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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 Fourth Day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

Volume 149, No. 36 Tuesday, May 17, 2022 Thirty-sixth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, May 17, 2022, and is called to order at 4:16 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 69 members present and 6 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 69: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson and Williams.

ABSENT – 6: Representatives Corvese, Morgan, Perez, Place, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative John G. Edwards 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, May 12, 2022, is approved.

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST
2022

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Representative Tobon

hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H- 7930

entitled: Medicare Section 1115 DemonstrationWaiver Requests and Renewals

which is currently in the House Committee on Finance

Signature: _____

House District # 58

Date: 13 May 2022

Acknowledgement:

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Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

NOTE: This request must be submitted to the Clerk of the House, who will retain the original and a copy to be placed in the committee's original bill file

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST
2022

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Representative Tobon
hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H8089
entitled: Health and Safety – Refuse Disposal

which is currently in the House Committee on CORPORATIONS

Signature: _____

House District # 58

Date: 13 May, 2022

Acknowledgement:

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Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

NOTE: This request must be submitted to the Clerk of the House, who will retain the original and a copy to be placed in the committee's original bill file

COMMUNICATIONS

Representative Arthur J. Corvese is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 17, 2022.
Representative Marcia Ranglin-Vassell is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 17, 2022.

POINT OF ORDER

Minority Leader Filippi rises on a point of order.

The Honorable Speaker over-rules the point of order.

GUESTS

Representative Caldwell welcomes to the House as guests John Howell, President of Rhode Island Academic Decathlon, East Greenwich High School state championship team members: Emmett Alexander-Bassen, Raj Vishnu, Guy Sanchez, KC Bisetti, Julia Xu, Cooper Jones, Zalmay Ahmad, and Mia Pinkes. Senior Gold Medal winners: Julia Xu, KC Bisetti, Mia Pinkes (East Greenwich High School), Colin Naughton, (Bishop Hendricken High School), Ani Poghosyan, (Cranston High School West), Mackenzie Hanna, Alyssa Pascale and Benjamin Annicelli, (Johnston High School), and Paula Zhuang, (North Providence High School) to honor this year's Rhode Island Academic Decathlon State Championship Team.

Speaker Shekarchi welcomes all and wishes everyone good luck in their future endeavors.

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022:

1. 2022-H 7100 SUB A
BY Kazarian
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Chairman Shanley moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Speakman, Donovan, Abney, Amore, Henries, Biah, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Craven, Morales, McEntee, Batista, Ruggiero, Vella-Wilkinson, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Handy, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Cassar, Hull, Lombardi, Tanzi, Kislak, McNamara, Slater, Diaz, Edwards, Bennett, Giraldo, Potter, McGaw, Barros, Alzate, Felix, Whip Kazarian, and Casimiro.

Representatives Newberry, Casimiro, Amore, Fenton-Fung, Whip Kazarian, Morales, McGaw, and Minority Leader Filippi, discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Minority Leader Filippi, seconded by Representatives Newberry, Price, Fenton-Fung, Whip Chippendale, Nardone, Roberts, and Quattrocchi offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT", as follows:

1. On page 21, line 9, after the word "a" by inserting the language: "twenty-four (24) hour".

2. On page 21, line 10, after the language "system." by inserting the following language: "Video surveillance recordings required pursuant to this subsection shall be maintained as a public record for a period of not less than one year from the date of the election."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Filippi

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Minority Leader Filippi, Whip Kazarian, Representatives Quattrocchi, Tanzi, and Newberry, discuss the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative Tanzi rises on a point of order for Representative Newberry to stay on the merits of the amendment.

The Honorable Speaker over-rules Representative Tanzi's point of order.

Majority Leader Blazejewski, Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Ajello, and Knight continue the discussion of the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Minority Leader Filippi rises on a point of order.

The Honorable Speaker over-rules the point of order.

Representatives McNamara, Quattrocchi, and McLaughlin continue the discussion on the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 10 members voting in the affirmative and 56 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 10: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Lima S., Nardone, Newberry, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

NAYS - 56: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representative Caldwell, Whip Chippendale, and Whip Kazarian continue the discussion on the act.

