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Friday, July 15, 2005

Seventy-third Day

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The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Friday, July 15, 2005 and is called to order at 4:43 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable William J. Murphy, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 73 members present and 2 members absent as follows:

PRESENT - 73: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

ABSENT – 2: Representatives Ajello, Landroche.

### INVOCATION

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

### APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Friday, July 1, 2005 is approved as printed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Norman Landroche is unable to attend session today.

Representative Edith Ajello is expected to be late for today's session due to work obligations.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Representative Costantino, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 6285 SUB A**

**BY** San Bento, Petrarca, Jacquard, Lima, Schadone

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC. {LC2884/1/A}

07/14/2005 Placed on House Calendar

**House Bill No. 6386**

**BY** Schadone, Corvese, San Bento, Wasyluk

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - ELDERLY EXEMPTION - NORTH PROVIDENCE (increase the exemption for valuation of taxation of real property from five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to ten thousand dollars \$10,000) {LC3049/1}

07/14/2005 Placed on House Calendar

**Senate Bill No. 970 SUB B**

**BY** Montalbano J, Connors

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC. {LC2842/4/B}

07/14/2005 Placed on House Calendar

**NEW BUSINESS****House Resolution No. 6672**

**BY** Kilmartin, Fox, San Bento, Moura, Coderre E

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF J. THOMAS CHELLEL {LC3695/1}

Representative Kilmartin requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Kilmartin seconded by Representative Moura, Faria, Handy, Carter, McNamara, Menard, Watson, Scott, Long Smith, Singleton, Brien,

McManus, Shanley, Slater, Diaz, Corvese, Fox, Coderre, San Bento, Rice, Church, and Gemma and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Bill No. 6673**

**BY** Shanley, Carter, Davey, Scott, Gallison

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS {LC3696/1}

Representative Shanley requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Shanley seconded by Representative Scott on a roll call vote, 61 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 61: Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Trillo, Ucci, Watson, Williams, Williamson.

NAYS - 0.

**House Resolution No. 6674**

**BY** Ginaitt, Trillo, Malik, Crowley, Anguilla

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AUGUST 13, 2005 TO BE "NATIONAL MARINA DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC3698/1}

Representative Ginaitt requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ginaitt seconded by Representative Trillo and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Bill No. 6675**

**BY** Lima

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TORO AUTO REPAIR, INC. {LC3693/1}

Representative Lima requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Lima seconded by Representative Wasylyk on a roll call vote, 61 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 61: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Davey, Dennigan, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kilmartin, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Trillo, Ucci, Wasylyk, Williams, Williamson.

NAYS - 0.

**House Resolution No. 6676**

**BY** Kilmartin, Crowley

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE YEARS 2005-2006 {LC3700/1}

07/15/2005 Introduced, referred to House Rules Committee

**House Bill No. 6677**

**BY** Slater, Diaz, Williams, Almeida

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF GUARDIAN ANGELS INC. {LC3697/1}

Representative Slater requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Slater seconded by Representatives Diaz, Williams, and Almeida on a roll call vote, 58 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 58: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Amaral, Caprio, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Lally, Laroche, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, Savage, Schadone, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson.

NAYS - 0.

**TRANSMITTAL**

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to the Honorable Senate, forthwith.

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

**House Resolution No. 6439** as amended

**BY** Slater, Almeida, Diaz, Williams

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN RHODE ISLAND {LC3184/1}

Representative Fox requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, on a motion of Representative Fox seconded by Representatives Watson, Diaz, and Slater on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

**Senate Bill No. 1209**

**BY** Perry

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS {LC3643/1}

By unanimous consent, Representative Fox, seconded by Representative Kilmartin moves to recommit to the committee on Finance. There is no objection.

Read and recommitted to the House Committee on Finance

**CALENDAR**

From the Calendar are taken:

**IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2005:**

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## AFFIDAVIT

I, Stephen Ucci, State Representative, District 42, hereby under oath depose and say:

1. (Matter requiring action) I expect to be called upon, in my capacity as State Representative, to participate in the consideration of, and to vote upon: 05-H 6386
2. (Nature of the potential conflict) I have the following interest in the matter:  
My parents would benefit from the passage of this bill.
3. (Complete and (A.) or (B.) and cross out whichever does not apply

B. In compliance with Section 36-14-6(1) & (2)A of the General laws, I hereby request the Speaker of the House of Representatives to excuse me from voting on or participating in the consideration of the matter described in paragraph 1 above.

