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Seventeenth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Wednesday, February 25, 2015 and is called to order at 4:25 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 70 members present and 5 members absent as follows:

PRESENT - 70: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Coughlin, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lally, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield

ABSENT – 5: Representatives Barros, Costantino, Craven, Naughton, Ucci.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Giarrusso who delivers the Invocation and leads the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Tuesday February 24, 2015 is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Robert Craven is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 25th, 2015.

Representative Eileen Naughton is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 25th, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS**House Bill No. 5529**

BY Williams, Handy, Hull, Almeida, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS (Requires cities or towns to implement a snow removal priority plan to place his or her importance on removing snow from certain roads and facilities.)

{LC1532/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5530

BY Chippendale, Keable, Winfield

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF GLOCESTER (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Gloucester, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Gloucester on November 4, 2014.)

{LC1854/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5531

BY Winfield, Marshall

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Allows the owner of an owner-occupied single family home to build an accessory dwelling unit to house a member of the family who is sixty-two (62) years of age or older.) {LC1653/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Resolution No. 5532

BY Costantino, Marshall, Lima, Winfield, Hull

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE CONSOLIDATION OF MUNICIPAL AND EDUCATIONAL FUNCTIONS ON A COUNTY AND/OR STATEWIDE BASIS (Creates a 17 member commission to study the potential for consolidating services of municipal government and public education functions, and who would report back by March 2, 2016, and expires on June 2, 2016.)

{LC1625/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5533**BY** Costantino, Marshall, Lima, Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - TRUCK WEIGHT LIMITS (Prohibits commercial motor trucks or tractors with a gross weight exceeding four (4) tons from traveling on that portion of Route 116 known as Smith Avenue in the town of Smithfield.) {LC1632/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 5534**BY** Costantino, Marshall, Lima, Winfield, Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS - HOTLINE (Directs the department of transportation to set up a pothole report toll-free telephone line.) {LC1643/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5535**BY** Costantino, Marshall, Lima, Winfield, Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX (Changes the minimum corporate tax by calculating the tax based on gross income.) {LC1630/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5536**BY** Costantino, Shekarchi, Marshall, Lima, Winfield**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - START-UP RHODE ISLAND TAX FREE ZONE PROGRAM (Establishes the "Start-Up Rhode Island Act" to allow for the establishment of certain tax free zones in the state.) {LC1627/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5537**BY** Morgan, Nardolillo, Roberts, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- BUDGET COMMISSION (Exempts fire districts from the provisions of the budget commission chapter.) {LC1141/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5538**BY** Lancia, Marshall, Abney, Malik, Price**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS - SMALL BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM (Creates a transitioning veterans' small business loan program through the commerce corporation.) {LC1594/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5539**BY** McLaughlin, MacBeth, Marcello, Malik, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- BUDGET COMMISSIONS (Requires the state to reimburse cities, towns and fire districts for twenty percent (20%) of the

costs incurred in connection with the appointment of a receiver for such city, town or fire district.) {LC697/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5540

BY Reilly, Edwards, Ruggiero, Canario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Restores the amount of education aid given to the towns of Middletown and Portsmouth to those amounts and levels in effect for the fiscal year prior to the implementation of the permanent foundation education aid formula.) {LC1344/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5541

BY Fellela, Serpa, Malik, MacBeth, Costa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- EXCISE ON MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS (Includes leased motor vehicles/trailers as exempt from excise tax whenever real estate/tangible personal property insufficient to exhaust statutory exemption amount.) {LC1117/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5542

BY Hearn, Edwards, Marshall, Shekarchi, Giarrusso

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$750,000 FOR POLARIS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP (MEP) (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$750,000 to the Polaris Manufacturing Extension Partnership to boost Rhode Island's manufacturing industry.) {LC1614/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5543

BY Diaz, Slater, Ruggiero, Tanzi, Maldonado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - CHILD CARE - STATE SUBSIDIES (Requires the department of human services to develop a reimbursement plan based on quality.) {LC1650/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5544

BY Diaz, Slater, Tanzi, Maldonado

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM (Increases child care eligibility for working families from 180% of federal poverty level to 225% effective 1/1/16.) {LC1481/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5545

