

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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# Journal of the Senate

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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 third day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and six.**

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Thursday, March 23, 2006

Twenty-fifth Legislative Day

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:27 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 38 Senators present and 0 Senator absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 38: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisenia, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

**ABSENT** – 0

### INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Issa, 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 2006 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Tassoni and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Carol Grilli.

Upon suggestion of Senators Lenihan, Ciccone, Doyle, Connors, Walaska, Sosnowski, Caprio and Issa and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Dr. Iftikhar Hussain, Mrs. Fizza Gilani, Asjed Hussain, Isra Hussain, Myer Hussain, Mr Mufeeb Syed, Mrs. Jooveria Syed, Usama Syed, Manal Syed, Umer Syed, Dr. Kazi Salhuddin, Farah Izhar, Shahzeb Kazi, Aleeza Kazi, Mehmood Alam, Mrs Samra Alam, Mrs. Uzman Khan, Zar Yab Khan, Zar Tash Khar, Zar Lish Khan, Mrs Zehra Rizvi, Asiya Rizvi, Layla Rizvi, Mr Shehzad Bashar, Mrs. Anser Jalal and Ysra Jalal,

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

March 23, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE

I am hereby withdrawing the March 14, 2005 appointment of Michael P. Robinson to the East Providence Waterfront District Commission.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
STATE HOUSE

March 23, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE

I am hereby withdrawing the March 28, 2005 appointment of Richard H. Pierce, Esq. to the State Board of Elections.

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:

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

May 23 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 46-15.1-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Water Resources Board:

**Ian Y. Morrison of Bristol**  
(Public Water Systems Member)

VICE  
Timothy J. Brown

for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

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

March 24, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 46-15.1-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Water Resources Board:

**Daniel W. Varin of Providence**  
(Public Member)

for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Appointment of Bruce Chick of East Providence to the East Providence Waterfront District Commission for a term expiring March 31, 2009.**

Senator Caprio requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Caprio, seconded by Senator Fogarty, moves that advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given this appointment, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**Senate Bill No. 2595 SUB A**

**BY** Senator Lenihan

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- INDUSTRIAL RECREATIONAL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**House Bill No. 7897**

**BY** Rose, Melo, Savage, Moura, Dennigan

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE TO FINANCE THE REPAIRS, RENOVATIONS, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY ROADS AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR.

Read and ordered to the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

**House Bill No. 7176**

**BY** Coderre E, Crowley, Gallison, Anguilla

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- MOUNT HOPE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**House Bill No. 7440** as amended

**BY** Coderre E, Almeida, Jackson, Gemma, Lima

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS (remove legislators and legislative appointees from the state crime laboratory commission).

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2143** as amended

**BY** Senators Roberts, Walaska, Levesque C

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES BOARD

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2141** SUB A as amended

**BY** Senators Sosnowski, Paiva-Weed, Raptakis, Gibbs, Breene

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS ( remove legislators and legislative appointees from various boards and commissions)

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2138** SUB B as amended

**BY** Senators Connors, Perry, Polisen, McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS ( remove legislators and legislative appointees from certain boards and commissions in accord with the recent amendments to the state constitution)

Read and ordered to the Committee on Government Oversight

## 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. 2811** (by request)

**BY** Senators Doyle, Tassoni

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES ( create consistency within primary and election laws regarding checkers, runners and watchers).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2810** SUB A (by request)

**BY** Senator McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING ( reduce the burden of filing financial campaign reports in nonelection years) {LC1739/2/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2809** (by request)

**BY** Senators Walaska, Bates

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS ( minor changes concerning the operation of polling places on election day).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2808**

**BY** Senators Sosnowski, Perry, Paiva-Weed

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS (update the mail ballot laws).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2783** (by request)

**BY** Senator Sheehan

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - VOTING ( allow election offices to combine voting districts in certain circumstances which would result in cost savings).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2782** (by request)

**BY** Senator McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTS ( provide the board of elections with discretion as to how campaign finance laws are processed).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2671**

**BY** Senators Ruggerio, Paiva-Weed, Alves, Damiani, Lanzi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2235** SUB A

**BY** Senators Raptakis, Cote, Lenihan, Sheehan, McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS (reduce the waiting period for disaffiliation with a political party from 90 to 29 days)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2226**

**BY** Senators Felag, Levesque C

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - LOCAL CANVASSING AUTHORITY.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2066**

**BY** Senators Gibbs, Paiva-Weed

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE (court)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2278**

**BY** Senator Caprio F

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FIDUCIARIES -- POWERS OF FIDUCIARIES ("total return unitrust").

