

# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Tenth Legislative Day

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:37 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 38 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 38: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

**ABSENT** – 0

## INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

**APPROVAL OF RECORD**

The Senate Journals of the Ninth Legislative Day of the 2016 proceedings is read in part.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES  
COMMITTEE ON LABOR**

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

**The Reappointment of Bahjat Shariff (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of John C. Gregory (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of Mario Y. Bueno (Representing Community Based Organization) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of Martin Trueb (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of Paul MacDonald (Representing Labor) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of Timothy L. Byrne (Representing Labor) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

**The Reappointment of Nathaniel J. Rendine, Esq. (Representative of Labor) to the Labor and Training Board of Review for a term expiring February 1, 2022.**

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Senator McCaffrey from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

**The Reappointment of Michael A. Traficante to the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Airport Corporation for a term expiring June 1, 2020.**

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Resolution No. 2245****BY** Doyle, Cote, Lombardi, Walaska, Picard**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24TH THROUGH JANUARY 30TH, 2016, AS "NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Senator Doyle requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Doyle moves passage, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Walaska, DiPalma, Felag.

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

**GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senator Doyle and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber members that joined the school choice week including teachers, parents and students.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Resolution No. 2201****BY** Kettle, Algiere, Gee, Morgan, O'Neill**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE BRADFORD GORHAM  
{LC4259/1}

Senator Kettle requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Kettle moves passage, seconded by Senators Algiere, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

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

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

**1. The Reappointment of Jean Rondeau to the State Retirement Board for a term expiring March1, 2020.**

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

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri, 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 Algieri, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS: 0

**GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senator Lynch Prata and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Jamie Doyle, Senator Doyle's nine year old son.

**TRANSMITTAL**

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

(See Appendix for List)

**RECESS**

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senators Algieri and Ruggerio and upon suggestion of Senator Kettle the Senate Stands in Recess at 4:54 o'clock P.M. in memory of The Honorable *Bradford Gorham*.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Bill No. 2246****BY** Ruggerio, Paiva Weed, Goodwin, DiPalma, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, RECONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE FUND -- TOLLS

{LC4381/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Resolution No. 2247****BY** Pagliarini, Algieri, Jabour, Ciccone, Cote**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- RESTRICTION ON TOLLING (This Joint Resolution would propose a Constitutional Amendment providing that any new highway or bridge tolling would require voter approval statewide and also in the municipalities affected.)

{LC4037/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Resolution No. 2248****BY** Pagliarini**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION -- RESTRICTION ON TOLLING (This Joint Resolution would propose a Constitutional Amendment providing that any new highway or bridge tolling would require voter approval statewide and also in the municipalities affected.)

{LC4407/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**House Bill No. 7018****BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Hanna Strowman to join Wendy Shaffer and Howard Rappoport in marriage on or about April 2, 2016, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.)

{LC3407/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7019****BY** Gallison, Marshall

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Laurie Kirby to join Amanda Colwell and Andrew Olson in marriage on or about June 4, 2016, within the Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3026/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7020****BY** Azzinaro, Corvese

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Robert Elmer to join Lauren Eisenberg and Serge Gagarin in marriage on or about June 18, 2016, within the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3379/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7021****BY** Edwards

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Catherine Tobin to join Trevor Charles Horn and Jessica Elizabeth Simas-Morin in marriage on or about July 30, 2016, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3027/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7095****BY** Ruggiero

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Mark S. Hayward to join Amy Michele Famiglietti and Daniel Charles Sirois, Jr. in marriage on or about July 6, 2016, within the city of Newport, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3605/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7096****BY** McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Ellen L. Connery to join Dana L. Sarubbi and Joshua H. Trotta in marriage on or about August 12, 2016, within the town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3263/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7133****BY** Winfield, Costantino

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Colleen Marie Menard to join Bianca M.P. Hunt and Andrew Ivens Augusto in marriage on or about June 4, 2016, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3590/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7134****BY** McEntee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Mooney to join Kyla Normand and Wesley Ridders in marriage on or about July 24, 2016, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3756/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7135****BY** Azzinaro, Corvese

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Dan E. Blackstone to join Teresa Garcia and Jeffery Perez in marriage on or about February 13, 2016, within the town of Westerly, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3746/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7136****BY** Abney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Anne Carney Blain, Esq., to join Ali Bell-Irving and Jared Givens in marriage on or about June 17, 2016, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3766/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7137****BY** Diaz, Slater, Hull

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Fredrick Owen to join Brandon Healy and Mia Waldron in marriage on or about June 18, 2016, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3025/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7138****BY** Blazejewski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Laurie A. Backall to join Nathan R. Limbach and Gretchen E. Bell in marriage on or about October 8, 2016, within the Town of Little Compton, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3749/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7139****BY** Blazejewski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Neil Fortin to join Jennifer Norton and David Socha in marriage on or about December 31, 2016, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)  
{LC3748/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**COMMUNICATION**

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE**

January 29, 2016

Mr. Joseph Brady  
Secretary of the Senate  
State House  
Room 145  
State House  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Secretary Brady:

Pursuant to rule 4.1 I would like to respectfully request that senate Resolution S-2139, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO CONSIDER AND IMPLEMENT SECURE PAYMENT TECHNOLOGY THROUGHOUT STATE GOVERNMENT AND SERVICES be withdrawn.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please feel free to contact me on my cell at 401-447-9441.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Lombardi  
Senator  
District-26

Read and ordered to be placed on file.



**CALLED TO ORDER**

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, on Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:32 o'clock P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator Algieri seconded by Senator Ruggerio the Senate adjourns at 6:33 o'clock P.M.

**Appendix****INVOCATION****SENATOR JAMES E. DOYLE, II**

Dear Lord, Please remind us daily to use the time you have given us to add something of value to each day. Please help us to remember that our decisions are made without obligation or expectation of any benefit to ourselves, but only to benefit our citizens and most importantly, for the benefit of our children. Amen.

**Appendix****CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 02, 2016:**

1. Reappointment of Bahjat Shariff (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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

2. Reappointment of John C. Gregory (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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3. Reappointment of Mario Y. Bueno (Representing Community Based Organization) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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4. Reappointment of Martin Trueb (Employer Representative) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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

5. Reappointment of Paul McDonald (Representing Labor) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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

6. Reappointment of Timothy L. Byrne (Representing Labor) to the Governor's Workforce Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019.

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

7. Reappointment of Nathaniel J. Rendine, Esq. (Representative of Labor) to the Labor and Training Board of Review for a term expiring February 1, 2022.

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

8. Reappointment of Michael A. Traficante to the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Airport Corporation for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

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

***JOSEPH R. BRADY***  
Secretary of the Senate