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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 Sixth day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty Six.**

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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Twenty-Fifth Legislative Day

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## CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, at 4:08 o'clock P.M.

## ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 32 Senators present and 6 Senators absent as follows:

**PRESENT –32:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**ABSENT – 6:** Senators Ciccone, Felag, Kallman, Mack, Morgan, and Quezada.

## INVOCATION

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

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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


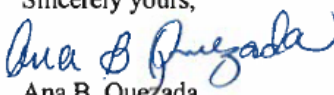
**APPROVAL OF RECORD**

The Senate Journal of the Twenty-Fourth Day of the 2026 proceedings is read in part.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communications:

<p>SENATOR <b>ANA B. QUEZADA</b> <i>Deputy Majority Whip</i> District 2</p> <hr/> <p>P.O. Box 27666 Providence, Rhode Island 02907</p> <p>Room 219 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903 sen-quezada@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p>Committee on Judiciary</p> <hr/> <p>Committee Labor &amp; Gaming</p>
<p>April 14, 2026</p>		
<p>The Honorable Valarie Lawson President of the Senate Rhode Island State House 82 Smith Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room 316 Providence, RI 02903</p>		
<p>Dear Madam President:</p>		
<p>Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.</p>		
<p>I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.</p>		
<p>Thank you for your attention to this matter.</p>		
<p>Sincerely yours,  Ana B. Quezada Senator District #2</p>		

Placed on file.

**IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION****Senate Resolution No. 3210****BY** McKenney, Gallo, Vargas, Patalano**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2026, AS "SCHOOL LIBRARY MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
{LC6173/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator McKenney requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McKenney moves passage, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Upon suggestion of Senators McKenney, Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Deanna Brooks, School Librarian, Cranston Public Schools, Hope Highlands Middle School and Stadium Elementary School, Esther Wolk, School Librarian, Coventry Public Schools, Coventry High School and Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School of Coventry Aaron Coutu-Jones, Director of the Warwick Public Library &amp; Julie Holden, Assistant Director of the Cranston Public Library.

**Appendix****CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026:**

- 1. 2026-H 7220**  
**BY** Boylan  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --  
DOGS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

- 2. 2026-H 7221**  
**BY** Boylan  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --  
DOGS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the following measures on Today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

**Appendix****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026:****1. 2026-S 2955****BY** McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

**YEAS – 31:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

**ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Bissaillon.

**2. 2026-S 2985****BY** Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

**YEAS – 31:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

**ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Bissaillon.

**3. 2026-S 2749****BY** Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Bell moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Zurier.

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

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

**4. 2026-S 2994****BY** Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Valverde moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

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

**YEAS – 32:** The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Sosnowski announces that the Senate Committee on Commerce will meet at the Rise of the Senate in Room 212.

Senator Britto announces that the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in the Senate Lounge.

Senator Bissaillon announces that the Senate Committee on Judiciary will meet at the Rise of the Senate in Room 313.

Senator Murray announces that the Senate Committee on Education will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in Room 313.

Senator Acosta announces that the Senate Committee on Finance will meet at the Rise of the Senate in Room 211.

Senator Lauria announces that the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services will meet at the Rise of the Senate in the Senate Lounge.

Senator Thompson announces that the Senate Committee on Labor and Gaming will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in Room 212.

Senator Raptakis announces that the Senate Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs will meet tomorrow at 4:30pm in Room 211.

Upon suggestion of Senator DiMario and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Ava Sorvi, Intern.

Senator Tikoian would like to congratulate Senate President Pro Tempore Hanna M. Gallo and her husband Russell on celebrating their 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### 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.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **Senate Bill No. 3212**

(Secretary of State)

**BY** Britto, McKenney, Burke, Murray, DiPalma, Felag, LaMountain, DiMario

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE -- SECURED TRANSACTIONS (Makes a series of amendments and adds new provisions of law to address business identity theft and deceptive solicitations sent to businesses and the unauthorized formation of entities.)

{LC6163/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

#### **Senate Bill No. 3213**

**BY** Vargas, Quezada, Euer, DiPalma, Acosta, Bissaillon, Mack, Zurier

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO -- 2026 BOND REFERENDA (Authorizes the State of Rhode Island to issue up to eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000) in general obligation bonds, subject to voter approval, to support the Roger Williams Park Zoo.)

{LC6246/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 3214****BY** Acosta, Lawson, Gallo, DiPalma, Ciccone, McKenney, Mack, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Establishes stabilization fund for Central Falls and for Davies and Met schools for student education funding.)