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2349**

**BY** Senators Caprio F

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FIDUCIARIES - POWERS OF FIDUCIARIES (party to an action involving wills, trusts, estates and fiduciaries represent persons who are not a party to such an action who are minors, incapacitated persons, or unborn).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

**NEW BUSINESS**



**Senate Bill No. 2960****BY** Senator Levesque C**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (join Kevin Michael Gaumond and Alison Carr).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2961****BY** Senators Sheehan, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT TO FINANCE RENOVATIONS, REMODELING, ADDITIONS, IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$21,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2962****BY** Senators Algieri, Paiva-Weed, Montalbano J**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO RHODE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (composition of the board of directors of the RI Airport Corp and would require members be appointed by city/town councils of the communities hosting a state airport).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Government Oversight

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2963****BY** Senator Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT PERMITTING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO EXEMPT CERTAIN PROPERTIES FROM TAXATION (permit the town council of the town of South Kingstown to exempt from taxation certain real and personal property used for manufacturing or commercial purposes).

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

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2964****BY** Senators Blais, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 330 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO CREATE A SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF COVENTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE SAID TOWN TO PLAN, CONSTRUCT, FINANCE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN SEWAGE WORKS" (permit the town to issue bonds and notes secured solely by sewer system revenues to the Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency).

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

Also:

**Senate Resolution No. 2965**

**BY** Senators Connors, Goodwin

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY TRANSIT SERVICE IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

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

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2966**

**BY** Senator Gibbs

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE SEWER SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN.

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

Also:

**Senate Resolution No. 2967**

**BY** Senator Blais

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION OF EFFORTS CONCERNING THE PREVENTION, EDUCATION, TREATMENT AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES RELATIVE TO LYME DISEASE AND OTHER TICK-BORNE DISEASES.

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

Also:

**Senate Resolution No. 2968**

**BY** Senator Issa

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PAKISTAN RESOLUTION PASSED ON MARCH 23, 1940.

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.

Also:

**Senate Resolution No. 2969****BY** Senators Tassoni, Paiva-Weed, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2006 AS "AUDUBON SOCIETY MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

Senator Tassoni requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2970****BY** Senator McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES ( extend the expiration date for the collection of a fee assessed for a conviction for driving under the influence from 2006 to 2010.).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2971****BY** Senators Perry, Metts, Algieri, Damiani, Pichardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE INVESTMENT COMMISSION ( require divestment by the state from companies which maintain an equity tie to Sudan.).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2972****BY** Senator Revens**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - PUBLIC UTILITIES ( selling and obtaining of telephone records without the subscriber's consent a criminal offense).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2973****BY** Senators Tassoni, Doyle, McBurney

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX ( taxpayer to claim a refund within three (3) years of filing his or her return plus the period of any extension of time for filing the return.).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2974**

**BY** Senators Ciccone, Ruggerio, Connors, Lanzi, Badeau

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RESIDENTIAL SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS ( new residential construction and substantially altered sewer connections to have check valves installed to prevent the backflow of untreated sewage into residences).

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

**RECONSIDERATION**

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, (6753 as amended) is reconsidered by the Senate as follows:

**House Bill No. 6753** as amended

**BY** Coderre E, Crowley, Kilmartin, Davey, Naughton

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS (remove legislators and legislative appointees from various boards and commissions and make other changes in accordance with the recent amendments to the state constitution)

Senator Lenihan seconded by Senators Sosnowski and Damiani, offers the following written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT**

2006 – H 6753, As Amended

**AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS**

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2006 -- H 6753 As Amended, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION OF POWERS", as follows:

(1) On page 8, by deleting line 34 in its entirety.

(2) On page 9, line 1, by deleting the language beginning with the word "Thereafter" and ending with the language "members."

(3) On page 9, line 1, by inserting the parenthetical letter "(e)" before the word "The".

Respectfully submitted,  
SENATOR LENIHAN  
LC0334/3

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Lenihan moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Sosnowski and Damiani.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

### CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senator Issa, seconded by Senator Caprio, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a voice vote:

**1 Reappointment of Anne T. Quintero of Providence to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2009.**

**2 Reappointment of Christopher W. McMahan of Providence to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2008.**

### CALENDAR

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2006:**

**1 Reappointment of Bruce H. Dawson (Public Member) of North Kingstown to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 31, 2009.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.

Senator Sosnowski, seconded by Senators Algieri, Lenihan, Felag, Sheehan and Paiva Weed, moves that advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given this appointment, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS- 0:

**2 2006-S 2120**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES**

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Blais seconded by Senators Breene and Damiani, offers the following written motion to amend.

**F L O O R   A M E N D M E N T**

2006 -- S 2120

AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2006 -- S 2120, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES", as follows:

On page 1, line 3, after the word "entity" by adding the following language: "which makes sales at retail and".

