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ALBANY, NEW YORK

January 10, 1995

3:01 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

BETSY McCAUGHEY, Lieutenant-Governor

STEPHEN F. SLOAN, Secretary

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P R O C E E D I N G S

THE PRESIDENT: The Senate will come to order. Would you please rise and repeat with me the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The assemblage repeated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

In the absence of clergy, may we bow our heads in a moment of silence.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

The reading of the Journal, please.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Monday, January 9th. The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Friday, January 6th, was read and approved. On motion, the Senate adjourned.

THE PRESIDENT: Without objection, the Journal stands approved as read. The order of business:

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

Messages from the Governor.

1 Reports of standing committees.

2 Reports of select committees.

3 Communications and reports from
4 state officers.

5 Motions and resolutions.

6 I would like to recognize Senator
7 Bruno.

8 SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President,
9 I move we adopt the Resolution Calendar, a copy
10 of which is at the desk.

11 THE PRESIDENT: All in favor of
12 adopting the resolution -

13 SENATOR CONNOR: Madam President,
14 I would ask that the resolution honoring Thomas
15 Coughlin on the occasion of his retirement be
16 opened up for other sponsorships since there are
17 members of this side of the aisle who would like
18 to sponsor it.

19 THE PRESIDENT: The number of
20 additional sponsorships, please.

21 SENATOR CONNOR: Yes.

22 THE PRESIDENT: Oh. The number of
23 the resolution.

1 SENATOR CONNOR: Anybody that
2 doesn't want to be on it?

3 SENATOR BRUNO: Anybody who
4 doesn't want to be on it -

5 THE PRESIDENT: What is the
6 number of the resolution, please?

7 SENATOR CONNOR: Resolution -
8 Resolution Number 26.

9 THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.
10 Everyone will be on the
11 resolution unless he speaks now preferring not
12 to be on the resolution. All in favor of
13 adopting the Resolution Calendar, signify by
14 saying aye.

15 (Response of "Aye".)

16 Those opposed, nay.

17 (There was no response.)

18 The resolution is adopted.

19 Senator Bruno.

20 SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President,
21 I offer up the following committee assignments,
22 ask that they be filed and read, and the
23 committee assignments as related to the Minority

1 will be made in consultation with the Minority
2 Leader.

3 THE PRESIDENT: The Secretary
4 will read the assignments.

5 THE SECRETARY: Senator Bruno
6 hands up the following committee assignments:

7 Committee on Aging: Chairman,
8 Senator DiCarlo.

9 Committee on Agriculture:
10 Chairman, Senator Kuhl.

11 Committee on Alcoholism and Drug
12 Abuse: Chairman, Senator Wright.

13 Committee on Banks: Chairman,
14 Senator Farley.

15 Committee on Children and
16 Families: Chairman, Senator Saland.

17 Committee on Cities: Chairman,
18 Senator Padavan.

19 Committee on Civil Service and
20 Pensions: Chairman, Senator Trunzo.

21 Committee on Codes: Chairman,
22 Senator Volker.

23 Committee on Commerce, Economic

1 Development and Small Business: Chairman,
2 Senator Present.

3 Committee on Consumer Protection:
4 Chairman, Senator Sears.

5 Committee on Corporations,
6 Authorities and Commissions: Chairman, Senator
7 Marchi.

8 Committee on Crime and
9 Corrections: Chairman, Senator Nozzolio.

10 Committee on Education:
11 Chairman, Senator Cook.

12 Committee on Elections:
13 Chairman, Senator Maltese.

14 Committee on Energy: Chairman,
15 Senator Seward.

16 Committee on Environmental
17 Conservation: Chairman, Senator Tully.

18 Committee on Ethics: Chairman,
19 Senator Leibell.

20 Committee on Finance: Chairman,
21 Senator Stafford.

22 Committee on Health: Chairman,
23 Senator Hannon.

1 Committee on Higher Education:
2 Chairman, Senator LaValle.

3 Committee on Housing: Chairman,
4 Senator Johnson.

5 Committee on Insurance:
6 Chairman, Senator Velella.

7 Committee on Investigations,
8 Taxation and Government Operations: Chairman,
9 Senator Goodman.

10 Committee on Judiciary:
11 Chairman, Senator Lack.

12 Committee on Labor: Chairman,
13 Senator Spano.

14 Committee on Local Government:
15 Chairman, Senator Larkin.

16 Committee on Mental Health and
17 Developmental Disabilities: Chairman, Senator
18 Libous.

19 Committee on Rules: Chairman,
20 Senator Bruno.

21 Committee on Social Services:
22 Chairman, Senator Holland.

23 Committee on Tourism, Recreation

1 and Sports Development: Chairman, Senator
2 DeFrancisco.

3 Committee on Transportation:
4 Chairman, Senator Levy.

5 Committee on Veterans: Chairman,
6 Senator Hoblock.

7 Administrative Regulations Review
8 Commission: Chairman, Senator Rath.

9 THE PRESIDENT: Yes. The
10 committee assignments are hereby received and
11 ordered filed with the desk.

12 Senator Bruno.

13 SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President,
14 for the purpose of the members, the commissions
15 and how they are put together will be announced
16 in the very near future, hopefully next week.

17 Now, Madam President, with your
18 indulgence, I would like to read the leadership
19 positions in the Senate.

20 Thank you.

21 And I ask that they be filed at
22 the desk. You have appointed me Temporary
23 President of the Senate, my colleagues, and for

1 that, I thank you.