BY Jacquard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - TAXATION - IMPACT FEES (Creates temporary reductions on certain fees and taxes relating to building and

construction, specifically permit fees, impact fees and lumber and other building materials.)
{LC1174/1}
02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5546**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES --
INSURANCE BENEFITS {LC1177/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5547**BY** Lima, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Permits the division of motor vehicles to create a special
registration plate for state public colleges and universities.) {LC1452/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5548**BY** Nardolillo, Filippi, Costa, Lancia, Giarrusso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
PREVENTION ACT (Increases the assessment collected from persons convicted of or placed on
probation for domestic violence from one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) to two hundred
twenty-five (\$225) dollars.) {LC1476/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5549**BY** Nardolillo, Chippendale, Filippi, Costa, Lancia**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Provides that corporations with less than
fifty (50) employees shall not be subject to the \$500 minimum corporate tax.) {LC1137/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5550**BY** Shekarchi, McKiernan, Trillo, Lima, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE
(Establishes a formula for the assessment of municipal construction permit fees.) {LC1436/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5551**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 FOR
THE JASON STEM LEARNING INITIATIVE (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of
\$500,000 for the JASON Project and STEM programs and resources.) {LC1656/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5552**BY** McKiernan, Shekarchi, Lombardi, Carnevale, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION ACT (Recreates the urban infrastructure commission, which went out of existence in 2004. The purpose of the commission is to develop a state-supported economic development financing toll known as the urban renaissance fund.)

{LC1090/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5553**BY** Almeida, McKiernan, Tanzi, Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - SMALL LOAN LENDERS (Repeals the provisions of the general laws allowing deferred deposit providers, also known as "payday lenders.") {LC1159/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5554**BY** Tobon, Melo, Abney, Coughlin, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- CHILD CARE-STATE SUBSIDIES (Provides a higher rate of reimbursement to certain licensed child care providers or centers who have a valid National Child Care Accreditation.) {LC1482/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5555**BY** O`Grady, Amore, Fogarty, Regunberg, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CHARTER SCHOOLS (Requires the board of education to make certain findings regarding the sending districts before granting approval to a new charter school project.) {LC1491/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5556**BY** Maldonado, Shekarchi, Johnston, Coughlin, Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ELIMINATION (Provides a six thousand dollar (\$6,000) state funded exemption to the motor vehicle excise tax for residents of distressed communities beginning in fiscal year 2017.)

{LC1582/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5557**BY** Marcello, Serpa, Nunes, Jacquard, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Reduces and then eliminates the sales tax on utility services to businesses.) {LC120/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5558**BY** Maldonado, McLaughlin, Carnevale, Slater, Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - BUDGET COMMISSIONS

(Provide that a city or town in receivership or bankruptcy may have the costs associated with the receivership or bankruptcy that are owed to the state reduced by (20%) for each year that the municipality is in conformity with the bankruptcy plan.) {LC1283/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5559**BY** Gallison**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW-GENERAL REGULATORY

PROVISIONS - UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES (Repeals the definition of "cost to the wholesaler" within the unfair sales practices act. Provides for the establishment of a tobacco control program to prevent and reduce tobacco use.) {LC1356/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5560

(by request)

BY Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE

ISLAND ECONOMIC REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EUROPEAN UNION (Establishes the position of Rhode Island economic representative to the European Union.) {LC914/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5561**BY** Amore, Hull, Abney, Craven, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHER RETIREMENT

BENEFITS (Increases the monthly minimum benefits of spouses and domestic partners of retired teachers, and would authorize additional yearly non-compounded adjustments.) {LC1624/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5562**BY** Nardolillo, Chippendale, Filippi, Lancia, Costa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Provides that corporations with more than

fifty (50) employees would be subject to a minimum corporate tax two hundred fifty dollars, (\$250).) {LC1139/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5563**BY** Nardolillo, Lancia, Giarrusso, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE INTER-DISTRICT

SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM (Implements inter district school choice programs amount public school districts in Rhode Island.) {LC1214/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5564**BY** Nardolillo, Chippendale, Lancia, Costa, Giarrusso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- ABLE ACCOUNTS

(Establishes private savings (ABLE) account for qualifying disabled persons wherein monies grow tax free and used for qualifying expenses per Section 529A of Internal Revenue Service Code.) {LC1076/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5565**BY** Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - LOBBYING

(Increases the annual fee for lobbyist from five dollars (\$5.00) to one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).) {LC1531/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5566**BY** Morgan, Chippendale, Filippi, Giarrusso, Roberts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- PUBLIC CORPORATION

