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18 SENATOR BRIAN A. BENJAMIN, Acting President

19 ALEJANDRA N. PAULINO, ESQ., Secretary

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

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

4 I ask everyone present to please
5 rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: In the
9 absence of clergy, let us bow our heads in a
10 moment of silent reflection or prayer.

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

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
14 reading of the Journal.

15 THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Monday,
16 June 3, 2019, the Senate met pursuant to
17 adjournment. The Journal of Sunday, June 2,
18 2019, was read and approved. On motion, Senate
19 adjourned.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Without
21 objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

22 Presentation of petitions.

23 Messages from the Assembly.

24 The Secretary will read.

25 THE SECRETARY: On page 30,

1 Senator Metzger moves to discharge, from the
2 Committee on Domestic Animal Welfare,
3 Assembly Bill Number 216 and substitute it for
4 the identical Senate Bill 3828, Third Reading
5 Calendar 553.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
7 substitution is so ordered.

8 THE SECRETARY: On page 31, Senator
9 Antonacci moves to discharge, from the Committee
10 on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions,
11 Assembly Bill Number 6870 and substitute it for
12 the identical Senate Bill 4517, Third Reading
13 Calendar 560.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
15 substitution is so ordered.

16 THE SECRETARY: On page 36,
17 Senator Skoufis moves to discharge, from the
18 Committee on Investigations and Government
19 Operations, Assembly Bill Number 3939 and
20 substitute it for the identical Senate Bill 5496,
21 Third Reading Calendar 654.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
23 Substitution so ordered.

24 THE SECRETARY: On page 48,
25 Senator Rivera moves to discharge, from the

1 Committee on Finance, Assembly Bill Number 5762
2 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill
3 4497, Third Reading Calendar 864.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
5 substitution is so ordered.

6 Messages from the Governor.

7 Reports of standing committees.

8 Reports of select committees.

9 Communications and reports from
10 state officers.

11 Motions and resolutions.

12 Senator Gianaris.

13 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President, I
14 have several motions here.

15 On behalf of Senator Biaggi, on
16 page 35 I offer the following amendments to
17 Calendar Number 641, Senate 5248, and ask that
18 said bill retain its place on Third Reading
19 Calendar.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
21 amendments are received, and the bill shall
22 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

23 SENATOR GIANARIS: Also on behalf
24 of Senator Biaggi, on page 34 I offer the
25 following amendments to Calendar Number 617,

1 Senate Print 4311, and ask that said bill retain
2 its place on Third Reading Calendar.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
4 amendments are received, and the bill shall
5 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
7 Senator Montgomery, on page 21 I offer the
8 following amendments to Calendar Number 281,
9 Senate Print 838, and ask that said bill retain
10 its place on Third Reading Calendar.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
12 amendments are received, and the bill shall
13 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

14 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
15 Senator Kaplan, on page 45 I offer the following
16 amendments to Calendar Number 802, Senate Print
17 5647A and ask that said bill retain its place on
18 Third Reading Calendar.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
20 amendments are received, and the bill shall
21 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

22 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
23 Senator Rivera, on page 15 I offer the following
24 amendments to Calendar Number 51, Senate Print
25 1026, and ask that said bill retain its place on

1 Third Reading Calendar.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
3 amendments are received, and the bill shall
4 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

5 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
6 Senator Hoylman, on page 22 I offer the following
7 amendments to Calendar Number 318, Senate Print
8 3297B, ask that said bill retain its place on
9 Third Reading Calendar.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 amendments are received, and the bill shall
12 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

13 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
14 Senator Krueger, on page 26 I offer the following
15 amendments to Calendar Number 455, Senate Print
16 1693, and ask that said bill retain its place on
17 the Third Reading Calendar.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
19 amendments are received, and the bill shall
20 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

21 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
22 Senator Hoylman, I move that the following bills
23 be discharged from their respective committees
24 and be recommitted, with instructions to strike
25 the enacting clause: Senate Bills 6051 and 47.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: It is
2 so ordered.

3 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
4 Senator Kaplan, I move to amend Senate Bill 2961A
5 by striking out the amendments made on May 9th
6 and restoring it to its original print number,
7 2961.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: It is
9 so ordered.

10 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
11 Senator Breslin, I wish to call up Senate Print
12 2848, recalled from the Assembly, which is now at
13 the desk.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
15 Secretary will read.

16 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
17 247, Senate Print 2848, by Senator Breslin, an
18 act to amend the Insurance Law.

19 SENATOR GIANARIS: I now move to
20 reconsider the vote by which this bill was
21 passed.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
2 bill is restored to its place on the Third
3 Reading Calendar.

4 SENATOR GIANARIS: I offer the
5 following amendments.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
7 amendments are received.

8 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
9 Senator Comrie, I wish to call up Senate 2767,
10 recalled from the Assembly, which is now at the
11 desk.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
13 Secretary will read.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 428, Senate Print 2767, by Senator Comrie, an act
16 to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

17 SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to
18 reconsider the vote by which this bill was
19 passed.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
21 Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

22 (The Secretary called the roll.)

23 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
25 bill is restored to its place on the Third

1 Reading Calendar.

2 SENATOR GIANARIS: I offer the
3 following amendments.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
5 amendments are received.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: And on behalf of
7 Senator Kennedy, I wish to call up Senate Print
8 3186, recalled from the Assembly, which is now at
9 the desk.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 Secretary will read.

12 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
13 543, Senate Print 3186, by Senator Kennedy, an
14 act in relation to establishing Brendan's Law.

15 SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to
16 reconsider the vote by which this bill was
17 passed.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
19 Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

20 (The Secretary called the roll.)

21 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 bill is restored to its place on the Third
24 Reading Calendar.

25 SENATOR GIANARIS: And I now offer

1 the following amendments.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
3 amendments are received.

4 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now adopt
5 the Resolution Calendar, with the exception of
6 Resolutions 1722 and 1762.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: All in
8 favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar, with
9 the exception of Resolutions 1722 and 1762,
10 please signify by saying aye.

11 (Response of "Aye.")

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
13 Opposed, nay.

14 (No response.)

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
16 Resolution Calendar is adopted.

17 Senator Gianaris.

18 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now take
19 up Resolution 1762, by Senator Martinez, read
20 that resolution in its entirety, and recognize
21 Senator Martinez.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 Secretary will read.

24 THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolution
25 1762, by Senator Martinez, memorializing Governor

1 Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim June 4, 2019, as
2 Animal Advocacy Day in the State of New York.

3 "WHEREAS, It is the sense of this
4 Legislative Body that all living creatures have
5 value and to recognize and appreciate the
6 service, companionship, loyalty, unconditional
7 love and happiness animals bring to the lives of
8 New Yorkers; and

9 "WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern,
10 and in full accord with its longstanding
11 traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud
12 to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to
13 proclaim June 4, 2019, as Animal Advocacy Day in
14 the State of New York; this year marks the
15 9th Annual Animal Advocacy Day; and

16 "WHEREAS, Animals are a beloved and
17 cherished member of many of our families and play
18 a positive role in the lives of so many of
19 New York's citizens; and

20 "WHEREAS, Pets offer companionship
21 in more than 71 million United States households,
22 and studies have shown companion animals can
23 provide a variety of health benefits; and

24 "WHEREAS, Companion animals provide
25 comfort and assistance to seniors and people with

1 disabilities; and

2 "WHEREAS, Companion animals play an
3 important role helping police, fire departments,
4 and search and rescue efforts to keep our
5 citizens safe; and

6 "WHEREAS, Animal abuse, cruelty and
7 neglect result in unnecessary pain and suffering
8 to animals; and

9 "WHEREAS, Violence against animals
10 is a bridge crime that can and has led to
11 violence against people; and

12 "WHEREAS, Buster's Law created the
13 felony category of 'aggravated cruelty to
14 animals,' punishable by up to two years in prison
15 and a \$5,000 fine; prior to this bill becoming
16 law, animal cruelty resulted in only misdemeanor
17 penalties, if any charges were imposed at all;
18 and

19 "WHEREAS, It is vital that we
20 encourage empathy and compassion for our
21 companion animals, and that we provide a voice
22 for those who cannot speak for themselves; and

23 "WHEREAS, On June 4, 2019, New York
24 pet owners and citizens come together to support,
25 protect, and acknowledge all animals' positive

1 contribution to society and the family of
2 New York; now, therefore, be it

3 "RESOLVED, That this Legislative
4 Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize
5 Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim June 4,
6 2019, as Animal Advocacy Day in the State of
7 New York; and be it further

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

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
13 Martinez on the resolution.

