

1 NEW YORK STATE SENATE

2  
3  
4 THE STENOGRAPHIC RECORD

5  
6  
7  
8 ALBANY, NEW YORK

9  
10 May 19, 2014

11 3:45 p.m.

12  
13  
14 REGULAR SESSION

15  
16  
17  
18 SENATOR DAVID CARLUCCI, Acting President

19 FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary

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

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: 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 CARLUCCI: To  
10 lead us in our invocation we are joined by the  
11 Reverend Peter G. Young, of Mother Teresa  
12 Community in Albany.

13 REVEREND YOUNG: Thank you,  
14 Senator.

15 Let us pray.

16 Dear God, by Your love You have  
17 made a world where we have to become then  
18 neighbors to each other and we are enabled to  
19 love one another. And grant that we too may use  
20 then the Senate to strive toward a way of life  
21 in keeping with Your plan.

22 God, You have given us a marvelous  
23 of charity in the call to us to love one  
24 another. Send down Your blessing on these  
25 Senators who generously devote themselves to

1 helping others and those in New York State as  
2 citizens.

3 We want to remember one Catherine  
4 Abate, who served well in this house for many,  
5 many, many years and just died this past Saturday  
6 after a dedicated working opportunity for the  
7 Community Healthcare Network. May she remain in  
8 Your love now and forever.

9 Amen.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
11 reading of the Journal.

12 THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Friday,  
13 May 16th, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
14 The Journal of Thursday, May 15th, was read and  
15 approved. On motion, Senate adjourned.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Without  
17 objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

18 Presentation of petitions.

19 Messages from the Assembly.

20 The Secretary will read.

21 THE SECRETARY: On page 35, Senator  
22 Young moves to discharge, from the Committee on  
23 Housing, Construction and Community Development,  
24 Assembly Bill Number 9360 and substitute it for  
25 the identical Senate Bill Number 6878, Third

1 Reading Calendar 380.

2 On page 37, Senator Bonacic moves to  
3 discharge, from the Committee on Judiciary,  
4 Assembly Bill Number 8972 and substitute it for  
5 the identical Senate Bill Number 7075, Third  
6 Reading Calendar 425.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
8 Substitutions ordered.

9 Messages from the Governor.

10 Reports of standing committees.

11 Reports of select committees.

12 Communications and reports from  
13 state officers.

14 Motions and resolutions.

15 Senator Hannon.

16 SENATOR HANNON: Would you call on  
17 Senator Gianaris for some motions.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
19 Gianaris.

20 SENATOR GIANARIS: Thank you,  
21 Mr. President.

22 On behalf of Senator Parker, I move  
23 that the following bills be discharged from their  
24 respective committees and be recommitted with  
25 instructions to strike the enacting clause:

1 Senate Bill Numbers 953 and 5433.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: So  
3 ordered.

4 Senator Hannon.

5 SENATOR HANNON: And Senator  
6 Valesky has motions.

7 SENATOR VALESKY: Thank you,  
8 Mr. President.

9 On behalf of Senator Klein, on  
10 page 42 I offer the following amendments to  
11 Calendar Number 489, Senate Print 2331A, and ask  
12 that said bill retain its place on the Third  
13 Reading Calendar.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: So  
15 ordered.

16 Senator Hannon.

17 SENATOR HANNON: Mr. President, I  
18 have the following motions.

19 On behalf of Senator Ranzenhofer, on  
20 page 34, Calendar Number 333, I offer the  
21 following amendments to Senate Print Number 6718  
22 and ask that said bill retain its place on the  
23 Third Reading Calendar.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: So  
25 ordered.

1                   SENATOR HANNON:   Also, on behalf of  
2   Senator Golden, on page 36, Calendar 390, Senate  
3   Print Number 6757, I offer the following  
4   amendments and ask that the bill retain its place  
5   on the Third Reading Calendar.

6                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   So  
7   ordered.

8                   SENATOR HANNON:   On behalf of  
9   Senator LaValle, on page 38, Calendar Number 432,  
10   Senate Print 5268, I offer the following  
11   amendments and ask that the bill retain its place  
12   on the Third Reading Calendar.

13                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   So  
14   ordered.

15                  SENATOR HANNON:   On behalf of  
16   Senator Flanagan, page 38, Calendar Number 440,  
17   Senate Print Number 6854, I offer the following  
18   amendments and ask that the bill retain its place  
19   on the Third Reading Calendar.

20                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   So  
21   ordered.

22                  SENATOR HANNON:   And finally, on  
23   behalf of Senator Farley, on page 52, Calendar  
24   595, Senate Print Number 2932, I offer the  
25   following amendments and ask that the bill retain

1 its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: So  
3 ordered.

4 Senator Hannon.

5 SENATOR HANNON: Mr. President, I'd  
6 like to ask if we could now take up a previously  
7 adopted resolution, Number 3569, by Senator  
8 Griffo, read it in its entirety, and ask  
9 Senator Griffo to speak on it.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
11 Secretary will read.

12 THE SECRETARY: Legislative  
13 Resolution Number 3569, by Senator Griffo,  
14 honoring Olympian Erin Hamlin of Remsen,  
15 New York, upon the occasion of capturing the  
16 Bronze Medal in Women's Singles Luge at the  
17 2014 Winter Olympic Games in Sochi.

