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Fortieth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:23 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 3: Senators Bates, DiPalma, Sheehan.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Legislative Day's of the 2012 proceedings are read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Crowley and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal's are dispensed with and the Journal's approved as recorded.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS STATE HOUSE

April 25, 2012

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed President of the Senate 318 State House Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

Please be advised that I will be out of town on business on Wednesday, April 25, 2012 and, thus, unable to attend the Senate session. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

David E. Bates SENATE MINORITY WHIP

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS STATE HOUSE

April 25, 2012

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed Senate President State House, Room 318 Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate session on April 25, 2012 due to work related matters that I must attend to.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Louis P. DiPalma Senator District 12

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Tassoni from the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 7368

(Governor/Administration)

BY Bennett, Hull, Marcello, McNamara, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (would add four (4) members to the statewide planning council) $\{LC1160/1\}$

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

Senate Bill No. 2628

BY Shibley, Kettle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWNS AND CITIES (would increase the amount that the town of Coventry may borrow to finance a court judgment or settlement from 5% to 10% of Coventry's most recently adopted municipal budget.) {LC2020/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2632

BY Shibley, Kettle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF COVENTRY TO FINANCE AIR QUALITY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ENGINEERING COSTS, BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 BONDS, NOTES AND/OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR (authorizes the town of Coventry to issue not more than \$5,000,000 bonds and notes to finance air quality and energy efficiency improvements and other repairs and renovations to school buildings) {LC2023/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

Senate Bill No. 2129

BY Nesselbush, Fogarty, Sosnowski, Cote, Crowley **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (would require an insured to designate a participating primary care provider.) {LC414/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2209

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS (require any emerg. services syst. operated by dcyf to direct families with children in need of behavioral health eval to community-based settings unless the hosp emerg. dept is voluntarily sought or is medically necessary.) {LC406/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 2893

BY Shibley, Kettle, Miller, Felag, Pichardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THOMAS E. GREENE ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATHANAEL GREENE HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION {LC2445/1}

Senator Shibley requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Shibley moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio and Kettle.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2894

BY Lanzi, Paiva Weed, Felag, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS OF URI, NE ALLIANCE, AND HOSPICES OF HOPE ROMANIA FOR THEIR MYRIAD CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE WORLD COMMUNITY {LC2413/1}

Senator Lanzi requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senators Lynch, Nesselbush, Crowley, Gallo and Felag.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2895

BY Lanzi, Paiva Weed, Gallo, Fogarty, Tassoni **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2012, TO BE "CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2392/1}

Senator Lanzi requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio and Algiere.

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

Senate Resolution No. 2896

BY Goodwin, Ruggerio, Ciccone, Metts, Pichardo **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF NICOLE B. CIANCI {LC2493/1}

Senator Goodwin requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Algiere, Bates, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Sheehan, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni and Walaska.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2012-S 2656

BY Paiva Weed

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO PASS AND SEND TO THE STATES A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PERMITTING STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATION AND RESTRICTION OF INDEPENDENT POLITICAL EXPENDITURES

2. 2012-S 2890

BY Paiva Weed

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING HERB MEISTER ON RECEIVING A 2012 NEWPORT DAILY NEWS "COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD"

3. 2012-S 2891

BY Paiva Weed

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING BETH MILHAM FOR RECEIVING A 2012 NEWPORT DAILY NEWS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

4. 2012-S 2892

BY Maher

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2012 TO BE "DONATE LIFE MONTH" IN RHODE ISLAND

5. 2012-H 7495

BY Lally

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING THE ROGER WILLIAMS DINING COMMONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

6. 2012-H 7898

BY Malik

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

7. 2012-H 7901

BY Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

8. 2012-H 7924

BY Martin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

9. 2012-H 7925

BY Guthrie

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

10. 2012-H 7955

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

11. 2012-H 7958

BY Tomasso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algiere, the measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

NOW PRESIDING

The Honorable President yields the rostrum to the Honorable Juan M. Pichardo President Pro Tempore of the Senate at 4:40 o'clock P.M.

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2012:

1. 2012-S 2811

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Lombardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Lanzi and Ruggerio.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour,

Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

2. 2012-S 2844

BY Lynch

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Lynch moves passage, seconded by Senators Hodgson, Lanzi, Ciccone, Nesselbush, Fogarty and Tassoni.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

3. 2012-S 2817 SUB A

BY Paiva Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- ROBERT J. MCKENNA BOULEVARD

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

Senator Paiva Weed moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Lynch, McCaffrey, Moura, Ottiano, Algiere, Ruggerio, Felag, Goodwin, DaPonte and Gallo.

