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Twelfth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Wednesday, February 2, 2005 and is called to order at 4:20 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable William J. Murphy, 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 Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Winfield.

ABSENT – 6: Representatives Almeida, Carter, Ehrhardt, Rose, Smith, Williamson.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Jackson 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 Tuesday, February 1, 2005 is approved as printed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Laurence Ehrhardt will be unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 2, 2005, due to illness.

Representative Joseph Almeida will be unable to attend session today, Wednesday, February 2, 2005. He is not feeling well.

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

Representative Picard, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5206**BY** Long**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN {LC900/1}

02/02/2005 Placed on House Calendar

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 5274****BY** Almeida, Kilmartin, Flaherty, Diaz, Slater**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT TO PARDON JOHN ARTHUR JOHNSON {LC1066/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5275**BY** Corvese, Malik, San Bento, Shanley, Gemma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- LAW PRACTICE {LC1063/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5276**BY** Landroche, Voccola**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- GRAND JURIES {LC1191/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5277**BY** Gallison, Anguilla, Malik, Rice, Lewiss**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- ACQUISITION OF LAND {LC857/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 5278**BY** Savage, McManus, Loughlin, McHugh**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION-HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS {LC118/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Resolution No. 5279**BY** Ginaitt, Gemma, Laroche, Naughton, McNamara**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 15-21 AS "NATIONAL EMS WEEK" {LC869/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5280**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla, Gemma, Laroche, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES {LC865/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5281 (Lieutenant Governor)**BY** Ginaitt, Gemma, Naughton, McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES {LC877/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5282**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla, Gallison, McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS {LC863/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

House Bill No. 5283**BY** Church, Dennigan, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- STATE TAX OFFICIALS {LC957/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5284**BY** Ucci, Petrarca, Voccola, Loughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC441/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5285**BY** Rice, Gallison, Jackson, Church**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- CIGARETTE TAX {LC584/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5286**BY** Faria**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM -- CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS {LC762/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5287**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla, Gemma, Naughton, Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC867/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5288**BY** Slater, Diaz, Williams, Almeida, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE {LC559/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5289**BY** Slater, Jackson, Fox, Diaz, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998 {LC721/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5290**BY** Slater, Diaz, Williams, Almeida, Dennigan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONAL INCOME TAX -- EARNED INCOME CREDIT {LC548/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5291**BY** Slater, Diaz, Williams, Almeida, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT {LC547/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5292**BY** San Bento, Gemma, Flaherty, Anguilla, Malik**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX SALES {LC1065/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Resolution No. 5293**BY** Giannini, Ucci, Trillo, Voccola**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER TO BE "ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC1187/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5294 (Lieutenant Governor)**BY** Ginaitt, Gemma, McNamara, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX

{LC876/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5295 (Lieutenant Governor)**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla, Slater, Dennigan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - NURSING LOAN REPAYMENT

PROGRAM {LC1083/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5296**BY** Ginaitt, Gemma, McNamara, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TAX

REFUND FOR CONTRIBUTION TO CERTAIN NONPROFIT GROUPS {LC864/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5297**BY** Ginaitt, Gemma, McNamara, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TAX

REFUND FOR CONTRIBUTION TO CERTAIN NONPROFIT GROUPS {LC862/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5298**BY** Corvese, Gallison, Schadone, San Bento, Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS -- CONTINUATION OF

EMPLOYMENT {LC977/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5299 (Lieutenant Governor)**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla, Handy, Gemma, McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

ELDERLY PHARMACEUTICAL ASSISTANCE {LC878/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5300 (Lieutenant Governor)**BY** Slater, Ginaitt, Diaz, Williams, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- ESTABLISHING A LONG-