18 "WHEREAS, It is the sense of this  
19 Legislative Body to extend its full recognition  
20 and grateful tribute to the outstanding athletes  
21 of New York state who have dedicated their  
22 purposeful lives to athletic achievement and  
23 proudly represented their great state and nation  
24 in Olympic competition; and

25 "WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern,

1 and in full accord with its long-standing  
2 traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud  
3 to join the community of Remsen, New York, in  
4 honoring Olympian Erin Hamlin upon the occasion  
5 of capturing the Bronze Medal in Women's Singles  
6 Luge at the 2014 Winter Olympic Games in Sochi;  
7 and

8 "WHEREAS, On February 11, 2014, Erin  
9 Hamlin, a native of Remsen, New York, set a  
10 blistering pace during the Women's Singles Luge  
11 competition at the Sanki Sliding Center in  
12 Krasnaya Polyana, Russia, opening the race with  
13 the second fastest heat, and then turning in the  
14 third fastest times in each of the remaining legs  
15 to complete the race with a four-run total time  
16 of 3 minutes, 21.145 seconds -- fast enough to  
17 claim a long-coveted spot on the Olympic podium;  
18 and

19 "WHEREAS, Erin Hamlin's Bronze Medal  
20 victory has made United States and Olympic Games  
21 history; it marks the first time any American  
22 singles luge athlete has earned a medal in the  
23 50 years since luge became part of the games; and

24 "WHEREAS, A woman of great skill,  
25 personal courage and unparalleled dedication,

1 27-year-old Erin Hamlin has an extraordinary  
2 record of accomplishment in the luge; her  
3 character and athletic achievements are  
4 world-renowned; and

5 "WHEREAS, The most successful  
6 singles racer in United States Olympic history,  
7 Erin Hamlin is a three-time Olympian; she  
8 finished 12th in the women's singles event at the  
9 2006 Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy, and she was  
10 selected in December 2009 to compete at the 2010  
11 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, Canada, where she  
12 placed 16th in the luge competition, coming in as  
13 the highest-placed American in the event; and

14 "WHEREAS, In February 2009 she  
15 became the first American to win the Women's  
16 Luge World Championships in Lake Placid,  
17 New York, and the second American to ever win a  
18 medal in luging; and

19 "WHEREAS, Erin Hamlin is a two-time  
20 Verizon United States Junior Women's Singles  
21 National Champion, and the 2008 Verizon Women's  
22 United States National Champion; she has also won  
23 three World Cup bronze medals, as well as gold,  
24 silver and bronze World Cup medals in team relay;  
25 and

1                   "WHEREAS, The daughter of Eileen and  
2 Ronald Hamlin, Erin Hamlin began her luge career  
3 at the age of 12 in Lake Placid, New York, on the  
4 same track where she earned her world title; and

5                   "WHEREAS, In winning the Bronze  
6 Medal at the 2014 Winter Olympics, Erin Hamlin  
7 has not only brought honor to her family, her  
8 coaches, and her community of friends, she has  
9 inspired the next generation of athletes to break  
10 barriers and push beyond their perceived limits  
11 to reach for excellence; and

12                  "WHEREAS, Many will only dream of  
13 competing in the Olympic Games; this gifted  
14 athlete from this great Empire State, through  
15 hard work and a tenacious spirit, has made that  
16 dream a reality; she has proudly represented her  
17 country in competition among the world's finest  
18 athletes, an honor that gives just cause for her  
19 family, community and state to be exceedingly  
20 proud of her athletic achievements; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22                  "RESOLVED, That this Legislative  
23 Body pause in its deliberations to honor Olympian  
24 Erin Hamlin upon the occasion of capturing a  
25 Bronze Medal in Women's Singles Luge at the 2014

1 Winter Olympic Games in Sochi, to extend its  
2 heartfelt congratulations on her outstanding  
3 accomplishment, and to wish her continued  
4 success; and be it further

5 "RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
6 resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to  
7 Erin Hamlin."

8 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
9 Griffo on the resolution.

10 SENATOR GRIFFO: Thank you,  
11 Mr. President.

12 I am very honored to have with us in  
13 this chamber today Erin Hamlin and her dad, Ron.

14 She is truly an extraordinary  
15 person. You heard throughout the resolution of  
16 the many things that she has been able to  
17 accomplish in her very young life. We are  
18 extremely proud of her in her home community in  
19 Oneida County in the town and village of Remsen.  
20 She is just an individual who has proven  
21 throughout her career that when you believe in  
22 something and you are truly determined and make  
23 that commitment to excellence, that you can  
24 succeed.

25 I think you heard the many

1 accomplishments, the several gold, silver and  
2 bronze medals that she has been able to get  
3 through World Cup competition from 2006 to 2011,  
4 a three-time Olympian across this globe. But  
5 I'll tell you, one of the -- and the greatest  
6 accomplishment this year to have her win the  
7 Bronze Medal to become the first American to win  
8 an Olympic medal in singles luge. That is  
9 extraordinary.

10 But because of this achievement, I  
11 think something else that shows you the caliber  
12 of this young lady. Erin also won the honor of  
13 being named this year's Best Female Olympian by  
14 the United States Olympic Committee. So of all  
15 the great athletes who participated in this  
16 year's Olympics that represented our great  
17 country, we are so proud that Erin, by the  
18 committee and her fellow Olympians, they chose  
19 her as the Best Female Olympian. And we're so  
20 proud of that.

21 It's a sport that's dominated by  
22 Australians and Germans, but Erin proved that an  
23 American is not only able to compete in this  
24 sport but also to achieve the results and the  
25 great recognition that she did because of her

1 talents in winning a medal.

2 And those feats have not ended with  
3 this Olympic medal that she's received. Again,  
4 to show you the type of individual she is -- and  
5 she's been raised by a great family, with her  
6 parents -- again, Ron, who is with us, and her  
7 mom, Eileen, who could not be here today --  
8 grandparents on both sides.