Stephen Ucci  
Representative, District 42

State of Rhode Island  
County of Providence

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July AD, 2005

Raymond E. Gallison, Jr.  
Notary Public

Representative Ucci is excused from voting on or participating in the consideration of the matter described in paragraph 1, above.

WILLIAM J. MURPHY  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

**1 2005-H 6386**

**BY Schadone**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - ELDERLY EXEMPTION -  
NORTH PROVIDENCE

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Representative Schadone moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Corvese, Diaz, Wasyluk, San Bento, Slater, Almeida and Gemma.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 66 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Davey, Dennigan, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard,

Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Trillo, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson.

NAYS - 0.

### TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, (05-H 6386) on the Clerk's desk is ordered to be transmitted to the Honorable Senate, forthwith.

#### **2 2005-H 6285 SUB A**

**BY San Bento**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY  
COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY  
TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.**

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

Representative Costantino moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carter, Faria, Kilmartin, Moran, Lima, Fox, Gemma, Malik, Rose, Menard, Shanley, Savage, Moura, Petrarca, Williams, Lewiss, Corvese, Coderre, McManus, Diaz, Slater, Almeida, Jackson, San Bento, and Schadone.

Representative Costantino, seconded by Representative Fox offers a written motion to amend.

### **F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T T O 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A**

**AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A  
MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.**

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

(1) By deleting the title of the act in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following: "AN ACT ENABLING THE DIVISION OF LOTTERIES TO ENTER INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC. AND TO ENTER INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH NEWPORT GRAND JAI ALAI, LLC".

(2) On page 2, line 14 by inserting the language "for Lincoln Park" following the language "Effective date".

(3) On page 3, line 6 by inserting the language "or Newport Grand" following the word "Park".

(4) On page 4 by deleting all of the language on lines 5 through 11 inclusive and substituting therefore the following: "(x) "Adjusted Base Year Net Terminal Income" means Lincoln Park's or Newport Grand's, as applicable, two (2) year average net terminal income during the twenty-four (24) calendar months ending on the last day of the calendar month preceding the opening of a new gaming facility increased by the change in the December Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the immediately preceding year published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Government or its successor agency from the index for the December immediately preceding the opening of a new gaming facility, not to exceed three percent (3.0%) per year change in any year."

(5) On page 4 by deleting all the language on lines 12 through 28 inclusive and substituting therefore the following: "(y) "Slippage protection" shall mean: for any subsequent year (other than the first subsequent year occurring after the base year), whenever the net terminal income is less than the adjusted base year net terminal income, the blended rate shall be increased to that rate that would have eliminated the resulting adverse impact from that difference upon UTGR or NGJA. Provided, however, that for any subsequent year (including the first subsequent year) in which an amount equal to twice the first six (6) months' net terminal income for such subsequent year shall not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the adjusted base year net terminal income for such subsequent year, the aforesaid increase to the blended rate shall occur beginning in the seventh month of such subsequent year."

(6) On page 4, line 29 by deleting the designation "(aa)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(z)".

(7) On page 5, line 3 by deleting the designation "(bb)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(aa)".

(8) On page 5, line 4 by deleting the designation "(cc)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(bb)".

(9) On page 5, line 7 by deleting the designation "(dd)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(cc)".

(10) On page 5, line 13 by deleting the language "and shall be subject to".

(11) On page 5, line 14 by deleting the language "the same condition set forth in (i) above" and inserting the language "further subject to" following the word "and".

(12) On page 5, line 17 by deleting the period "(.)" and inserting the language and punctuation ", as confirmed by the department of labor and training".

(13) On page 5, line 26 by deleting the language "and shall be subject to".

(14) On page 5, line 27 by deleting the language "the same condition set forth in (i) above" and inserting the language "further subject to" following the word "and".

(15) On page 5, line 29, by deleting the period "(.)" and inserting the language and punctuation ", as confirmed by the department of labor and training".

(16) On page 6, line 3 by deleting the designation "(ee)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(dd)".

(17) On page 6, line 7 by deleting the designation "(ff)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(ee)".

(18) On page 6, line 10 by deleting the designation "(gg)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(ff)".

(19) On page 6, line 13 by deleting the designation "(hh)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(gg)".

(20) On page 6, line 15 by deleting the designation "(ii)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(hh)".



