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.39 Thursday, April 11, 2013 Thirty-ninth 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 4:18 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 36: 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, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

ABSENT – 2: Senators Metts, Pichardo.

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 and the children from the Children's Workshop and Dr. Day Care Learning Center to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Day of the 2013 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Miller and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Elizabeth Burke Bryant, Executive Director of Rhode Island KIDS COUNT.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS STATE HOUSE

April 11, 2013

The 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 absent from the Senate Session April 11, 2013.

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

Thank you for your understanding.

Respectfully,

Harold M. Metts Senate District #6

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Sosnowski from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Resolution No. 602 SUB A

(by request) BY Sosnowski, Walaska, Nesselbush, Bates ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SELECT COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE FUTURE OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT IN RHODE ISLAND {LC1948/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 495 SUB A (Environmental Management) BY Walaska, Sosnowski ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (would allow the director of environmental management to use an expedited citation process for alleged noncompliance.) {LC1500/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 641 SUB A (Administration) BY Walaska, Miller, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, DiPalma ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -DISTRIBUTED GENERATION STANDARD CONTRACTS {LC1653/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Appointment of Charles A. Horbert (Representing Environmental Law, Science or Planning) of North Scituate VICE Edward Callender to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2016.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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Appointment of James A. Cole of Charlestown VICE Joe Baer to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2014.

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Appointment of Dr. Robert D. Billington (Chamber of Commerce Member) to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2016.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

Appointment of Elise A. Torello (Member with Conservation Organization Experience) of Wakefield VICE Claudia Staniszewski to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2015.

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Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Senator Felag from the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 236 SUB A BY DiPalma, Paiva Weed, Algiere, Lynch, Ruggerio ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE LICENSES (would permit holders of manufacturer's licenses to provide visitors to the licensed plant samples for off-premise consumption.) $\label{eq:licensed} \{LC103/A/1\}$

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 477 BY Goodwin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES (would add certain amounts of distilled spirits to the permitted samples which may be distributed by class A license holders.) {LC1893/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 480 (National Guard) BY Felag, Lynch, Ciccone, Picard, Pichardo ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE (would create two (2) additional adjutant general positions for providing assistance to the adjutant general.) {LC1666/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 501 (National Guard) BY Felag, Lynch, Pichardo, Ciccone, Picard ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (would enact the International Emergency Management Assistance Compact into Rhode Island law.) {LC1496/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 855 BY Raptakis, Kettle ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT

{LC2361/1}

Read and ordered to be placed in the Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 856 BY Raptakis, Kettle ENTITLED, AN ACT IN FURTHER AMENDMENT OF THE PUBLIC LAWS WHICH CREATED AND AMENDED THE CORPORATE CHARTERS OF THE COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT, THE WESTERN FIRE DISTRICT, AND THE HOPKINS HILL DISTRICT {LC2285/1}

Read and ordered to be placed in the Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 857 BY Crowley, Sosnowski, Walaska, Lynch, DiPalma ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 11TH OF 2013 AS "CHILD CARE AWARENESS DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2372/1}

Senator Crowley requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Crowley moves passage, seconded by Senator Sosnowski.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Crowley and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber from the Dr. Day Care Learning Center: Christine Shallcross, Joe Clarke and Isabel Bosworth and from the Children's Workshop: Kathie Sandberg, Nicole Chiello, Carolyn Fritz, Kara Reardon, Jamie Dufresne as the "Puffen", and from Ready to Learn AmeriCorps: Kristin Read and Dolores Roberts.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 858 BY Goodwin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL - NEWPORT GRAND (would increase the net terminal income payable to Newport Grand, LLC for a period of two (2) years, upon which time it would revert to the old rate.) {LC2258/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 859 (Governor) BY Miller, Nesselbush, Goldin, Jabour ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GUN CONTROL AND SAFE FIREARMS ACT (would impose restrictions on the manufacture, transfer and possession of certain semiautomatic assault weapons. It would ban large capacity ammunition feed devices.) {LC2370/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 860 (Governor) BY Satchell, Archambault, Raptakis, Lombardi, Lombardo ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- FIREARM VIOLATIONS (would increase the criminal penalties for carrying a stolen firearm while committing a violent crime, and would add a new section to the general laws relating to the possession of a stolen firearm.) {LC2366/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 861 (Governor) BY Nesselbush, Sosnowski, Cool Rumsey, Archambault, Lombardi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- RELIEF FROM DISQUALIFIERS BOARD (would create the relief from disqualifier board which would hear petitions from person seeking relief from a federal firearms disability.) {LC2369/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 862