DEBT MANAGEMENT (Would prohibit moral obligation bonds not secured by the full faith and credit of the state (RI Constitution VI:16) or secured by revenues (RI Constitution VI:17)) {LC1127/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5567**BY** Morgan, Giarrusso, Filippi, Roberts, Lancia**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE

ISLAND MUNICIPAL PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Establishes municipal performance management program funded by the department of administration to improve services in the government sector.) {LC1280/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5568**BY** Keable, Winfield, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (Creates a new position in the fish and wildlife division of DEM and place oversight of freshwater lakes, streams and ponds in that position within the division of fish and wildlife.) {LC1226/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5569**BY** Reilly, Chippendale, Giarrusso, Roberts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- EXCISE ON MOTOR VEHICLES

AND TRAILERS (Establishes a new calculation to determine the amount of the motor vehicle excise tax due on any particular vehicle.) {LC1722/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5570**BY** Solomon, Shekarchi, McNamara, Bennett, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES -- SPECIAL PLATE FOR ROCKY POINT FOUNDATION (Authorizes a special license plate for the Rocky Point Foundation, Inc., and would specify the fees and other conditions for issuance.) {LC337/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5571**BY** McNamara, Solomon, Morin, Coughlin, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT (Establishes Rhode Island's membership in the interstate medical licensure compact. It details the procedure to be followed in order to allow physicians to become licensed in multiple states, while ensuring the safety of patients.) {LC1548/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5572**BY** Roberts, Chippendale, Filippi, Lancia, Nardolillo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - SALES AND USE TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Exempts from the sales and use tax, the purchase and use of telecommunication products or services that are necessary for internet access.) {LC1213/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5573**BY** Serpa, Handy, Palangio, Shekarchi, Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS (Requires those individuals under an order by an animal control officer to tether or confine dogs, training facilities, licensed hunters and sled dog owners to comply with the provisions of this chapter.) {LC1250/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5574**BY** Fogarty, Carson, Craven, Tanzi, Lally**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING THE INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING PROGRAM HOUSE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND (Names the International Engineering Program House located at the University of Rhode Island, the "John Grandin IEP House.") {LC1352/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5575**BY** Fogarty, Carson, Craven, Tanzi, Lally**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING NEW BUILDINGS (Names the new center for Chemical and Forensic Sciences at the University of Rhode Island the "The Richard E. Beaupre Center for Chemical and Forensic Sciences.") {LC1350/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5576**BY** Morgan, Roberts, Filippi, Lancia, Giarrusso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT (Requires retailers to examine a photo id to verify that a buyer presenting an EBT card is entitled to use the card. It further provides that a retailer who neglects to perform such verification shall be suspended from the program for 1 month.) {LC1278/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5577**BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS (Requires recertification of food service establishments every three (3) years and the presence of food safety managers during operation in food establishments which serve potentially hazardous foods.) {LC1441/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5578**BY** McNamara, Solomon, Morin, Coughlin, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - DISTANCE LEARNING (Establishes regulations and standards for distance learning educational programs.) {LC1329/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5579**BY** Gallison, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- FREEDOM FROM PRONE RESTRAINT ACT (Prohibits the use of prone restraints in certain facilities.) {LC1639/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5580**BY** Gallison**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATES FOR THE JOINT RESOLUTIONS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE RHODE ISLAND DISABILITIES COUNCIL EXAMINE AND REFINE ITS CURRENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES (Extends the reporting dates for the Joint Resolutions respectfully requesting the Rhode Island disabilities council to examine and refine its current policies and practices from January 5, 2015, to April 10, 2015.) {LC1636/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5581**BY** Handy, Amore, Solomon, O'Brien, McKiernan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Mandates each school district to adopt a written policy that addresses the use of Internet filtering measures for computer access in schools.) {LC1196/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5582**BY** Lombardi, Amore, Hull, McKiernan, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - RHODE ISLAND VISION EDUCATION AND SERVICES PROGRAM (Establishes a definition of "dyslexia" and makes certain findings about dyslexia.) {LC1416/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5583**BY** Handy, Blazejewski, Regunberg, Williams, Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES (Authorizes licensed midwives certified by the American Midwifery Certification Board to prescribe medications authorized by the department of health to his or her patient.) {LC1400/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5584**BY** Shekarchi, Solomon, McKiernan, Regunberg, Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - NUMBER OF CATS ALLOWED (Limits the number of cats per household to ten (10) without special permission.) {LC1660/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5585**BY** Shekarchi, McKiernan, Regunberg, Maldonado, Trillo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMAL AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- REGULATION OF VICIOUS DOGS (Would require that any dog seized as a result of dog fighting or unprovoked attacks upon human beings be placed in the care of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.) {LC1818/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5586**BY** Diaz, Slater, Ruggiero, Tanzi, Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES (Creates a nondiscriminatory clause under the children's bill of rights for all children who are under the supervision of the department of children, youth, and families.) {LC1640/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5587**BY** Lima, Filippi, Ajello, Costantino, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - MILK SANITATION CODE (Requires that labels or marks on milk or milk products include information disclosing whether such milk or milk product has been genetically engineered or modified.) {LC1180/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5588**BY** Fogarty, Craven, Tanzi, Hull, Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - PAYMENT OF WAGES - UNAUTHORIZED DEDUCTIONS (Prevents unauthorized deductions from employee wages.) {LC1515/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5589**BY** Giarrusso, Lancia, Roberts, Carnevale, Nunes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS (Establishes the E-Verify act requiring all government and non-government RI employers with three (3) or more employees to apply/participate in the federal program if accepted.) {LC870/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5590**BY** Tobon, Melo, Abney, Solomon, Coughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES (Allows, subject to an employer's consent, an employee to set up a payroll card account with his or her financial institution which can accept electronic transfer credit of wages from employer.) {LC1509/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 5591**BY** McKiernan, Shekarchi, Handy, O'Brien, Marshall**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - COMMISSION TO STUDY USE OF STATE LAND AS INCUBATOR FOR GREEN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY (Creates a commission to study the use of state owned land to assist in the incubation of private businesses involved in the development of new technology supporting the generation of "green energy.") {LC1091/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Resolution No. 5592**BY** Lally, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE RHODE ISLAND CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO PETITION THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF CONSTRUCTING A JETTY AT THE MOUTH OF THE NARROW RIVER {LC1605/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 5593**BY** Malik, Azzinaro, Hull, McNamara, Fellela**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- THE RHODE ISLAND FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES ACT (Adds military status discrimination as an unlawful housing practice protecting veterans.) {LC1720/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Veterans Affairs

