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NEW YORK STATE SENATE

THE STENOGRAPHIC RECORD

ALBANY, NEW YORK

February 4, 2013

3:39 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

SENATOR JOSEPH ROBACH, Acting President

FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The
3 Senate will come to order.

4 I ask everyone present to please
5 rise and repeat with me the Pledge of
6 Allegiance.

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: In the
10 absence of clergy, may we bow our heads in a
11 moment of silence.

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

14 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The
15 reading of the Journal.

16 THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Friday,
17 February 1st, the Senate met pursuant to
18 adjournment. The Journal of Thursday,
19 January 31st, was read and approved. On motion,
20 Senate adjourned.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Without
22 objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

23 Presentation of petitions.

24 Messages from the Assembly.

25 The Secretary will read the

1 substitutions.

2 THE SECRETARY: On page 6, Senator
3 Hannon moves to discharge, from the Committee on
4 Health, Assembly Bill Number 1988 and substitute
5 it for the identical Senate Bill Number 2079,
6 Third Reading Calendar 6.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH:
8 Substitution ordered.

9 THE SECRETARY: And on page 6,
10 Senator Hannon moves to discharge, from the
11 Committee on Health, Assembly Bill Number 1989
12 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill
13 Number 2080, Third Reading Calendar 7.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH:
15 Substitution ordered.

16 Messages from the Governor.

17 Reports of standing committees.

18 Reports of select committees.

19 Communications and reports from
20 state officers.

21 Motions and resolutions.

22 Senator Libous.

23 SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you,
24 Mr. President.

25 I move that the following bill be

1 discharged from its respective committee and be
2 recommitted with instructions to strike the
3 enacting clause. And that's Senate Number 2802,
4 by Senator Ball.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: So
6 ordered.

7 Senator Libous.

8 SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you,
9 Mr. President.

10 May we now have the reading of the
11 noncontroversial calendar.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The
13 Secretary will read.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 5,
15 by Senator Carlucci, Senate Print 1993, an act
16 to amend the Public Health Law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Read the
18 last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Call the
22 roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Senator
25 Carlucci to explain his vote.

1 SENATOR CARLUCCI: Thank you,
2 Mr. President.

3 I just want to thank my colleagues
4 in the Senate for voting on this important piece
5 of legislation, and thank Senator Hannon for
6 making some technical corrections in the
7 Health Committee.

8 And this is an important piece of
9 legislation that will streamline the work of
10 canine units around the State of New York. It
11 was something that was brought to my attention by
12 the Clarkstown Police Department in talking about
13 what the job of a canine unit is.

14 What this bill does is it
15 streamlines the process, makes sure that canines
16 can do their job and not have to worry about the
17 bureaucratic red tape.

18 So I thank my colleagues for
19 supporting this legislation. Thank you.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Thank
21 you, Senator Carlucci.

22 Senator Hassell-Thompson to explain
23 her vote.

24 SENATOR HASSELL-THOMPSON: Thank
25 you, Mr. President.

1 In committee I voted without rec.
2 But I had the opportunity to do some checking
3 with the Health Department, and I'm satisfied
4 that asking for this waiver doesn't constitute a
5 public safety issue.

6 But I am concerned that the care and
7 treatment and training that the dogs receive is
8 uniform. And as long as the Health Department
9 has a statewide uniformity as to how this
10 training and treatment, more than just the
11 inoculations are put in place, I'll be satisfied
12 to support the bill.

13 But I still have that as a concern,
14 because I don't believe that from township to
15 township that they have the same standards. And
16 I would hope that the Health Department would
17 institute standards by which all dogs receive the
18 same level of treatment.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Senator
20 Hassell-Thompson will be recorded in the
21 affirmative.

22 Announce the results.

23 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 47.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The bill
25 is passed.

1 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 6,
2 substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly
3 Gottfried, Assembly Print Number 1988, an act to
4 amend the Public Health Law.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Read the
6 last section.

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Call the
10 roll.

11 (The Secretary called the roll.)

12 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Announce
13 the results.

14 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 47.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The bill
16 is passed.

17 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 7,
18 substituted earlier by Member of the Assembly
19 Gottfried, Assembly Print Number 1989, an act to
20 amend Chapter 461 of the Laws of 2012.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Read the
22 last section.

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

25 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Call the

1 roll.

2 (The Secretary called the roll.)

3 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Announce
4 the results.

5 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 47.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The bill
7 is passed.

8 Senator Libous, that completes the
9 reading of the calendar.

10 SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you,
11 Mr. President. You've done a fine job.

12 And if we could just stand at ease
13 temporarily.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: The
15 Senate will stand at ease temporarily.

16 (Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease
17 at 3:45 p.m.)

18 (Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at
19 3:51 p.m.)

20 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: Senator
21 Libous.

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

24 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: There is
25 none.

1 SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President,
2 there being no further business at the desk, I
3 move that the Senate stand adjourned until
4 Tuesday, February 5th, at 11:00 a.m.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT ROBACH: On
6 motion, the Senate stands adjourned until
7 Tuesday, February 5th, at 11:00 a.m.

8 (Whereupon, at 3:52 p.m., the Senate
9 adjourned.)

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