9 I know grandfather Les is a member  
10 of the county legislature, Oneida County. And  
11 she also kept the memory of her other grandmother  
12 who passed away this year, just before, in a  
13 tragic accident in our area. And she made a  
14 commitment and kept her in her memory as she  
15 competed throughout this Olympic cycle.

16 So Erin continues to give back to  
17 the community. And that's what's so important.  
18 Not only is she in demand right now, and it's so  
19 difficult to try to arrange to get her to appear  
20 here -- but we're so pleased that she was able to  
21 come here, because we wanted to bestow this type  
22 of honor and recognition on her. But she is  
23 giving commencement addresses and speaking to  
24 chamber organizations.

25 But the most important thing is she

1 is continuing to interact with children and  
2 continuing to serve as a role model to young  
3 people across not only this state but across the  
4 nation. And she she's very involved in an effort  
5 called City Kids, which provides educational and  
6 motivational support to middle and high school  
7 students living in New York City.

8               So she has really given of herself  
9 in so many ways, not unseen or unheard of from  
10 people in our community, because we know she  
11 comes from good stock. But she has been a great  
12 example of a person who, when blessed with talent  
13 and when making that commitment to excel, also  
14 then gives back and contributes to her community.

15               So today it's a pleasure to be with  
16 you, Erin, to have you come here to this chamber  
17 for us to bestow this honor upon you. We thank  
18 you for your hard work. We thank you for your  
19 continued contributions and service to our  
20 community. We wish you continued success in life  
21 because you've got it all ahead of you.

22               And we wish you God's blessing and  
23 Godspeed.

24               I give you Erin Hamlin.

25               (Standing ovation.)

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Thank  
2   you, Senator Griffo.

3                   Senator Farley.

4                   SENATOR FARLEY:    Thank you,  
5   Mr. President.

6                   I had the good fortune of meeting  
7   Erin at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in  
8   Old Forge, where she was the star, and was so  
9   impressed with this young woman and the  
10  remarkable accomplishment that she did in winning  
11  the Bronze Medal in the Olympics.

12                  You know, she goes headfirst in a  
13  million miles an hour luge, and as she won that  
14  event I was thrilled because I was sure she was  
15  my constituent, because she only lives a few  
16  hundred yards, actually, over in Oneida County.  
17  And her uncle I believe lives in the town of  
18  Russia right across the way.  And I thought that  
19  she may have been my constituent for a few hours;  
20  then I find out she's with Senator Griffo.

21                  But anyway, what a remarkable  
22  accomplishment you did for the United States, and  
23  the courage that this young woman has done,  
24  particularly the training that goes into this and  
25  the practice and so forth.  And to come from the

1 small town of Remsen in upstate New York, where  
2 you must go down that hill into Utica, that's how  
3 you get your training.

4 But anyway, Erin is a remarkable  
5 young woman who really did proud for our area.  
6 And we welcome you here, and congratulations to  
7 you and your family.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
9 Little.

10 SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you,  
11 Mr. President.

12 I would like to join Senator Griffo  
13 and Senator Farley in congratulating Erin and  
14 taking a little bit of credit, as she has a  
15 second home, kind of, in Lake Placid. Certainly  
16 she has been able to train in Lake Placid.

17 And very, very proud of her  
18 achievements, but also proud of the person that  
19 she is. As Senator Griffo said, she's not only  
20 an excellent athlete with tremendous perseverance  
21 and dedication to her sport, but she is a role  
22 model for other athletes, particularly young  
23 women.

24 And I also want to acknowledge the  
25 fact that through the New York State Olympic

1 Regional Development Authority, New York State --  
2 and we should all be proud of this -- has  
3 invested a great deal of money in the bobsled,  
4 luge and skeleton runs, and the venues in  
5 Lake Placid. Many of them were built -- a couple  
6 for the 1932 Olympics, but obviously upgraded --  
7 for the 1980 Olympics.

8 But because the state has continued  
9 to invest in those venues, we have athletes like  
10 Erin who will come up, practice, compete. We  
11 have many World Cup races that take place there.  
12 And we can all be proud of New York's investment,  
13 and also very proud of New York State's athlete.

14 Congratulations, Erin.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Thank  
16 you, Senator Little.

17 Senator DeFrancisco.

18 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes, it is an  
19 incredible list of accomplishments that have been  
20 outlined by previous speakers.

21 The only thing that surprises me is  
22 that you're not from Syracuse. Because we bring  
23 so many great athletes here from Syracuse that  
24 there must have been something that went wrong on  
25 the way to this particular area of the state.

1                   But in any event, I want to pick up  
2                   on something that Senator Little just said. You  
3                   know, if there's anything we all need nowadays,  
4                   it's role models. And we can't pick up the paper  
5                   or turn on the TV or do anything without hearing  
6                   about somebody doing some incredibly foolish  
7                   thing or criminal thing or something that  
8                   embarrasses everybody. But those seem to get  
9                   that kind of publicity and that kind of attention  
10                  by the media.

11                  This is truly what young people  
12                  need -- old people need as well -- people that we  
13                  can look up to as doing the right thing, working  
14                  as hard as you have to work, and even more than  
15                  that, to accomplish a goal.

16                  So thank you very much for what  
17                  you've done for all of us in New York State and  
18                  actually throughout the country.

19                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Thank  
20                  you, Senator DeFrancisco.