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

16 Good afternoon. Today we ask the
17 Governor to memorialize Animal Advocacy Day here
18 in the State of New York at the Legislature.

19 And we have a special guest with us
20 today here in the chamber. You don't really see
21 many four-legged friends in the chamber, and we
22 have Hudson here today. Hudson, also known as
23 the "Railroad Puppy," among other siblings that
24 he had, and has, unfortunately experienced
25 some -- not such a great life for four-legged

1 friends. They were found here in Albany nailed
2 down to the railroad tracks, where Hudson also
3 was found with his paw cut off.

4 He is the first dog in the State of
5 New York to actually be fitted for a prosthetic
6 leg, and he is wearing his brace today.

7 He has become a therapy dog for
8 many. He visits schools, they visit hospices,
9 just to make sure that people have that comfort
10 level.

11 But unfortunately, one of his
12 siblings did not make it, and that's Carina. And
13 unfortunately, even with the medical treatment
14 given, she did not survive. Though Pearl, his
15 other sibling, did make it, and they are a
16 dynamic duo working to make sure that animals are
17 taken care of.

18 And today in the State of New York
19 we are trying to express the importance of animal
20 welfare. And the reason being is because when
21 you look at several cases of animal abuse and
22 that abuser, the one who is committing the crime,
23 you can see that there is a direct link between
24 that animal abuse and crime not only on other
25 humans but other crimes across our state.

1 And it's time that we take this
2 serious. It's time that we start protecting our
3 animals. Because when we protect our animals,
4 we're also protecting our people.

5 And I am so happy to be here as the
6 sponsor of this event, along with Assemblyperson
7 Linda Rosenthal and my colleague here -- where is
8 he -- Senator Tedisco. But him -- all three of
9 us made this day a special day for our furry
10 friends.

11 And I also want to thank Senator
12 Boyle for also being a champion of our animals
13 here, and Senator LaValle. We definitely have
14 something in common that has nothing to do with
15 politics. Because when we're taking care of our
16 animals, we're taking care of the entire State of
17 New York.

18 So thank you for giving me this
19 opportunity. And, Mr. President, if you do not
20 mind recognizing Hudson to the rest of my
21 colleagues here today.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
23 Sanders on the resolution.

24 SENATOR SANDERS: Mr. President, I
25 want to thank the sponsor for this on behalf of

1 my animals; I have two dogs myself.

2 I had the pleasure of speaking to
3 Hudson a few moments ago, and I can attest that I
4 felt even better. I was a little apprehensive
5 coming into the hall, I get a little bit timid
6 here, it is true. And he brought me -- made me
7 much calmer.

8 So I think that all of this is
9 fantastic. We are supposed to be stewards of the
10 earth, and sometimes I think it might be a little
11 healthier if they were stewards and had to look
12 over us.

13 I encourage all of us to support any
14 of these actions that say that animals have a
15 place and that we should support them as they
16 support us.

17 Thank you very much, Madam. And
18 thank you, Mr. President.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
20 question is on the resolution. All in favor
21 signify by saying aye.

22 (Response of "Aye.")

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
24 Opposed?

25 (No response.)

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
2 resolution is adopted.

3 To Hudson and our guests, I welcome
4 you on behalf of the Senate. We extend to you
5 all of the privileges and courtesies of this
6 house. Please rise and be recognized.

7 (Standing ovation.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
9 Liu.

10 SENATOR LIU: Thank you,
11 Mr. President. Please take up J1223 and J1224
12 together, in title only, and call on
13 Senator Persaud to speak.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
15 Secretary will read.

16 THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolutions
17 1223 and 1224, by Senator Persaud, congratulating
18 the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team and
19 South Shore Varsity Boys Basketball Team upon the
20 occasion of capturing the 2019 Public School
21 Athletic League AA Championship on March 16,
22 2019.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
24 Persaud on the resolutions.

25 SENATOR PERSAUD: Thank you,

1 Mr. President.

2 In this chamber we're constantly
3 acknowledging athletes, and I'm always saying
4 none of my athletes --

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Order
6 in the chamber, please.

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Order
10 in the chamber, please.

11 Senator Persaud.

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

14 As I was saying, we're constantly
15 acknowledging athletes from across our state
16 coming to this chamber to be recognized. And I
17 wanted to ensure that everyone saw that I have
18 great athletes in Senate District 19 -- such
19 great athletes that last year, when the South
20 Shore High School Girls Team and Boys Team won
21 the basketball championship, they made history.
22 They were the first PSAL Division AA school to
23 win the championship in the same year.

24 So what did they do? They did
25 better. They repeated this year. So we have

1 fabulous athletes in Senate District 19.

2 So I want you to acknowledge the
3 Boys Team and the Girls Team who are here with us
4 today visiting with their coaches: Coach Anwar
5 Gladden, from the Girls Basketball Team, and
6 Coach Pat Trani from the Boys Basketball Team.
7 So as you can see, they're not all here; there's
8 only a small percentage of them who are here
9 today, but they wanted to represent their school.

10 Both teams are excellent. Not only
11 do they excel on the court while they're playing
12 basketball, they excel as students and they excel
13 in the community. There was one who was saying
14 to me, you know, they want to do things, they
15 want to play basketball, and one even wants to
16 become an elected official. He may be replacing
17 me in the chamber. You know, God bless him for
18 that.

19 So on behalf of all of Senate
20 District 19, I welcome the basketball teams from
21 South Shore High School here today.

22 In addition to the basketball teams
23 who we're all talking about them, I have Law
24 Enforcement Explorers representing many of the
25 precincts that I have. I represent -- and I'm

1 going to rattle them off, they're here -- the
2 NYPD Precincts 63, 69, 73, 75, Transit Bureau 33,
3 and PSA 2. They're also here representing.

4 In addition to those youth, we have
5 students from the Middle School of Science and
6 Professions here and the High School of Medical
7 Professions here.

8 So my staff came from the city
9 escorting them here. I would love you,
10 Mr. President, to welcome them -- welcome them
11 and encourage them to come back to visit us in
12 Albany, because we're going to give them such a
13 warm welcome.

14 Thank you, Mr. President.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: To our
16 guests from Senator Persaud's district, all of
17 you, I'd like to welcome all of you on behalf of
18 the Senate. We extend to you all of the
19 privileges and courtesies of this house. Please
20 all rise and be recognized at this time.

21 (Standing ovation.)

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 resolution was previously adopted on April 30th.

24 Senator Gianaris.

25 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now take

1 up Resolution 1665 -- previously adopted -- by
2 Senator May, read it in its entirety, and
3 recognize Senator May.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
5 Secretary will read.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: Correction.
7 Read that title only, Mr. President.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Title
9 only. The Secretary will read.

