

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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# Journal of the Senate

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**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 six.**

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Tuesday, April 25, 2006

Thirty-second Legislative Day

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:08 o'clock P.M.

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

**PRESENT** – 37: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

**ABSENT** – 1: Senator Pichardo.

### INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

### APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Thirty-first Legislative Day of the 2006 proceedings is read in part.

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

## GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Malcolm Farmer, from Family Services of Rhode Island and a former member of the Providence City Council.

## 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:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 11, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-57-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Higher Education Assistance Authority:

**Patricia A. Doyle of Portsmouth**

VICE  
Laura DiSano  
(resigned)

for a term expiring July 1, 2009.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 24, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-34-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Industrial Recreational Building Authority:

**Dr. William B. Sweeney of Bristol**

VICE  
Donald E. Harris

for a term expiring February 1, 2011.

To this appointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE**

April 17, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 23-17-13 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Health Services Council:

**Patricia M. Leddy**  
Representative of the Department of Human Services

VICE  
John Young

for a term expiring March 1, 2007.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 12, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-45-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:

**Robert E. Cusack of Rumford**

for a term expiring June 1, 2008.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 12, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-45-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:

**Karst R. Hoozeboom of Cumberland**

for a term expiring June 1, 2009.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 12, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-45-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:

**John K. Grosvenor of Newport**

for a term expiring June 1, 2009.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

April 11, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-45-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:

**Jean Rondeau of Woonsocket**

VICE  
Daniel Snydacker

for a term expiring June 1, 2008.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE**

April 12, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-45-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:

**Robert H. Goff, Jr. of Providence**

for a term expiring June 1, 2009.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

**COMMUNICATION**

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE**

April 24, 2006

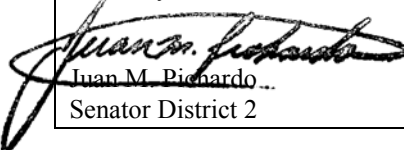
Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano  
President of the Senate  
318 State House  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that I will be out the country from April 18 to April 25, and therefore will be absent from the Senate session on April 25<sup>th</sup> 2006. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Juan M. Pichardo...  
Senator District 2

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. 2042** SUB A as amended

**BY** Senators Cote, Tassoni, Doyle, Fogarty P, McBurney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES (areas that a bicycle may be operated)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2335** SUB A

**BY** Senators Tassoni, Doyle, McBurney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS (change the definition of structure)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2456** as amended

**BY** Senator McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BUILDING CODE.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Senator Alves, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Senate Bill No. 2525** (National Guard)

**BY** Senator Algieri

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY (Quonset State Airport may be leased to the US Air Force for a term not to exceed 50 years).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2544****BY** Senators Gibbs, Levesque C, Pichardo, Roberts, Perry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ACT (make changes in the allowable employment plan activities for parents receiving benefits from the Family Independence Program).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2565****BY** Senators Algieri, Montalbano J**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AIRPORTS AND LANDING FIELDS (airport corp to reimburse municipalities for the cost of municipal services provided at state airports in accordance with applicable federal regulations).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2994****BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION ( include certain parts of the city of Pawtucket as artistic communities for tax exemptions purposes.).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2131****BY** Senators Lanzi, Ciccone, Gallo, Badeau, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS -- EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS (extend space available)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2993****BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, Issa, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PAWTUCKET ( increase the limit on the property tax rates on commercial and industrial property in the city of Pawtucket).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:



**Senate Bill No. 2961****BY** Senators Sheehan, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT TO FINANCE RENOVATIONS, REMODELING, ADDITIONS, IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$21,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Resolution No. 3029****BY** Senators Perry, Goodwin, Gibbs, Lenihan, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING "HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY" ON APRIL 25, 2006.

Senator Perry requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by Senator Metts and Roberts.

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 Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a voice vote:

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006:****1 2006-H 7974****BY** Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF HILCO ATHLETIC AND GRAPHICS, INC.**2 2006-H 7993****BY** Faria**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SPARKY'S RESTAURANT, INC.

## CALENDAR

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006:****1 2006-S 2654 as amended****BY Ruggiero****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS**

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggiero, seconded by Senator Algieri, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 2, 2006.

**2 2006-S 2740 SUB A****BY Lenihan****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION**

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

Senator Lenihan moves passage, seconded by Senators Ciccone, Polisena and Blais.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, in concurrence, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggiero, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**3 2006-S 2810 SUB A****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING**

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggiero, seconded by Senator Algieri, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, May 3, 2006.