21                  This resolution was previously  
22                  adopted on February 27th of this year.

23                  Thank you, Erin.

24                  Senator Hannon.

25                  SENATOR HANNON:    Mr. President, I'd

1 ask if we could call on Senator Tkaczyk in regard  
2 to some previously adopted resolutions: 3405,  
3 3804, 4872. If you'd just read the title of  
4 those and then call on Senator Tkaczyk.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
6 Secretary will read.

7 THE SECRETARY: Legislative  
8 Resolution Number 3405, by Senator Tkaczyk,  
9 honoring Coach Ken Benton upon the occasion of  
10 his retirement as wrestling coach at Amsterdam  
11 High School after all 21 years of distinguished  
12 service.

13 Legislative Resolution Number 3804,  
14 by Senator Tkaczyk, congratulating Amsterdam High  
15 School wrestler Brandon Lapi upon the occasion of  
16 capturing the New York State Public High School  
17 Athletic Association Division I Wrestling  
18 Championship on Saturday, March 1, 2014.

19 And Legislative Resolution Number  
20 4872, by Senator Tkaczyk, honoring Coach Todd  
21 Jones upon the occasion of his retirement after  
22 37 years of distinguished service as the  
23 wrestling coach and athletic director at  
24 Canajoharie High School.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator

1 Tkaczyk.

2 SENATOR TKACZYK: Thank you,  
3 Mr. President.

4 Many people may know that in my  
5 district this year we had three outstanding  
6 coaches who taught wrestling retire. These men  
7 had very long and distinguished careers, and they  
8 focused not only on teaching the wrestlers how to  
9 be great athletes but also how to be great  
10 individuals and citizens. All of the students  
11 these gentlemen came in contact with are winners.

12 We're also joined by an outstanding  
13 young athlete, Brandon Lapi, who wrestled for  
14 Amsterdam High School and finished his amazing  
15 high school career with more than 260 victories  
16 and five Section II titles. And in the final  
17 match of his high school career, he won the  
18 Division I 138-pound title match to become State  
19 Wrestling Champ. He was also selected the  
20 Division I Most Outstanding Wrestler.

21 His coach is Amsterdam High School  
22 Coach Ken Benton, who announced at the end of the  
23 season that this would be his last.  
24 Unfortunately, Ken could not be with us today,  
25 but his achievements are noted in the resolution

1 we passed previously. Ken began teaching at  
2 Amsterdam High School in 1993 and saw his team  
3 win 334 matches and nine consecutive Big 10  
4 titles.

5 Also with us today is Coach Todd  
6 Jones. I know he's up there. If you could  
7 stand, that would be great.

8 He served as wrestling coach and  
9 athletic director at Canajoharie for 37 years.  
10 Under Coach Jones' leadership, the Canajoharie  
11 High School Wrestling Team had dozens of Section  
12 II finalists, more than 300 varsity wins, three  
13 trips to the State Tournament. He was honored a  
14 few years back when the school's wrestling room  
15 was named the Todd Jones Wrestling Facility.

16 In addition to his and his team's  
17 many athletic achievements, this year his  
18 wrestling team was honored by the New York State  
19 Public High School Athletic Association as  
20 Scholar-Athlete Team Award winners. Their team  
21 grade average is 92.

22 Also with us today, I am very proud  
23 to announce, is someone who's teaching wrestling  
24 at Duanesburg, my home school. Joe Benna is  
25 retiring after 48 years as coach. Not only did

1 he coach at Duanesburg, he also coached at  
2 Newburgh Free Academy and Niskayuna.

3 He compiled 673 victories, the most  
4 of any coach in the entire state. He's mentored  
5 Olympic medal winners, College All-Americans, and  
6 New York State champions. I want to tell you  
7 about two of them.

8 One of Coach Benna's wrestlers is  
9 Nick Gwiazdowski. He was a two-time New York  
10 State titlist who graduated from Duanesburg in  
11 2011. This year, wrestling for North Carolina,  
12 Nick became Section II's first NCAA champion with  
13 an upset victory over the two-time defending  
14 champion.

15 Another one of Coach Benna's  
16 wrestlers at Duanesburg was Amy Whitbeck. She  
17 made New York State history when she became the  
18 first female wrestler to win a sectional  
19 championship. And she wrestled in a New York  
20 State high school championship.

21 Amy was also a member of the 2006  
22 United States Female Junior Olympic Wrestling  
23 Team and was rated 5th in the world during the  
24 Beijing Junior Olympics in 2006.

25 Brandon Lapi is a winner. But these

1 coaches taught so many winners. All of the  
2 students they taught learned so much more about  
3 life. Coach Benna even taught my son. He  
4 believed he could be an Olympic champion. That  
5 was the start, getting these kids to believe in  
6 themselves and work on being productive citizens.

7 Please join me in welcoming these  
8 great athletes and extraordinary coaches who are  
9 such a wonderful example to our young people.  
10 And join me in thanking them for all the work  
11 that they've done and the lives that they've  
12 touched.

13 Please stand.

14 (Standing ovation.)

15 SENATOR TKACZYK: I would add that  
16 they're joined by some family, friends, and sons  
17 and a grandson. And I know their families are  
18 all very, very proud of them and look forward to  
19 the time that they now will have off. But I'm  
20 sure they will continue to be busy.

21 Thank you all so much for what  
22 you've done.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Thank  
24 you, Senator Tkaczyk.

25 Senator Farley on the resolutions.

1                   SENATOR FARLEY:    Yes, thank you,  
2   Mr. President.

3                   I rise to salute the honorees, but I  
4   particularly want to mention one in Joe Benna,  
5   who's an absolute icon as a wrestling coach.

6                   He was a neighbor of mine, just  
7   lived just a few yards away on the same street  
8   for many years until he moved to the high-rent  
9   district in Duaneburg.