(21) On page 6, between lines 16 and 17 by adding the following language: "(ii) Base Year means the consecutive twelve (12) month period ending on the last day of the calendar month preceding the opening of a new gaming facility."

(22) On page 7, line 27 by deleting the word "divisioners" and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners".

(23) On page 8, line 11 by deleting the letter "(z)" and inserting the letter "(y)".

(24) On page 8, line 32 and 33 by deleting the language "historic tax credits as provided in chapter 44-33.2" and inserting in place thereof the language "any credit, including historic tax credits as provided in chapter 44-33.2 and enterprise zone credits as provided in chapter 42-64-3".

(25) On page 10, following line 12 by inserting the following numeral and language "(4) To provide in the Master Contract for slippage protection as defined in 2(y)".

(26) On page 12, line 3 by inserting the following language after the word "facility" "in Rhode Island".

(27) On page 12, line 10 by inserting the following language after the word "facility" "in Rhode Island".

(28) On page 12, line 18 by deleting the language and numeral "difference between: (i) the sum of three and one-half percent (3.5%) and the".

(29) On page 12, line 21 by deleting the language and numeral "and (ii)" and inserting in place thereof the word "minus".

(30) On page 14, line 23 by inserting the following language after the word "establish" "at the Revenue Estimating Conferences pursuant to chapter 35-16.

(31) On page 14, line 24 by inserting the following language after the words "amount of the" "net terminal income and the".

(32) On page 16, line 6 by deleting the word "Lincoln".

(33) On page 16, line 7 by deleting the language "of additional authorized terminals" and inserting in place thereof the language "that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Lincoln Park as determined by the revenue estimators at the Revenue Estimating Conferences pursuant to chapter 35-16".

(34) On page 16, line 13 following the semi-colon "(:)" insert the following language and punctuation: "and provided further any monies distributed hereunder shall not be used for, or spent on previously contracted debts."

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE COSTANTINO

Representatives Costantino, Davey, Gorham and Moura discuss the amendment.

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

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Fox, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill,

Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Wasyluk, Watson, Williams, Williamson.

NAYS - 0.

Representative Costantino, seconded by Representatives Fox, Moura, Kilmartin, Naughton, Scott, Savage, Trillo, Davey, Mumford, Singleton, Story, Lally, Shanley, Malik, Menard, Rose, Ginaitt, McNamara, Anguilla, Lima, San Bento, Carter, Ucci, Moran and Gemma offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A**

AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A  
MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

(1) On page 14, line 27 by deleting the figure "12.90%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "12.50%".

(2) On page 14, line 33 by deleting the figure "3.23%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "3.125".

(3) On page 15, line 4 by deleting the figure "80.64%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "78.125".

(4) On page 15, line 8 by deleting the figure "3.23%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "6.25%".

(5) On page 15, line 8 by deleting the language and number "five million dollars (\$5,000,000)" and inserting in place thereof the language and number "ten million dollars (\$10,000,000)".

(6) On page 15, line 9, by deleting the language "for the general revenue sharing program as defined in section 45-13-1" and inserting in place thereof the following: "to communities not included in (a)(1)(i) above distributed proportionately on the basis of general revenue sharing distributed for that fiscal year".

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE COSTANTINO

Representatives Costantino, Moura, Malik, Watson, Williamson, Caprio, Davey, and Long discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 63 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 63: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Lewiss, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Wasyluk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 5: Representatives Brien, Dennigan, Faria, Laroche, Smith.

### REQUEST

Representative Rice requests the journal to reflect that if she had voted on the previous amendment, she would have voted in the affirmative.

Representative Crowley offers Representative Fox's amendment, seconded by Representatives Costantino, Rice, and Jackson

### FLOOR AMENDMENT TO 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A

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Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

1. On page 16, by deleting all of the language on lines 3 through 5, inclusive, and by substituting therefor the following:

"(4) To the city of Newport or town in which the licensed video retailer is licensed: one percent (1%) plus one quarter percent (0.25%) of net terminal income that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Newport Grand pursuant to sections 3 and 4 herein as determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference; and to provided, however, beginning January 1, 2005, the town of Lincoln shall receive one and one quarter percent (1.25%) plus one quarter percent (0.25%) of net terminal income that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Lincoln Park pursuant to sections 3 and 4 herein as determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference; and"

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE FOX

Representative Crowley discusses the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

Representative Trillo, seconded by Representatives Ehrhardt and Scott offers a written motion to amend.