House Bill No. 5594**BY** Ruggiero, Handy, McKiernan, Marshall, O`Grady**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - MUNICIPAL STREETLIGHT INVESTMENT ACT (Amends the provisions of the general laws related to conversion charges for municipality service, from a subject tariff rate to an alternative tariff rate, for delivery service of electric energy.) {LC1609/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5595**BY** Fogarty, Amore, Hull, O`Grady, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Limits damages to \$100,000 in any tort action against the public transit authority except in cases where the general assembly may authorize tort action in excess of that amount.) {LC1439/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5596**BY** Shekarchi, McKiernan, Ackerman, Kennedy, Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Determines reimbursement rates for medical records copies from health care providers.) {LC1361/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5597**BY** McKiernan, Shekarchi, Ackerman, Kennedy, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN NETWORK ACCESS AND ADEQUACY ACT (Establishes criteria by which the office of the health insurance commissioner shall review and regulate the adequacy of health plan networks.) {LC1376/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5598**BY** Morgan, Chippendale, Price, Filippi, Lancia**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT (Requires small employer carriers to permit small employers, collectively as a group, to purchase group health insurance plans.) {LC1133/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5599**BY** Corvese, Azzinaro, Winfield**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- DRUG COVERAGE (Requires all health care insurance companies to give 60 days' notice to all authorized prescribers, network pharmacies, pharmacists and affected subscribers when they remove a prescription drug from its plan' formulary.) {LC1450/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5600**BY** Keable, Lally**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT

(Provides that dissolved, terminated or revoked limited liability companies would have five (5) years after the date of the dissolution, termination, or revocation for the purpose of enabling it to wind up and close its affairs.) {LC1706/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5601**BY** Winfield**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

(Provides that on and after 7/1/15, any city or town council would have the authority to exempt said city or town from the prohibition against the issuance of certain alcoholic beverage licenses within 200' feet of a school or place of public worship.) {LC1631/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5602**BY** Kennedy, Azzinaro, Keable, Winfield, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

(Regulates business relationship between pharmacy services providers/group health insurers/health service organizations with department of business regulation oversight.)