10                  And Coach Benna coached so many  
11   champions in Niskayuna, it was unbelievable the  
12   job that he did for wrestling.  He's absolutely  
13   been beloved by his students and everybody that  
14   ever served under him.

15                  Coach Benna is a remarkable man in  
16   that he's a fighter and has had some health  
17   issues which he won't surrender on.  He certainly  
18   is beloved in this whole Capital Area with all  
19   the champions that he has coached.

20                  And I rise to salute him and of  
21   course the other honorees also for what they've  
22   done.  We have become a wrestling area for the  
23   entire State of New York.

24                  My best wishes, Joe, and to your  
25   family.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Thank  
2   you, Senator Farley.

3                   These resolutions were previously  
4   adopted earlier this year.

5                   Senator Hannon.

6                   SENATOR HANNON:    Mr. President, I  
7   was going to call upon Senator Ball and ask if he  
8   could make comments on a resolution, but he's  
9   again left the chamber.  So we're going to have  
10  to move on.

11                  Mr. President, if you would ask  
12  Senator Ball or recognize him to comment on the  
13  previously adopted Resolution 2719, after the  
14  title is read.

15                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   The  
16  Secretary will read.

17                  THE SECRETARY:    Legislative  
18  Resolution Number 2719, by Senator Ball, paying  
19  tribute to Firefighter Ryan Blackwell, in  
20  recognition of his prompt and heroic actions on  
21  September 14, 2013.

22                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Senator  
23  Ball on the resolution.

24                  SENATOR BALL:    It's an extreme  
25  honor to be here today and have behind me Ryan

1 Blackwell, with FDNY, his mother, Jane, and his  
2 girlfriend Elana Molina.

3 I want to read a little bit from a  
4 local newspaper article about what happened in  
5 September of last year.

6 "One person has died after a fire  
7 broke out Saturday morning inside an apartment in  
8 the Bronxwood section of the Bronx. However, the  
9 fire could have much worse if it were not for a  
10 rookie firefighter" -- Ryan, and his valiant  
11 efforts -- "who had just four months on the job."

12 "A mother and her wheelchair-bound  
13 son became trapped by flames and thick smoke from  
14 the fire that started in the kitchen of their  
15 fifth-floor apartment on Colden Avenue. The  
16 heavy smoke also trapped neighbors."

17 "Firefighters from Engine Company 62  
18 rushed into the deadly apartment fire to try and  
19 rescue the disabled son and his mother."

20 "Rookie firefighter Ryan Blackwell,  
21 who had only four months on the job, found the  
22 mother on a hallway floor and pulled her to  
23 safety."

24 Ryan says that he just did what he  
25 was trained to do. And of course we would expect

1 Ryan to say no less, because that's the same  
2 thing that special forces troops do and combat  
3 troops, FDNY, and the bravest amongst us that  
4 fight for us every single day. You know, it's so  
5 easy to forget those men and women in public  
6 service until we really need them.

7 Ryan's father, Christopher Blackwell  
8 died on 9/11 undergoing similar heroic efforts.

9 So from me and I know this entire  
10 chamber, Ryan, and to a very proud family, thank  
11 you for fulfilling a lifetime of public service.  
12 Thank God you made it out alive. And we hope  
13 that you continue to do great things and stay  
14 safe.

15 God bless you, and thank you for  
16 being here.

17 (Standing ovation.)

18 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
19 Hassell-Thompson on the resolution.

20 SENATOR HASSELL-THOMPSON: Thank  
21 you. That means you'll all have to stand again.

22 I rise, Mr. President, to applaud  
23 Senator Ball for his recognition, but more to  
24 congratulate you, on behalf of the residents of  
25 the Bronxwood section of the Bronx, for your

1       courageous efforts.

2                   And as the representative for that  
3       district, I did not have the opportunity to know  
4       who you were, but I am very proud to stand with  
5       Senator Ball today to congratulate you and to  
6       thank you on behalf of my residents for your act  
7       of bravery.

8                   I thought about the fact that you  
9       were a brand-new firefighter. And I thought  
10      about a young man that I met very briefly when he  
11      had just finished the academy and he was trying  
12      very, very hard to get the points necessary. And  
13      his mother introduced me to him to give him a  
14      letter of reference. And that young man, like  
15      you, very brand new too, so new that his badge  
16      was still very shiny and gleaming, was one of  
17      those that ran into the building at 9/11 and  
18      never returned.

19                  You returned. But I know that the  
20      work that you do is so extraordinary, and it's  
21      not the kind of thing that most of us would ever  
22      do. We run in the other direction. You run to,  
23      into danger. And we thank you and we commend you  
24      for your act of heroism.

25                  Even though you think you were just

1 doing your job, believe me, we are all very  
2 grateful for what you do, you and all of your  
3 fellow officers. So I thank you for that.

4 Thank you, Mr. President.

5 (Applause.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: This  
7 resolution was previously adopted on January 14,  
8 2014.

9 And thank you, Ryan, for your  
10 commitment to the people of New York State.

11 Senator Hannon.

12 SENATOR HANNON: May we now proceed  
13 to having the noncontroversial reading of the  
14 calendar.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
16 Secretary will read.

17 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 31,  
18 by Senator Hannon, Senate Print 5537A, an act to  
19 amend the Public Health Law.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
21 the last section.

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

24 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
25 the roll.