Respectfully submitted,  
SENATOR BLAIS  
LC00065/2

The motion to amend prevails 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Blais moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Breene and Damiani.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

### FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**House Bill No. 7201** as amended

**BY** Lewiss, Kennedy, McHugh

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AIRPORT AND LANDING FIELDS (RI Airport Corp to lease the land at the Westerly Airport land to the town of Westerly for a period not to exceed 99 years).

Senator Algieri requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Algieri moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed and Gibbs.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2464** as amended

**BY** Senator Algieri

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AIRPORT AND LANDING FIELDS (authorize the RI Airport Corp to lease the land at the Westerly Airport land to the town of Westerly for a period not to exceed 99 years).

Senator Algieri requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Algieri moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed and Gibbs.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

### TRANSFER OF BILLS

Senator McCaffrey, in accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bill from the Committee on Judiciary to the Committee on Finance:

**Senate Bill No. 2441**

**BY** Senators Blais, Breene, Algieri

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE (raise the fees for the filing of certain documents with a probate court)

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

### TRANSMITTAL

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



**RECESS**

Upon suggestion of Senate DaPonte, and by unanimous consent the Senate stands at recess at 4:59 o'clock P.M. until the call of the chair and that the desk shall remain open to receive new business.

**CALLED TO ORDER**

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, on Tuesday, March 28, 2006, at 4:05 o'clock P.M.

**INVOCATION**

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Father George Economou, to deliver the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

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

**GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senator Raptakis and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Father Anthony Evangelatos, St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church – Newport, Father Andrew George Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church – Cranston, Ms. Koula Rougas and Ms. Eleni Trikoulis, Father George Economou, Assumption Greek Orthodox Church – Pawtucket, Honorable George Panichas, Dr. Donna Raptakis and son – Nicholas Raptakis, Vice Counsel General of Greece: Mrs. Catherine Economou, and her husband, Mr. George Demeter and other Hellenic guests.

**GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY**

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, request the clerk to read. (2006-S 2955), Senate Resolution Celebrating March 25, 2006 As The 185th Anniversary Of Greek Independence Day, that was passed by the Senate on March 21, 2006.

Upon suggestion of Senator Raptakis, and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Consul General Constantinos Orphanides.

Consul General Constantinos Orphanides addresses the members and their guests.

## COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

March 28, 2006

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

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the records reflect that I will be absent on Tuesday March 28, Wednesday March 29 and Thursday March 30, 2006. Due to illness.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Damiani  
State Senator – District 18

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:

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

March 7, 2006

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 reappointment to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Commission:

**Mark VanNoppen of Providence**  
(Representative of the Rhode Island Builders Association)

for a term expiring January 31, 2009

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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

Also:

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

March 28, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-75-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts:

**Andrea Valentini of Cranston**

for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

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

March 28, 2006

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-75-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts:

**Ann Clanton of Warwick**

for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Senate Bill No. 2684**

**BY** Senator Gibbs

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- MIDDLETOWN (allow town of Middletown to impose regulations through a permit process on excavation activity).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2865**

**BY** Senators Montalbano J, Connors

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (amend the classes of property tax classification in the town of Lincoln.).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2465**

**BY** Senators Walaska, McCaffrey

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS (allow the city of Warwick to sell abandoned highways or driftways to abutting property owners for fair market value).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

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

**Senate Bill No. 2806**

**BY** Senator Montalbano J

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

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Senator Alves, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Senate Bill No. 2552**

**BY** Senators Sosnowski, Alves, Walaska, Bates

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- MOTOR FUEL TAX (include fuels sold to manufacturers who use certain fuels as industrial raw material and who use diesel engine fuel for the manufacture of power).

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, March 30, 2006.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2713** as amended

**BY** Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Pichardo, Levesque C, Roberts

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - RHODE ISLAND PARENTAL AND FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT - INSURANCE BENEFITS - PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, March 30, 2006.

Also:

**Senate Bill No. 2717** SUB A (Administration)

**BY** Senators Blais, Breene

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES (loan program for those state employees affected by the additional income tax liability due to the extension of health insurance coverage to a non-dependent domestic partner)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, March 30, 2006.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Resolution No. 2975****BY** Senators Tassoni, Ciccone, Caprio F**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE STATUS OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS.

Senator Tassoni requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senators Doyle and Metts.

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

**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2006:****1 2006-S 2402****BY Breene****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator McCaffrey, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, April 4, 2006.