10 THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolution
11 1665, by Senator May, memorializing Governor
12 Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim June 2019 as
13 Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month in the
14 State of New York.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
16 May on the resolution.

17 SENATOR MAY: Thank you,
18 Mr. President.

19 As chair of the Senate Committee on
20 Aging, I would like to call the Senate's
21 attention to one of the most serious health
22 challenges facing older Americans today, the
23 scourge of Alzheimer's disease. It is an illness
24 that has very likely touched or will in some way
25 touch each one of us here at some point in our

1 lives.

2 Today nearly 6 million Americans,
3 including an estimated 400,000 New Yorkers, live
4 with Alzheimer's. Anybody who has been touched
5 directly or indirectly by Alzheimer's or dementia
6 can speak to the devastating toll this cruel
7 disease takes on the lives of those who live with
8 it and all who care for them.

9 And we have with us several visitors
10 from the Alzheimer's Association. I spoke with a
11 young woman who is caring for her father as he
12 slowly and agonizingly slips away; a woman whose
13 husband had early onset Alzheimer's and she had
14 to care for him and their three children, and the
15 children had to watch their father disappear from
16 their lives little by little.

17 My own mother cared for her parents
18 into their 90s, and she only survived them for a
19 few years. And I have always thought that that
20 was partly because of the stress of caring for
21 her parents. And what I just learned is that
22 30 percent of caregivers for Alzheimer's patients
23 actually do not survive the person they are
24 caring for because the stress is so great.

25 While there is no cure as yet, an

1 early diagnosis can provide access to
2 medications that may lessen the effect of the
3 disease and give them more time to locate
4 critical resources and support networks for those
5 living with the disease and for their caregivers.
6 Most importantly, an early diagnosis means more
7 time to plan for the future in a way that
8 prolongs quality of life and enhances peace of
9 mind.

10 For those reasons, we must increase
11 public awareness of Alzheimer's disease and do
12 all we can to support efforts at every level to
13 address this devastating illness.

14 I invite my colleagues to join me in
15 welcoming the brave advocates for Alzheimer's
16 that we have here and ask that we pause in our
17 deliberations and memorialize Governor Andrew
18 Cuomo to proclaim this month, June 2019, as
19 Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month in the
20 State of New York.

21 Thank you.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
23 Serino on the resolution.

24 SENATOR SERINO: Thank you,
25 Mr. President.

1 I thank my colleagues for continuing
2 to recognize June as Alzheimer's and Brain
3 Awareness Month here in the State of New York.

4 Alzheimer's disease and dementia are
5 issues that unfortunately probably almost all of
6 us in this chamber are familiar with, because
7 almost everyone knows someone whose lives have
8 been impacted by these devastating diseases,
9 whether it's someone with the diagnosis or a
10 caretaker or a loved one.

11 However, it wasn't till I became
12 involved with the Aging Committee that I really
13 began to understand the full scale of the problem
14 here in New York. According to the Alzheimer's
15 Association, worldwide 50 million people are
16 living with Alzheimer's and other dementias.
17 While many of us think of Alzheimer's as a memory
18 disorder, the terrible reality is that it is
19 actually a disease that kills more patients than
20 breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. One
21 in three seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another
22 dementia.

23 Currently there is no robust
24 treatment or cure for Alzheimer's or dementia,
25 and the burden of caring for someone struggling

1 with these diseases often falls on the shoulders
2 of family members and unpaid caregivers. The
3 Alzheimer's Association estimates that
4 16.1 million Americans provide unpaid care to
5 those suffering with these diseases.

6 As you've heard me say before,
7 New York's caregivers provide over 1 billion
8 hours of unpaid care to their loved ones with
9 Alzheimer's. But I can tell you from speaking
10 with so many of them, they will rarely ever
11 complain about that time or the thousands of
12 dollars that they spend each year to maintain
13 quality of life for these patients.

14 Thank you.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: To our
16 guests, I welcome you on behalf of the Senate.
17 We extend to you all of the privileges and
18 courtesies of this house.

19 Please rise and be recognized.

20 (Standing ovation.)

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
22 resolution was previously adopted on May 30th.

23 Senator Gianaris.

24 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now move
25 to Senate Resolution 1722, by Senator Kaplan,

1 read its title only, and recognize
2 Senator Kaplan.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
4 Secretary will read.

5 THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolution
6 1722, by Senator Kaplan, commemorating the
7 observance of Portugal Day in the State of
8 New York on June 10, 2019.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
10 Kaplan on the resolution.

11 SENATOR KAPLAN: Thank you,
12 Mr. President.

13 I rise today to recognize and honor
14 Portuguese culture, heritage, language,
15 traditions and pride, as we commemorate Dia de
16 Portugal, or Portugal Day, here in the State of
17 New York.

18 I stand here very proudly as a
19 representative of Mineola, which is really the
20 home base and cultural center of Long Island's
21 close-knit Portuguese community. It's a
22 community that is thoroughly American yet
23 celebrates its Old World traditions and customs.
24 And it is a community that has contributed so
25 much to my district and all of the State of

1 New York.

2 Thank you, and I'm looking forward
3 to marching with my Portuguese members this
4 weekend. Thank you.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
6 question is on the resolution. All in favor
7 signify by saying aye.

8 (Response of "Aye.")

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
10 Opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
13 resolution is adopted.

14 Senator Gianaris.

15 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
16 can you now recognize Senator Gaughran for the
17 purpose of an introduction.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
19 Gaughran for an introduction.

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

22 I am pleased to honor today Jo Ann
23 Raia, who is my Huntington town clerk. And she
24 was actually my Woman of Distinction honoree, but
25 because of her public duties, including her

1 duties with the New York State Town Clerks
2 Association, she was unable to attend. So she's
3 here with us today.

4 She has served in this position for
5 38 years. And if you think of the span of the
6 years, she has transformed not only her office,
7 but her office has served as model for all the
8 town clerks offices across the country. She has
9 modernized it, bringing us from the old paper
10 days to now everything we can instantaneously
11 get, with websites and every other thing that she
12 has done as town clerk.

13 But the other thing which she has
14 done which is so important is she has made sure
15 that we really archive, both in Huntington and I
16 know this is going on around the state, every
17 single document, piece of paper, photo, anything
18 that had to do with our towns and our town
19 governments. And she has done that, she has been
20 the leader.

21 And one of the other cool things
22 she's done is that she has once a year a
23 Valentine's Day wedding ceremony, which has
24 become infamous in my town, and I can't tell you
25 how many people she has married.

1 She's also instilled in her family
2 public service. And we are also pleased to be
3 joined by her son, Andrew Raia, who is our
4 colleague serving in the New York State Assembly,
5 and she also has a daughter Diane who works as a
6 law secretary to a State Supreme Court justice.

7 And finally I just want to say
8 Jo Ann is the most popular person in my town, and
9 she clearly could have been elected to any other
10 office. She could have sat in this chamber, she
11 could be in the halls of Congress. But she was
12 so dedicated to that job for 38 years that I
13 commend her, I congratulate her.

14 And Mr. President, I would ask that
15 you recognize Jo Ann Raia and provide her all the
16 privileges and courtesies of this house.

17 Thank you, Mr. President.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
19 Flanagan on the introduction.

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

22 I just want to join my colleague
23 Senator Gaughran in welcoming our town clerk.
24 And he's absolutely right; Jo Ann Raia is the
25 most popular elected official in the Town of

1 Huntington and probably Suffolk County, maybe
2 even Long Island. But she obviously has been
3 around for quite some time, and that is a
4 compliment and high praise. No one ever assumes
5 anything other than Jo Ann is going to run and
6 she's going to win.

7 So I compliment Senator Gaughran for
8 recognizing her as a Woman of Distinction. And
9 I'm elated to see her here. Jo Ann helped me out
10 very early in my own career. She was always
11 there, as a stalwart and a supporter and
12 everything else.

13 And I'll just close on this because
14 I just can't resist. Senator Gaughran spoke
15 about how many marriages our town clerk has
16 performed, decade after decade, year after year
17 after year. The one marriage she has not been
18 able to get finished is the young man seated to
19 her right, her son Andrew, our colleague here for
20 17 years in Albany.

21 (Laughter.)

22 SENATOR FLANAGAN: But Jo Ann and
23 your colleague, who's our archivist, it's
24 wonderful, wonderful to see you here. Hope you
25 enjoy your day.

1 Thank you, Mr. President.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: To
3 Jo Ann and family, I welcome you on behalf of the
4 Senate. We extend to you all of the privileges
5 and courtesies of the house.

6 Please rise and be recognized.

7 (Standing ovation.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
9 Gianaris.

10 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
11 all the resolutions we took up today are open for
12 cosponsorship.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
14 resolutions are open for cosponsorship. Should
15 you choose not to be a cosponsor of the
16 resolutions, please notify the desk.

17 Senator Gianaris.

18 SENATOR GIANARIS: I have one
19 additional motion, Mr. President.

20 On behalf of Senator Sanders, on
21 page 36 I offer the following amendments to
22 Calendar 649, Senate Print 3227, and ask that
23 said bill retain its place on the Third Reading
24 Calendar.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The

1 amendments are received, and the bill shall
2 retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

3 Senator Gianaris.

4 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now take
5 up the reading of the calendar.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
7 Secretary will read.

8 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
9 197, Senate Print 2723, by Senator Krueger, an
10 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
12 the last section.

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

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
16 the roll.

17 (The Secretary called the roll.)

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
19 Announce the results.

20 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
22 bill is passed.

23 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
24 198, Senate Print 3078A, by Senator Addabbo, an
25 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
2 the last section.

3 THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This
4 act shall take effect one year after it shall
5 have become a law.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
7 the roll.

8 (The Secretary called the roll.)

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
10 Announce the results.

11 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
12 Calendar Number 198, those Senators voting in the
13 negative are Senators Amedore, Akshar, Gallivan,
14 Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Little, O'Mara, Ortt and
15 Ritchie.

16 Ayes, 49. Nays, 10.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
18 bill is passed.

19 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
20 552, Senate Print 94, by Senator Kaminsky, an act
21 to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law and the
22 Penal Law.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
24 the last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 7. This

1 act shall take effect on the 90th day after it
2 shall have become a law.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
4 the roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
7 Announce the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
10 bill is passed.

11 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
12 553, Assembly Print 216, substituted earlier by
13 Assemblymember Paulin, an act to amend the
14 Agriculture and Markets Law.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
16 the last section.

17 THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This
18 act shall take effect on the 90th day after it
19 shall have become a law.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
21 the roll.

22 (The Secretary called the roll.)

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
24 Metzger to explain her vote.

25 SENATOR METZGER: Thank you very

1 much, Mr. President.

2 Today in the Well many of us have
3 had the opportunity to visit with some well-loved
4 and cared-for companion animals as part of Animal
5 Advocacy Day.

6 Unfortunately, not every animal is
7 treated as they should be. This legislation will
8 provide additional and important standards of
9 care that pet dealers and breeders must follow,
10 helping to end abusive practices like those that
11 take place in unscrupulous puppy mills. It will
12 ensure that all companion animals have high
13 standards of care and treatment.

14 Included within this legislation are
15 requirements for maintaining sanitation
16 standards, exercise and nutrition standards,
17 provision of regular diurnal light cycles, access
18 to veterinary care, and provisions for nursing
19 and pregnant animals.

20 Pet dealers must be held to
21 standards that will promote the safety, good
22 health and overall well-being of animals in their
23 care.

24 Assemblywoman Paulin has introduced
25 this legislation every year for the last five

1 years, and I am very pleased to help her carry it
2 over the finish line today. I'm proud to sponsor
3 this legislation, and I vote aye.

4 Thank you very much.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
6 Metzger to be recorded in the affirmative.

7 Announce the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
9 Calendar Number 553, voting in the negative:
10 Senator Ortt.

11 Ayes, 59. Nays, 1.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
13 bill is passed.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 560, Assembly Print 6870, substituted earlier by
16 Assemblymember Hunter, an act to amend the
17 Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
19 the last section.

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

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
23 the roll.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

1 Announce the results.

2 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
4 bill is passed.

5 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
6 578, Senate Print 5281A, by Senator Skoufis, an
7 act alienating certain parklands in the Town of
8 Stony Point, County of Rockland, conveyed to said
9 town pursuant to Chapter 851 of the Laws of 1973.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
11 is a home-rule message at the desk.

12 Read the last section.

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

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
16 the roll.

17 (The Secretary called the roll.)

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
19 Announce the results.

20 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
22 bill is passed.

23 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
24 607, Senate Print 3840A, by Senator May, an act
25 to amend the Social Services Law.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
2 the last section.

3 THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This
4 act shall take effect on the first of April.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
6 the roll.

7 (The Secretary called the roll.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
9 May to explain her vote.

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

12 We have a situation now where
13 someone receiving services with DHSS can be
14 sanctioned for not showing up for an appointment.
15 In some cases that's because childcare didn't
16 arrive or a bus didn't come on time or there was
17 some illness that held the person back. But the
18 sanctions that are extracted from that person can
19 be terribly debilitating. They take away their
20 social services, take away whatever payments
21 they're receiving, and suddenly they can't afford
22 their rent and they can't keep going to their job
23 and they start falling deeper and deeper into
24 poverty.

25 What this bill does is create a

1 system where people can have a little
2 forgiveness. If they miss one appointment,
3 they're not immediately thrown into this downward
4 spiral of ever-increasing poverty.

5 So I think this is a great bill. I
6 Appreciate my colleagues for supporting it and
7 the leadership for bringing it to the floor, and
8 I proudly vote aye.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
10 May to be recorded in the affirmative.

11 Senator Savino to explain her vote.

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

14 I want to congratulate Senator May
15 for accomplishing statewide what I was able to do
16 a few years ago for the City of New York. In
17 fact, this body passed this very same bill as it
18 applied only to the City of New York.

19 What it does is it gets people back
20 in compliance and back to the welfare-to-work
21 program quicker, rather than string it out longer
22 and wind up having to go to long and extensive
23 fair hearings.

24 And sitting up there, the incoming
25 commissioner of OTDA, the Office of Temporary and

1 Disability Assistance, is nodding his head in
2 approval because he knows this will put people
3 back on track faster, saving the state money and
4 getting people back in compliance quicker. It is
5 actually a good thing, which is why you all voted
6 for it when we assigned it to the City of
7 New York just a few years ago.

8 I vote in the affirmative,
9 Mr. President. Thank you.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
11 Savino to be recorded in the affirmative.

12 Announce the results.

13 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
14 Calendar Number 607, those Senators voting in the
15 negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore, Antonacci,
16 Boyle, Funke, Griffio, Helming, Jacobs, Jordan,
17 LaValle, Little, O'Mara, Ortt, Ranzenhofer,
18 Ritchie, Robach, Serino, Seward and Tedisco.
19 Also Senator Gallivan.

20 Ayes, 40. Nays, 20.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
22 bill is passed.

23 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
24 650, Senate Print 4652, by Senator Sanders, an
25 act to amend the Banking Law.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
2 the last section.

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

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
6 the roll.

7 (The Secretary called the roll.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
9 Announce the results.

10 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
12 bill is passed.