1 (The Secretary called the roll.)  
2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
3 Announce the result.  
4 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.  
5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
6 bill is passed.  
7 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 68,  
8 by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 3977, an act to  
9 amend Chapter 631 of the Laws of 2008.  
10 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
11 the last section.  
12 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This  
13 act shall take effect immediately.  
14 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
15 the roll.  
16 (The Secretary called the roll.)  
17 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
18 Announce the result.  
19 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.  
20 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
21 bill is passed.  
22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
23 150, by Senator Seward, Senate Print 6545A, an  
24 act to amend the Insurance Law.  
25 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read

1 the last section.

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

4 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
5 the roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
8 Announce the result.

9 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
11 bill is passed.

12 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
13 241, by Senator Seward, Senate Print 6526A, an  
14 act to amend the Insurance Law.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
16 the last section.

17 THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This  
18 act shall take effect immediately.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
20 the roll.

21 (The Secretary called the roll.)

22 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
23 Announce the result.

24 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 57. Nays, 1.  
25 Senator Krueger recorded in the negative.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
2 bill is passed.

3                   THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
4 260, by Senator Flanagan, Senate Print 5358, an  
5 act to amend the Education Law.

6                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Read  
7 the last section.

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

10                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Call  
11 the roll.

12                                   (The Secretary called the roll.)

13                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
14 Announce the result.

15                  THE SECRETARY:    In relation to  
16 Calendar 260, those recorded in the negative are  
17 Senators Avella, Carlucci, Gianaris,  
18 Hassell-Thompson, Hoylman, Krueger, Parker,  
19 Perkins, Rivera, Serrano, Squadron and Stavisky.

20                                   Ayes, 46.   Nays, 12.

21                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   The  
22 bill is passed.

23                  THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
24 380, substituted earlier by Member of the  
25 Assembly Wright, Assembly Print Number 9360, an

1 act to amend Chapter 253 of the Laws of 2004.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
3 the last section.

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

6 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
7 the roll.

8 (The Secretary called the roll.)

9 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
10 Announce the result.

11 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
13 bill is passed.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
15 425, substituted earlier by Member of the  
16 Assembly Hennessey, Assembly Print Number 8972,  
17 an act to amend the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
19 the last section.

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

22 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
23 the roll.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:

1 Announce the result.

2 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
4 bill is passed.

5 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
6 445, by Senator Klein, Senate Print 6579A, an act  
7 to amend the Local Finance Law.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
9 the last section.

10 SENATOR GIANARIS: Lay it aside.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
12 bill is laid aside.

13 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
14 449, by Senator Stewart-Cousins, Senate Print  
15 6817, an act to amend the Local Finance Law.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
17 the last section.

18 SENATOR VALESKY: Lay it aside.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
20 bill is laid aside.

21 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
22 460, by Senator Little, Senate Print 1358A, an  
23 act to amend the Penal Law.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
25 the last section.

1           THE SECRETARY:    Section 3.  This  
2   act shall take effect on the first of November.

3           ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  Call  
4   the roll.

5           (The Secretary called the roll.)

6           ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
7   Announce the result.

8           THE SECRETARY:    Ayes, 58.

9           ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  The  
10  bill is passed.

11          THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
12  510, by Senator Gallivan, Senate Print 1698A, an  
13  act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

14          ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  Read  
15  the last section.

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

18          ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  Call  
19  the roll.

20          (The Secretary called the roll.)

21          ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
22  Announce the result.

23          THE SECRETARY:    Ayes, 58.

24          ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  The  
25  bill is passed.

1                   THE SECRETARY:   Calendar Number  
2   518, by Senator Boyle, Senate Print 6828 --

3                   SENATOR HANNON:   Lay it aside for  
4   the day.

5                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   The  
6   bill is laid aside for the day.

7                   THE SECRETARY:   Calendar Number  
8   529, by Senator Golden, Senate Print 1975, an act  
9   to amend the Executive Law.

10                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Read  
11   the last section.

12                  THE SECRETARY:   Section 2. This  
13   act shall take effect on the first of January.

14                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Call  
15   the roll.

16                  (The Secretary called the roll.)

17                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
18   Announce the result.

19                  THE SECRETARY:   Ayes, 58.

20                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   The  
21   bill is passed.

22                  THE SECRETARY:   Calendar Number  
23   531, by Senator Young, Senate Print 2048, an act  
24   to amend the Private Housing Finance Law.

25                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Read

1 the last section.

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

4 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
5 the roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
8 Announce the result.

9 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 56. Nays, 2.  
10 Senators Dilan and Krueger recorded in the  
11 negative.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
13 bill is passed.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
15 534, by Senator Farley, Senate Print 2857B, an  
16 act to amend the Education Law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
18 the last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
22 the roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
25 Announce the result.

1 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
3 bill is passed.

4 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
5 535, by Senator Martins, Senate Print 3141, an  
6 act to amend subpart F of part C of Chapter 97 of  
7 the Laws of 2011.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
9 the last section.

10 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. this  
11 act shall take effect immediately.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
13 the roll.

14 (The Secretary called the roll.)

15 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
16 Announce the result.

17 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
19 bill is passed.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
21 544, by Senator Young, Senate Print 4338, an act  
22 to amend the General City Law.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
24 the last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 10. This

1 act shall take effect on the first of July.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
3 the roll.

4 (The Secretary called the roll.)

5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
6 Announce the result.

7 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
9 bill is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
11 586, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print --

12 SENATOR HANNON: Lay it aside for  
13 the day, please.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
15 bill is laid aside for the day.

16 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
17 610, by Senator Marchione, Senate Print 6934, an  
18 act to amend the Public Authorities Law.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Read  
20 the last section.

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

23 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Call  
24 the roll.

25 (The Secretary called the roll.)

