

# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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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 4:39 o'clock P.M.

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

**PRESENT** – 36: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators 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, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

**ABSENT** – 2: Senators Goldin and Satchell.

## INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

## APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Twenty-Fourth Legislative Day of the 2016 proceedings is read in part.

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

### COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

March 10, 2016

The Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed  
President of the Senate  
318 State House  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Paiva Weed:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that due to illness, I will be absent from the chamber on Thursday, March 10, 2016.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Senator Adam J. Satchell  
Senate District 09

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

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

March 10, 2016

The Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed  
President of the Senate  
State House Room 318  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Thursday, March 10, 2016 as I am out of town.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warmest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

Gayle L. Goldin  
Senator – District 03

Read and ordered to be placed on file.



**Supreme Court of Rhode Island  
Providence**

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
SUPREME COURT**

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by the provisions of G.L. 8-8.2-1, I hereby assign the Honorable Domenic A. DiSandro III of North Kingstown to the position of Magistrate of the Traffic Tribunal, for a term of ten (10) years.

To this assignment, I respectfully request the advice and consent of the Honorable Senate.

Dated at Providence on this 3<sup>rd</sup>, day of March, 2016.

Paul A. Suttell  
Chief Justice

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



**Supreme Court of Rhode Island  
Providence**

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
SUPREME COURT**

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by the provisions of G.L. 8-8.2-1, I hereby assign Erika Kruse Weller, Esquire of Cranston to the position of Magistrate of the Traffic Tribunal, for a term of ten (10) years.

To this assignment, I respectfully request the advice and consent of the Honorable Senate.

Dated at Providence on this 3rd, day of March, 2016.

Paul A. Suttell  
Chief Justice

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



**Supreme Court of Rhode Island  
Providence**

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
SUPREME COURT**

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by the provisions of G.L. 8-8.2-1, I hereby assign the Honorable William T. Noonan of Pawtucket to the position of Magistrate of the Traffic Tribunal, for a term of ten (10) years.

To this assignment, I respectfully request the advice and consent of the Honorable Senate.

Dated at Providence on this 3rd, day of March, 2016.

Paul A. Suttell  
Chief Justice

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **Senate Resolution No. 2728**

**BY** Pichardo

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING JAMES E. TAYLOR ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT AFTER TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OF DEVOTED AND EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF PROVIDENCE  
{LC5302/1}

Senator Pichardo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Pichardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Metts, Goodwin, Ruggerio and Algiere.

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

### GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Pichardo, Metts and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Jim Taylor Providence Firefighter and Mousy Torres.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Bill No. 2735****BY** Pichardo, Gallo, Satchell, Metts, Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- BILITERACY SEAL (Establishes a state seal of biliteracy to recognize high school graduates who have attained a high level of proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages in addition to English.)

{LC5309/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Education.

**Senate Bill No. 2736****BY** Lombardo, Cote, Metts, Walaska**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (Permits students with necessary educational background to participate in career and technical internships.)

{LC5389/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Education.

**Senate Bill No. 2737****BY** Lombardo, Lombardi, Archambault, Fogarty, Kettle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - BIRDS (Legalizes the taking of wild migratory birds by crossbow.)

{LC5342/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

**Senate Bill No. 2738****BY** Lombardi, Gallo, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT CREATING ENABLING LEGISLATION TO ALLOW CITY OF CRANSTON EMPLOYEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF LOCAL 1363, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AFL-CIO TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE RHODE ISLAND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (Provides that certain Cranston firefighters in Local 1363 would be exempt from the municipal employee's retirement system and would allow the city of Cranston to consider all such employees for a city-sponsored defined contribution plan.)