**F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T**  
**T O**  
**2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A**

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MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

(1) On page 15, line 7 after the language "prior fiscal year" by deleting the period "(.)" and substituting therefore the following: "provided, however, that any funds derived from any new video lottery games at Newport Grand shall be deposited in the fund set forth in this subsection."

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE TRILLO

Representatives Trillo, Costantino, Giannini, Fox, and Scott discuss the amendment.

Representative Trillo withdraws his amendment.

Representative Kennedy, seconded by Representatives Scott and McHugh offers a written motion to amend.

**F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T**  
**T O**  
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Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 6285 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

1. On page 14, line 27 by deleting the language "twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000)" and inserting in place thereof the language "fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000)".

2. On page 15, line 8, by deleting the language "five million dollars (\$5,000,000)" and inserting in place thereof the language "ten million dollars (\$10,000,000)".

3. On page 15, line 9, by deleting the period and inserting in place thereof the language ", for all communities except those defined in section 45-13-12 as distressed communities and receiving funds as set forth in subsection (i) of this section."

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE KENNEDY

Representatives Kennedy and Costantino discuss the amendment.

Representative Kennedy withdraws his amendment.

Representatives Ehrhardt, Crowley, Trillo, Ginaitt, Williamson, Gemma, Moura, Gorham, Lima, San Bento, Caprio, and Costantino discuss the act, as amended.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 2: Representatives Gorham, Watson.

**TRANSMITTAL**

By unanimous consent, (05H 6285 SUBAaa) on the clerk's desk is ordered to be transmitted to the Honorable Senate forthwith.

**3 2005-S 970 SUB B****BY Montalbano J****ENTITLED, AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY  
COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY  
TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.**

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

Representative Costantino moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carter, San Bento, Kilmartin, Melo, Faria, Fox, Moran, Ucci, Gemma, McCauley, Schadone, Almeida, Corvese, Lima, Menard, Rose, Lewiss, Moura, Williams, Lally, Dennigan, Malik, Slater, Coderre, San Bento, and Savage.

Representative Costantino, seconded by Representatives Lewiss, Loughlin, Moura, San Bento, Kilmartin, Moran, and Gemma offers a written motion to amend.

**F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T  
T O  
2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTION B**

AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A  
MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTION B, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

(1) By deleting the title of the act in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following: "AN ACT ENABLING THE DIVISION OF LOTTERIES TO ENTER INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC. AND TO ENTER INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH NEWPORT GRAND JAI ALAI, LLC".

(2) On page 2, line 14 by inserting the language "for Lincoln Park" following the language "Effective date".

(3) On page 3, line 6 by inserting the language "or Newport Grand" following the word "Park".

(4) On page 4 by deleting all of the language on lines 5 through 11 inclusive and substituting therefore the following: "(x) "Adjusted Base Year Net Terminal Income" means Lincoln Park's or Newport Grand's, as applicable, two (2) year average net terminal income during the twenty-four (24) calendar months ending on the last day of the calendar month preceding the opening of a new gaming facility increased by the change in the December Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the immediately preceding year published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Government or its successor agency from the index for the December immediately preceding the opening of a new gaming facility, not to exceed three percent (3.0%) per year change in any year."

(5) On page 4 by deleting all the language on lines 12 through 28 inclusive and substituting therefore the following: "(y) "Slippage protection" shall mean: for any subsequent year (other than the first subsequent year occurring after the base year), whenever the net terminal income is less than the adjusted base year net terminal income, the blended rate shall be increased to that rate that would have eliminated the resulting adverse impact from that difference upon UTGR or NGJA. Provided, however, that for any subsequent year (including the first subsequent year) in which an amount equal to twice the first six (6) months' net terminal income for such subsequent year shall not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the adjusted base year net terminal income for such subsequent year, the aforesaid increase to the blended rate shall occur beginning in the seventh month of such subsequent year."

(6) On page 4, line 29 by deleting the designation "(aa)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(z)".

(7) On page 5, line 3 by deleting the designation "(bb)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(aa)".

(8) On page 5, line 4 by deleting the designation "(cc)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(bb)".

(9) On page 5, line 7 by deleting the designation "(dd)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(cc)".

(10) On page 5, line 13 by deleting the language "and shall be subject to".