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:

2   Announce the result.

3                   THE SECRETARY:    Ayes, 57.   Nays, 1.

4   Senator Ball recorded in the negative.

5                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
6   bill is passed.

7                   THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
8   611, by Senator Larkin, Senate Print 7066, an act  
9   to amend Chapter 672 of the Laws of 1993.

10                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Read  
11   the last section.

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

14                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Call  
15   the roll.

16                         (The Secretary called the roll.)

17                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
18   Announce the result.

19                  THE SECRETARY:    Ayes, 57.   Nays, 1.  
20   Senator Ball recorded in the negative.

21                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
22   bill is passed.

23                  THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
24   612, by Senator Marcellino, Senate Print 7105, an  
25   act to amend the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Read  
2   the last section.

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

5                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Call  
6   the roll.

7                   (The Secretary called the roll.)

8                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:  
9   Announce the result.

10                  THE SECRETARY:    Ayes, 58.

11                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
12   bill is passed.

13                  Senator Hannon, that completes the  
14   noncontroversial reading of the calendar.

15                  SENATOR HANNON:    Mr. President,  
16   could we now take up the controversial calendar.

17                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
18   Secretary will ring the bell.

19                  The Secretary will read.

20                  THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
21   445, by Senator Klein, Senate Print 6579A, an act  
22   to amend the Local Finance Law.

23                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Explanation.

24                  SENATOR VALESKY:    Lay the bill  
25   aside for the day.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
2 bill is laid aside for the day.

3                   THE SECRETARY:    Calendar Number  
4 449, by Senator Stewart-Cousins, Senate Print  
5 6817, an act to amend the Local Finance Law.

6                   SENATOR VALESKY:   Explanation.

7                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
8 Valesky has requested an explanation.

9                   (Pause.)

10                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
11 Krueger.

12                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Thank you.  In  
13 the absence of the sponsor, I am going to explain  
14 the bill.

15                  This bill would allow two additional  
16 years for the City of Yonkers to keep the bond  
17 anticipation notes issued during calendar years  
18 2010 and 2011.

19                  Originally this was passed  
20 unanimously by both the Senate on 5/30/12 and  
21 also by the Assembly on 5/30/12.  And this would  
22 allow the municipality to keep its BANs for an  
23 additional two years where, because of the cost  
24 of the bond market, they are only paying a .30  
25 interest rate on the BANs now.  And if they were

1 to go to the bond market, it would cost them two  
2 and a half to three times in interest what they  
3 are currently paying.

4 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
6 Valesky.

7 SENATOR VALESKY: Would Senator  
8 Krueger yield for questions?

9 SENATOR KRUEGER: Certainly.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
11 Senator yields.

12 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President,  
13 does this bill apply only to the City of Yonkers?

14 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
15 Krueger.

16 SENATOR KRUEGER: Excuse me, my  
17 mistake. I spoke incorrectly on the sponsor's  
18 bill.

19 No, it is a statewide option.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
21 Valesky.

22 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President,  
23 would Senator Krueger continue to yield?

24 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
25 Senator yields.

1                   SENATOR VALESKY:    The original law  
2   in 2010, I believe you had indicated in your  
3   explanation, was the original law a request of a  
4   specific municipality?

5                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
6   Krueger.

7                   SENATOR KRUEGER:    One second.

8                   In 2010, originally, it was asked  
9   for by NYCOM, the New York Conference of Mayors.  
10   And this year it has further been asked for and  
11   supported for an extension by the Westchester  
12   Municipal Officers Association.

13                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
14   Valesky.

15                  SENATOR VALESKY:    So if Senator  
16   Krueger would continue to yield, please.

17                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Certainly.

18                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
19   Senator yields.

20                  SENATOR VALESKY:    So just so I'm  
21   clear. So this extension, it is requested only  
22   by Westchester County and municipalities within  
23   the jurisdiction of Westchester County, or is it  
24   requested by all municipalities across the state?

25                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator

1 Krueger.

2 SENATOR KRUEGER: My understanding  
3 is that the Town of Ulster is particularly  
4 interested in the continuation and extension of  
5 this bill. And there's also been a survey of  
6 some other towns that could be interested in  
7 taking advantage of this, including, in my notes,  
8 the Town of Amherst.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
10 Valesky.

11 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President,  
12 would Senator Krueger continue to yield.

13 SENATOR KRUEGER: Certainly.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
15 Senator yields.

16 SENATOR VALESKY: So this would be  
17 the second extension that we are being asked to  
18 vote on since the original law was approved in  
19 2010. Was there any consideration of making the  
20 statute permanent, or is there a particular  
21 reason why we continue to do short-term  
22 extensions?

23 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
24 Krueger.

25 SENATOR KRUEGER: Excellent

1 question. Let me speak to counsel.

2 Through you, Mr. President. My  
3 understanding is that there might be an argument  
4 for a permanency, but that there's a concern by  
5 the Comptroller's office that they would actually  
6 like to see these towns get out of this system  
7 over time, and therefore we wouldn't want to  
8 necessarily make it a permanent system.

9 But I haven't asked the Comptroller  
10 personally today.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
12 Valesky.

13 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President,  
14 would Senator Krueger continue to yield.

15 SENATOR KRUEGER: Certainly.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
17 Senator yields.

18 SENATOR VALESKY: Senator Krueger,  
19 I'm curious as to if we were not to pass this  
20 bill this session and not to do this extension,  
21 and this law were to expire, I'm just curious as  
22 to what the impact would be on the localities  
23 that requested this bill and, for that matter,  
24 all localities in the state, since this is a  
25 statewide bill.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
2   Krueger.