{LC6319/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 3215****BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- HEMP GROWTH ACT -- RHODE ISLAND HEMP THC BEVERAGE ACT (Provides a licensed liquor retailer/cannabis retailer/or hemp consumable retailer that received an infused-beverage endorsement from the cannabis control commission the authorization to sell at retail THC infused beverages in accordance with this chapter.)

{LC6276/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Resolution No. 3216****BY** Gallo, DiPalma, Tikoian, Ciccone, LaMountain, Felag, Burke, Gu**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ONWARD WE LEARN IN SUPPORT OF RHODE ISLAND GEAR UP (Appropriates the sum of \$500,000 to Onward We Learn in support of Rhode Island GEAR UP.)

{LC6326/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 3217****BY** Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- DOMESTIC ABUSE PREVENTION (Permits the family court to award possession of household pets to the plaintiff in a domestic abuse complaint, including the enforcement remedy of a restraining order or other injunctive relief.)

{LC6303/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Resolution No. 3218****BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF BASEBALL ICON DAVEY LOPES AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY ON HIS PASSING {LC6335/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**House Bill No. 7003****BY** McNamara, Shekarchi, Ackerman, Casey, Solomon, Morales, Paplauskas, Hopkins, Fascia, Boylan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Directs the state department of education to establish an anti-hazing policy in student athletics.) {LC3202/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7026 SUB A****BY** Read, Noret, Phillips, Donovan, Spears, Cotter, Paplauskas, Boylan, McNamara, Casimiro  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE NATHAN BRUNO AND JASON FLATT ACT (Directs middle and high schools which issue student identification cards to include on those cards on or before September 8, 2026, contact crisis telephone numbers for suicide prevention and substance use disorder prevention.)

{LC3427/A/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

**House Bill No. 7027****BY** Noret, Read, McNamara, O'Brien, Biah, Finkelman, Serpa, Donovan, Messier, Phillips**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Expands the requirement that all high schools and middle schools, whether they are publicly or privately run to maintain on site a functional AED while establishing and implementing a cardiac emergency response plan in these schools.)

{LC3169/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

**House Bill No. 7133 SUB A****BY** Lombardi, Hull, Sanchez, Cruz, Stewart**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- DOMESTIC ABUSE PREVENTION (Permits the family court to award possession of household pets to the plaintiff in a domestic abuse complaint, including the enforcement remedy of a restraining order or other injunctive relief.)

{LC3773/A/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7200****BY** McEntee, Shekarchi, Caldwell, Casimiro, Spears, Felix, Cortvriend, Serpa, Fellela, Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --

PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION (Makes all causes of action based on sexual abuse or exploitation of a child not subject to any statute of limitations whether the claim has lapsed or was previously time-barred.)

{LC3370/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7547**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** Furtado, Stewart, McGaw, Dawson, Cotter, Potter, Donovan, Alzate, Messier, Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- CRIMINAL INJURIES

COMPENSATION (Permits victims of stalking to recover for expenses related to relocation or home modification under the crime victim compensation program.)

{LC4643/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7648**

(Judiciary)

**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Dawson, O'Brien, Spears, Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

(Requires the electronic filing of domestic violence/sexual assault forms by law enforcement agencies, and enhances the information to be included on the reporting forms.)

{LC5099/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7649****BY** Dawson, McEntee, Boylan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNIFORM ACT ON PREVENTION OF AND REMEDIES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING (Requires that all monies received from the payment of fines under the Uniform Act on Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking be deposited into the into the violent crimes indemnity account within the general fund.)

{LC5007/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

**House Bill No. 7653**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Felix, Alzate, Kazarian, Tanzi, Sanchez, Furtado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT (Allows for the electronic filing of domestic violence/sexual assault reporting forms by law enforcement agencies, enhances the information to be included on the reporting forms, and clarifies that the reporting forms should be submitted monthly.)

{LC5098/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7656**

(General Treasurer)

**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Read, Spears, McNamara, Bennett, O'Brien, Dawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION REVOCATION AND REDUCTION ACT (Authorizes the state retirement board to revoke or reduce an individual's pension benefit if that individual is convicted or pleads guilty or no contest to a felony sex crime related to their public office or public employment.)

{LC4646/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

**House Bill No. 7716**

(Cannabis Control Commission)

**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS ACT (Updates the Rhode Island Cannabis Act to remove the current requirement to express cannabinoids as the dry-weight percentages.)

{LC4932/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7717**

(Cannabis Control Commission)

**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS ACT (Updates the Rhode Island Cannabis Act to eliminate the statutorily required subcommittees under the cannabis advisory board.)

