

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Third Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:24 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 36: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lombardo, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Sheehan, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 2: Senators Miller, Ruggiero.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Second Legislative Day of the 2012 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

January 4, 2012

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed
President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

This is a letter to inform you that beginning January 10th through the 20th I will be required to be excused for arthroscopic surgery. I hope to be back the following week.

Sincerely,

Frank A. Ciccone, III
State Senator D-7

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2014**

BY Jabour, Goodwin, Paiva Weed, McCaffrey, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SORROW ON THE PASSING OF DAVE GAVITT AND HONORING HIM FOR HIS MANY SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FABRIC OF LIFE IN RHODE ISLAND

Senator Jabour requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Jabour moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri, Bates, McCaffrey and Goodwin.

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2015

BY Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER EL DEE VENDING CORPORATION

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator DaPonte announces that the Committee on Finance will meet next Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 3:00 o'clock P.M., in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator DaPonte announces that the Committee on Finance will meet next Thursday, January 12, 2012, at 2:00 o'clock P.M., in Room 313 of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Jabour and upon suggestion of Senator Jabour the Senate adjourns at 4:33 o'clock P.M. in memory of Dave Gavitt.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR DAVID E. BATES

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

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012:

1. 2012-S 2015

BY Jabour

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CHARTER EL DEE VENDING CORPORATION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate