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SENATOR JOSEPH GRIFFO, Acting President

FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will come to order.

I ask all present to please rise and join with me as we recite the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

(Whereupon, the assemblage recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: In the absence of clergy, I ask all to bow our heads in a moment of silent reflection and prayer.

(Whereupon, the assemblage respected a moment of silence.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The reading of the Journal.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Wednesday, May 30th, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Tuesday, May 29th, was read and approved. On motion, Senate adjourned.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Without objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: On page 39, Senator Bonacic moves to discharge, from the Committee on Judiciary, Assembly Bill Number 9400 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 6624, Third Reading Calendar 787.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The substitution is so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: On page 39, Senator Hannon moves to discharge, from the Committee on Judiciary, Assembly Bill Number 9836 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 6977, Third Reading Calendar 790.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The substitution is so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: On page 41, Senator Hannon moves to discharge, from the Committee on Health, Assembly Bill Number 9901 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 6972, Third Reading Calendar 818.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: And the substitution is so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: And on page 48,

Senator Diaz moves to discharge, from the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications, Assembly Bill Number 759A and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 502A, Third Reading Calendar 964.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The substitution is so ordered.

Messages from the Governor.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of select committees.

Communications and reports from state officers.

Motions and resolutions.

Senator LaValle.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Ritchie, on page 16 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 289, Senate Print Number 5641, and ask that said bill retain its place on Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill shall retain its place on third reading.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Grisanti, on page 26 I

offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 594, Senate Print Number 6268B, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill shall retain its place on third reading.

Senator LaValle.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Mr. President, may we please adopt the Resolution Calendar, with the exception of Resolution 4963.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: All in favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar, with the exception of Resolution Number 4963, signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Resolution Calendar is adopted.

Senator LaValle.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Mr. President, I believe there is a resolution by Senator Little at the desk, Number 4963. I ask that it be read

in its entirety and then call on Senator Little.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative Resolution Number 4963, by Senator Little, memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 31 through June 6, 2012, as Museum Week in the State of New York.

"WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in participating in special days of recognition for its esteemed institutions; and

"WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 31 through June 6, 2012, as Museum Week in the State of New York; and

"WHEREAS, On this most auspicious occasion, New York State is celebrating the diversity and richness of its museums by inviting residents and visitors alike to discover the fascinating worlds of art, photography, history, science, pop culture, and more; and

"WHEREAS, From May 31 through

June 6, 2012, more than 200 museums across the state will be part of the inaugural New York State Museum Week and will be offering special events, activities and promotions to give guests a sample of the exhibitions and programs available at the nearly 2,000 museums located throughout New York; and

"WHEREAS, New York's diverse array of museums, historic homes, zoos and botanical gardens offer something for everyone and every family; and

"WHEREAS, Museum Week will highlight the wide array of educational, cultural and historic attractions that are available throughout the state for New Yorkers and visitors from around the world; and

"WHEREAS, The participating organizations and institutions, located in every part of New York State, are not only vital cultural resources for our state, they are also important economic engines for their communities; and

"WHEREAS, From ancient treasures to the 'I Love Lucy' sound stage, Museum Week offers New Yorkers and travelers from around the world

an opportunity to visit what is collectively the most impressive and unique cultural experiences anywhere to be found; and

"WHEREAS, Our museums celebrate and preserve our historic and cultural heritage, as well as enrich our communities and play a vital role in the state's economy; and

"WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes pleasure in celebrating Museum Week, recognizing the important and unique role our museums play in education, tourism and community development for our cities, towns and villages throughout this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 31 through June 6, 2012, as Museum Week in the State of New York; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

First of all, I'd like to begin by thanking Governor Cuomo for proclaiming this as the first-ever New York State Museum Week, which I think is going to kick off our summer tourist season and help all of us to recognize the small museums and the large museums that exist in our districts.

I'd also like to thank "I Love New York" for participating, for developing a website, for really working with us, and in particular Kelly Rabideau of "I Love New York" for her efforts in this. Also, the executive director of the New York State Association of Museums, Anne Ackerson, for her participation.

I'd also like to thank my colleagues for participating and for recognizing your museums that are in your district.

I know we have sent out a blast email to many of the people that we email telling them about it. I also have a kick-off event this afternoon at the Hyde Museum, which is located in Glens Falls, and will be attending and looking at the other museums throughout the week.

This is an opportunity for our wonderful New York State museums, historic sites, botanical gardens and those things to celebrate their existence and to offer specials, promotions, and get people interested. As we begin the summer season and make our travel plans, we would be encouraging people to not only think of where they're going to vacation but to look in their own backyard for activities and things that they can do there, and particularly by visiting a museum.

And visiting a museum this week that's participating is very special, and it also gives a taste of what is there. From the Slate Museum that I have in Granville to larger museums that we have in the Plattsburgh area, the Olympic Museum in Lake Placid, we have so many places and so many things.

And so many of our small museums do not have the budget and the money to market themselves. So I believe that having this first-ever New York State Museum Week will help call attention to these wonderful resources in New York State.

And I thank all of you for

participating and making this a special week.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Little.

Senator Serrano.

SENATOR SERRANO: Thank you, Mr. President.

And I want to convey my gratitude to the chair of the Cultural Affairs Committee, Senator Little, and thank her for her leadership, and "I Love New York" and all of the agencies involved with Museum Week.

And as Senator Little mentioned, this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase all the wonderful cultural venues that we have throughout our state, especially our museums. And with the firm understanding that the economic engine, one of the main economic engines in New York State is our tourism sector, as well as our cultural and entertainment sector.

We see every day what museums and cultural institutions do for New York City. It's obvious to anyone who knows the city that New York would not be the amazing city that it is had it not been for the cultural venues that

attract tourists from all over the world and bring in dollars from all over the world.

So I think it's important that on a state level we showcase all of the wonders that we have. We have so much to offer on a state level. And this will give museums a wonderful opportunity to draw in patrons to learn; the educational opportunities are endless.

And once again, I applaud Senator Little for her leadership on this.

Thank you very much.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Farley.

SENATOR FARLEY: Yes, I rise to support Senator Little's resolution.

You know, museums in New York State, we have a wealth source of history and art. And in my own district I have seven or eight that are participating in this. And it is a tremendous tourist attraction. It is tremendous particularly for upstate New York, which needs the revenue and the tourism.

But these museums are a wonderful wealth source in this state, and it's something that we can be very proud of. And it's something

that Senator Little, in her resolution, and the Governor, for promoting our museums around the state.

And I think it's a very exciting week that is coming up, and I hope that everybody participates. Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Farley.

Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

And I was remiss in saying that I would hope everyone would be interested in being on this museum resolution. We open it up to all the members of the Senate and hope you'll participate.

Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: At the sponsor's request, the resolution will be open for cosponsorship. If you choose not to be a cosponsor, notify the desk.

The question is on the resolution. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO:

Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Senator LaValle.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Mr. President, may we please have the noncontroversial reading of the calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 729, by Senator Nozzolio, Senate Print 4512A, an act to amend the Retirement and Social Security Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

SENATOR LaVALLE: Lay it aside for the day, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Lay the bill aside for the day.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 742, by Senator Nozzolio, Senate Print 7021A, an act to amend the Public Authorities Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 745, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 7327, an act to amend the Public Authorities Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 748, by Senator Hannon, Senate Print 7243, an act to amend the Civil Service Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the

last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the 90th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little to explain her vote.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you.

I am a no vote on this bill. And it sounds like a horrible thing to be doing; however, as a member of the Mandate Relief Council, this is a mandate that I think that we should not be passing at this time.

So thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little to be recorded in the negative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 50. Nays, 3. Senators Little, O'Mara and Ritchie recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 750, by Senator Young, Senate Print 773, an act

to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 52. Nays, 1. Senator Little recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 764, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 518, an act to amend the Penal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 770, by Senator Bonacic, Senate Print 6426, an act to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 4. This act shall take effect on the 180th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 52. Nays, 1. Senator Fuschillo recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 772, by Senator Farley, Senate Print 6770, an act to authorize.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 52. Nays,

1. Senator Fuschillo recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 773, by Senator Larkin, Senate Print 6986, an act to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53. Nays, 1. Senator Fuschillo recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 778, by Senator Oppenheimer, Senate Print 6290, an act in relation.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the

roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 779, by Senator Ritchie, Senate Print 7138, an act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 783, by Senator Robach, Senate Print 490, an act to amend the Domestic Relations Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 787, substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly Weinstein, Assembly Print 9400, an act to amend Chapter 363 of the Laws of 2010.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 790, substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly Abinanti, Assembly Print 9836, an act to amend the Surrogate's Court Procedure Act.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the

last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 792, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 3203B, an act to amend the Tax Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 799, by Senator Farley, Senate Print 5129, by an act to amend the State Finance Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the 180th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 818, substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly Titone, Assembly Print 9901, an act to amend the Public Health Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number

832, by Senator Marcellino, Senate Print 6999A, an act to authorize.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 51. Nays, 3. Senators Bonacic, Larkin and O'Mara recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 842, by Senator Seward, Senate Print 6978, an act to amend the Insurance Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53. Nays,

1. Senator Peralta recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 871, by Senator Lanza, Senate Print 2937A, an act to amend the Penal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 964, substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly Dinowitz, Assembly Print 759A, an act to amend the Elder Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the

roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 965, by Senator Kennedy, Senate Print 4726, an act to amend the Penal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Kennedy to explain his vote.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Thank you, Mr. President.

I want to thank my colleagues for their support on this important piece of legislation today.

This legislation will make criminal impersonation of a disabled veteran vendor a Class A misdemeanor. When someone impersonates a

disabled veteran vendor for personal gain, they're committing a truly shameful act. Once this becomes law, the legislation will ensure this reprehensible act becomes a punishable crime.

Not only does impersonation of a disabled veteran vendor deceive the buying public, it also inflicts serious economic pain upon actual disabled veteran vendors. This deception results in the theft of business that rightfully belongs to men and women who make great sacrifices and service to this country.

People often make the conscious decision to purchase goods or services from a disabled veteran-owned business. Impersonating a disabled veteran vendor deprives veterans of an economic benefit they earned after protecting our freedoms.

Making the impersonation of a veteran vendor a Class A misdemeanor will establish a deterrent to this criminal activity, and it will ensure law enforcement has the tools to crack down on anyone who impersonates a disabled veteran business owner. It will stop people who try to cheat the system and steal from

veterans.

With this bill, offenders who defraud the public by pretending to be disabled veteran vendors can be punished with up to one year in prison. This legislation will set the precedent that in New York State you won't get away with defrauding veterans out of benefits that they've earned.

We must do all we can to protect our veterans, and this legislation is an important next step. Under this bill we will stand up and stop those who impersonate veteran-owned businesses in attempts to deceive their way into stealing businesses from veterans who gave so much for our state and our nation.

Thank you, Mr. President. I vote aye.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Kennedy to be recorded in the affirmative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 52. Nays, 2. Senators Montgomery and Perkins recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 967, by Senator Diaz, Senate Print 6237, an act to amend the Correction Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 968, by Senator Peralta, Senate Print 6292, an act to amend the Penal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 8. This act shall take effect on the first of November.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Peralta to explain his vote.

SENATOR PERALTA: Thank you, Mr. President.

I want to thank all my colleagues for voting on this bill today.

As you know, a terrorist plot to do us harm may be hatched in another country thousands of miles from here, but some of the tools to make it happen are being produced right here in our own backyard. Actually, they're being produced in my backyard more than in anyone else's.

The stretch of Roosevelt Avenue in my district from about 75th Street up to 103rd Street has been identified by investigators as the East Coast epicenter of fake ID production and sale. Forged documents available on Roosevelt Avenue include driver's licenses, passports and Social Security cards. There are believed to be 10 or more mills churning out these forgeries.

But it is not simply a matter of quantity but of quality as well. And it is the quality of these forged documents, coupled with the fact that they are so easy to obtain, that undermines the hard work of Homeland Security and

law enforcement to keep us safe.

Given the quality of these forged official documents and their ready availability on Roosevelt Avenue and elsewhere, it should come as no surprise that we're seeing fake IDs at the heart of a number of criminal enterprises, scandals and tragedies, from identity theft to college entrance exams to deaths on our roadways.

The fake ID and forgery business has been thriving on Roosevelt Avenue for many, many years. The Queens District Attorney, Richard Brown, has worked very hard on this issue for years. I approached DA Brown and asked him how I could help, and we came up with this piece of legislation.

Under this bill, the manufacture and sale of a false document would be upgraded from a Class D to a Class C felony, roughly doubling jail sentences. It would also make forging an ID a more serious offense than other forgeries -- say of a MetroCard, for example.

Penalties for possessing a fake ID or other false document will remain the same. That's important to keep in mind, because as

things stand today, an underage drinker caught with a fake ID potentially faces the same punishment under the law as somebody running a fake ID mill.

Simply put, this bill very specifically and directly singles out the real threats to society. It does that by defining sale in a way that helps police and prosecutors target every link in the chain of sale, making it more difficult for forged document rings to operate, whether on Roosevelt Avenue or anyplace in New York State.

So I want to thank my colleagues for voting yea on this piece of legislation.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Peralta to be recorded in the affirmative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53. Nays, 1. Senator Duane recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 971, by Senator Robach, Senate Print 7490, an act to amend Chapter 557 of the Laws of 2001.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the

last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 53. Nays, 2. Senators Duane and Gallivan recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

Senator Libous, that completes the reading of the noncontroversial calendar.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Could we please go back to motions, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: We're back to motions.

SENATOR LIBOUS: On behalf of Senator Ranzenhofer, on page 13 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 140, Senate Print 5198C, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill shall retain its place on third reading.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Again on behalf of Senator Ranzenhofer, on page 26 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 564, Senate Print 6614, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill shall retain its place on third reading.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, is there any further business at the desk?

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There is no further business.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, I have an announcement. There will be a meeting of the Crime Victims, Crime and Corrections Committee immediately following session in Room 124.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Meeting in Room 124 immediately following session of the Crime Victims, Crime and Corrections Committee.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, there being no further business, I move we adjourn until Monday, June 4th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being legislative days.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: On motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Monday, June 4th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being legislative days.

Senate adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 11:42 a.m., the Senate adjourned.)