# Journal of the Senate

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

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Ninth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:12 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

**PRESENT** -37: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

**ABSENT** – 1: Senator Goldin.

#### INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

# APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Eighth Legislative Day of the 2017 proceedings is read in part.

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

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

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

# Senate Bill No. 58

**BY** Kettle

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Carole Warren to join Molly Smith and Zachary C. Siener in marriage on or about July 29, 2017, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.) {LC296/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

# Senate Bill No. 61

BY Jabour, McCaffrey, Lynch Prata, Calkin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Nancy Mullen to join Amy Lynne Oster and Scott Anthony Lambert, Jr., in marriage on or about May 20, 2017, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.) {LC597/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

# Senate Bill No. 62

**BY** Lynch Prata

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Scott Avedisian to join Annmarie Pedro and Steven Matthew Carson in marriage on or about March 24, 2018, within the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC711/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

# Senate Bill No. 63

**BY** McCaffrey, Lynch Prata

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Cena, Sr., to join Rachel McCaffrey and Ryan Hayden in marriage on or about August 4, 2017, within the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC254/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

# Senate Bill No. 65

**BY** Lombardi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Robert Edward Catanzaro to join Sarah Austin Gorham and Colin John Esposito in marriage on or about July 8, 2017, within the Town of Charlestown, Rhode Island.) {LC460/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

# Senate Bill No. 67

BY Archambault

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Terrance N. Turner, Esq., Justice of the Peace, to join Amanda E. Carrier, and Justin N. Turner, in marriage on or about October 7, 2017, within the Town of East Greenwich, Rhode Island.) {LC384/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

#### 1. 2017-S 66

**BY** Lynch Prata

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algiere, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows.

**YEAS - 33:** The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

#### **NAYS - 0:**

#### **GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Geri Ann DiPaolo.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator Lynch Prata announces that the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs will meet today at the rise of the Senate in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Conley announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet Tuesday, January 31st at the rise of the Senate in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Goodwin announces that the General Treasurer is hosting a Legislative Reception today from 4:30-6:30pm in his office.

# **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.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Kettle, the Senate stands adjourn at 4:17 o'clock P.M.

# Appendix

# **INVOCATION**

# SENATOR FRANK A. CICCONE

Almighty God, we ask today that you help us to live wisely, to fight for justice and truth, and to always try to live up to the expectations of our constituents. Amen.

# **Appendix**

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

# IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017:

# 1. 2017-S 58

BY Kettle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

# 2. 2017-S 61

BY Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

# 3. 2017-S 62

**BY** Lynch Prata

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

# 4. 2017-S 63

**BY** McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

# 5. 2017-S 65

**BY** Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

# 6. 2017-S 67

**BY** Archambault

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.