{LC1431/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5603**BY** Shekarchi, McKiernan, Maldonado, Trillo, Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY-STATE BUILDING CODE

(Mandates that a land survey and a site or plot plan, tamped and certified by a professional land surveyor, be required as part of any construction application process.) {LC1517/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5604**BY** McKiernan, Shekarchi, Maldonado, Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE

SERVICES--UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT (Requires transparency in the criteria used by utilization review agents for the prospective assessment of health care services.) {LC1378/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5605**BY** O`Grady, Ackerman, Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS

INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires health care insurance policies/benefit plans to include a step therapy protocol for policies/plans delivered, issued and renewed effective January 1, 2016.)

{LC1289/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5606**BY** Roberts, Chippendale, Nardolillo, Price, Reilly**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES (Requires that any individual applying for a driver's/chauffeur's license possess a valid social security number.) {LC1210/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5607**BY** Lima, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - MOTOR VEHICLE GLASS REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT {LC1485/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5608**BY** Costantino, Marshall, Lima, Winfield, Trillo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- AUCTIONEERS (Only licensed auctioneers may conduct the sale of the property of a decedent's estate, with exception for heirs.) {LC1626/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5609**BY** Jacquard, Nunes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DRIVERS OF TAXICABS, LIMITED PUBLIC MOTOR VEHICLES AND PUBLIC MOTOR VEHICLES (Requires criminal background check for issuance of a hackney license) {LC1178/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5610**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ELECTRONIC CONFIRMATION AND COMPLIANCE SYSTEM (Creates an electronic vehicle liability insurance confirmation and compliance.) {LC1175/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5611**BY** Jacquard, Handy, Nunes, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - HEARING AIDS (Increases health coverage for hearing aids to \$1,500.) {LC1179/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5612**BY** Ackerman, Shekarchi, Keable, Blazejewski, Lally**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- FORM AND EFFECT OF CONVEYANCES (Validates the conveyance of real estate interests where the instrument of conveyance contains a minor defect.) {LC1421/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5613**BY** O`Grady, Diaz, Carson, Regunberg, Marshall**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE (Removes the requirement of an affidavit of ownership or occupancy by an entity with tax exempt status by a mortgagee for an offer to purchase a mortgage or residential property.)