(Governor) **BY** Cool Rumsey, Goldin, Walaska, Archambault, Lombardi **ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND FIREARMS SAFETY TASK FORCE TO REVIEW, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR, STATUTES RELATING TO FIREARMS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES {LC2368/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 863 (Governor) BY McCaffrey, Jabour, Walaska ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A TASK FORCE ON FIREARMS STATUTES TO REVIEW, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR, REVISING THE STATUTORY FRAMEWORK RELATING TO FIREARMS {LC2367/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 864
(Attorney General)
BY Miller, Nesselbush, Goldin, Jabour, Satchell
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (would make a number of changes to the statutes relating to the sale and possession of weapons and to the penalties for violating the same.) {LC2364/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 865 (Attorney General) BY Goldin, Conley, Nesselbush ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (would require any person requesting a license or permit to carry a pistol or revolver upon his/her person to undergo a national criminal records check and would limit those authorized to issue said license or permit to the office of attorney general) {LC2365/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 866 BY Cote, Picard ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING IRENE V. HEROUX ON BEING NAMED THE 2013 QUOTARIAN OF THE YEAR {LC2347/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 867
BY Picard, Cote
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET AND IN
AMENDMENT OF SECTION 8 OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE 2002 PUBLIC LAWS ENTITLED
"AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET TO FINANCE THE UNFUNDED

PENSION LIABILITY OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET, BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$90,000,000 BONDS THEREFOR" {LC2158/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

- 1. Appointment of Peter T. Ginaitt of Warwick VICE Thomas E. Deller to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority for a term expiring April 1, 2015.
- 2. Reappointment of Dr. E. Pierre Morenon of Providence to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2014.
- **3.** Reappointment of Dr. Patrick M. Malone of Barrington to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2016.
- 4. Reappointment of Dr. Ronald J. Onorato of Newport to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2016.
- 5. Reappointment of Karst R. Hoogeboom of Cumberland to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2015.
- 6. Reappointment of Pieter N. Roos of Portsmouth to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2016.
- 7. Appointment of Clark Schoettle of Providence VICE Robert Goff to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2015.
- 8. Appointment of J. Michael Abbott, AIA, CNU-A, APA of Exeter VICE Robert E. Cusack to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2016.
- 9. Appointment of Mohamad Farzan, RIBA, AIA of Newport VICE John Grosvenor to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2015.
- 10. Appointment of Morgan Devlin of Providence VICE Bradford Kopp to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2014.
- 11. Appointment of Omur Harmansah, Ph.D. of Providence VICE Patricia Rubertone to the Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2014.
- 12. Appointment of Andrew L. Cortes of Providence VICE Denise Barge to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2016.

13. Reappointment of Jose V. Monteiro, Jr. of East Providence to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2015.

14. 2013-S 802 BY Goldin 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 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 36: 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, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013:

1. Appointment of Jason E. Kelly VICE Dan Sullivan to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2016.

Committee on Commerce recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Senator Picard seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Lombardo, Felag, Jabour, Cool Rumsey and Goldin moves that advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given this appointment, 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 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, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Goldin and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber newly appointed member of the Economic Development Corporation Jason E. Kelly along with his father Daniel Kelly.

2. 2013-S 14 SUB A BY DiPalma ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage, seconded by Senators Gallo, Lynch, Lombardi, Satchell, Lombardo, Archambault and Crowley.

Senator DiPalma seconded by Senators Archambault, Satchell, Sheehan, Lombardo, Lombardi, O'Neill and Gallo, offers the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT TO 2013 -- S 14 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2013 -- S 14 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION --

HEALTH AND SAFETY", as follows:

1. On Page 2, lines 2 and 3, by deleting the language "Included in the aforementioned drills, there", and

inserting in lieu thereof, the language "In addition, there".

