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NEW YORK STATE SENATE

THE STENOGRAPHIC RECORD

ALBANY, NEW YORK

April 23, 2018

12:35 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

SENATOR JOSEPH GRIFFO, Acting President

FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary

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

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

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

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: In the
10 absence of clergy, I ask all present to please
11 bow their heads in a moment of silent prayer
12 and/or reflection.

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

15 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The
16 reading of the Journal.

17 THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Sunday,
18 April 22nd, the Senate met pursuant to
19 adjournment. The Journal of Friday, April 20th,
20 was read and approved. On motion, Senate
21 adjourned.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Without
23 objection, the Journal will stand approved as
24 read.

25 Presentation of petitions.

1 Messages from the Assembly.
2 Messages from the Governor.
3 Reports of standing committees.
4 Reports of select committees.
5 Communications and reports from
6 state officers.

7 Motions and resolutions.

8 Senator DeFrancisco.

9 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes, on
10 page 52 I offer the following amendments to
11 Calendar 685, Senate Print 7856, by
12 Senator Marchione, and ask that said bill retain
13 its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

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

17 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: I'd also like
18 to call up Senator Golden's bill, Print 5593,
19 recalled from the Assembly, which is now at the
20 desk.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The
22 Secretary will read.

23 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
24 301, by Senator Golden, Senate Print 5593, an act
25 to amend the Retirement and Social Security Law.

1 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: I now move to
2 reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the
4 roll on reconsideration.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 47.

7 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: I now offer
8 the following amendments.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The
10 amendments are received.

11 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Would you
12 please recognize Senator Klein.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator
14 Klein, you are recognized.

15 SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President, on
16 behalf of Senator Brooks, on page 56 I offer the
17 following amendments to Calendar 746, Senate
18 Print Number 7399, and ask that said bill retain
19 its place on Third Reading Calendar.

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

23 Senator DeFrancisco.

24 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Can we take
25 up previously adopted Resolution 4687, by

1 Senator Phillips, read the title only, and call
2 on Senator Phillips to speak.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The
4 Secretary will read.

5 THE SECRETARY: Legislative
6 Resolution Number 4687, by Senator Phillips,
7 commending Westbrook Preparatory School upon the
8 occasion of celebrating its 7th Anniversary on
9 February 5, 2018.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator
11 Phillips.

12 SENATOR PHILLIPS: Thank you,
13 Mr. President.

14 So about 12 years ago, New York
15 started a plan to bring students with special
16 needs back into New York State who had previously
17 been sent out of the state to get an education.
18 And after years of planning, about seven years
19 ago, Westbrook Preparatory School was founded.

20 Westbrook is in Westbury, New York,
21 it's in my Senate district. And I'm honored
22 today to welcome several of the students from
23 Westbrook Preparatory School.

24 It is the first residential New York
25 State Regents junior and senior high school for

1 students with Asperger's syndrome,
2 high-functioning autism, and related conditions.

3 So thank you to all of you for your
4 time, your dedication to these students. And
5 thank you, students, for coming and blessing us
6 with your presence today.

7 Thank you, Mr. President.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank
9 you, Senator Phillips. The --
10 (Applause.)

11 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: One
12 second, please.

13 The resolution was previously
14 adopted on April 17th of this year.

15 We welcome the students and staff of
16 Westbrook Preparatory School. We extend the
17 privileges and courtesies of the house. We would
18 ask that you please rise and be recognized.

19 (Standing ovation.)

20 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator
21 Phillips has opened the resolution up for
22 cosponsorship. If a member chooses to be a
23 cosponsor, please notify the desk.

24 Senator DeFrancisco.

25 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes, would

1 you take up the noncontroversial reading of the
2 calendar.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The
4 Secretary will read.

5 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
6 237, by Senator LaValle, Senate Print 2548A, an
7 act to amend the Education Law.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the
9 last section.

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

12 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the
13 roll.

14 (The Secretary called the roll.)

15 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill
17 is passed.

18 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
19 302, by Senator Little, Senate Print 6542B, an
20 act to amend the Civil Service Law.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the
22 last section.

23 THE SECRETARY: Section 292. this
24 act shall take effect immediately.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the

1 roll.

2 (The Secretary called the roll.)

3 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill
5 is passed.

6 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
7 525, by Senator Funke, Senate Print 4634A, an act
8 to amend the Retirement and Social Security Law.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the
10 last section.

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

13 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the
14 roll.

15 (The Secretary called the roll.)

16 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill
18 is passed.

19 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
20 675, by Senator Ortt, Senate Print 1480, an act
21 authorizing.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There is
23 a home-rule message present at the desk.

24 Read the last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This

1 act shall take effect immediately.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the
3 roll.

4 (The Secretary called the roll.)

5 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill
7 is passed.

8 Senator DeFrancisco, that concludes
9 the noncontroversial reading of today's
10 active-list calendar.

11 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Is there any
12 further business at the desk?

13 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There is
14 no further business before the desk.

15 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: In that case,
16 I move to adjourn until Tuesday, April 24th, at
17 10:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: On
19 motion, the Senate will stand adjourned until
20 Tuesday, April 24th, at 10:00 a.m.

21 The Senate is adjourned.

22 (Whereupon, at 12:41 p.m., the
23 Senate adjourned.)

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