STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS



JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the first day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen.

Volume 140, No.14 Wednesday, January 30, 2013 Fourteenth 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 4:31 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Bates, Ciccone, Conley, Cool Rumsey, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch, McCaffrey, Miller, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Metts.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Thirteenth Legislative Day of the 2013 proceedings is read in part.

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

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FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 5076 BY Walsh ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Leona McNeill to join Eileen Anne Claire and Kurt Berglund in marriage on or about May 18, 2013, within the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island) {LC338/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5100 BY Martin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow The Honorable Marvin L. Abney to join Nicole Maria Moore and Tristan Robert Rock in marriage on or about February 26, 2013, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island) {LC451/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5065 BY Ajello ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Deborah Johnson to join Pamela Good and Jed Goldberg in marriage on or about June 22, 2013, within the Village of Pascoag, Rhode Island) {LC311/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5062 BY Handy ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow John Furniss, III, to join Katherine Groff and Jamie Werchadlo in marriage within the City of Cranston, Rhode Island, on or about May 26, 2013) {LC239/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5039 BY Ferri ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Dr. Walter Mullin to join Louisa Mullin and Luis Obando in marriage within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island, on or about July 5, 2013) {LC296/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5008 BY Walsh ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Luke Connery to join James Golinveaux and Pamela Burke in marriage on or about July 20, 2013, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC98/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5007 BY Gallison, Marshall ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Stephen T. O'Neill to join Kaitlin Elizabeth O'Rourke and Ryan Guy Croasdale in marriage within the City of Newport, Rhode Island, on or about September 6, 2013.) {LC80/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5009 BY Azzinaro ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Dr. Reynold Levy to join Lauren Turner Kiel and Matthew David Sabato in marriage within the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island, on or about July 20, 2013.) {LC124/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5006 BY Cimini ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow Judith Fox to join Alison Rae Hopkins and Michael Baker O'Brien in marriage within the City of Providence, Rhode Island, on or about March 16, 2013.) {LC37/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5021 BY Martin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Stacey Ostiguy LeMay to join Andrea Maruzzi and Brendan Crighton in marriage on or about August 30, 2013, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC211/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 5015 SUB A BY Handy, Fox, Mattiello, Ferri, Ruggiero ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO MARRY

 $\{LC144/A/1\}$

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

Senate Bill No. 19 SUB A BY DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - PUBLIC CORPORATION DEBT MANAGEMENT

{LC487/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 25 SUB A BY Raptakis, Miller, McCaffrey, Algiere, Lynch ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - TAXATION OF BEVERAGES (would repeal the provision of the law that requires each licensee authorized to sell intoxicating beverages to file an annual report with the division of taxation, detailing sales information and tax collections on such sales.) {LC101/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 158 BY Cote, Crowley, Walaska ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN), STRENGTHENING BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND SUPPORTING TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS {LC784/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 159 BY O`Neill ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC772/1} Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

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 Ruggerio wishes Brenden T. Oates a Happy Birthday.

Senator Goodwin would like to congratulate Senator Elizabeth A. Crowley on being honored by the Housing Network of Rhode Island. Also former State Senator John J. Tassoni, Jr. on receiving an award tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Bates the Senate adjourns at 4:36 o'clock P.M.

JOSEPH R. BRADY Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR DONNA M. NESSELBUSH

Dear God, we ask that you be with us today in our thoughts and actions as we try to work for the benefit of all our constituents. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013:

1. 2013-S 158

BY Cote

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN), STRENGTHENING BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND SUPPORTING TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 05, 2013:

1. 2013-S 19 SUB A BY DaPonte ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - PUBLIC CORPORATION DEBT MANAGEMENT

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

2. 2013-S 25 SUB A

BY Raptakis **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - TAXATION OF BEVERAGES

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