**2 2006-S 2016****BY Walaska****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES -- VETERANS' PLATES

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Walaska moves passage, seconded by Senators Fogarty, Sosnowski and Issa.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisen, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**3 2006-S 2019**

**BY Tassoni**

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

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senators Doyle, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Roberts and Pichardo.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**4 2006-S 2081**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- SPECIAL  
REGISTRATION PLATE -- COVENTRY -- POLICE CHIEF  
EMERITUS

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**5 2006-S 2121**

**BY Ciccone**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PARKING FACILITIES AND PRIVILEGES

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage, seconded by Senators Polisena, Lanzi and Ruggerio.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**6 2006-S 2678**

**BY Ruggerio**

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

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Ruggerio moves passage, seconded by Senators Gibbs, Badeau, Ciccone and Blais.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Lenihan

**7 2006-S 2871**

**BY Badeau**

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

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

Senator Badeau moves passage, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Polisena and Ruggerio.

Senator Badeau seconded by Senator Polisena, offers the following written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT**

2006 -- S 2871

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES



Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2006 -- S 2871, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES", as follows:

1. On page 1, line, 12, after the word "representatives" by inserting the language: ", each former majority leader of the house of representatives,".

2. On page 1, line 14, by deleting the word "or" after "house speaker emeritus" and inserting in lieu thereof the words ", house majority leader emeritus,".

Respectfully submitted,  
SENATOR BADEAU  
LC02389/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 29: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Ruggiero, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Badeau moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Polisena.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 28 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 28: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Ruggiero, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Montalbano

**8 2006-S 2275**

**BY Alves**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
DISTRESSED AREAS ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Alves moves passage, seconded by Senator Ruggiero.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**9 2006-S 2269**

**BY Polisena**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Polisena moves passage, seconded by Senators Connors, Pichardo, Metts, Algieri, McCaffrey and many others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**10 2006-S 2324**

**BY Perry**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH, RETARDATION AND HOSPITALS -- INCOMPETENCY TO STAND TRIAL AND PERSONS ADJUDGED NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF INSANITY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, April 4, 2006.

**11 2006-S 2416**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

Senator Alves and Blais discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

**12 2006-H 6709**

**BY Mumford**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES**

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senator Blais.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 1: Senator Metts

**13 2006-H 6906**

**BY Costantino**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni and Doyle.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 29 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 29: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 1: Senator Metts

### TRANSMITTAL

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Bates announces that the Committee on Financial Services, Technology, & Regulatory Issues will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Ciccone announces that the Committee on Labor will meet tomorrow, at 3:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Levesque announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Gallo announces that the Committee on Education will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Alves announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

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

### ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Paiva Weed seconded by Senator Algieri the Senate adjourns at 4:41 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.  
Secretary of the Senate

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR DANIEL J. ISSA**

Heavenly Father, guide us in the ways of peace. May we show loyalty towards one another and be worthy of the trust you have placed in us. Amen.

**Appendix****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2006:****1 2006-S 2066****BY Gibbs****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**2 2006-S 2226****BY Felag****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - LOCAL CANVASSING  
AUTHORITY**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**3 2006-S 2235 SUB A****BY Raptakis****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF  
VOTERS**

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

**4 2006-S 2278****BY Caprio F****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FIDUCIARIES -- POWERS OF  
FIDUCIARIES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**5 2006-S 2349****BY Caprio F****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FIDUCIARIES - POWERS OF  
FIDUCIARIES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**6 2006-S 2441****BY Blais****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE**

Ordered on the Calendar

**7 2006-S 2671****BY Ruggiero****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND  
CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**8 2006-S 2782****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN  
CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**9 2006-S 2783****BY Sheehan****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - VOTING**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**10 2006-S 2808****BY Sosnowski****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**11 2006-S 2809****BY Walaska****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**12 2006-S 2810 SUB A****BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN  
CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING**

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

**13 2006-S 2811****BY Doyle****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARIES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2006:****1 2006-S 2602 SUB A****BY Roberts****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

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

**2 2006-S 2018****BY Bates****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE AFFAIRS AND  
GOVERNMENT - STATE LOTTERY

Committee on Constitutional & Gaming Issues recommends passage.

**3 2006-S 2465****BY Walaska****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY  
TOWNS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

**4 2006-S 2684****BY Gibbs****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- MIDDLETOWN

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

**5 2006-S 2865****BY Montalbano J****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

**6 2006-S 2552****BY Sosnowski****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- MOTOR FUEL TAX

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

**7 2006-S 2713 as amended****BY Perry****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -  
RHODE ISLAND PARENTAL AND FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT  
- INSURANCE BENEFITS - PERSONAL INCOME TAX



Committee on Finance recommends passage as amended.

**8 2006-S 2717 SUB A**

**BY Blais**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

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

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2006:**

**1 2006-S 2402**

**BY Breene**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

**2 2006-S 2324**

**BY Perry**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH, RETARDATION AND HOSPITALS -- INCOMPETENCY TO STAND TRIAL AND PERSONS ADJUDGED NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF INSANITY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.  
Secretary of the Senate