13 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
14 654, Assembly Print 3939, substituted earlier by
15 Assemblymember Englebright, an act to amend the
16 Public Officers Law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
18 the last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
22 the roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
25 Announce the results.

1 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
2 Calendar Number 654, those Senators voting in the
3 negative are Senators Akshar, Boyle, Funke,
4 Gallivan, Jacobs, Lanza, LaValle, Little, O'Mara,
5 Ortt, Ritchie, Robach, Seward and Tedisco. Also
6 Senator Griffo.

7 Ayes, 45. Nays, 15.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
9 bill is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
11 660, Senate Print 3998, by Senator Gaughran, an
12 act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
14 the last section.

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

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
18 the roll.

19 (The Secretary called the roll.)

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
21 Announce the results.

22 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
24 bill is passed.

25 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number

1 667, Senate Print 4365, by Senator Breslin, an
2 act to amend the Insurance Law.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
4 the last section.

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

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
8 the roll.

9 (The Secretary called the roll.)

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
11 Announce the results.

12 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
14 bill is passed.

15 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
16 668, Senate Print 609, by Senator Boyle, an act
17 to amend the Penal Law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
19 the last section.

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

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
23 the roll.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

1 Boyle to explain his vote.

2 SENATOR BOYLE: Mr. President, to
3 briefly explain my vote.

4 This is part of our animal advocacy
5 agenda today, and an important bill to finally
6 stop animal fighting in New York State.

7 We passed important legislation
8 which became law a couple of years ago which
9 allowed law enforcement to do surveillance on
10 animal fighting rings. This is the next step.
11 It will treat an animal fighting ring basically
12 as an organized crime, RICO statute on a state
13 level. It's going to allow our prosecutors to
14 get in there, use their surveillance to make the
15 arrest, and then arrest all of them.

16 When you find animal fighting, that
17 inhumane, terrible -- those terrible acts, it's
18 also usually that you're -- often that you're
19 going to find drugs and guns and a lot of other
20 bad stuff and behavior.

21 I proudly vote in favor and thank my
22 colleagues for doing so as well.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
24 Boyle to be recorded in the affirmative.

25 Announce the results.

1 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
2 Calendar Number 668, voting in the negative:
3 Senator Montgomery.

4 Ayes, 59. Nays, 1.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
6 bill is passed.

7 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
8 692, Senate Print 1797, by Senator Rivera, an act
9 to amend the Education Law.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
11 the last section.

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

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
15 the roll.

16 (The Secretary called the roll.)

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
18 Announce the results.

19 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
21 bill is passed.

22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
23 707, Senate Print 3058, by Senator Gaughran, an
24 act to amend the Education Law.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read

1 the last section.

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

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
5 the roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
8 Announce the results.

9 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 bill is passed.

12 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
13 746, Senate Print 1942, by Senator Little, an act
14 to amend the Civil Service Law.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
16 is a home-rule message at the desk.

17 Read the last section.

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

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
21 the roll.

22 (The Secretary called the roll.)

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
24 Announce the results.

25 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
2 bill is passed.

3 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
4 855, Senate Print 3335, by Senator Kaminsky, an
5 act to amend the Education Law.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
7 the last section.

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

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
11 the roll.

12 (The Secretary called the roll.)

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
14 Announce the results.

15 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
17 bill is passed.

18 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
19 864, Assembly Print Number 5762, substituted
20 earlier by Assemblymember Paulin, an act to amend
21 the Public Health Law.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
23 the last section.

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

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
2 the roll.

3 (The Secretary called the roll.)

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
5 Announce the results.

6 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
8 bill is passed.

9 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
10 891, Senate Print 3415A, by Senator Martinez, an
11 act to amend the Social Services Law.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
13 the last section.

14 THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This
15 act shall take effect on the 30th day after it
16 shall have become a law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
18 the roll.

19 (The Secretary called the roll.)

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
21 Serino to explain her vote.

22 SENATOR SERINO: Thank you,
23 Mr. President.

24 I'd like to thank the sponsor for
25 this bill.

1 This bill is hugely important
2 because we know that there's a link between
3 animal abuse and human violence. I rise to
4 support this bill because, as I said yesterday, I
5 think we need to be doing all that we can to
6 prevent child abuse. As I mentioned yesterday, I
7 carry a bill, S1257, that would also expand the
8 mandated reporting requirement. It passed
9 unanimously here in the Senate but failed to move
10 in the Assembly, so I wish Senator Martinez the
11 best of luck on that front.

12 My bill would also close a dangerous
13 loophole. Current law only requires mandated
14 reporters to report cases where abuse happens at
15 the hands of a parent or guardian, not anyone
16 else. So you can leave your child with a coach
17 or a volunteer, it doesn't matter -- something
18 most parents would be shocked to learn. In fact,
19 I didn't even learn it until my constituents
20 brought the bill to me.

21 My bill would require anyone working
22 with children to report abuse, which would also
23 bolster this bill. I urge this body to pass this
24 bill.

25 I vote aye.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
2 Serino to be recorded in the affirmative.

3 Announce the results.

4 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
5 Calendar Number 891, those Senators voting in the
6 negative are Senators Akshar and O'Mara.

7 Ayes, 58. Nays, 2.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
9 bill is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
11 892, Senate Print 3559, by Senator Kennedy, an
12 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
14 the last section.

15 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
16 act shall take effect on the 30th day after it
17 shall have become a law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
19 the roll.

20 (The Secretary called the roll.)

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
22 Announce the results.

23 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
25 bill is passed.

1 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
2 906, Senate Print 6163, by Senator Metzger, an
3 act to amend Part BBB of Chapter 55 of the Laws
4 of 2019.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
6 the last section.

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
10 the roll.

11 (The Secretary called the roll.)

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
13 Metzger to explain her vote.

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

16 The 2019-2020 State Budget
17 incorporated legislation that I had introduced
18 earlier this session to expand primary voting
19 hours in upstate communities from 6 a.m. to
20 9 p.m., which was a big victory because the polls
21 had not opened until noon.

22 This was very important for rural
23 communities. It allows people to vote, you know,
24 in the morning, which many people do on their way
25 to work, on the way to drop their kids off at

1 school.

2 However, the fruits of that
3 legislative victory in the budget won't be
4 realized in this current -- in the next
5 presidential primary election because the
6 legislation doesn't go into effect until two days
7 after that primary. So this legislation will
8 correct that to make sure that rural
9 communities -- that voters in rural communities
10 will be able to actually vote morning, afternoon,
11 or evening in the 2020 presidential primary.

12 Thank you very much, and I vote aye.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
14 Metzger to be recorded in the affirmative.

15 Announce the results.

16 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
17 Calendar Number 906, those Senators voting in the
18 negative are Senators Amedore and Flanagan.

19 Ayes, 58. Nays, 2.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
21 bill is passed.

22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
23 949, Senate Print 6154, by Senator Sepúlveda, an
24 act to amend the Correction Law.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read

1 the last section.

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

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
5 the roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
8 Sepúlveda to explain his vote.

9 SENATOR SEPÚLVEDA: Thank you,
10 Mr. President, for allowing me to explain my
11 vote.

12 This is a departmental bill from the
13 State Commission of Correction. It permits an
14 inmate to transfer from one county jail to
15 another, with the consent of the sheriff of both
16 counties, in order to attend specialized
17 programs. For example, some jails have grants
18 for innovative sexual abuse treatments, others
19 have grants for specialized units for military
20 veterans.

21 Any such transfer would have to be
22 approved by the State Commission of Correction,
23 and in writing. The bill would permit some of
24 the smaller jails to benefit from extensive
25 programs offered in bigger jails or to combine

1 resources when appropriate.