{LC4933/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 7733****BY** Cotter, Roberts, Kazarian, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE EXETER -- WEST GREENWICH SCHOOL DISTRICT (Amends chapter 80 of the public laws of 1965 with respect to the composition of the regional district school building committee, apportionment of construction and operating costs and amendments to the agreement.)

{LC5137/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

**House Bill No. 7909****BY** O'Brien, Shallcross Smith, Solomon, Alzate, Baginski, Furtado, Voas, Serpa, Biah, Dawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND LITERACY AND DROPOUT PREVENTION ACT (Redefines dyslexia to mean a specific learning disability characterized by difficulties in word reading and/or spelling that involve accuracy, speed, or both and vary depending on the orthography.)

{LC5577/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

**House Bill No. 8064**

(Attorney General)

**BY** Read, Noret, Corvese, Fascia, Serpa, Casey, Spears, Solomon, Hopkins, Santucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION (Provides that violations of § 11-37.1-10 relating to failing to register as a sex offender are subject to the duration and frequency of registrations pursuant to § 11-37.1-4.)

{LC5629/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 8080**

(Attorney General)

**BY** Fogarty, Alzate, Diaz, Casimiro, Carson, Donovan, Kislak, Shallcross Smith, Stewart, Cortvriend**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT (Provides that a defendant's third and subsequent violation of domestic violence offenses, including both prior felony and misdemeanor convictions, would be punishable as a felony.)

{LC5632/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 8086 SUB A**

(Attorney General)

**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Bennett, McNamara, Dawson, Spears, O'Brien, Read, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- INDICTMENTS, INFORMATIONS AND COMPLAINTS (Provides that the statute of limitations for second-degree sexual assault shall be 10 years from the date of the offense, or, in the case of a victim who is under the age of 18, ten years from the victim's eighteenth birthday, whichever is later.)

{LC5630/A/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 8093 SUB A**

(Attorney General)

**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Knight, Bennett, Dawson, Spears, O'Brien, Potter, Casey, Read  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN (Expands the definition of "educational program" for purposes of the abused and neglected children general law to include charter schools, parochial schools, after school programs, camps and various other programs involving children.)

{LC5628/A/1}

Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 8229****BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION

{LC5952/1}

Referred to the Senate Consent Calendar.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES  
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Chairwoman Murray, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

**Senate Bill No. 2876**

**BY** Murray, Thompson, Appollonio, Britto, Lauria, Ujifusa, Valverde

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS (Caps the total amount that a covered person is required to pay for a covered prescription inhaler, prescription device, or prescription equipment to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per thirty (30) day supply.)

{LC5579/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

**Senate Bill No. 2877**

**BY** Murray, Thompson, Appollonio, Britto, Lauria, Ujifusa, Valverde

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Caps amount payable for 30 day supply of equipment/supplies for insulin administration/glucose monitoring at \$25 or equipment designed to last more than 30 days with no deductible commencing January 1, 2027.)

{LC5543/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senate President Pro Tempore Gallo, the Senate adjourns at 4:27 o'clock P.M.

**HELENA S. REID**  
*Secretary of the Senate*

**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026**

**House Bill No. 7220**

(by request - Barrington)

**BY** Boylan, Knight

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

(Permits the town of Barrington to assess an annual dog licensing fee of seven dollars (\$7.00).)

{LC4063/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

**House Bill No. 7221**

(by request - Barrington)

**BY** Boylan, Knight

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

(Increases the fines for dog ordinance violations in the town of Barrington.)

{LC4062/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR LOUIS P. DIPALMA**

Dear Lord, We pray that you bless this Senate. Help us to work with a real commitment to resolving the problems that face our State. Remind us to always treat each other with dignity and respect. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026:

1. **2026-S 3218**

**BY** Lawson

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF BASEBALL ICON DAVEY LOPES AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY ON HIS PASSING

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. **2026-H 8229**

**BY** Kislak

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

## Appendix

## CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026:

1.     **2026-S 2409**  
      **BY** Thompson  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
      MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION  
  
      Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.
2.     **2026-S 2925**  
      **BY** Burke  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
      FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION  
  
      Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.
3.     **2026-S 3119**  
      **BY** Tikoian  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --  
      MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION  
  
      Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.
4.     **2026-S 2750**  
      **BY** Sosnowski  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT  
      JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES  
      AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.
5.     **2026-S 3176**  
      **BY** Zurier  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- CROOK POINT BRIDGE  
      AUTHORITY ACT  
  
      Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

6. **2026-H 7049 as amended**  
**BY** Baginski  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026:

1. **2026-S 2876**  
**BY** Murray  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

2. **2026-S 2877**  
**BY** Murray  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.