

# **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

# **JOURNAL**

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# **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

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Twenty-eighth Day

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The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, March 24, 2015 and is called to order at 4:20 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 73 members present and 1 member absent as follows:

**PRESENT - 73:** The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, 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, Ucci, Williams, Winfield

**ABSENT – 1:** Representative Naughton.

## **INVOCATION**

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Messier 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 Thursday, March 19, 2015 is approved.

**RULE 7D**

**The following bills were announced pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Keable-An Act relating to Mail Ballots

Representative Kennedy-An Act relating to Energy

Representative McNamara-An Act relating to Solar Industry-Economic Investment Act

Representative Messier-An Act relating to Water Quality

Representative O'Grady-An Act relating to Health Insurance Coverage

Representative Solomon-An Act relating to Mail Ballots

Representative Tanzi-An Act relating to Voter Registration

**CALENDAR**

From the Calendar are taken:

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015:**

**1. 2015-H 5044**

**BY** Edwards

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES**

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Representative Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Marshall, Lima, Edwards, Newberry, Trillo, Canario, Azzinaro, Bennett, and Barros.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, 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, Ucci, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**2. 2015-H 5530**

**BY** Chippendale

**ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO  
THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF GLOCESTER**

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Representative Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Giarrusso, Nardolillo, Chippendale, Price, Morgan, Blazejewski, Keable, Bennett, and Winfield.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, 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, Ucci, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**3. 2015-S 452**

**BY** Metts

**ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE  
CHARTER OF NEWBELL, INC.**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

Representative Kennedy moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Phillips and Johnston.

Read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, 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, Ucci, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

### **GUESTS**

Representative Casey welcomes to the House Chamber as a guest Norman Frechette and thanks him for his 46 years of service to the city of Woonsocket on the zoning board. Along with Norman, Representative Casey welcomes his wife, Audrey Frechette, Richard and Patricia Fagnant, David and Tammy Allaire, their three young children, Abigail, Lauren, Ben Allaire, Donna Elks, Ed and Paula DiMuccio, Providence Police Officer Steven Frechette, Suzan Trinque, Michael Frechette, Cecile Frechette, Zachary Frechette.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **House Resolution No. 5964**

**BY** Casey, Morin, Phillips

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 24, 2015 AS "NORMAN G. FRECHETTE DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2165/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Casey seconded by Representatives Morgan, Phillips, Keable, Giarrusso, Marcello, Winfield, Hull, Price, Nardolillo, Roberts, Newberry, Abney, and Reilly by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

#### **House Resolution No. 5965**

**BY** DeSimone, Newberry

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2252/1}

Leader DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader DeSimone seconded by Leader Newberry by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Resolution No. 5966**

**BY** DeSimone, Newberry

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONDOLENCES {LC2251/1}

Leader DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader DeSimone seconded by Leader Newberry by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**GUESTS**

Representatives Costa and Fellela welcome to the House as guests members of the Trinity Christian Academy along with Reverend Stephen Fava, Reverend Jeremy McLellan, Michael Susi, Sarah Luongo, and Raymond Gambuto.

Representative Morin welcomes to the House as a guest former Representative now Mayor of Woonsocket, Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Kennedy announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House

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

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**NEW BUSINESS**

**House Resolution No. 5967**

**BY** Mattiello, DeSimone, Edwards, Serpa, Keable

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE WILLIAMSON FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF JAMES A. WILLIAMSON, JR. {LC2257/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Serpa seconded by the Honorable Speaker Mattiello, Leader DeSimone and Representatives Edwards, Keable, Ruggiero, Costantino,

Hearn, Williams, McNamara, Fogarty, Fellela, Trillo, Ajello, and Malik by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Costa announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet at the rise, in Room 101 of the State House.

Representative Gallison announces all members should have received copies of the budget bill (15-H 5900) and Second Glance at the Budget on their desk. Representative Gallison also announces there will be a briefing on the budget on Thursday.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**NEW BUSINESS**

**House Resolution No. 5968**

**BY** Mattiello, DeSimone, Edwards, Marshall, Kazarian

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES AND CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOHN P. O'CONNOR, ESQ. {LC2256/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Leader DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Representative Kazarian and the Honorable Speaker Mattiello discuss the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader DeSimone seconded by the Honorable Speaker Mattiello, and Representatives Edwards, Marshall, Kazarian, Serpa, Trillo, Costa, Giarrusso, Morgan, Reilly, Newberry, Roberts, Nardolillo, Chippendale, Price, Lancia, Filippi, Phillips, Tobon, Barros, Abney, Solomon, Coughlin, Johnston, Blazejewski, McLaughlin, Messier, Malik, Azzinaro, Diaz, Slater, Bennett, Hull, Ajello, Tanzi, Hearn, Marcello, Fellela, Lima, Costantino, Shekarchi, Kennedy, Gallison, Maldonado, Fogarty, Ackerman, O'Grady, Regunberg, Amore, Canario, Lombardi, Handy, Ruggiero, Morin, Craven, Almeida, McKiernan, O'Brien, Ucci, Williams, Winfield, and Casey by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

**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 CORPORATIONS**

Representative Kennedy, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 5922**

**BY Filippi**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF J. DOUGHERTY HOME IMPROVEMENTS, INC. {LC2210/1}

03/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (03/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 68**

**BY Crowley**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts the premises at 721-723 Broad Street; Central Falls (Assessor's Plat 1, lot 164) from the restrictions regarding the proximity of a liquor license to a church or school.) {LC60/1}

03/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (03/26/2015)

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Representative Keable, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 5070**

**BY Costa, Chippendale, Roberts, Casey, Morin**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS AND INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE (Increases the penalties for criminal offenses involving the sex trafficking of a minor.) {LC44/1}

03/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (03/26/2015)

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:51 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Serpa, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of James Williamson; on motion of Representative Gallison, and as a further mark of respect to the memories of Louis Lagarto and Vincent Lunney; on motion of the entire House of Representatives and as a further mark of respect to the memory of John O'Connor Esq. seconded by Leaders DeSimone and Newberry the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

**Linda M. McElroy**  
Recording Clerk

**APPENDIX**

**INVOCATION**

**REPRESENTATIVE MARY DUFFY MESSIER**

Dear God: Help us to rely upon you and to hear your voice within. When so many demand our attention, let us rely on your strength when we are overwhelmed. Inspire us to fully appreciate what a true blessing it is to be committed to public service. Amen.

**APPENDIX**

**CALENDAR**

**IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2015:**

**1. 2015-H 5500 SUB A**

**BY Chippendale**

**ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND REVIEW CURRENT RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & DISCIPLINE**

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

**2. 2015-H 5817 SUB A**

**BY Mattiello**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES**

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

**3. 2015-S 616**

**BY Felag**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION --TIVERTON ELDERLY EXEMPTION**

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

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015:**

**1. 2015-H 5922**

**BY Filippi**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF J. DOUGHERTY HOME IMPROVEMENTS, INC.**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

**2. 2015-H 5070**

**BY Costa**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS AND INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**3. 2015-S 68**

**BY Crowley**

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

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Tuesday, March 24, 2015**

**APPENDIX**

**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR**

**Senate Bill No. 452**

**BY Metts**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE  
CHARTER OF NEWBELL, INC. {LC1857/1}**

03/19/2015 Transmitted to the Governor