3                   SENATOR KRUEGER:    Through you,  
4   Mr. President, it's my understanding if we do not  
5   offer them this extension option, they would have  
6   to pay back these BANs.  So they would have to  
7   find the money to pay back this money, and likely  
8   go to the bond market to borrow what they just  
9   paid back.

10                  The problem is, as the example I  
11   gave before, if you're paying .30 percent on  
12   current BANs, then you would have to retire them  
13   and go to the bond market to borrow to repay the  
14   money you'd be paying two and a half to three  
15   times the interest rate on the bonds that you  
16   need to retire the BAN debt, therefore costing  
17   the municipalities more money.

18                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
19   Valesky.

20                  SENATOR VALESKY    Mr. President,  
21   would Senator Krueger continue to yield.

22                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Certainly.

23                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
24   Senator yields.

25                  SENATOR VALESKY:    So is it Senator

1 Krueger's contention that costs for local  
2 governments, if we were not to pass this  
3 legislation, would increase? Is that a fair  
4 statement?

5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
6 Krueger.

7 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes. Through  
8 you, Mr. President, it is my understanding that  
9 the costs for these governments would increase if  
10 we didn't pass this.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
12 Valesky.

13 SENATOR VALESKY: Mr. President,  
14 would Senator Krueger continue to yield.

15 SENATOR KRUEGER: Certainly.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
17 Senator yields.

18 SENATOR VALESKY: My understanding,  
19 Senator Krueger, is that in the original law  
20 there was a five-year rollover period and that  
21 this bill before us, I believe -- correct me if  
22 I'm wrong -- extends the rollover period from  
23 five to seven years. Is that correct?

24 And if so, what's the reason for the  
25 extension in that period of time?

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
2   Krueger.

3                   SENATOR KRUEGER:    I believe that  
4   the Senator is correct, this would extend for two  
5   more years a bill that originally was only for  
6   five years.

7                   And the reason they're asking for  
8   the extension is because the economics of the  
9   bond market for these localities being so much  
10  more expensive than the current rate of the BANS  
11  they have out.

12                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Senator  
13  Valesky.

14                  SENATOR VALESKY:    Thank you,  
15  Mr. President.

16                  Thank you, Senator Krueger, for your  
17  responses.

18                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Thank you.

19                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Are  
20  there any other members wishing to be heard?

21                  Senator Stavisky.

22                  SENATOR STAVISKY:    Yes.   Would  
23  Senator Krueger yield for a question?

24                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Through you,  
25  Mr. President, certainly.

1                   ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    The  
2   Senator yields.

3                   SENATOR STAVISKY:    Does the Senator  
4   remember we had a bond request from the City of  
5   Long Beach several months ago?

6                   SENATOR KRUEGER:    Yes, I do,  
7   Mr. President.

8                   SENATOR STAVISKY:    And does the  
9   Senator recall that there was already some  
10   indebtedness and we authorized another round of  
11   indebtedness to help the city?

12                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Senator  
13   Krueger.

14                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Through you, I  
15   believe that was correct, Mr. President.

16                  ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:   Senator  
17   Stavisky.

18                  SENATOR STAVISKY:    And in fact so  
19   there is a precedent for doing this kind of  
20   legislation.

21                  SENATOR KRUEGER:    Through you,  
22   Mr. President, I think, without having done any  
23   research today, that there have been any number  
24   of precedents where we have allowed localities to  
25   extend out the timeline of both bonds, BANS and

1        repayments owed to the state.

2                    So I do not think this concept is  
3        unprecedented, but I didn't do homework about any  
4        specific exact examples.

5                    SENATOR STAVISKY:    Thank you,  
6        Senator Krueger.

7                    And in fact, the sponsor of that  
8        bill ironically was Senator Skelos, and  
9        Senator Libous had to get up and defend that  
10       bill.    So I do see another similarity here.

11                    Thank you, Mr. President.

12                    ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Thank  
13        you.

14                    Are there any other members wishing  
15        to be heard?

16                    Seeing none, the Secretary will ring  
17        the bell.

18                    The Secretary will read the last  
19        section.

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

22                    ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:    Call  
23        the roll.

24                    (The Secretary called the roll.)

25                    ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI:

1 Announce the result.

2 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 56.

3 Absent from voting: Senators  
4 Espaillat and Montgomery.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The  
6 bill is passed.

7 Senator Hannon, that completes the  
8 controversial reading of the calendar.

9 SENATOR HANNON: Could we have some  
10 order.

11 Mr. President, I would ask that we  
12 adjourn --

13 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
14 Hannon.

15 SENATOR HANNON: First of all, I  
16 presume there's no further business --

17 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: Senator  
18 Hannon, we need to reannounce the result of the  
19 last bill.

20 THE SECRETARY: In relation to  
21 Calendar Number 449: Ayes, 55. Nays, 1.  
22 Senator Ball recorded in the negative.

23 Senators Espaillat and Montgomery  
24 absent from voting.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: The

1 bill is passed.

2 Senator Hannon, that completes the  
3 controversial reading of the calendar, and there  
4 is no further business before the desk.

5 SENATOR HANNON: All right. Then I  
6 would ask that we adjourn.

7 And I'd ask that we adjourn in the  
8 memory of our deceased former colleague,  
9 Catherine Abate, and do so until Tuesday,  
10 May 20th, at 3:00 p.m.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT CARLUCCI: On  
12 motion, we adjourn in memory of Senator Abate to  
13 Tuesday, May 20th, at 3:00 p.m.

14 (Whereupon, at 4:40 p.m., the Senate  
15 adjourned.)

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25