2. On Page 3, line 23, by deleting the language "Included in the aforementioned drills, there", and inserting in

lieu thereof, the language "In addition, there".

3. On Page 5, line 7, by deleting the language "Included in the aforementioned drills, there", and inserting in lieu thereof, the language "In addition, there".

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR LOUIS P. DIPALMA

The motion to amend prevails 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, Archambault, Bates, Ciccone, Conley, Cool Rumsey, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch, McCaffrey, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Pearson, Picard, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Gallo

Senator Gallo discusses the act.

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 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, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

2013-S 686 BY Sheehan ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - THE RHODE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Sheehan and without objection, ordered to be placed at the bottom of the Calendar.

4. 2013-S 712 as amended

BY Ruggerio **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -LONG-TERM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT VISION AND POLICY

Committee on Commerce recommends passage as amended.

Senator Ruggerio moves passage, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Archambault, Satchell, Conley, Lombardo, Lombardi, Goodwin, DaPonte, Lynch, Gallo, Sosnowski, Nesselbush, Picard, Crowley, Jabour, Pearson and Miller.

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 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, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

5. 2013-S 713

BY Felag **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING GOVERNOR CHAFEE TO CREATE A GOVERNOR'S COMMERCE AND WORKFORCE COORDINATING CABINET

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Archambault, Satchell, Lombardi, Ruggerio, Lynch, Miller, Crowley, Sosnowski and Picard.

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:

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NAYS- 0:

6. 2013-S 714

BY Cote **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF DIGITAL EXCELLENCE AND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO UPGRADE AND IMPROVE EDC'S WEBSITE

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Cote moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Crowley, Pearson, Picard, Lombardi, Lombardo, Satchell, Archambault and DiPalma.

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:

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NAYS-0:

3. 2013-S 686

BY Sheehan

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

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Sheehan 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:

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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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Crowley announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 310 of the State House.

Senator Cote announces that the Committee on Commerce will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

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

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 Nesselbush announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Ruggerio wishes a Happy Birthday to Senator Joshua B. Miller on April 17th, Senator Louis P. DiPalma on April 20th and Senator David E. Bates and April 21st.

Senator Goodwin announces that the Senate Majority Leader Dominick J. Ruggerio received the 2012 Humane Legislator Award from the Humane Society of the United States.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Bates the Senate adjourns at 4:41 o'clock P.M.

JOSEPH R. BRADY Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR ELIZABETH A. CROWLEY

Lord, we ask you to keep all the children here present safe, happy and healthy. We ask that over the vacation break, allow us to return refreshed so we may continue to serve in the best interests of our people. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013:

1. Appointment of Charles A. Horbert (Representing Environmental Law, Science or Planning) of North Scituate VICE Edward Callender to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2016.

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

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9. 2013-S 602 SUB A

BY Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SELECT COMMISSION TO DETERMINE THE FUTURE OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

10. 2013-S 866

BY Cote

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING IRENE V. HEROUX ON BEING NAMED THE 2013 QUOTARIAN OF THE YEAR

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013:

1. 2013-S 397

BY Ottiano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION AND EXEMPTING FROM TAXATION THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE PRUDENCE ISLAND HISTORICAL AND PRESERVATION SOCIETY, PRUDENCE ISLAND, RHODE ISLAND

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

2. 2013-S 398

BY Ottiano

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS SECTION 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,850,000 BONDS BY THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO FINANCE IMPROVEMENTS AND FIRE CODE UPGRADES TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

3. 2013-S 676

BY Paiva Weed **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- THE RHODE ISLAND MUSEUM PROPERTY ACT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

4. 2013-S 284

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

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013:

1. 2013-S 495 SUB A

BY Walaska **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

2. 2013-S 641 SUB A

BY Walaska **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RE

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - DISTRIBUTED GENERATION STANDARD CONTRACTS

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

3. 2013-S 236 SUB A

BY DiPalma **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES --MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE LICENSES

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

4. 2013-S 477

BY Goodwin **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

5. 2013-S 480 BY Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

6. 2013-S 501

BY Felag **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.