{LC5359/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2739****BY** Pearson, Satchell, Picard, Miller, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - FUNDING OF CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Provides new rules and procedures regarding the funding of charter public schools.)  
{LC5250/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2740**

(RI Housing)

**BY** Metts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - TAX SALES (Mandates tax collectors conducting tax sales provide the required notices to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation as well as the department of elderly affairs, and that such notices could be provided electronically.)  
{LC5292/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2741****BY** Lombardi, Gallo, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT CREATING ENABLING LEGISLATION TO EXEMPT COLONEL MICHAEL WINQUIST FROM THE RHODE ISLAND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (Allows the city of Cranston to allow Colonel Michael Winquist to participate in the city of Cranston's 401(k) retirement plan in lieu of the Rhode Island Municipal Employees' Retirement System.)  
{LC5368/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2742****BY** Pearson, Picard, Nesselbush, Lombardi, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Provides that beginning in FY 2017, the state would pay the local share of charter public school tuition for school districts with charter public school enrollments that total more than five percent (5%) all students in those districts.)  
{LC5024/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2743****BY** Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Jabour, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - STATE INVESTMENT COMMISSION (Authorizes the state investment commission to create an "Emerging Manager Program" to promote investment with newer, smaller and more diverse asset managers.)  
{LC5324/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2744****BY** Pearson, Picard, Nesselbush, Lombardi, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Provides that beginning in FY 2017, the state would pay the local share of charter public school tuition for certain students in high density charter public schools.)

{LC5023/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2745****BY** Miller, Lynch Prata, Ruggerio, Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS (Utilizes rebates instead of tax credits and increases the available amounts.)

{LC5424/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2746**

(by request)

**BY** Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - INTEREST RATES (Reduces the interest rate on delinquent tax payments to between 4% and 7%.)

{LC5323/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2747****BY** Lynch Prata, Walaska, Doyle, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS-GREEN ENERGY REVOLVING FUND (Establishes the green energy revolving fund for the purpose of providing loans for green energy projects.)

{LC5388/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2748****BY** Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS (Makes an appropriation of two hundred ninety-five thousand dollars (\$295,000) for the Mental Health consumer Advocates of Rhode Island and the Oasis Wellness and Recovery Center for fiscal year 2016-2017.)

{LC5364/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.



**Senate Bill No. 2749**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Miller, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Pearson, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - TAX CREDITS (Enhances the reporting requirements related to the transfer or conveyance of transferable tax credits.)

{LC5365/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2750**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Gallo, Lynch Prata, Coyne, Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE-CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION (Increases the emergency fund pursuant to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act for burial expenses from \$8,000 to \$10,000 and increase the emergency relocation costs from \$2,000 to \$5,000.)

{LC4279/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2751**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Lombardi, Raptakis, Walaska, DiPalma, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- ITINERANT VENDORS (Repeals the chapter of the general laws regulating itinerant vendors and their various licensing requirements, responsibilities, and duties.)

{LC4275/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2752**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Lombardo, Cote, Conley, DiPalma, Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS' INSURANCE (Repeals the requirement that the general treasurer submit an annual report regarding federal old-age and survivors' insurance to the general assembly.)

{LC4278/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2753**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Lynch Prata, Walaska, Doyle, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE -- UNCLAIMED INTANGIBLE AND TANGIBLE PROPERTY (Specifies the procedure for the escheat of unclaimed United States savings bonds.)

{LC4250/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2754**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** DiPalma, Coyne, Lombardi, Conley, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS (Provides the state with the flexibility to engage up to three (3) authorized companies to administer its deferred compensation plans rather than the current statutory mandate to hire three (3) companies to do this task.)

{LC4277/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2755****BY** Coyne, Lombardo, Cote, DiPalma, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHARMACIES (Adds biological/interchangeable biological products to the category of medications pharmacies may dispense, and regulates the procedures for dispensation/substitution.)

{LC5328/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Senate Bill No. 2756****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (Requires insurance policies to provide coverage for the use of telecommunication services rendered to subscribers who reside on islands located within the state that are not connected to the mainland by any bridge or other structure.)

{LC5396/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 2757****BY** Sosnowski, Crowley, Goldin, Conley, Archambault**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Modifies types of healthy foods/beverages sold to students per federal law with exceptions for career/technical schools with culinary arts/food service programs based on new definitions.)

{LC3228/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 2758**

(Administration)

**BY** Pearson

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - FIRE SAFETY (Makes several updates to the state fire code and its reference to the term and adoption of portions of the national fire codes.)

{LC5293/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 2759****BY** Walaska, Lombardo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS (Establishes the office of administrative hearings to adjudicate contested state agency cases.)