(11) On page 5, line 14 by deleting the language "the same condition set forth in (i) above" and inserting the language "further subject to" following the word "and".

(12) On page 5, line 17 by deleting the period "(.)" and inserting the language and punctuation ", as confirmed by the department of labor and training".

(13) On page 5, line 26 by deleting the language "and shall be subject to".

(14) On page 5, line 27 by deleting the language "the same condition set forth in (i) above" and inserting the language "further subject to" following the word "and".

(15) On page 5, line 29, by deleting the period "(.)" and inserting the language and punctuation ", as confirmed by the department of labor and training".

(16) On page 6, line 3 by deleting the designation "(ee)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(dd)".

(17) On page 6, line 7 by deleting the designation "(ff)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(ee)".

(18) On page 6, line 10 by deleting the designation "(gg)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(ff)".

(19) On page 6, line 13 by deleting the designation "(hh)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(gg)".

(20) On page 6, line 15 by deleting the designation "(ii)" and inserting in place thereof the designation "(hh)".

(21) On page 6, between lines 16 and 17 by adding the following language: "(ii) Base Year means the consecutive twelve (12) month period ending on the last day of the calendar month preceding the opening of a new gaming facility."

(22) On page 7, line 27 by deleting the word "divisioners" and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioners".

(23) On page 8, line 11 by deleting the letter "(z)" and inserting the letter "(y)".

(24) On page 8, line 32 and 33 by deleting the language "historic tax credits as provided in chapter 44-33.2" and inserting in place thereof the language "any credit, including historic tax credits as provided in chapter 44-33.2 and enterprise zone credits as provided in chapter 42-64-

3".

(25) On page 10, following line 12 by inserting the following numeral and language "(4) To provide in the Master Contract for slippage protection as defined in 2(y)".

(26) On page 12, line 3 by inserting the following language after the word "facility" "in Rhode Island".

(27) On page 12, line 10 by inserting the following language after the word "facility" "in Rhode Island".

(28) On page 12, line 18 by deleting the language and numeral "difference between: (i) the sum of three and one-half percent (3.5%) and the".

(29) On page 12, line 21 by deleting the language and numeral "and (ii)" and inserting in place thereof the word "minus".

(30) On page 14, line 23 by inserting the following language after the word "establish" "at the Revenue Estimating Conferences pursuant to chapter 35-16.

(31) On page 14, line 24 by inserting the following language after the words "amount of the" "net terminal income and the".

(32) On page 16, line 6 by deleting the word "Lincoln".

(33) On page 16, line 7 by deleting the language "of additional authorized terminals" and inserting in place thereof the language "that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Lincoln Park as determined by the revenue estimators at the Revenue Estimating Conferences pursuant to chapter 35-16".

(34) On page 16, line 13 following the semi-colon "(:)" insert the following language and punctuation: "and provided further any monies distributed hereunder shall not be used for, or spent on previously contracted debts."

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE COSTANTINO

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

Representative Costantino, seconded by Representatives Malik, Lewiss, Fox, and Gemma offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTE B**



AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A  
MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTE B, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

(1) On page 14, line 27 by deleting the figure "12.90%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "12.50%".

(2) On page 14, line 33 by deleting the figure "3.23%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "3.125".

(3) On page 15, line 4 by deleting the figure "80.64%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "78.125".

(4) On page 15, line 8 by deleting the figure "3.23%" and inserting in place thereof the figure "6.25%".

(5) On page 15, line 8 by deleting the language and number "five million dollars (\$5,000,000)" and inserting in place thereof the language and number "ten million dollars (\$10,000,000)".

(6) On page 15, line 9, by deleting the language "for the general revenue sharing program as defined in section 45-13-1" and inserting in place thereof the following: "to communities not included in (a)(1)(i) above distributed proportionately on the basis of general revenue sharing distributed for that fiscal year".