{LC1204/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Resolution No. 5614**BY** Newberry, Casey, Marcello, Reilly, Edwards**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY BALLOT INTEGRITY AND SECURITY (Creates a 5 member study commission to study ballot integrity and security, and who would report back to the House by March 3, 2016, and would expire on June 3, 2016.) {LC1113/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5615**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONDOMINIUMS (Allows owners of a free standing townhouse style condominium unit, with supportive condominium documents, to alter their unit beyond its existing footprint and/or unit boundaries.) {LC1641/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5616**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - TAX SALES (Provides for the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation to give thirty (30) days to parties of interest that the property tax was paid and a tax lien is acquired.) {LC1437/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5617**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE (Provides additional protections when a mortgage is subject to Servicemember's Civil Relief Act.) {LC1557/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5618**BY** McLaughlin, MacBeth**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- DIVORCE AND SEPARATION (Allows family court to order maintenance support and education for a child up to age twenty-three (23).) {LC1442/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5619**BY** Trillo, Costa, Malik, Slater, Carnevale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNREASONABLE NOISE LEVELS (Prohibits setting off recurring noise in excess of eighty (80) decibels if audible within a 400 foot radius.) {LC732/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5620**BY** Roberts, Nardolillo, Costa, Morgan, Giarrusso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY (Includes landlords, business owners, and business managers in the category of persons which or who may be charged with the crime of knowingly allowing prostitution or sharing in the earnings, proceeds, or any money derived from prostitution.) {LC1132/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Resolution No. 5621**BY** Handy, Keable, Ajello, O`Grady, Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING CONGRESS TO RESTORE FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES {LC1307/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5622**BY** Marcello, Tanzi, Regunberg, Hearn**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - ELECTRONIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Authorizes the secretary of state to create and administer an electronic voter registration system.) {LC1592/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5623**BY** Almeida, Maldonado, Williams, McKiernan, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINALS - CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS - PAROLE (Authorizes the parole board to terminate a parolee's supervision through finding that, after 7 years, certain parolees and/or probationers no longer require continued supervision,) {LC1167/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5624**BY** Serpa, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT (Allows a primary caregiver cardholder to possess a reasonable amount of unusable marijuana, including up to twelve (12) seedlings, and creates a distinction between mature plants and seedlings.) {LC730/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5625**BY** Ackerman, Shekarchi, Kennedy, Lally, O`Grady**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - REDEMPTION, RELEASE, AND TRANSFER OF MORTGAGES (Clarifies and reduces the time after which a recorded mortgage would be unenforceable against real estate securing the mortgage.) {LC1364/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5626**BY** Ajello, Tanzi, Handy, Bennett, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE ACT (Establishes circumstances under which a woman is entitled to reproductive healthcare without interference.) {LC1161/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5627**BY** Carson, McNamara, Coughlin, Bennett, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC BEACH SMOKING POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (Prohibits smoking on public beaches in the state of Rhode Island.) {LC1512/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5628**BY** Williams, Filippi, Kazarian, Serpa, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL ASSAULT-STATEWIDE ACCOUNTING OF UNSUBMITTED RAPE KITS (Compels law enforcement agencies to provide a report identifying and describing any untested sexual assault collection kits.) {LC1533/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5629**BY** Marshall, Costantino, Winfield, O`Grady, Gallison**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- DRY DOCK FACILITIES (Expands the means by which marine facility operators may achieve service of written notice of liens on vessels, would permit a facility operator to bid at any subsequent sale, and would provide for the issuance of new title.) {LC1651/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5630**BY** Lally, Keable, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- LAW PRACTICE (Expands the definition of the practice of law to include activities relating to conducting real estate closings and prohibits municipalities from imposing licensing requirements on attorneys licensed in the state of Rhode Island.) {LC1715/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5631**BY** Newberry, Filippi, Regunberg, Slater, Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Eliminates the bond requirements in civil forfeiture cases, and allows a petitioner to request that the court determine if a forfeiture is disproportionately excessive, and may be reduced or eliminated as it deems appropriate.) {LC1467/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5632**BY** Roberts, Nardolillo, Filippi, Kazarian, Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- DOMESTIC ABUSE PREVENTION (Allows parents/interested parties to file family court petition for minor child protective order and lists when order may be sought and relief granted by court.) {LC706/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5633**BY** Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Requires state departments, when required to promulgate their rules and regulations in a timely manner.) {LC1185/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5634**BY** Tanzi, Hearn, Azzinaro, McNamara, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOBILE TELEPHONE USE (Prohibits the use of a non-hands-free personal wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle, except for public safety personnel or in an emergency situation, and provides for monetary fines for violations.) {LC1808/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5635**BY** Jacquard, Nunes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - RESIDENTIAL SECURITY DEPOSITS (Allows landlords to withhold from a security deposit paid by a vacating tenant, reasonable cleaning and trash disposal expenses they have incurred.) {LC1469/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5636**BY** Jacquard, Nunes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY (Prohibits a landlord at the commencement of a tenancy, to charge a prospective tenant more than one month's rent and a security deposit equal to two (2) months' rent.) {LC1464/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5637**BY** Jacquard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - LEVY AND SALE ON EXECUTION (Provides that personal property that the owner uses as a residence would be subordinate to a mortgage encumbering the property.) {LC1176/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5638**BY** Lima, Almeida, Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES (Establishes foreclosed property upkeep requirements.) {LC1186/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5639**BY** Marcello, Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Louis Joseph Fiorenzano, Jr., to join Kaitlin Francis Fiorenzano and Vincent Della Gotta in marriage on or about May 24, 2015, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.) {LC1623/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5640**BY** Lally**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Randall Shepard to join Eve Elliott and Jesse Bousquet, Jr., Esq., in marriage on or about September 26, 2015, within the Town of New Shoreham.) {LC1461/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5641**BY** Ruggiero, Handy, McKiernan, Marshall, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT WATERS AND NAVIGATION - COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL - THE RHODE ISLAND LOCAL AGRICULTURE AND SEAFOOD ACT (Establishes a dedicated funding stream for the "Local Agriculture and Seafood Grants Program", and expands the program to include support to the fishing community to fully participate in the development of fisheries management policies and regulations.) {LC1622/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5642**BY** McNamara, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RHODE ISLAND FAMILY HOME VISITING ACT (Establishes "The Rhode Island Family Home Visiting Act.") {LC1637/1}