{LC4837/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2760****BY** Pichardo, Miller

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - RHODE ISLAND REAL ESTATE TIME-SHARE ACT - TERMINATION OF TIME SHARES (Amends the RI Real Estate Time-Share Act to provide for dissolution of the time-share form of ownership by fewer than 80% of the owners in certain circumstances.)

{LC5340/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2761****BY** Metts

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (Provides that only peace officers and persons approved by the school authorities for the purposes of educational instruction officers may carry firearms or other weapons on school grounds.)

{LC4380/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2762**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Paiva Weed

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION (Makes residents of the state of Rhode Island who are victims of terrorist acts outside the state of Rhode Island but within the United States, eligible to receive victim's compensation payments under this chapter.)

{LC4276/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 2763****BY** Sosnowski, Miller, Pichardo, Walaska, Kettle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY (Establishes permit the growth of hemp by properly licensed individuals or entities that have met the requirements of this chapter. Also provides that higher educational institutions could grow hemp for educational and research purposes.)

{LC4894/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2764****BY** Lombardi, Archambault, Conley, McCaffrey, Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- LAW PRACTICE

(Requires duly admitted members of the bar of this state to acquire and maintain malpractice insurance in the minimum amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000).)

{LC5425/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2765****BY** Sosnowski, Crowley, Conley, Archambault, Goldin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -

MISCELLANEOUS RULES (Authorizes police officers to provide a verbal warning to a person who is smoking in a vehicle containing a child who is restrained or required to be restrained.)

{LC4435/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary

**Senate Bill No. 2766****BY** Morgan, Algieri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows

Elizabeth Ann Walsh to join Jennifer Dunphy and Aubrey Dante in marriage on or about June 4, 2016, within the Town of Charlestown, Rhode Island.)

{LC5402/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2767****BY** Metts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (Prohibits

persons convicted of domestic violence crime subject to a restraining order from possessing, owning firearm and requires surrender of any owned possessed firearm to police while order is in effect and return when order is terminated.)

{LC4861/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2768**

(Children &amp; Families)

**BY** Crowley, Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT (Repeals §14-1-61 regarding the placement for costs and expenses for certain complaints filed in family court, and chapter 4 of title 14, which establishes the O'Rourke Children's Center.)

{LC5072/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2769**

(Business Regulation)

**BY** Lynch Prata, Gallo, Miller

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS REGULATIONS (Amends various statutes in connection with the administrative powers of the department of business regulation in order to provide consistency with respect to the penalty – related provisions governing the businesses subject to the statutes.)

{LC5120/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 2770**

(Administration/Labor &amp; Training)

**BY** McCaffrey, Morgan

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- COMMERCIAL WATER FILTRATION/TREATMENT SYSTEM CONTRACTORS (Establishes limited licenses for commercial water filtration/treatment system work to be governed under the authority of the board of examiners of plumbers.)

{LC5156/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Labor.

**Senate Bill No. 2771****BY** Pichardo

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES--SPECIAL PLATE FOR LUPUS FOUNDATION NEW ENGLAND (Authorizes the issuance of a special license plate for Lupus Foundation New England.)

{LC3223/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

**Senate Bill No. 2772****BY** Gallo, Ruggerio, Walaska, Fogarty, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

(Allows class A liquor retail license holders to serve unlimited samples of wine products available for purchase on one occasion each year.)

{LC5426/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

**Senate Resolution No. 2773****BY** Jabour, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE 2016 RHODE ISLAND BOYS' BASKETBALL DIVISION I TOURNAMENT

{LC5358/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 2774**

(OHIC)

**BY** Nesselbush, Miller, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Coyne**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

(Amends the laws governing Rhode Island health insurance coverage to bring them into compliance with federal laws, with emphasis on compliance with The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (P.L. 111-148).)

{LC5226/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**House Bill No. 7086 SUB A****BY** Malik, Marshall, Gallison, Hull, Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Names the section of Route 114 located in Bristol and Warren between the Warren Bridge and the Mount Hope Bridge in memory of 1st Sergeant P. Andrew McKenna.)

{LC3040/A/2}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

**House Bill No. 7050****BY** Azzinaro, Corvese, Kennedy, Malik, Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Appropriate public education made available to a disabled child until their twenty-first birthday or completion of program in which they are enrolled as of their twenty-first birthday.)

{LC3207/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Education.

