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Forty-fifth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable John C. Revens, Jr., President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at 4:11 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 34 Senators present and 4 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 34: Senators Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Pichardo, Polisen, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni.

ABSENT – 4: Senators Algiere, Montalbano, Perry, Walaska.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Levesque, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 4, 2005 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Sosnowski and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber David Deer, publisher of The Narragansett Times and Marcia Grann O' Brien, editor of the Narragansett Times.

Upon suggestion of Senators Polisena and Issa and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber Penny Apanfzen of the Rhode Island State Nurses Association.

Upon suggestion of Senator McBurney and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Harold Miller, former State Senator.

Upon suggestion of Senator Pichardo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber Emmanuel Ventura, Chess Champion of the Rhode Island Scholastic State Championship.

Upon suggestion of Senator Roberts and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore welcomes to the Chamber Dr. Barbara Bridgman-Perkins, Sandra Gabriel and Andrea Ferrera.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President Pro Tempore presents the following communication:

May 5, 2005

Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano
President of the Senate
318 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate session today due to a previous business commitment. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
Dennis L. Algiere
SENATE MINORITY LEADER

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT**

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 123 SUB A

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Little Compton to adopt a tax classification and tax rate on taxes assessed on or after December 31, 2004) {LC669/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 255

BY Senators Breene, Blais, Sosnowski, Bates, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS (allow Christmas trees to be put in public buildings).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 495

BY Senator Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES (exclude prepaid wireless telephone service from the law regarding sales of gift certificates).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

House Bill No. 5009

BY Lewiss, Kennedy, McHugh

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- ELDERLY EXEMPTION -- TOWN OF WESTERLY (owned and occupied the property for five (5) years prior to filing an application for an exemption)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

House Bill No. 5751

BY Amaral, Loughlin

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

House Bill No. 6270

BY Gorham

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- TOWN MEETINGS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND GAMING ISSUES

Senator Goodwin, from the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Resolution No. 458

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION (ELECTIONS)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 575

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Levesque C, Caprio F

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY AND REGULATORY ISSUES

Senator Walaska, from the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 102 SUB A as amended

BY Senators Tassoni, Polisena, Connors, Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- INTERIOR DESIGNERS (establish a board of design professionals)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 776 SUB A

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE DAMAGE APPRAISERS (not allow insurance companies to waive the requirement of inspections and photographs prior to issuance of a policy)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 951 SUB A

BY Senator DaPonte

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - INSPECTIONS (mandate that motor vehicle inspection facilities have in place a garage keeper's legal liability insurance policy)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Senator McCaffrey, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Appointment of John A. Sabatini of Pawtucket VICE Dennis I. Revens as Administrator of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court

Read and ordered to be place on the Calendar.

Also:

Appointment of Robert E. Hardman of Narragansett VICE Associate Justice George E. Healy, Jr. as Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court

Read and ordered to be place on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

Senator Badeau, from the Committee on Labor, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 630 as amended

BY Senators Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, DaPonte, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR -- ARBITRATION (union contracts).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 697 SUB A (Governor)

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- GENERAL PROVISIONS (department of labor and training/SUTA Dumping Prevention Act of 2004)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 956

BY Senators Ruggerio, Goodwin, Lanzi, Tassoni, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND PAYMENT OF DEBTS

BY CONTRACTORS (Dept. Labor & Training to fine violators of prevailing wage law w/o court action).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 5359 as amended

BY San Bento, Kennedy, Shanley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - INSPECTIONS.

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 6251 SUB A

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - ELECTRICIANS (working without supervision)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 6449

BY Mumford, McNamara, Lima, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION THE REAL, MIXED AND PERSONAL PROPERTY OF CRANSTON STREET HOCKEY LEAGUE, INC..

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 5499 SUB A**BY** Moura, Schadone, Long, Corvese, McCauley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE REPARATIONS ACT (auto repair facility of choice)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 5583**BY** Fox**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- LAND SURVEYORS (repeal exemption/professional land surveyors from education requirements).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 6140 SUB A**BY** Moura, Schadone, Long**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR SHOPS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 5750 as amended**BY** Anguilla, Jacquard, O'Neill, Schadone, Jackson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 5881**BY** Anguilla, Jackson, Dennigan, O'Neill, Schadone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 5406 SUB A**BY** Mumford, Savage, Singleton, Ehrhardt, Davey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (statewide advertisement of assessors meetings) {LC1540/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

House Bill No. 6300

BY Scott, Story, Moura, Shanley, Smith

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Resolution No. 5364 (Lieutenant Governor)

