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Wednesday, February 9, 2005

Fifteenth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:14 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 34 Senators present and 4 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 4: Senators Damiani, DaPonte, Lenihan, Revens.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 8, 2005 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Algieri and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber James Guarino of Westerly and Jean Greco of Cranston.

Upon suggestion of Senators McBurney and Sheehan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Gloria Kennedy Fleck, former State Senator.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

February 9, 2005
The Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano
President of the Senate
318A State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advice that I will be absent from the Senate Session on Wednesday February 9, 2005, due to a funeral.

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

Sincerely,
Michael J. Damiani
State Senator District 18

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

January 25, 2005

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I am hereby withdrawing the January 4, 2005 appointment of Peri Ann Aptaker to the Rhode Island Lottery Commission.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President presents the following communication from His Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:

January 31, 2005

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-128-6 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Act:

Roberta Hazen Aaronson of Cranston
(Representative of a Lead Poisoning Agency)

VICE
Joan Carbone

for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Commerce Housing and Municipal Government.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 283 (Transportation)
BY Senators Algieri, Gibbs, Breene
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- BICYCLE FACILITIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 284 (Attorney General)
BY Senator Polisena
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 285

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 286 (Transportation)

BY Senators Blais, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 287

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 288

BY Senators Sosnowski, Damiani, Lenihan, Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 289

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM -- RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 290

BY Senators Tassoni, Fogarty P, Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 291

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 292

BY Senators Blais, Polisena, Raptakis, Lenihan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 293

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 294

BY Senators Gibbs, Breene, Lenihan, Cote, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 295

BY Senators Raptakis, Polisena, Damiani, Walaska, Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL PURCHASES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 296

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 297

BY Senators Levesque C, Tassoni, Goodwin, Fogarty P, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - - SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES
DECAL.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 298 (Lieutenant Governor)

BY Senators Gallo, Fogarty P, Walaska, Levesque C

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION ON MEDICAID.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 299

BY Senators Sosnowski, Perry, Paiva-Weed, Lenihan, Sheehan

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROMOTING GOALS TO REDUCE GLOBAL WARMING
POLLUTION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 300

BY Senators Issa, Doyle, Roberts, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Education

Also:

Senate Bill No. 301

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TRESPASS AND VANDALISM.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 302

BY Senators Perry, Tassoni, Roberts, Levesque C, Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 303 (Environmental Management)

BY Senators Bates, Gibbs
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- REGULATION OF BOATS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 304

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, McCaffrey, Gibbs
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 305

BY Senators Sosnowski, Breene, Blais, Bates, Damiani
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 306

BY Senators Sosnowski, Breene, Blais, Bates, Damiani
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 307

BY Senators Sosnowski, Breene, Blais, Bates, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 308

BY Senator Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUNTING AND HUNTING SAFETY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 309 (Elderly Affairs)

BY Senators Gibbs, Blais, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 310

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LEAD POISONING.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 311 (Business Regulation)

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 312 (Governor)

BY Senators Blais, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MANDATED BENEFITS.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 313

BY Senators Doyle, Tassoni, McBurney, Ruggerio, Paiva-Weed
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 314 (Health)

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs, Breene
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 315

BY Senators Polisena, Roberts, Damiani, Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 316

BY Senator Felag
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 317

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Blais, Breene, Bates
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR FUEL TAX

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 318 (Health)

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 319

BY Senators Tassoni, Roberts, Lanzi, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 320 (Attorney General)

BY Senator Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 321

BY Senators Lanzi, Tassoni, Ciccone, Badeau, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- HEALTH CARE FOR FAMILIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 322 (Governor)

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - POST AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 323

BY Senators Sosnowski, Damiani, Breene, Gallo, Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 324

BY Senator Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 325

BY Senators Gibbs, Bates, Blais, Breene, Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 326

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 327 (Business Regulation)

BY Senators Bates, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 328 (Business Regulation)

BY Senators Blais, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 329

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 330 (Governor)

BY Senators Algieri, Gibbs, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AUDITS -- INTERNET POSTING.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 331