2 Vice-President Pro Tem, Senator
3 Owen Johnson.

4 Deputy Majority Leader,
5 Legislative Operations, Senator Dean Skelos.

6 Senior Assistant Majority Leader,
7 Senator Guy Velella.

8 Assistant Majority Leader,
9 Conference Operations, Senator Nicholas Spano.

10 Assistant Majority Leader, house
11 operations, Senator John Kuhl.

12 Chairman, Majority Conference,
13 Senator Norm Levy.

14 Chairman, Majority Program
15 Development Committee, Senator Thomas Libous.

16 Majority Whip, Senator Hugh
17 Farley.

18 Vice-Chairman, Majority
19 Conference, Senator Kenneth LaValle.

20 Secretary, Majority Conference,
21 Senator James Seward.

22 Deputy Majority Whip, Senator
23 James Lack.

1 Chairman, Majority Steering
2 Committee, Senator John Daly.

3 Assistant Majority Whip, Senator
4 William Larkin, and in addition to these
5 leader... leadership positions, I have taken it
6 upon myself to create several other leadership
7 positions out of deference to some very senior
8 members in this house that will help me in my
9 leadership role as we go forward doing all the
10 good things that we want to do for the people of
11 this state, and I will read:

12 Counsel to the Majority Leader,
13 Ralph Marino.

14 Deputy Majority Leader for
15 Intergovernmental Affairs, Senator John Marchi.

16 Deputy Majority Leader for
17 Administration, Senator Jess Present.

18 Deputy Majority Leader for
19 Policy, Senator Roy Goodman.

20 Thank you.

21 THE PRESIDENT: Leadership
22 assignments are hereby received and ordered
23 filed with the desk.

1 SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President.

2 THE PRESIDENT: Senator Bruno.

3 SENATOR BRUNO: It's my
4 understanding that the Minority leadership
5 positions are at the desk and ask that they be
6 read in their entirety and filed.

7 THE PRESIDENT: The Secretary
8 will read them, please.

9 THE SECRETARY: Senator Bruno
10 hands up the following committee notices:

11 Committee on Aging: Senator
12 Kruger, ranking.

13 Committee on Agriculture:
14 Senator Hoffmann, ranking.

15 Committee on Alcoholism and Drug
16 Abuse: Senator Gonzalez, acting ranking.

17 Committee on Banks: Senator
18 Santiago, ranking.

19 Committee on Children and
20 Families: Senator Montgomery, acting ranking.

21 Committee on Cities: Senator
22 Espada, ranking.

23 Committee on Civil Service and

1 Pensions: Senator Waldon, ranking.
2 Committee on Codes: Senator
3 Gold, ranking.
4 Committee on Commerce, Economic
5 Development and Small Business: Senator
6 Gonzalez, ranking.
7 Committee on Consumer Protection:
8 Senator Montgomery, ranking.
9 Committee on Corporations,
10 Authorities and Commissions: Senator Smith,
11 ranking.
12 Committee on Crime Victims, Crime
13 and Corrections: Senator Abate, ranking.
14 Committee on Education: Senator
15 Babbush, ranking.
16 Committee on Elections: Senator
17 Kruger, acting ranking.
18 Committee on Energy: Senator
19 Dollinger, acting ranking.
20 Committee on Environmental
21 Conservation: Senator Leichter, acting ranking.
22 Committee on Ethics: Senator
23 Stachowski, acting ranking.

1 Committee on Finance: Senator
2 Galiber, ranking.

3 Committee on Health: Senator
4 Dollinger, ranking.

5 Committee on Higher Education:
6 Senator Stavisky, ranking.

7 Committee on Housing and
8 Community Development: Senator Markowitz,
9 acting ranking.

10 Committee on Insurance: Senator
11 Solomon, ranking.

12 Committee on Investigations,
13 Taxation and Government Operations: Senator
14 Markowitz, ranking.

15 Committee on Judiciary: Senator
16 Leichter, ranking.

17 Committee on Labor: Senator
18 Stachowski, ranking.

19 Committee on Local Government:
20 Senator Hoffmann, acting ranking.

21 Committee on Mental Health and
22 Developmental Disabilities: Senator Jones,
23 ranking.

1 Committee on Rules: Senator
2 Connor, ranking.

3 Committee on Social Services:
4 Senator Mendez, ranking.

5 Tourism, Recreation and Sports:
6 Senator Nanula, ranking.

7 Committee on Transportation:
8 Senator Oppenheimer, ranking.

9 Committee on Veterans: Senator
10 Onorato, ranking.

11 Also, Senator Bruno hands up the
12 following Senate Minority Leaderships:
13 Minority Leader, Senator Martin
14 Connor.

15 Deputy Minority Leader, Senator
16 David Paterson.

17 Chairperson, Minority Conference:
18 Senator Olga Mendez.

19 Assistant Minority Leader for
20 Policy and Administration, Senator Martin
21 Solomon.

22 Assistant Minority Leader for
23 conference operations, Senator Anthony Nanula.

1 Assistant Minority Leader for
2 floor operations, Senator William Stachowski.
3 Minority Whip, Senator Ada Smith.
4 Vice-Chairperson, Minority
5 Conference: Senator Velmanette Montgomery.
6 Secretary, Minority Conference:
7 Senator George Onorato.

8 Assistant Minority Whip, Senator
9 Pedro Espada.

10 THE PRESIDENT: The leadership
11 assignments and committee assignments are hereby
12 received and ordered filed with the desk.

13 Senator Bruno.

14 SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President,
15 I would like to add to the proceedings that
16 Senator Michael Tully will remain as Chair of
17 the Council on Health Care Financing, and there
18 being no further business to come before the
19 Senate, I ask that we stand adjourned until
20 Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. and intervening days to be
21 legislative days, and wish you all a nice, long
22 weekend.

23 THE PRESIDENT: The Senate stands

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adjourned.
(Whereupon, at 3:15 p.m., the
Senate adjourned.)