**4 2006-S 2018****BY Bates****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE AFFAIRS AND  
GOVERNMENT - STATE LOTTERY

Committee on Constitutional &amp; Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio,  
seconded by Senator Algieri and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday,  
May 2, 2006.

**5 2006-S 2273****BY Walaska****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO REGULATION OF BOATS -- FLOTATION  
DEVICES

Committee on Commerce, Housing &amp; Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Walaska moves passage, seconded by Senators Damiani and Gallo.

Senators Polisena and Walaska discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**6 2006-S 2463****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE  
BUILDING CODE

Committee on Commerce, Housing &amp; Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Caprio moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, McCaffrey and Levesque.

The act is read and passed, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**7 2006-S 2688**

**BY Gibbs**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --  
BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS  
AND ESTHETICIANS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by Senators Blais, Metts, Breene and Algieri.

The act is read and passed, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggiero, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**8 2006-S 2963**

**BY Sosnowski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT PERMITTING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO  
EXEMPT CERTAIN PROPERTIES FROM TAXATION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senator Lenihan.

The act is read and passed, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggiero, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**9 2006-S 2964**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 330 OF  
THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO CREATE  
A SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF COVENTRY AND TO  
AUTHORIZE SAID TOWN TO PLAN, CONSTRUCT, FINANCE,

## OPERATE AND MAINTAIN SEWAGE WORKS"

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene and Raptakis.

Senator Blais seconded by Senators Breene and Raptakis, offers the following written motion to amend.

**F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T**

2006 -- S 2964

AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 330 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO CREATE A SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF COVENTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE SAID TOWN TO PLAN, CONSTRUCT, FINANCE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN SEWAGE WORKS"

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2006 -- S 2964, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 330 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO CREATE A SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF COVENTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE SAID TOWN TO PLAN, CONSTRUCT, FINANCE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN SEWAGE WORKS", as follows:

(1) On page 4, line 4, by deleting the words "any agreement relating to wastewater system services or projects." and by inserting the following language in place thereof:

"the intermunicipal agreement in wastewater services between the town of West Warwick and the town of Coventry, as amended and restated from time to time, and the Loan and Trust Agreement among the Rhode Island economic development corporation, the town of Coventry and J.P. Morgan Trust Company, National Association dated as of December 1, 2003, as amended from time to time."

Respectfully submitted,  
SENATOR LEO BLAIS  
LC02791/4

The motion to amend prevails 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Blais moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Breene and Raptakis.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**10 2006-S 2966**

**BY Gibbs**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE SEWER SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene, Algieri and Bates.

The act is read and passed, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, 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, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

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

Senator Bates announces that the Committee on Financial Services, Technology & Regulatory Issues will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

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

Senator Ciccone announces that the Committee on Labor will meet tomorrow, at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Levesque announces that the Committee on Health And Human Services will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 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. 2474**

**BY** Senators Issa, Doyle, McBurney, Gallo

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTIVENESS OF CONSOLIDATING ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

#### **Senate Resolution No. 2967**

**BY** Senator Blais

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION OF EFFORTS CONCERNING THE PREVENTION, EDUCATION, TREATMENT AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES RELATIVE TO LYME DISEASE AND OTHER TICK-BORNE DISEASES.

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. 2732 SUB A** as amended

**BY** Senators Bates, Felag, Paiva-Weed, Levesque C, Gibbs

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- COUNCILS AND GOVERNING BODIES ( removed the requirement that the plan of operation be approved by the insurance administrator and clarify that more than one corporation may be formed under this act.)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

**COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Senator Roberts, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

**Senate Bill No. 2611** (Human Services)

**BY** Senator Gibbs

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - UNIFORM LAW ON PATERNITY (birthing hospitals in Rhode Island preparing acknowledgements of paternity.).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2606 SUB A**

**BY** Senators Polisena, Damiani

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO NURSES AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2348** (Attorney General)

**BY** Senators Levesque C, McCaffrey, Connors, Pichardo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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:

**Senate Bill No. 2187**

**BY** Senators Perry, Goodwin, Levesque C, Roberts, Connors

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2250**

**BY** Senator McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.



Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2326**

**BY** Senators Levesque C, Perry

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - JAILS AND PRISONS (allow a person to be incarcerated at the adult correctional institutions after the person has served his or her sentence of imprisonment for the nonpayment of his or her fine or costs)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2432**

**BY** Senators Gallo, Ruggiero, Levesque C

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- ACTIONS AGAINST THE STATE ON HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS (relating to a bridge or highway project, on behalf of a subcontractor that supplied labor, materials or services on the same project).