BY Senators Perry, Roberts, Levesque C, Fogarty P, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PRIVACY ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 332

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani, Sosnowski, Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEFIBRILLATORS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 333

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SNOWMOBILES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 334 (Lieutenant Governor)

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani, Goodwin, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 335 (Attorney General)

BY Senators Levesque C, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - RHODE ISLAND REAL ESTATE TIME-SHARE ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 336 (Attorney General)

BY Senator Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 337 (Attorney General)

BY Senator Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 338 (Attorney General)

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - LEAVING SCENE OF ACCIDENTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 339

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 340**BY** Senators Tassoni, Montalbano J, Polisen, Algieri, Cote**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CAUSES OF ACTION -- GOOD SAMARITAN IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 341 (Department of Corrections)**BY** Senator Blais**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - ARREST.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 342 (Department of Corrections)**BY** Senator Blais**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 343 (Governor)**BY** Senators Blais, Breene**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - MEDICAL MALPRACTICE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 344 (Attorney General)**BY** Senators Levesque C, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 345**BY** Senators Ciccone, Lanzi, Connors, Tassoni, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR - PRIVACY PROTECTION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 346 (State Police)

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REPARATIONS ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 347 (State Police)

BY Senators Blais, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 348

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 349 (Attorney General)

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 350

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 351

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND JUSTICE COMMISSION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 352 (State Police)

BY Senators Algieri, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS CORPORATIONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 353

BY Senators Metts, McCaffrey, Polisen, Damiani, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SEARCH WARRANTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 354 (Governor)

BY Senators Algieri, Gibbs, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AGGRESSIVE DRIVING.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 355 (Attorney General)

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 356 (Department of Corrections)

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 357

BY Senators Lanzi, Badeau, Connors, Ciccone, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 358

BY Senators Ciccone, Connors, Tassoni, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR RELATIONS -- STATE EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 359

BY Senator McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- ARBITRATION OF LABOR CONTROVERSIES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 360 (Department of Labor and Training)

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 361

BY Senator McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 362

BY Senator McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 363

BY Senator Revens

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 364 (Transportation)

BY Senators Bates, Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE ROADS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 365 (Labor & Training)

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MECHANICAL TRADES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 366 (Governor)

BY Senators Breene, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 367

BY Senators Ciccone, Lanzi, Connors, Tassoni, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES - ORGANIZATION OF EMPLOYEES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 368

BY Senators Montalbano J, Paiva-Weed, Caprio F, Walaska, Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

Senate Bill No. 369 (Secretary of State)

BY Senators Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Tassoni, Cote, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DISCLOSURE OF NAMES OF STATE GOVERNMENT CONSULTANTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 370

BY Senator Issa

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHINESE NEW YEAR "THE YEAR OF THE ROOSTER".

Senator Issa requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Issa moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Paiva Weed, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measure on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, is read and passed, upon a voice vote:

1 2005-H 5311

BY Story

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Goodwin announces that the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Gallo announces that the Committee on Education will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Connors announces that the Committee on Rules will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Fogarty announces that the Committee on Commerce, Housing, and Municipal Government will meet on Thursday, February 10, 2005, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator McCaffrey announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet on Thursday, February 10, 2005, at 3:00 o'clock, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Bates announces that the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues will meet on Thursday, February 10, 2005, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

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

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator Perry, the Senate at recess at 4:26 o'clock P.M. in memory of Melvyn M. Glech, M.D.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order at 4:10 o'clock P.M. on Thursday, February 10, 2005 by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND GAMING ISSUES

Senator Goodwin, from the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 28

BY Senator Montalbano J

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Ruggiero, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:11 o'clock P.M.

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR HAROLD M. METTS

Dear Lord, as we acknowledge your presence on this Ash Wednesday, help us to remember your sacrifice of love. Please bestow your special blessings on the members of this body. Help us to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Amen

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2005:

1 2005-S 28

BY Montalbano J

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION
OF VEHICLES**

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.