By unanimous consent, Whip Chippendale, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Newberry, Price, Fenton-Fung, Nardone, Roberts, and Quattrocchi offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT”, as follows:

1. On page 21, line 34, after the language "returned.", by inserting the language "Chain of custody procedures for the voted mail ballots placed in the drop boxes shall be established and followed each night. A bipartisan pair of workers from the board of canvassers will open the drop boxes nightly and retrieve the voted ballots. The ballots will be counted, and the number recorded on an official document to be devised by the Rhode Island board of elections. Each election team member will witness and sign the document attesting to the accuracy of the count. The ballots will be placed in a locked receptacle and kept in a locked and secure location until that receptacle is opened to begin the process of compiling the names of early voters for posting for public notice. At that time, the ballots will be counted and the number recorded and the bipartisan pair will again sign the document detailing their contents. Each time the ballots are removed from the locked receptacle, this procedure must be followed."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Filippi

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Whip Chippendale, Whip Kazarian, Representatives Fenton-Fung, Minority Leader Filippi, Cassar, Majority Leader Blazejewski, McLaughlin, and Tanzi, discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 49 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Nardone, Newberry, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

NAYS - 49: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima S., Lombardi, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, Phillips, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representatives Alzate, Ruggiero, and Kislak continue the discussion of the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative Quattrocchi, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Newberry, Roberts, Price, Fenton-Fung, Whip Chippendale, and Nardone, Offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT”, as follows:

1. On page 22, between lines 3 and 4, by inserting the following language:

"(j) Drop boxes shall include a sign in both English and Spanish which clearly displays the following "THIS DROPBOX IS UNDER TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOUR SURVEILLANCE"".

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Quattrocchi

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Representatives Quattrocchi, Fogarty, and Minority Leader Filippi, discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 9 members voting in the affirmative and 53 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 9: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, McLaughlin, Nardone, Newberry, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

NAYS - 53: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, Phillips, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representatives McLaughlin, Whip Kazarian, Shanley, and Tanzi continue the discussion of the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative Quattrocchi, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Roberts, Price, Whip Chippendale, Nardone, and Fenton-Fung offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT”, as follows:

1. On page 22, between lines 3 and 4 by inserting the following language "(j) Drop boxes shall include a sign in both English and Spanish which clearly displays the following: "IT IS A CRIME TO TAMPER WITH ELECTION BALLOTS OR WITH THIS DROP BOX AND VIOLATIONS SHALL BE PUNISHABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 17-19-43"."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Quattrocchi

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Representatives Quattrocchi, Fogarty, and Nardone discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 52 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Nardone, Newberry, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

NAYS - 52: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, Phillips, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representative Quattrocchi, and Whip Kazarian continue the discussion of the act.

By unanimous consent, Representative Quattrocchi, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Roberts, Nardone, Whip Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, and Price offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 7100 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- SECRETARY OF STATE -- LET RI VOTE ACT”, as follows:

1. On page 22, between lines 3 and 4 by inserting the following language: "(j) Drop boxes shall include a sign in both English and Spanish which clearly displays the following: "THERE EXISTS A POTENTIAL THE BALLOT YOU DEPOSIT INTO THIS DROPBOX COULD BE TAMPERED WITH"".

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Quattrocchi

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LC003657/19
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Representatives Quattrocchi, Diaz, Cortvriend, and Whip Chippendale discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 53 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Nardone, Newberry, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

NAYS - 53: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Representatives Nardone, Whip Kazarian, Constantino, Quattrocchi, Fenton-Fung, Vella-Wilkinson, Roberts, and Knight continue the discussion on the act.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative Quattrocchi rises on a point of order asking if Representative Knight was speaking on the act or the amendment.

The Honorable Speaker rules that Representative Knight was speaking on the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 53 members voting in the affirmative and 13 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 53: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 13: Representatives Cardillo, Chippendale, Costantino, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Lima C., Lima S., Nardone, Newberry, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

RECUSED - 0:

2. 2022-H 7428 SUB A
BY Shanley
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Chairman Shanley moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Ajello, Tanzi, McGaw, Barros, Whip Kazarian, Felix, McNamara, Kislak, Fogarty, Cassar, Speakman, Carson, Donovan, Amore, McEntee, Ruggiero, Vella-Wilkinson, and Cortvriend.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 61 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 61: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 1: Representative Quattrocchi.

3. 2022-H 7422
BY Baginski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- ELECTIVE MEETINGS

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

Chairman Shanley moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, and several others.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

4. 2022-H 7423
BY Baginski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CANVASSING THE LISTS OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

Chairman Shanley moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, and Floor Manager Edwards.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 63 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 63: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 1: Representative Quattrocchi.