TERM CARE IMPROVEMENT FUND {LC814/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 5301**BY** Lima, Ajello, Rice, Coderre E, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES {LC835/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5302**BY** Flaherty, Landroche, Petrarca**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE --CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS {LC1078/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5303**BY** Davey, Ucci, Mumford, McNamara, Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EXPLOSIVES - - SEISMIC LIMITS {LC911/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5304**BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE {LC163/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5305**BY** Ginaitt, Trillo, Laroche, McNamara, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SALE OF WATER {LC923/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5306**BY** Ginaitt, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ARCHITECTS {LC868/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 5307**BY** Handy, Ginaitt, Gallison, Long, Lewiss**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- ENERGY AND CONSUMER SAVINGS ACT OF 2005 {LC567/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Resolution No. 5308**BY** Ginaitt, Handy, Gemma, McNamara, Anguilla**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROMOTING GOALS TO REDUCE GLOBAL WARMING POLLUTION {LC1114/1}

02/02/2005 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Resolution No. 5309**BY** Fox, Watson**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC1275/1}

Representative Fox requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Fox seconded by Representative Watson and by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 5310**BY** Handy, Almeida**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 1, 2005 AS "SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC1185/1}

Representative Handy requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Handy seconded by Representative Crowley and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Bill No. 5311**BY** Story, Malik**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON {LC1160/1}

Representative Story requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Story seconded by Representatives Malik and Savage, on a roll call vote, 61 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 61: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Petrarca, Picard, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Watson, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

House Resolution No. 5312**BY** Watson, Davey, Story, Moffitt, Savage**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 6TH TO BE RONALD REAGAN DAY IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC644/1}

Representative Watson requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Watson seconded by Representatives Moffitt, Trillo, Singleton, Davey, Loughlin, Amaral, Long, Mumford, Savage, Story, Jacquard, Picard, Fox, Corvese, Brien and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2005:**1 2005-H 5014****BY Pacheco****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Representative Kennedy moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Pacheco, Church, Picard, Laroche, and Slater

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 63 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 63: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, San Bento, Savage, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

2 2005-H 5067**BY Kilmartin****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Representative Kennedy moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Ginaitt, Pacheco, Sullivan, Fox, Kilmartin, and Gemma.

Representative Trillo discusses the act.

Read and passed on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Ucci, Voccola, Watson, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 3: Representatives Davey, Gorham, Trillo.

3 2005-H 5104 SUB A**BY Kilmartin****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM**

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

Representative Kilmartin moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Costantino, Ucci, Gallison, Faria, Jackson, Jacquard, Gemma, Kennedy, Corvese, Diaz, Coderre, Davey, Loughlin, Moffitt, Long, Amaral, Moura, Lewiss, Lally, Shanley, Slater, McNamara, Naughton, Handy, Ajello, Church, Crowley, Rice, Sullivan, Picard, Ginaitt, Anguilla, San Bento, Lima and Flaherty.

By unanimous consent, Representative Kilmartin, seconded by Representatives Lima, Costantino and several other members of the House offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2005 -- H 5104 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM

MR. SPEAKER:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 5104 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM", as follows:

- (1) On page 3, line 29, by striking the language "Composition. – (a) There is hereby created a" and inserting in place thereof the language "abolishment – transfer of functions."
- (2) On page 3 by striking lines 30 through 34 in their entirety.
- (3) On page 4 by striking lines 1 through 8 in their entirety.
- (4) On page 4, line 9 by striking the letter "(c)".
- (5) On page 4, line 9, by deleting the word "subsection" and inserting in place thereof the word "section".

Respectfully submitted,

REPRESENTATIVE KILMARTIN

The motion to amend prevails on a roll call vote 67 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 67: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Amaral, Anguilla, Brien, Caprio, Church, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Watson, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

Representatives Caprio, Costantino, Fox, Gorham, and Scott discuss the act as amended.

By unanimous consent, Representative Menard, seconded by Representative Brien offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2005 -- H 5104 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- H 5104 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM", as follows:

On page 4, line 9, by deleting the word "Upon" and inserting in place thereof the following language:

"For the purpose of complying with Articles V, VI, IX and X of the Rhode Island Constitution, upon".