**House Bill No. 7750****BY** Marshall, Gallison**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Janet L. Calderiso to join Matthew Joseph Accardi and Summer Rae Feeley on or about September 24, 2016, within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island.)

{LC4887/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7751****BY** Ackerman, O'Grady**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Bernard Burke to join Ana M. Dede and Fjodor Dukaj in marriage on or about July 9, 2016, within the Town of Lincoln, Rhode Island.)

{LC5219/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7690****BY** Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (would allow T. Louis Filliger to join Laura Filliger and Nickolas Holland in marriage on or about August 29, 2016, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.)

{LC5101/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7691****BY** Mattiello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable William W. O'Brien to join Jillian A. Avella and Joseph D. Pearl in marriage on or about April 10, 2016, within the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.)

{LC5040/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7689****BY** Ucci

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable John D. Casey to join Kialie Mae Boardman and Jonathon Paul Graziano in marriage on or about June 18, 2016, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC5137/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7769****BY** Costa

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

{LC5222/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7688****BY** Filippi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Sally Decelles to join Meghan Gaudet and Michael Decelles in marriage on or about August 5, 2016, within the Town of Charlestown, Rhode Island.)

{LC5049/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7201 SUB A****BY** DeSimone

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION -- 2015 (Makes a number of technical amendments to the general laws, prepared at the recommendation of the Law Revision Office. Article I of the act includes the statutory construction bill. Article II of the act contains reenactments of selected general laws.)

{LC3664/A/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Judiciary.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

- 1. Reappointment of Gregory A. Mancini, Esq. to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

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



2. **Appointment of John Justo VICE John A. Dorsey, Esq. to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term expiring January 1, 2019.**

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

3. **Appointment of Susan Leach DeBlasio, Esq. VICE Martha Holt Castle (Resigned) to the Quonset Development Corporation for a term expiring January 1, 2018.**

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

4. **2016-S 2724**

**BY** Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT COMMERCE RI, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, INTEGRATE SEAFOOD MARKETING AND BRANDING LOGO WITH THE STATE'S TOURISM AND REBRANDING CAMPAIGN

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

5. **2016-S 2725**

**BY** Lombardi

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ORCHARD FARMS AND STONE HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS ON BEING RECOGNIZED AS COMMENDED SCHOOLS BY THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

6. **2016-S 2726**

**BY** Sosnowski

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING SOUTH COUNTY ARTIFICIAL LIMB & BRACE ON BEING NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FOR FORTY YEARS OF DEDICATED AND EXEMPLARY TREATMENT OF VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER PATIENTS IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

7.     **2016-S 2614**  
       **BY** Pagliarini  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

8.     **2016-S 2616**  
       **BY** Lynch Prata  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

9.     **2016-S 2568**  
       **BY** Miller  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

10.    **2016-S 2360**  
       **BY** Metts  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

11.    **2016-S 2566**  
       **BY** Walaska  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

12.    **2016-S 2302**  
       **BY** McCaffrey  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

13.    **2016-S 2303**  
       **BY** McCaffrey  
       **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

### **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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator DiPalma announces that the annual celebration of the mathematical constant  $\pi$  known as Pi Day will be Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today at the rise of the Senate in Room 211 of the State House.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Kettle the Senate adjourns at 4:52 o'clock P.M.

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR MARC A. COTE**

Almighty God, we ask that you aid us in putting forth our best efforts as leaders of our State, as we attempt to make Rhode Island a better place for all to live. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016:

1. 2016-S 2773

BY Jabour

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE CLASSICAL  
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE 2016 RHODE  
ISLAND BOYS' BASKETBALL DIVISION I TOURNAMENT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

**Joseph Brady**  
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016:

1.     **2016-S 2402**  
      **BY** Gallo  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
2.     **2016-S 2506**  
      **BY** McCaffrey  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -  
      ELECTRICIANS  
  
      Committee on Labor recommends passage.
3.     **2016-S 2296**  
      **BY** Nesselbush  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RIGHTS OF  
      PATIENTS - MEDICAL RECORD FEES FOR VETERANS  
  
      Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.
4.     **2016-S 2513**  
      **BY** Goldin  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**Joseph R. Brady**  
Secretary of the Senate