Read and ordered to be placed 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. 2637**

**BY** Senators Paiva-Weed, Roberts, Pichardo, Metts, Ruggiero

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- CHILD CARE -- STATE SUBSIDIES.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator Breene, the Senate adjourns at 4:36 o'clock P.M. in memory of the Honorable Herbert L. Arnold, father of Senator Sosnowski. Mr. Arnold was a former member of the Richmond Town Council for 18 years and was a respected and beloved community leader who will be greatly missed, but his contributions to his community shall long be remembered.

GABRIEL REI  
Deputy Clerk of the Senate

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR DANIEL P. CONNORS**

Father in heaven, enlighten our minds and touch our hearts so that we may carry on the best traditions of our Senate's history. Remembering always that it is the people's government, made by the people and accountable to the people. Amen.

**Appendix**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006:**

**1 2006-S 2474**

**BY Issa**

**ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTIVENESS OF CONSOLIDATING ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

**2 2006-S 2967**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED,** SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION OF EFFORTS CONCERNING THE PREVENTION, EDUCATION, TREATMENT AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES RELATIVE TO LYME DISEASE AND OTHER TICK-BORNE DISEASES

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

**Raymond T. Hoyas, Jr.**  
**Secretary of the Senate**

**Appendix****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006:****1 2006-S 2894****BY McBurney****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS

Committee on Constitutional &amp; Gaming Issues recommends passage.

**2 2006-S 2370 SUB A****BY Issa****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LICENSING AND MONITORING OF CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

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

**3 2006-S 2385 SUB A as amended****BY Alves****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ASSISTED HOUSING LIVING WAIVER

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

**4 2006-S 2604 SUB A****BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES

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

**5 2006-S 2609****BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

Committee on Health &amp; Human Services recommends passage.

**6 2006-S 2618 SUB A****BY Alves****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

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

**7 2006-S 2649****BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- CAUSES OF ACTION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

**8 2006-S 2655****BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- LABOR AND PAYMENT OF DEBTS BY CONTRACTORS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

**9 2006-S 2656****BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CAUSES OF ACTION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2006:****1 2006-S 2465****BY Walaska****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

**2 2006-S 2042 SUB A as amended****BY Cote****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES

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

**3 2006-S 2335 SUB A****BY Tassoni****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS**

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

**4 2006-S 2456 as amended****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BUILDING CODE**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

**5 2006-S 2732 SUB A as amended****BY Bates****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- COUNCILS AND GOVERNING BODIES**

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

**6 2006-S 2131****BY Lanzi****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS -- EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**7 2006-S 2525****BY Algieri****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**8 2006-S 2544****BY Gibbs****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ACT**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**9 2006-S 2565****BY Algieri****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AIRPORTS AND LANDING FIELDS**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**10 2006-S 2961****BY Sheehan**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT TO FINANCE RENOVATIONS, REMODELING, ADDITIONS, IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$21,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**11 2006-S 2993****BY Doyle**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PAWTUCKET

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**12 2006-S 2994****BY Doyle**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**13 2006-S 2611****BY Gibbs**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - UNIFORM LAW ON PATERNITY

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

**14 2006-S 2606 SUB A****BY Polisena**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO NURSES AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

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

**15 2006-S 2384 SUB A****BY Alves**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS

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

**16 2006-S 2187****BY Perry****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**17 2006-S 2250****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**18 2006-S 2326****BY Levesque C****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - JAILS AND PRISONS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**19 2006-S 2432****BY Gallo****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- ACTIONS AGAINST THE STATE ON HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**20 2006-S 2637****BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- CHILD CARE -- STATE SUBSIDIES**

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006:****1 2006-S 2654 as amended****BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS**

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage as amended.



**2 2006-S 2018**

**BY Bates**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE AFFAIRS AND  
GOVERNMENT - STATE LOTTERY

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

**IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2006:**

**1 2006-S 2810 SUB A**

**BY McCaffrey**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN  
CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

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

GABRIEL REI  
Deputy Clerk of the Senate