2 I strongly support this in order to
3 provide a broader range of rehab programs for
4 jail inmates without incurring additional costs
5 to the state or to the counties.

6 I hope you join me in voting in the
7 positive. I vote affirmatively.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
9 Sepúlveda to be recorded in the affirmative.

10 Announce the results.

11 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
13 bill is passed.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 1011, Senate Print 4577, by Senator Martinez, an
16 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
18 the last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
22 the roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
25 Announce the results.

1 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
2 Calendar Number 1011, those Senators voting in
3 the negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore,
4 Antonacci, Funke, Gallivan, Griffo, Jacobs,
5 Lanza, Little, Ortt, Jordan, O'Mara, Ranzenhofer,
6 Ritchie and Seward.

7 Ayes, 45. Nays, 15.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
9 bill is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
11 1017, Senate Print 5807, by Senator Martinez, an
12 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
14 the last section.

15 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
16 act shall take effect on the 180th day after it
17 shall have become a law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
19 the roll.

20 (The Secretary called the roll.)

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
22 Martinez to explain her vote.

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

25 I'm so proud to be standing here

1 before you once again to discuss a very important
2 piece of legislation that is before us right now,
3 and it's to be named Tucker's Law. And in recent
4 events that took place on Long Island, Mineola,
5 there was a case of an individual who killed two
6 dogs, injured the third, within a three-week
7 period.

8 The way the current law stands right
9 now is that if convicted, this individual will
10 face a maximum of two years. What this amendment
11 would do to the law as it stands right now, it
12 would remove the language that requires
13 aggravated cruelty to be treated where a judge
14 can now issue consecutive charges of animal
15 cruelty if convicted.

16 And what this does is that it allows
17 for individuals to understand that you cannot
18 hurt an animal. And we have to understand,
19 again -- I said it before -- is that there is a
20 direct link. If we start using animals as a way
21 to protect our people, I think this state would
22 be safer. It would be healthier for our
23 communities, it will be healthier for our kids.

24 It is something that has become
25 rampant in our state, it is something that we see

1 on an everyday basis. It is something that we
2 need to take care of, because if we continue down
3 this road, we are going to see more crime
4 increase. Because what people are doing, they
5 are preying on the most vulnerable.

6 And our animals are by far the most
7 vulnerable, as they do not speak. We need to be
8 their voice. We need to make sure that we're
9 there for them just like they're there for us
10 when we come and they're wagging their tails.

11 Mr. President, I vote in the
12 affirmative.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
14 Martinez to be recorded in the affirmative.

15 Announce the results.

16 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
18 bill is passed.

19 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
20 1150, Senate Print 5532B, by Senator Gianaris, an
21 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
23 the last section.

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

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
2 the roll.

3 (The Secretary called the roll.)

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
5 Gianaris to explain his vote.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: Thank you,
7 Mr. President.

8 This legislation is going to go a
9 long way towards helping provide a more humane
10 and less barbaric society. A lot of people who
11 engage in the process of declawing their cats
12 don't realize just how barbaric it is. They
13 think it's the equivalent of cutting off your
14 nail or just somehow done to protect one's
15 furniture from being scratched.

16 But in fact there is bone removed as
17 part of this procedure. It's actually the
18 equivalent of severing a finger at the first
19 knuckle. And maiming animals just to protect
20 furniture, to keep things from being scratched --
21 which is in the very instinctive nature of a
22 cat -- is wrong.

23 It is said that a society can be
24 judged by the way it treats its animals. And by
25 allowing this practice to continue, we have not

1 been setting a good example. Today we begin to
2 move that in the right direction by banning this
3 practice and treating our animals with the
4 respect they deserve.

5 Thank you. I vote in the
6 affirmative.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
8 Gianaris to be recorded in the affirmative.

9 Senator Antonacci to explain his
10 vote.

11 SENATOR ANTONACCI: Thank you,
12 Mr. President.

13 On this wonderful Animal Advocacy
14 Day, I want to recognize my hero who I've watched
15 from afar, Senator Tedisco, and I've watched his
16 career with not only Buster's Law, but the way he
17 saved Luna last year. So I want to thank you,
18 Senator, for all of your hard work.

19 I participated today with my baby
20 Abby, who's a cockapoo puppy dog. It's not that
21 I'm not a cat person, but I will be voting no
22 today.

23 I want to take you back. Today is
24 my 26th wedding anniversary. And about 30 years
25 ago when I met my wife, she had a kitty cat named

1 Sandy. And Sandy at that time was declawed, and
2 I -- she didn't like me, so thank God she was
3 declawed. But my wife thought nothing of it. It
4 was a condition of where she needed to live. And
5 Sandy lived to be a ripe old age of 18.

6 I take this bill very seriously. I
7 appreciate Senator Gianaris's comments. I did
8 reach out to my veterinarian, Abby's doc, I
9 reached out to local animal shelters. And what I
10 have found is that this is a very rare procedure
11 in today's day and age. And it's also a last
12 option.

13 But I think it's a complex and
14 deeply personal decision. And I don't think
15 government should be involved. I think we should
16 leave it to the vets and the owners. I'm worried
17 about euthanasia. I'm worried about a kitty cat
18 being euthanized because the owner has to move to
19 a nursing home or a facility that doesn't allow
20 for cats. I'm worried that it might affect
21 adoptions.

22 And I note that there are no
23 exemptions for the humans -- you know, if there's
24 an immunosuppressant disease at the house or
25 another reason why the cat may be declawed.

1 I don't have a fundamental problem
2 with the intent of the bill, but I think that it
3 could have been a better written bill. And I do
4 think we need to stay out of people's business
5 when it comes to these type of matters. So I'll
6 be voting no, Mr. President.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
8 Antonacci to be recorded in the negative.

9 Announce the results.

10 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
11 Calendar Number 1150, those Senators voting in
12 the negative are Senators Antonacci, Funke,
13 Gallivan, Jordan, Lanza, Little, O'Mara, Ortt,
14 Ritchie, Savino, Seward and Akshar.

15 Ayes, 48. Nays, 12.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
17 bill is passed.

18 Senator Gianaris.

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

21 We're now going to simultaneously
22 take up some outstanding confirmations that were
23 from a report of the Finance Committee last week,
24 and have a Rules Committee meeting so we can
25 proceed expeditiously.

1 So can we call Rules in Room 332 of
2 the Capitol immediately.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
4 will be an immediate meeting of the Rules
5 Committee in Room 332.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: And then if we
7 can return to reports of standing committees,
8 we're going to go back to the report of the
9 Finance Committee of May 30th and take up four of
10 the nominations from that report.

11 So please recognize Senator Krueger
12 after those nominations are read.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: We will
14 return to reports of standing committees.

15 There is a May 30th report of the
16 Finance Committee at the desk.

17 The Secretary will read.

18 THE SECRETARY: Senator Krueger,
19 from the Committee on Finance, reports the
20 following nominations:

21 Keith M. Corlett, Superintendent,
22 New York State Police;

23 Robert T. Williams, Executive
24 Director, New York State Gaming Commission;

25 Michael P. Hein, Commissioner,

1 Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance;

2 Mark J.F. Schroeder, Commissioner,
3 Department of Motor Vehicles.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
5 Krueger.

6 SENATOR KRUEGER: Thank you,
7 Mr. President.

8 I know that our guests have been
9 waiting patiently for us to bring them up on the
10 floor for confirmation.

11 There are four people to be
12 confirmed today. I'll just start off by reading
13 them and who's with them today.

14 We have Mark Schroeder, to be the
15 commissioner of Department of Motor Vehicles, and
16 he is joined by Kate Schroeder, his wife; Siobhan
17 McMahon, his sister; Mary Reid, his
18 sister-in-law. And I'm told there's six of them,
19 so apparently two I don't know who they are. But
20 welcome, the whole Schroeder family.