Respectfully submitted,

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REPRESENTATIVE COSTANTINO

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

Representative Crowley offers Representative Fox's amendment, seconded by Representatives Carter, Rice, Jackson, Moran, Kilmartin, Menard, McManus, San Bento and Singleton.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT  
TO  
2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTE B**

AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- S 970 SUBSTITUTE B, entitled "AN ACT ENABLING THE RHODE ISLAND LOTTERY COMMISSION'S ENTRY INTO A MASTER VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL CONTRACT WITH UTGR, INC.", as follows:

1. On page 16, by deleting all of the language on lines 3 through 5, inclusive, and by substituting therefor the following:

"(4) To the city of Newport or town in which the licensed video retailer is licensed: one percent (1%) plus one quarter percent (0.25%) of net terminal income that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Newport Grand pursuant to sections 3 and 4 herein as determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference; and to provided, however, beginning January 1, 2005, the town of Lincoln shall receive one and one quarter percent (1.25%) plus one quarter percent (0.25%) of net terminal income that is solely attributable to the introduction of newly authorized machines at Lincoln Park pursuant to sections 3 and 4 herein as determined by the Revenue Estimating Conference; and"

Respectfully submitted,

REPRESENTATIVE FOX

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

### REQUESTS

Representatives Brien and Smith request the journal to reflect that if they had voted incorrectly on the previous amendment, they should have voted in the negative.

The bill marked Substitute "B" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill and the bill marked Substitute "A" indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Almeida, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Carter, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Ehrhardt, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Handy,

Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Smith, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

NAYS - 2: Representatives Gorham, Watson.

Representative Costantino thanks the fiscal staff, Michael O'Keefe, Bob Carr and the staff, for all their help.

### TRANSMITTAL

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Jacquard rises on behalf of himself and his family to thank the Honorable Speaker, the members of the House and the House staff for the many acts of kindness and support extended to his family since his brother Tom's passing on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Honorable Speaker extends sincerest condolences to Representative Jacquard and his family.  
(For Representative Jacquard's remarks see appendix of this Journal.)

Representative Rice congratulates Representative Crowley on the birth of his new granddaughter, Liliana French, born on this date.

Representative Diaz wishes Representative Rice good luck on having a healthy and beautiful baby.

Representative San Bento announces that the Committee on Finance will not meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

### ADJOURNMENT

At 5:31 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Williams, and the entire House of Representatives, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Thomas Jacquard, (brother of Representative Jacquard); on motion of Representative Kilmartin and the entire House of Representatives, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of J. Thomas Chellel; on motion of Representative Lally, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Forest Hoxsie; on motion of Representatives Davey and Moffitt and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Alexis Rose McDermott (for Representative Davey's adjournment remarks see appendix of this Journal); on motion of Representative Corvese, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Bernard Radigan; on motion of Representative Jackson, and as a further mark of respect to the memories of Rose Helen Carrellas and Christopher C. Corkery; on motion of Representative

Pacheco, and as a further mark of respect to the memories of Louis Bleicueis and Dennis Poisson; on motion of Representative Lewiss, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Patrick A. Ligouri; on motion of Representatives Trillo and Giannini, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Vincent Izzo; on motion of Representative Giannini , and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Michael Cerelli, seconded by Representatives Fox and Watson the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

**Linda M. McElroy**  
**Recording Clerk**

**APPENDIX****REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT JACQUARD REMARKS**

Mr. Speaker, On behalf of myself and all the members of my family, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the members of the House, and the House staff for the many acts of kindness and support extended to my family since my brother Tom's passing on July 4<sup>th</sup> .

It is difficult to know where to begin to thank everyone.

My brother Tom was proud to be a part of this great institution. He relished the many friendships he had made here with you. I know that many of you feel the loss of a good friend.

I personally have never felt so honored to be in your company and to be a part of this House of Representatives. Tom's son Michael, our mother Eleanor, and all of the members of my family feel the same way, and we will always be grateful for your support.

May God bless each of you.

**REPRESENTATIVE DAVEY'S ADJOURNMENT REMARKS**

I request we adjourn in memory of Alexis Rose McDermott, the 6 day old infant from Coventry who was killed by the family dog.

Alexis was a member of my wife's family, and I ask that you remember Alexis and her family in your prayers.

Tragedies such as this, which cause unbelievable pain and grief, are a time for mourning. But they are also a time for reflection.

I urge each member to spend a few moments this evening reflecting on their own lives and to count you're many blessings.

Honestly appraise your own performance as a person and as an elected representative.

I'm reminded of what a dear family friend would frequently ask her 5 children (all with different talents and abilities). Are you doing the best you can?

I believe that after honest reflection, we will all agree we can do better.

I suggest we use this tragedy to motivate ourselves to live our lives fully and do the best we can as individuals and as legislators.

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR

**House Resolution No. 6439** as amended

**BY** Slater, Almeida, Diaz, Williams

**ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE  
COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN RHODE  
ISLAND {LC3184/1}