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

YEAS- 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

4. 2012-S 2349

BY Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS - RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Jabour moves passage, seconded by Senators Miller, Pinga and Nesselbush.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

5. 2012-S 2351

BY Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND NONPROFIT CORPORATION ACT

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Algiere moves passage, seconded by Senator Hodgson.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

NOW PRESIDING

The Honorable President Pro Tempore yields the rostrum to the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed President of the Senate at 4:46 o'clock P.M.

CALENDAR

6. 2012-S 2352

BY Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- PARTNERSHIPS--FILING

Committee on Corporations recommends passage

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senator Miller.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

7. 2012-S 2353

BY Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS - LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by Senators Doyle and Miller.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

8. 2012-S 2354

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Picard moves passage, seconded by Senators Lombardo and Miller.

The act is read and passed, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

9. 2012-S 2388 SUB A

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - UNFAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES

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

Senator Picard moves passage, seconded by Senator Jabour.

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

YEAS- 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

10. 2012-S 2440

BY Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - THE RHODE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 1, 2012.

11. 2012-S 2538 as amended

BY Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - PORTABLE ELECTRONICS INSURANCE

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Gallo and Jabour.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

12. 2012-S 2594 SUB A

BY Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

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

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senator Gallo.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Algiere

13. 2012-S 2596 SUB A

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS

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

Senator Picard moves passage, seconded by Senators Miller and Metts.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Algiere

14. 2012-S 2597 SUB A

BY Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES

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

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Perry, Gallo and Jabour.

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

YEAS- 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

15. 2012-S 2603 SUB A

BY Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - PUBLIC MOTOR VEHICLES

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

Senator Walaska moves passage, seconded by Senators Miller, Nesselbush and Jabour.

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

YEAS- 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Shibley, 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.

(See Appendix for List)

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Lanzi and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Kerri Beanet and Local representatives, Hospices of Hope Romania.

Upon suggestion of Senator Maher and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Matthew Boger, State Relations for the New England Organ Bank.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Senator Sosnowski announces that Environment Day is tomorrow at the State House.

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet tomorrow, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Maher announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Lombardo announces that the Committee on Labor will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Lynch announces that the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 310 of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Algiere, seconded by Senator Ruggerio and upon suggestion of Senator Goodwin the Senate adjourns at 5:00 o'clock P.M. in memory of Nicole B. Cianci.

JOSEPH R. BRADY Secretary of the Senate

INVOCATION

SENATOR ELIZABETH A. CROWLEY

Almighty Father, Let us carefully weigh the reasons on all sides from a human point of view and then rely on your grace for divine help. Amen

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012:

1. 2012-H 7368

BY Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

2. 2012-H 7471

BY Petrarca

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

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

3. 2012-H 7512

BY Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - COURTESY PLATES

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

4. 2012-H 7624

BY Lally

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

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

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012:

1. 2012-S 2238 SUB A

BY Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

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

2. 2012-S 2255 SUB A

BY Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES

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

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 01, 2012:

1. 2012-S 2440

BY Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - THE RHODE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2. 2012-S 2628

BY Shibley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWNS AND CITIES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

3. 2012-S 2632

BY Shibley

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF COVENTRY TO FINANCE AIR QUALITY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ENGINEERING COSTS, BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 BONDS, NOTES AND/OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

4. 2012-S 2129

BY Nesselbush

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

5. 2012-S 2209

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

BILLS TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR

House Bill No. 7495

(University of Rhode Island)

BY Lally, Corvese, Schadone, Tanzi, Dickinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING THE ROGER WILLIAMS DINING COMMONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND (would rename the Roger Williams Dining Commons Building at URI as the Anna Fascitelli Fitness and Wellness Center.)

{LC1184/1}

House Bill No. 7898

BY Malik

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Michael J. Trenn to join Holly M. Andrade and Scott L. Pacheco in marriage within the Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, on or about June 2, 2012)

{LC2135/1}

House Bill No. 7901

BY Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow the Honorable Lee Johansen to join Amanda Stephenson and Andre Binette in marriage within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island, on or about July 28, 2012)

{LC2109/1}

House Bill No. 7924

BY Martin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow the Honorable Patrick Clifford to join Laura Allison Bernsten and Geoffrey Warren Knowlton in marriage within the City of Newport, Rhode Island on or about September 15, 2012.) {LC2172/1}

House Bill No. 7925

BY Guthrie

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Reid Kingsbury Davenport to join Jessica Laura Olivier and Joseph Edward Badenhoff in marriage on or about September 16, 2012, within the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC2174/1}

House Bill No. 7955

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Brandon Cameron to join Katharine Christine Tweedy and Matthew Reber Austin in marriage on or about June 17, 2012, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island)

{LC2199/1}

House Bill No. 7958

BY Tomasso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Amy Yelle to join Carla Jillson and David Colcord in marriage on or about September 8, 2012, within the town of West Greenwich, Rhode Island) {LC2218/1}