21 We also have Keith Corlett,
22 superintendent of the State Police. And with him
23 today is his wife, Jill Corlett.

24 We have Robert Williams, the
25 executive director of the New York State Gaming

1 Commission, who doesn't have any guests, but
2 perhaps he would like a Mark Schroeder family
3 member.

4 (Laughter.)

5 SENATOR KRUEGER: And we have
6 Michael Hein, commissioner of the Office of
7 Temporary and Disability Assistance, what we call
8 OTDA, and he also apparently has a group of
9 guests with him, so everyone can share their
10 guests.

11 I have had an opportunity to
12 interview each and every one of these nominees.
13 They have moved through the appropriate
14 committees and through the Finance Committee.
15 And I can sincerely say I strongly recommend
16 confirmation of all four of these people to the
17 positions that the Governor has nominated them
18 to.

19 And I don't know whether I have
20 other colleagues who wish to speak. Obviously we
21 just got called out to a Rules Committee meeting
22 as well, and we're on a tight schedule today.

23 But I congratulate you all, and
24 thank you for going through the process and
25 sticking it out with us.

1 I certainly encourage everyone to a
2 yes vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
4 Kennedy on the nominations.

5 SENATOR KENNEDY: Thank you,
6 Mr. President.

7 First of all, let me start by
8 congratulating each of the nominees for being put
9 forward by the Governor. I want to recognize and
10 thank the Governor for nominating such auspicious
11 individuals of great character, integrity and
12 public service. Those that have the exceptional
13 track record that they do all across this state
14 in various capacities of leadership, we truly are
15 privileged to have you in the positions that you
16 are being confirmed in today and advocating for
17 the public all across the State of New York. And
18 we thank you for your willingness to take on the
19 respective roles.

20 I'd like to speak specifically on
21 one particular individual who I know very, very
22 well, have known most of my life if not my entire
23 life, and certainly my entire adult life as well
24 as my time in public service, and that is Mark
25 J.F. Schroeder, who we're confirming as the

1 commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles
2 in New York State.

3 With him, as already has been
4 mentioned, Kate Horan Schroeder, Siobhan McMahon,
5 and Mary Reid. Welcome to each and every one of
6 you, from the great South Buffalo neighborhood to
7 which I also reside in, each of them come from
8 and reside in.

9 I also want to recognize the sons
10 and daughters of Mark and Kate Schroeder:
11 Michael and Allison and the late Matthew, who are
12 all here with us in spirit.

13 Mark Schroeder is a man of
14 tremendous integrity, a man of faith, of family
15 and of community, with an extraordinary track
16 record of public service in a voluntary role.
17 Before he was elected to office back in 2004 to
18 the New York State Assembly, he was serving as an
19 Erie County legislator, a position that I
20 actually succeeded him in.

21 He then went on to serve almost two
22 full terms as the Buffalo city comptroller, and
23 he did so with tremendous, tremendous honor and
24 pride and privilege. We have been so lucky to
25 have his work over a decade, nearly two decades

1 in public service. But he brought with him to
2 public service a track record in the private
3 sector. He recognizes what people need in the
4 communities across this state. He served nobly
5 in his positions, respective positions, as I've
6 already mentioned.

7 I want to quote the Buffalo News,
8 which I think it's important to quote. And Mark
9 Schroeder has done a tremendous job of
10 regurgitating this quote, as any one of us
11 politicians would do in his position, but it's
12 worth regurgitating again: "If Teddy Roosevelt
13 came back to life to oppose Mark Schroeder, we'd
14 have to think long and hard before backing TR."

15 Now, if that's not an endorsement,
16 Mr. President, I don't know what else is.

17 But they've gone on to say: I
18 think, most importantly, is that he stands up for
19 what he believes in and what he knows is right.
20 That's who we're getting as commissioner of the
21 Department of Motor Vehicles.

22 In his work he's been an independent
23 voice. He's fought for progressive legislation
24 like banning texting and driving, saving lives
25 across the State of New York, standing up,

1 fighting against sexual predators in our state,
2 working with small businesses, creating chambers
3 of commerce in the community that he represented,
4 standing up for the most vulnerable across this
5 state, including individuals with disabilities,
6 recognizing that we have to create new economies
7 and create jobs and opportunities for those that
8 have been left behind in the past, working to
9 create the Buffalo River Fest Park and enhancing
10 the waterfront development opportunities along
11 the Buffalo River and along different commercial
12 districts in the area that I now represent,
13 including the Seneca Street redevelopment zone.

14 He has just been an effective and
15 extraordinary public servant. And now he brings
16 with him all of these accolades and experience to
17 this tremendous position as a statewide
18 commissioner of the DMV. I couldn't be more
19 proud and honored to second and support his
20 nomination by the Governor.

21 And again, I want to thank the
22 Governor for bringing this amazing public servant
23 to the floor to be approved today.

24 I appreciate and thank you,
25 Mr. President and my colleagues, for your

1 indulgence.

2 Congratulations to Mark J.F.
3 Schroeder and the entire Schroeder family on this
4 amazing opportunity. We look forward to working
5 with you in your new capacity. Congratulations.

6 Mr. President, I vote aye.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
8 Gallivan on the nominations.

9 SENATOR GALLIVAN: Thank you,
10 Mr. President.

11 I too would like to congratulate all
12 the nominees. I'd like to talk specifically
13 about two of them. I was going to talk about
14 Mark Schroeder, but there's nothing left to say.

15 (Laughter.)

16 SENATOR GALLIVAN: Nearly twenty
17 years ago -- Senator Kennedy did a very good job
18 of recounting Mark's career in public service,
19 and he mentioned his career in public service as
20 it spanned nearly 20 years. Well, nearly twenty
21 years ago, I remember a day when we were much
22 younger and much more nimble, along with another
23 friend or two of ours, we were out jogging one
24 day. And I was jogging with Mark Schroeder, and
25 Mark said, you know, "What's it like to be an

1 elected official? Do you like it? I feel like I
2 should be doing something for my community, and I
3 want to be in public service."

4 And he left a very successful
5 private career to then sit in all the offices
6 that Senator Kennedy talked about, and did an
7 outstanding job, of course, in all of them.

8 But I think what I remember, in
9 going back to that, is what drives an individual
10 like Mark, and it's to his credit. Certainly
11 Western New York is better for it. Now New York
12 State will again enjoy your services. No doubt
13 you'll do a wonderful, wonderful job. And I want
14 to congratulate you and Kate and your family here
15 today and the kids back home. Outstanding
16 nomination by the Governor.

17 I'd also like to comment about the
18 Governor's nomination for State Police
19 superintendent. Many know that I'm a former
20 member of the New York State Police, and I'm very
21 proud of that fact. I was also Erie County
22 sheriff, proud of my time in law enforcement.

23 When we look at the State Police,
24 though, and its reputation across the country, it
25 is recognized as -- well, certainly it's one of

1 the largest state police and police agencies in
2 the country and recognized as one of the most
3 respected and most professional. And that of
4 course is a credit to the nearly 5,000 members of
5 the New York State Police, who all do an
6 outstanding job throughout the state protecting
7 us.

8 But it's incredibly important, I
9 think, that we have a true professional that
10 heads up a professional agency. The Governor
11 reached into the ranks, which I think is very
12 important. Keith Corlett has served in nearly
13 every position and every rank in the State
14 Police, and he is incredibly respected.

