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Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Thirty-seventh Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, April 14, 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 4 members absent as follows:

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

ABSENT – 4: Representatives Coughlin, Fellela, Marshall, Ucci.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Palangio 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, April 9, 2015 is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Fellela is unable to attend session today, Tuesday April 14 2015.

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

Representative Azzinaro-An Act relating to Tourism & Development

Representative Canario-An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Offenses

Representative Craven-An Act relating to Motor Vehicles-Automated Traffic Speed Enforcement System

Representative Edwards-An Act relating to Personal Pensions & IRA'S

Representative Gallison-An Act relating to License Plates

Representative Maldonado-An Act relating to Courts & Civil Procedure

Representative Reilly-An Act relating to Motor Vehicle-Excise Taxes

Representative Trillo-An Act relating to Birds

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015:**1. 2015-H 6036**

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE WESCOM GROUP LLC

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

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

Read and passed, 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, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey,

Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, 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:

2. 2015-H 5789 SUB A

BY DeSimone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

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

Representative Keable moves passage of the act, seconded by the entire House of Representatives.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, 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, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, 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:

3. 2015-H 5840 SUB A

BY Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

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

Representative Keable moves passage of the act, seconded by the entire House of Representatives.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, 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, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, 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:

4. 2015-H 5920 SUB A

BY Hearn

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

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

Read, and by unanimous consent, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, April 15, 2015.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Representative Tobon wishes a Happy "44th" Birthday to Carlos Diaz, from Capitol TV.

Representative McNamara announces "Equal Pay Day," which calls attention to the disparity in pay between men and women.

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 6064****BY** DeSimone, Newberry**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2460/1}

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. 6065**BY** DeSimone, Newberry**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONDOLENCES {LC2461/1}

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.

House Resolution No. 6066**BY** Carson, Abney, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE CITY OF NEWPORT'S "DAFFODILL DAYS FESTIVAL" ON APRIL 17TH THROUGH 19TH {LC2097/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Carson seconded by Representatives Abney and Ruggiero, and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6067**BY** Morin, Casey, Phillips, Marcello, Newberry**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING CHARLES CELESTE BALDELLI ON A LIFETIME OF CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT AND CONGRATULATING HIM ON THE DEDICATION OF THE WOONSOCKET SENIOR SOFTBALL FIELD AND SPORTS COMPLEX IN HIS HONOR {LC2464/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Morin seconded by Representatives Casey, Phillips, Marcello, Newberry, Keable, Kennedy, Costantino, and Trillo and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Chippendale announces the 150th anniversary of the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln on April 15th, 1865.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 6068

BY Mattiello, DeSimone, Palangio, Lombardi, Costantino

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE ROCCO A. QUATTROCCHI {LC2483/1}

With the agreement of the minority, Representative DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative DeSimone seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Representatives Handy, Costantino, Lima, Corvese, Newberry, Malik, McNamara, Slater, Hull, Bennett, Solomon, Johnston, Abney, Phillips, Trillo, Costa, Giarrusso, Price, McLaughlin, Ajello, Maldonado, Fogarty, Palangio, Amore, Lombardi, Williams, and Ruggiero and by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

Representative Palangio discusses the resolution.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Amore congratulates the Providence College Friars for winning the NCAA National Hockey Championship.

Representative Gallison announces that the Committee on Finance will meet at the rise of the House, and tomorrow at 1 o'clock P.M. in Room 35 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 6069

BY Mattiello, DeSimone, Amore, McNamara, Keable

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE PROVIDENCE COLLEGE FRIARS ON WINNING THE 2015 NCAA HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP {LC2458/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Amore seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Representatives Kennedy, DeSimone, Reilly, McNamara, Fogarty, Keable, Canario, Ruggiero, Solomon, Costa, Nardolillo, Lancia, Roberts, Melo, Tobon, Abney, Johnston, Blazejewski, Edwards, McLaughlin, Casey, Azzinaro, Bennett, Hull, Nunes, Hearn, Gallison, and Phillips and by unanimous consent, on a voice 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 649 SUB A

BY Goodwin, O'Neill, Ciccone, Crowley, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TWIN RIVER CASINO GAMBLING (Removes a provision in the 2005 public laws which prohibits the construction of a hotel on the Twin River premises in Lincoln, Rhode Island.) {LC2057/A/1}

04/14/2015 Placed on House Calendar

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 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}

04/14/2015 Placed on House Calendar (04/16/2015)

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}

04/14/2015 Placed on House Calendar (04/16/2015)

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Representative Craven, for the Committee on Municipal Government, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5901

BY Winfield, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2014 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD {LC2049/1}

04/14/2015 Placed on House Calendar (04/16/2015)

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:54 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Melo, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Dorothy M. Casey; on motion of Representative Ruggiero, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Leonor Holmes Brown; on motion of Representative DeSimone as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Rocco Quattrocchi; on motion of Representative Roberts, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Jack Bishop, Jr.; seconded by Representative Lima and Leader Newberry the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS A. PALANGIO

Heavenly Father: We come to you this hour asking for your blessing as we gather together. We pray for guidance in the matters at hand and ask you to lighten our burdens as we strive to make our State a great place for all our citizens to live. Amen.

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015:

1. **2015-H 5920 SUB A**
 BY Hearn
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

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

2. **2015-H 6037**
 BY Shekarchi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TERN INN, INC.

 Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

3. **2015-H 5590 SUB A**
 BY Tobon
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES

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

4. **2015-H 5246**
 BY Corvese
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - GENERAL STATE OFFICERS

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

5. **2015-H 5942**
 BY Fellela
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

 Committee on Veterans' Affairs recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015:**1. 2015-H 5574****BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING THE INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING PROGRAM HOUSE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

2. 2015-H 5575**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING NEW BUILDINGS

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

3. 2015-H 5901**BY** Winfield**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2014 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

4. 2015-S 649 SUB A**BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TWIN RIVER CASINO GAMBLING

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

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House**Tuesday, April 14, 2015**