Respectfully submitted,

REPRESENTATIVE MENARD

Representatives Kilmartin and Menard discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 21 members voting in the affirmative and 43 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 21: Representatives Brien, Caprio, Davey, DeSimone, Giannini, Gorham, Jacquard, Laroche, Long, McCauley, Menard, Palumbo, Petrarca, Scott, Singleton, Story, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Watson, Winfield.

NAYS - 43: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Anguilla, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Ginaitt, Handy, Jackson, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Lewiss, Lima, Malik, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Picard, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Shanley, Slater, Sullivan, Williams.

By unanimous consent, Representative Menard, seconded by Representative Brien offers a written motion to amend.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative Lewiss objects that Representative Menard's amendment (LC00506/5) is not germane.

The Honorable Speaker rules that the amendment (LC00506/5) is not germane.

Representative Crowley objects that Representative Menard's amendment violates Rule 35.

The Honorable Speaker rules that Representative Crowley is correct.

Representative Menard challenges the ruling of the Chair. The ruling of the Chair is upheld on a roll call vote, 44 members voting in the affirmative and 22 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 44: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Anguilla, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Ginaitt, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Lewiss, Lima, Malik, McNamara, Melo, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Picard, Rice, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Slater, Sullivan, Williams.

NAYS - 22: Representatives Brien, Caprio, Davey, DeSimone, Giannini, Gorham, Laroche, Long, Loughlin, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, Menard, Palumbo, Petrarca, Singleton, Story, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Watson, Winfield.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 66 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Murphy and Representatives Ajello, Anguilla, Brien, Church, Coderre, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Davey, Dennigan, DeSimone, Diaz, Faria, Flaherty, Fox, Gallison, Gemma, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Handy, Jackson, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Landroche, Laroche, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Loughlin, Malik, McCauley, McHugh, McManus, McNamara, Melo, Menard, Moffitt, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Naughton, O'Neill, Pacheco, Palumbo, Petrarca, Picard, Rice, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Singleton, Slater, Story, Sullivan, Trillo, Ucci, Voccola, Watson, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative McNamara announces that the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 135 of the State House.

Representative Naughton announces that the Committee on Rules will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the House, in Room 205 of the State House.

Representative Watson wishes Representative Moffitt a Happy Birthday.

Representative Costantino wishes John Mansolillo, clerk of the Finance committee, a Happy 50th Birthday.

GUESTS

Representative Lima welcomes to the House Chamber as guests students from CCRI as follows: Melkon Megerdichian, Nick Kamboures, Justine Tate, Meaghan Bowden, Deana Waite, Shanda Christal, Melanie Murray, Brenda Pachecho, Ismael Castro, Roy Bolden, Shumaen Waite, Treshwana Speid, Petagaye Whitmore, Toni Lomba, Tracey Martin, Jason Nichols, along with Thomas D. Sepe – President, CCRI; Rebecca Yount – Dean of Students, CCRI; Julie M. White – Dean, Institutional Advancement & College Relations.

The Honorable Speaker also welcomes the President and the CCRI family.

Representative McManus welcomes to the House as guests from Den 10 the Webelos from pack 1 Lincoln, RI: Connor Bassett, Zachary Shepherd, Ezekiel Inman, along with Boy Scout – CJ Caraccia; Leader – Rita Caraccia and Guests Molly Shepherd, Kris Shepherd, Doug Shepherd, and Keith Inman.

Representative Watson welcomes to the House Chamber Solomon Solomon of East Providence.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:57 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Church, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Roger W. Spring; seconded by Representatives Fox and Watson the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE J. RUSSELL JACKSON

Dear God, we are grateful for the privilege of serving in this House of Representatives. Keep us ever mindful that we are here to serve those who elected us and all of the people of Rhode Island. Amen.

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2005:

1 2005-H 5206

BY Long

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO VALIDATING AND RATIFYING
AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF
JAMESTOWN

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Louis D'Antuono
Clerk of the House

Wednesday, February 2, 2005