BY Moura, Lima, Ajello, Slater, McCauley

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO OPPOSE
PRIVATIZATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 6250 SUB A

BY Flaherty, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (wine and beer samplings)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 5724 SUB A

BY Lewiss, Melo, Gallison, Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --- ANIMAL
CARE (amend the method that monies collected from fines under this section are spent)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

House Resolution No. 5364 (Lieutenant Governor)

BY Moura, Lima, Ajello, Slater, McCauley

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO OPPOSE
PRIVATIZATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 5876 SUB A (Business Regulation)

BY Savage, Ehrhardt, Moffitt, Long, Singleton

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (late payment of premium)

Referred to Senate Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 5775 SUB A (Lieutenant Governor)

BY Kennedy, Lewiss, Coderre E, Moura, Kilmartin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION -- SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

Referred to Senate Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 5183

BY McNamara, Malik, Gemma, Ginaitt, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE LICENSING ACT

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 5563 SUB A

BY McNamara, Ginaitt, Crowley, Handy, Singleton

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (decrease obesity & improve health & wellness of students)

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 5228 SUB A

BY Naughton, Costantino, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 5954

BY McNamara, Sullivan, Dennigan, Loughlin, Singleton

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION (amend uniform controlled substance act to eliminate drug dependent persons).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

House Bill No. 5752 SUB A

BY Lewiss, Jacquard, Kennedy, San Bento, Gemma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS (mail ballots to be filed electronically)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

House Bill No. 5754 as amended

BY Lewiss, Kennedy, San Bento, Ginaitt, Jacquard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS (consistent formatting and electronic transmission of voter registration information when a voter registers at the division of mv or another state agency).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

House Bill No. 5350 as amended

BY Williams, McNamara, Mumford, Almeida, Naughton

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (pre-adoption report for any DCYF adoption).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

House Bill No. 5343 as amended

BY Flaherty, Fox

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- THREATS AND EXTORTION (against a public official).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

House Bill No. 6171 SUB A

BY Coderre E, Crowley, Lima, Almeida, Gemma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS (remove legislators and legislative appointees from certain boards and commissions)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

House Bill No. 5891

BY Moura

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR -- EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- BENEFITS (eligibility for unemployment benefits).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

House Bill No. 5344**BY** Flaherty, Fox**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS - JUSTICES OF SUPREME, SUPERIOR, AND FAMILY COURTS (any retiring supreme court justice perform such services as an associate justice of the supreme court as the chief justice).

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

House Bill No. 5994**BY** Rose, Dennigan, Savage, Melo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLY (sampling, monitoring, test result or laboratory analysis/public water system).

Read and ordered to be placed on the desk.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 1068****BY** Senator Levesque C**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH (provide ratification and approval to certain amendments to the Portsmouth Home Rule Charter).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1069**BY** Senators Fogarty P, Gallo, Walaska, Tassoni, Breene**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- GLOCESTER (exempt town of Gloucester from 50% cap over rate applicable to any other classes of property).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1070**BY** Senators Alves, Roberts, Walaska, Gallo, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- NONPROFIT MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS (coverage for hearing aids in health insurance contracts, plans or group policies).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1071**BY** Senators Tassoni, Roberts, Polisena, Doyle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE --COPAYMENTS (require deductible, co-payments & other forms of patient financial responsibility to be collected by insurers).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1072**BY** Senators Alves, Roberts, Walaska, Gallo, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- NONPROFIT HOSPITAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS (coverage of hearing aids).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1073**BY** Senators Alves, Roberts, Walaska, Gallo, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS (provide coverage for hearing aids).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 1074**BY** Senators Alves, Roberts, Walaska, Gallo, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (provide coverage for hearing aids).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 1075**BY** Senator Polisena**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 6TH- 12TH AS "NATIONAL NURSES WEEK".

Senator Polisena requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Polisena moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 1076

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING "HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY" ON MAY 5, 2005.

Senator Levesque requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Levesque moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 1077

BY Senators Metts, Cote, Pichardo, Lanzi, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 8, 2005 AS "RHODE ISLAND NO TOBACCO DAY".

Senator Metts requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Metts moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 1078

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 1-7, 2005 AS "CHARTERED SCHOOLS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

Senator Gibbs requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 1079**BY** Senator Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NARRAGANSETT TIMES.

