ATHLETIC FACILITY, AND OTHER SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, DEMOLITION, ATHLETIC FIELDS, LANDSCAPING AND PARKING AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES, INCLUDING ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL AND OTHER PROJECT-RELATED CONSULTING COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

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

## 8. 2023-Н 6335

BY Quattrocchi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS SECTION 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS BY THE TOWN OF SCITUATE TO FINANCE A WATER PROJECT AT THE SCITUATE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND INFRASTRUCTURE BANK

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

## 9. 2023-Н 6376

## BY Caldwell

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF EAST GREENWICH TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, ALTERATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, DEMOLITION, ATHLETIC FIELDS, LANDSCAPING, PARKING AND COSTS OF FINANCING AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$180,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR

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

## 10. 2023-Н 6385

**BY** Knight **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

## 11. 2023-Н 6386

## **BY** Edwards

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STONE BRIDGE FIRE DISTRICT TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,250,000) TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS WATER SYSTEM

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

## Appendix

## CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023:

1. The Reappointment of R. Jeffrey Hirsh to the Convention Center Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

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

2. The Appointment of Carol O'Donnell VICE Vanessa Toledo-Vicker to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2027.

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

**3.** The Reappointment of George H. Nee to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2024.

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

4. The Reappointment of Brenda Dann-Messier to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2025.

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

5. The Reappointment of Donna Sams to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2025.

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

## 6. The Appointment of Vincent R. Masino VICE Robert Davis to the I-195 Redevelopment Commission for a term expiring October 3, 2027.

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

## 7. 2023-S 697 SUB A

BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRODUCER LICENSING ACT

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

## 8. 2023-S 223

**BY** DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 9. 2023-S 230

**BY** Murray **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 10. 2023-S 555

**BY** Lawson **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 11. 2023-S 789

**BY** Goodwin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 12. 2023-S 1069

**BY** Paolino

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LINCOLN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR, IMPROVEMENTS, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF AND/OR ADDITIONS TO LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 13. 2023-S 980

## **BY** Lauria

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, ALTERATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, ATHLETIC FIELDS, PLAYGROUNDS, LANDSCAPING, PARKING AND COSTS OF FINANCING AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$250,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35 PERCENT AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 14. 2023-S 1070

## **BY** Paolino

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LINCOLN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$14,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TOWN-WIDE CENTRALIZED RESCUE STATION AND THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THEREOF AND ALL COSTS RELATED THERETO

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 15. 2023-S 1072

**BY** Raptakis **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 16. 2023-S 1073

## BY Lauria

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$200,000,000) IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW HIGH SCHOOL, ATHLETIC FACILITY, AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE DISTRICT, FURNISHINGS AND EQUIPMENT AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENT THERETO, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF DESIGN, DEMOLITION, ATHLETIC FIELDS, LANDSCAPING, AND PARKING AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES, INCLUDING ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND OTHER PROJECT-RELATED CONSULTING COSTS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 17. 2023-S 1075

**BY** Valverde **ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$25,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE AN INDOOR RECREATION CENTER/EMERGENCY SHELTER

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## **18. 2023-S 1076**

## BY Valverde

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$222,460,000 OF BOND AND NOTES OF WHICH (1) UP TO \$167,460,000 IS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND (2) UP TO \$55,000,000 IS FOR A NEW PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

## 19. 2023-S 33

**BY** F. Lombardi **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES

## 20. 2023-S 353 BY McKenney ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 21. 2023-S 359 BY F. Lombardi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --SNOWMOBILES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 22. 2023-S 381

**BY** F. Lombardi **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 23. 2023-S 387

**BY** LaMountain **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURTS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 24. 2023-S 412

**BY** Murray

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 25. 2023-S 601 BY Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTIONS

## 26. 2023-S 635 BY Mack ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 27. 2023-S 656 SUB A BY Acosta ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS IN GOVERNMENT --LEAD HAZARD MITIGATION

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

## **28. 2023-S 657**

**BY** Lauria **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- NURSES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## **29. 2023-S 731**

**BY** Burke

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## **30. 2023-S 812**

**BY** Acosta

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- JURY LISTS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## **31. 2023-S 893**

**BY** Quezada **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS -- LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS--USE OF LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS IN LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

## 32. 2023-S 907 BY Raptakis ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 33. 2023-S 88 SUB A BY Tikoian ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SPEED

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

## 34. 2023-H 5294 SUB A

RESTRICTIONS

**BY** Hull **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SPEED RESTRICTIONS

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

## Appendix

## CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023:

1. The Appointment of Susan Nahabedian, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

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

2. The Appointment of Ronald F. Cascione, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

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

**3.** The Appointment of Samantha S. Polisena, Esquire as Magistrate of the Rhode Island Family Court

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

# 4. The Appointment of Kimberly Merolla-Brito as Director of Department of Human Services

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

# 5. The Appointment of Bernard L. Patenaude (Full Time Fire Chief) VICE Paul Shatraw to the Fire Education & Training Coordinating Board for a term expiring January 31, 2024.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

## 6. 2023-S 502 SUB A BY Sosnowski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION --FRESHWATER LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

## 7. 2023-S 941 SUB A

**BY** Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY --AGRICULTURAL FUNCTIONS OF DEPARTMENT

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

## 8. 2023-S 276 SUB A

## **BY** Miller

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE MEDICAID SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER REQUESTS AND RENEWALS

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

## 9. **2023-S 299**

**BY** Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

## 10. 2023-S 802 SUB A

**BY** Lombardo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE

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

## 11. 2023-S 1005

#### **BY** Rogers

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 492 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 2006 AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

## 12. 2023-S 129

## **BY** Cano

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF SALES -- STATE IDENTIFICATION CARDS

## 13. 2023-S 163 BY Euer ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE--MEDIATION CONFERENCE

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 14. 2023-S 380 SUB A

**BY** McKenney **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- STATEWIDE REFERENDA ELECTIONS

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

## 15. 2023-S 417 SUB A

BY McKenney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

## 16. 2023-S 644 SUB A

**BY** Euer

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS --RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY

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

## 17. 2023-S 653 SUB A

**BY** LaMountain

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE

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

## 18. 2023-S 729

BY Mack

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --LEAD HAZARD MITIGATION

## 19. 2023-S 739 BY Lawson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --LEAD HAZARD MITIGATION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 20. 2023-S 742 SUB A

**BY** Lawson **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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

## 21. 2023-S 804

#### **BY** Euer

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

## 22. 2023-S 850 SUB A

#### BY LaMountain

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE APPRAISER CERTIFICATION ACT

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

## **23. 2023-S 137**

#### BY F. Lombardi ENTITLED AN ACT RELATIN

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIRE FIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS -- PRESUMPTION FOR HEART DISEASE AND HYPERTENSION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

## 24. 2023-S 427 SUB A

## BY McKenney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --WORKERS' COMPENSATION--GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

## 25. 2023-S 1079 BY Kallman ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --PAYMENT OF WAGES

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

26. 2023-S 447 BY LaMountain ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --LABOR RELATIONS ACT

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

## 27. 2023-S 1081

**BY** Ciccone **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --WORKERS' COMPENSATION -- BENEFITS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

## 28. 2023-H 5761 SUB A

#### **BY** Felix

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE -- MEDIATION CONFERENCE

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

## 29. 2023-S 948 SUB A

**BY** Ruggerio **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --VIDEO LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.