02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5643**BY** Price, Reilly, Roberts, Costa, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES AND TOWNS - RHODE ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE ACT (Eliminates state mandate requiring cities/towns include affordable housing program in comprehensive plans.) {LC1477/1} 02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance**House Bill No. 5644****BY** Roberts, Price, Filippi, Nardolillo, Costa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RHODE ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE ACT (Removes state mandate requiring cities/towns to include affordable housing programs in plans and opt-out provisions regarding the same including land use in the state guide plan.) {LC1475/1} 02/25/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance**CALENDAR**

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2015:**1. 2015-S 22****BY** Paiva Weed**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO PURCHASE 138 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE IN SAID TOWN AND TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE AND RENOVATION THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Representative Gallison moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Ruggiero, Tanzi, and Carson.

Read and passed. in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 69 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 69: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Coughlin, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

GUESTS

Representative Newberry welcomes to the House Chamber as guests students from North Smithfield High School-Cassandra Cavallaro, and Megan Lefebure, along with their mentor, Joanne Forti.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Chippendale announces a Happy "17th" Birthday to his daughter Paige Joellen Chippendale.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 5645

BY MacBeth, Phillips, Ackerman, Costa, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE UNTIMELY PASSING OF NANCY STRAIN BELISLE {LC1799/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative MacBeth requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative MacBeth seconded by the Honorable Speaker Mattiello and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Diaz announces that the Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

Representative Blazejewski announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 205 of the State House.

Representative Azzinaro announces that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House.

Representative Winfield announces tomorrow the Chamber of Commerce will be having their annual Legislative Reception Day which will be celebrated in the Bell Room of the State House.

Representative Handy announces that Representative Filippi has asked for his bill (15-H 5352) being heard in the Environment and Natural Resources Committee tomorrow, be postponed a week.

Representative Williams invites members to the Senate Chamber for the celebration of Black History Month.

Representative Gallison announces that the Committee on Finance will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to Her Excellency, the Governor, to the Honorable Secretary of State, and the Honorable Senate forthwith.

(For Transmittals to Governor, see Appendix of this Journal.)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE

Representative McNamara, for the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

House Resolution No. 5494

BY Barros, Abney, Almeida, Tobon, Kazarian

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE 1696 HISTORICAL COMMISSION" OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE UNITED STATES

{LC825/1}

02/25/2015 Placed on House Calendar (03/03/2015)

Senate Resolution No. 79

BY Metts, Pichardo, Nesselbush, Crowley, Sheehan

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE 1696 HISTORICAL COMMISSION" OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE UNITED STATES (Extends the reporting date of the special legislative commission to be known as "The 1696 Historical Commission" from January 6, 2015 to August 1, 2015, and said commission expires on October 15, 2015.) {LC693/1}

02/25/2015 Placed on House Calendar (03/03/2015)

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:45 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative MacBeth, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Nancy Strain Belisle; on motion of Representative Azzinaro, and as a further mark of respect to the memories of Ronald Carlson and Virginia Buck seconded by Leaders DeSimone and Newberry the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE ANTONIO GIARRUSSO

Dear Lord: Please remind us to use this time you have given us to add something of value to each day. Help us to remember that our decisions are made without obligation or expectation of any benefit to ourselves, but only to benefit all our citizens. Amen.

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015:

- 1. 2015-H 5312**
BY Maldonado
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

- 2. 2015-S 142**
BY Picard
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND TAIWAN, ENHANCING BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND SUPPORTING TAIWAN IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 03, 2015:

- 1. 2015-H 5494**
BY Barros
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE 1696 HISTORICAL COMMISSION" OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

- 2. 2015-S 79**
BY Metts
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE 1696 HISTORICAL COMMISSION" OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage in concurrence.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

APPENDIX

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015:

1. **2015-H 5420**
 BY Slater
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
2. **2015-H 5421**
 BY Price
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
3. **2015-S 52**
 BY Nesselbush
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
4. **2015-S 60**
 BY Ottiano
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
5. **2015-S 61**
 BY Algieri
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
6. **2015-S 128**
 BY Sheehan
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
7. **2015-S 131**
 BY Archambault
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 8. 2015-S 176**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

- 9. 2015-S 292**
BY DaPonte
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Tuesday, February 24, 2015

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senate Bill No. 22

BY Paiva Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO PURCHASE 138 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE IN SAID TOWN AND TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE AND RENOVATION THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR {LC293/1}