Senator Sosnowski requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Paiva Weed, seconded by Senator Blais, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a voice vote:

- 1 Reappointment of Mary K. Talbot of Barrington to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2008.
- 2 Reappointment of Mary F. Cummings (Representing Librarians Serving Institutionalized Persons) of Providence to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2007.
- 3 Reappointment of Gary Grove of Warren to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2008.
- 4 Appointment of M. Paul Sams of North Kingstown to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2006.
- 5 Appointment of Robert Crowley of North Scituate to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2008.
- 6 Appointment of Thomas Hazlehurst of North Kingstown to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2006.
- 7 Appointment of Kas De Carvallo of Providence to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2007.
- 8 Appointment of Barbara Jackson of North Kingstown to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2007.

- 9 Appointment of David Doern of Little Compton to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term to expire January 1, 2008.

CALENDAR

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggiero, and without objection, the Calendar is deferred to Tuesday, May 10, 2005.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the rise of the Senate in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Levesque announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the Senate in Room 313 of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Ruggiero, seconded by Senator Breene, the Senate adjourns at 4:32 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR CHARLES J. LEVESQUE

Dear Lord, bestow your special blessings on all assembled in this chamber. Help us to always bear in mind that the people who elected us to serve them have placed their trust in us. May we serve them well in the ways in which you have taught us. Amen.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2005:**

- 1 Appointment of Edward A. Lombardo, Sr. (Representative of Industry) of Greenville VICE Sarah Carter to the Labor and Training Board of Review for a term expiring February 1, 2011.

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

- 2 Appointment of Robert Camara of East Greenwich VICE Mario Mancieri to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

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

- 3 Appointment of Maurice C. Paradis of North Smithfield VICE Sue Priest Duff to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2007.

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

4 2005-S 77 SUB A**BY Blais****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS - INTEREST AND USURY**

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

5 2005-S 193 SUB A**BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- NEWPORT COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU**

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

6 2005-S 133**BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY SERVICE -- ACTIVE DUTY TAX EXEMPTION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

7 2005-S 872**BY Breene****ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED \$99,824,000 TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, SUCH PROJECT TO BE FINANCED IN TWO PHASES, THE SECOND PHASE NOT TO BE FINANCED BEFORE JUNE 1, 2007 AND SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS OF THIS ACT AS TO LEVELS OF STATE AID

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

8 2005-S 709**BY Badeau****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS -- SUPERIOR COURT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

9 2005-S 331**BY Perry****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PRIVACY ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

10 2005-S 327 SUB A**BY Bates****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

11 2005-S 548 SUB A**BY Bates****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

12 2005-S 772 SUB A**BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION -- SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

13 2005-S 1015 SUB A**BY Walaska****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRODUCER LICENSING ACT

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

14 2005-S 795 SUB A as amended**BY Issa****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LICENSING AND MONITORING OF CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

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

15 2005-S 435**BY Caprio F****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FIDUCIARIES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

16 2005-S 54 SUB A**BY Polisena****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES RELATED TO SCHOOLS

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

17 2005-S 864 SUB A**BY Gallo****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM**

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

18 2005-H 5023**BY Lewiss****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- VETERANS' EXEMPTIONS
-- WESTERLY**

Ordered on the Calendar

19 2005-H 5041 as amended**BY Crowley****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
NEWPORT COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU**

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage as amended in concurrence

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2005:

- 1** Appointment of **John A. Sabatini** of Pawtucket VICE Dennis I. Revens as Administrator of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court.

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

- 2** Appointment of **Robert E. Hardman** of Narragansett VICE Associate Justice George E. Healy, Jr. as Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court.

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

3 2005-S 123 SUB A**BY Gibbs****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT
OF LOCAL TAXES**

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

4 2005-S 255**BY Breene****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

5 2005-S 495**BY Doyle****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

6 2005-S 458**BY Metts****ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION (ELECTIONS)**

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

7 2005-S 575**BY Metts****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS**

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

8 2005-S 102 SUB A as amended**BY Tassoni****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- INTERIOR DESIGNERS**

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

9 2005-S 776 SUB A**BY Damiani****ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE DAMAGE APPRAISERS**

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

10 2005-S 951 SUB A**BY DaPonte****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - INSPECTIONS**

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

11 2005-S 630 as amended**BY Ruggiero****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR -- ARBITRATION**

Committee on Labor recommends passage as amended.

12 2005-S 697 SUB A**BY Breene****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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

13 2005-S 956**BY Ruggiero****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND PAYMENT OF DEBTS BY CONTRACTORS**

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

14 2005-H 5009**BY Lewiss****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- ELDERLY EXEMPTION -- TOWN OF WESTERLY**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

15 2005-H 5751**BY Amaral****ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

16 2005-H 6270

BY Gorham

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- TOWN MEETINGS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2005:

1 2005-S 552

BY Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE QUALITY PROGRAM

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Raymond T. Hoyas, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Thursday, May 5, 2005