RECUSED - 0:

5. 2022-H 7664
BY Barros
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - VITAL RECORDS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Vice-Chairwoman Donovan moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Edwards, Barros, Felix, and Whip Kazarian.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

6. 2022-H 7713
BY Felix
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DNA DETECTION OF SEXUAL AND VIOLENT OFFENDERS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Vice-Chairwoman McEntee moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Caldwell, Morales, Fogarty, Williams, Tanzi, Whip Kazarian, Whip Chippendale, and Barros.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

7. 2022-H 8099
BY Fellela
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES -- TOWN OF JOHNSTON TAX CLASSIFICATION

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Vice-Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Cardillo, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Fellela, and Costantino.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

8. 2022-H 8160
BY Corvese
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Vice-Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

9. 2022-S 2132 SUB A
BY Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Vice-Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Representative Phillips and Majority Leader Blazejewski.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

10. 2022-S 2336
BY Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES -- ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

Vice-Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives McEntee, and Ruggiero.

Read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

11. 2022-S 2854
BY Cano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

Vice-Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Shallcross Smith, Felix, Alzate, Barros, and Casimiro.

Read and passed, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Abney announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Chairman Solomon announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet today, at the rise of the House, in the House Lounge of the State House.

Floor Manager Edwards Wishes Speaker Shekarchi A Happy Birthday!

Speaker Shekarchi Thanks all for the Birthday wishes.

Chairwoman Williams wishes Speaker Shekarchi a Happy Birthday!

Representative Vella-Wilkinson announces that this Thursday, May 19, 2022 all are invited to the Annual Veterans and Military Families outreach day which will be held in the Rotunda at 2 p.m. and is open to the public.

Chairman Shanley announces that the Committee on State Government and Elections will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

Majority Leader Blazejewski wishes the Speaker a Happy Birthday and announces that the House will be meeting in session tomorrow at 4 p.m.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

House Resolution No. 8256
BY Caldwell, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Filippi, Shanley, O'Brien, Ajello, Cortvriend
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING THE MEMBERS AND COACH OF THE EAST GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL TEAM ON THEIR VICTORY AT THE RHODE ISLAND ACADEMIC DECATHLON {LC5934/1}

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

There is no objection.

Representative Caldwell discusses the resolution.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Caldwell, seconded by Speaker Shekarchi, and many others, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Baginski - An Act relating to Animal Rights
Representative Diaz - An Act relating to Council on Postsecondary Education
Representative Williams - An Act relating to Abused and Neglected Children,
An Act relating to Rhode Island Commerce Corporation,
An Act relating to School Committees, and Superintendents

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the clerk’s desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor, to the Honorable Senate, and the Honorable Secretary of State forthwith.

(For Transmittals to Governor, see Appendix of this Journal.)

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:47 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative McEntee, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Carolyn Alice Coppa; on motion of Representatives Azzinaro and Kennedy, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Michael J. Najim; on motion of Representative C. Lima, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Doris O'Malley; on motion of Representative Shallcross Smith, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Louise Ryan Gibson; on motion of Representative Vella-Wilkinson, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Carolyn M. Vella seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Diane M. DePina
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE JOHN G. EDWARDS

Dears Lord: We ask today that you help all those suffering from the cruel attacks on our fellow Citizens in Buffalo NY. We pray that you send your healing spirit to all the innocent victims and their families. Finally, we pray you help find a way to end these senseless tragedies. Amen

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR

Senate Bill No. 2336
BY Sosnowski, Algiere, Valverde
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES -- ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW (Authorizes the town of South Kingstown to enact a local ordinance which increases the number of alternates on their zoning board of review from two (2) to three (3).) {LC4808/1}
05/17/2022 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2854
BY Cano, Kallman, Acosta, Mendes
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Foster Forward, a domestic nonprofit corporation, located in Pawtucket.) {LC5665/1}
05/17/2022 Transmitted to Governor

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022:

1. **2022-H 6667 SUB A**
BY Ranglin-Vassell
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS -- TRAUMA INFORMED SCHOOLS ACT

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

2. **2022-H 7528**
BY Edwards
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- INSPECTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

3. **2022-H 7503 SUB A**
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

4. **2022-H 8078 SUB A**
BY Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

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

5. **2022-H 7905 SUB A**
BY Tanzi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

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

6. 2022-H 7213 SUB A
BY Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022:

1. 2022-H 7159
BY Baginski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2. 2022-H 7368
BY Kennedy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CLAIMS ADJUSTERS

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

3. 2022-H 7804
BY Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- NURSES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

4. 2022-H 7810
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

5. 2022-H 7709 SUB A
BY Shanley
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES

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

6. **2022-H 7716 SUB A**
BY Noret
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES

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

7. **2022-H 8161**
BY Roberts
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

8. **2022-H 7943 SUB A**
BY Baginski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

9. **2022-H 7948 SUB A**
BY Potter
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

10. **2022-S 2751**
BY Euer
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL DISEASES IN GENERAL

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends passage in concurrence.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, May 13, 2022