15 As the Governor has put his name
16 forward and I've traveled the state and talked to
17 different individuals and members in the State
18 Police, many of whom are my friends, and former
19 members, many of whom I worked with who are my
20 friends -- not one person has a bad word to say.
21 As a matter of fact, they're effusive in their
22 praise, and they talk about his professionalism
23 and what a great pick, what a great choice that
24 the Governor has made in leading this agency
25 through its challenges.

1 I must also say the other members of
2 the executive staff form a team. Keith worked
3 with former State Police Superintendent George
4 Beach, a good friend of mine. And I think the
5 stage is set for you to continue to lead an
6 agency that's professional and enhance its
7 professionalism if you're able to do so.

8 But I'll be proudly voting in the
9 affirmative for this appointment as well as all
10 of them.

11 Thank you very much, Mr. President.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
13 Seward on the nominations.

14 SENATOR SEWARD: Thank you very
15 much, Mr. President.

16 I too rise to congratulate our four
17 nominees this afternoon. As the ranking member
18 on the Senate Finance Committee, I had the
19 pleasure and the great opportunity to meet with
20 each and every one of these nominees. And after
21 those meetings I went away very, very impressed
22 with each and every one of them.

23 Certainly Keith Corlett, as
24 superintendent of the New York State Police, as
25 Senator Gallivan pointed out, he has risen from

1 the trooper rank right out of the academy right
2 up through the State Police agency, holding a
3 variety of titles throughout that agency. He
4 knows the Division of the State Police inside and
5 out. And he will make an outstanding
6 superintendent of that very, very important
7 agency.

8 And Michael Hein will be our new
9 commissioner of OTDA. Since 2012, when four
10 towns in Ulster County became part of my Senate
11 district, that's when I had the opportunity to
12 not only meet and work with Mike Hein, but also
13 observe him as the county executive in
14 Ulster County -- an outstanding, outstanding
15 public servant.

16 And I think that county experience
17 is going to serve him very, very well in this
18 capacity at OTDA because there is very much a
19 link between the county governments and the state
20 agency involved with delivering those very, very
21 important services and benefits.

22 And Mark Schroeder. I cannot expand
23 upon the comments of Senator Kennedy and others
24 on Mark Schroeder except to say, you know, the
25 Department of Motor Vehicles I think is -- I

1 think that's the agency, the state agency that
2 most New Yorkers have some contact with in terms
3 of their state government. And it's very much a
4 service, a public service agency.

5 And I think that Mark Schroeder's
6 experience as a county legislator, as a state
7 legislator, very much those skills that he's
8 honed in those legislative positions is going to
9 serve him and DMV and the people of the State of
10 New York very, very well.

11 And of course Robert Williams is our
12 executive director of our Gaming Commission, a
13 man of integrity, greatly respected. And I know
14 he will continue to do a great job in that
15 capacity.

16 So Mr. President, I congratulate
17 each and every one of our nominees here today. I
18 am very pleased to support each and every one of
19 them.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
21 Amedore on the nominations.

22 SENATOR AMEDORE: Thank you,
23 Mr. President.

24 I rise to echo the thoughts and the
25 kind words that my colleagues have expressed

1 towards all four of these nominations. These are
2 individuals who I have gotten to know three of
3 them personally: Mark Schroeder, serving with
4 him in the State Assembly; with Keith Corlett.
5 With his experience and his leadership as a
6 New York State trooper; and Mike Hein.

7 You know, as an elected official
8 representing Ulster County, when I first was
9 introduced to Ulster County back in 2012, Senator
10 Larkin took me along. And Senator Larkin's
11 advice to me was "Get to know County Executive
12 Mike Hein." And the reason for that was because
13 of his ability to lead, his ability to listen,
14 and his ability to get things done.

15 And it is a great honor to support
16 Mike Hein, as well as Keith Corlett, as well as
17 Mark Schroeder and Robert Williams on their
18 leadership and their roles in being the
19 commissioner or the superintendents or the
20 leaders of these agencies and the services that
21 the residents of the New York deserve and need.
22 And I appreciate all four of them, and I
23 congratulate them.

24 Mr. President, thank you.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

1 Metzger on the nominations.

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

4 I want to congratulate all our
5 nominees. And I want to speak specifically to
6 the nomination of Mike Hein, who I have known
7 personally and professionally for I think more
8 than a decade in the service -- as he served as
9 our county, Ulster County's county executive, our
10 first county executive and our only county
11 executive until he was snatched up by our
12 Governor. And I have to say what is a loss to
13 our county government is a huge win for our
14 state.

15 Mike Hein really demonstrated a
16 record of unparalleled leadership and innovation.
17 He thinks out of the box. He set out challenges
18 for our county, and he just met them time and
19 time again, whether it was addressing
20 homelessness among veterans, whether it was
21 making Ulster County the first carbon-neutral
22 county in the state. He developed innovative
23 programs in the areas of mental health and
24 efforts to reduce the epidemic of suicide. He
25 greatly improved the Meals on Wheels program,

1 ending waiting lists, making sure that people got
2 better, more nutritious foods.

3 In every single area, he has made a
4 difference. And he always asked, What can we do
5 better? And he always listened to ideas from
6 other people, good ideas. And we need that kind
7 of leadership at the head of OTDA.

8 So I am absolutely thrilled to
9 support this, and I hope to be seeing more of him
10 now that he's in Albany.

11 Thank you very much. And I vote
12 aye.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
14 Robach on the nominations.

15 SENATOR ROBACH: Yes,
16 Mr. President, let me thank all those getting
17 nominated today on their willingness to serve.
18 It certainly is necessary for our government and
19 everything to work optimally. So thank you to
20 each and every one of those.

21 I will not be as long as Senator
22 Kennedy, but who could be, who could be?

23 (Laughter.)

24 SENATOR ROBACH: But I did want to
25 take a moment just to talk about our friend Mark

1 Schroeder. I won't re-elaborate, but Mark has
2 worked every level of government. But for those
3 of you that don't know Mark Schroeder, why he
4 stands out so extraordinarily, at a time when
5 often you need people -- the Roosevelt comparison
6 is perfect -- need people to be profiles in
7 dedication and courage to their constituents, not
8 to their parties or leaders, no one has stood up
9 more to Governors or leaders in any chamber more
10 than Mark Schroeder. And we need people like
11 that.

12 And certainly the highest compliment
13 I could give, my dad used to say "Judge the
14 people who don't just talk the talk, but walk the
15 walk." Mark has done that. And we need somebody
16 like that at DMV, where it's very much conscious
17 and heavy on serving the public and putting those
18 constituents first, more than the system. The
19 Governor could not have picked a better person.

20 So I want to congratulate Mark
21 personally, as my coworker, friend. And I hope,
22 Mark, the speech, when I call on behalf of my
23 colleagues with DMV issues, we will go to the top
24 of the list.

25 Thank you, Mr. President. Happy to

1 vote yea.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
3 Jacobs on the nominations.

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

6 To all the nominees, congratulations
7 to all of you. And I just wanted to rise to also
8 congratulate Mark and his wife Kate, Mark
9 Schroeder on this day, and I thank him for his
10 willingness to serve.

11 I've known Mark for quite some time.
12 And when I was a school board member, worked with
13 him years ago when Mark was a newly elected -- I
14 was a newly school board member, he was a newly
15 elected county legislator. I was so impressed by
16 Mark in many ways. One area was for his county
17 legislative district that he had, he did a
18 business plan for the district and goals that he
19 wanted to achieve through working through input
20 of the community for those goals.

21 But the other thing of interest was
22 he produced an annual report every year to report
23 back on his success or not success on achieving
24 those goals. So he was all about accountability
25 and transparency. And I think that's the way

1 he's conducted himself in government. And I
2 think that that kind of leadership is sorely
3 needed here in the state as well.

4 As was mentioned, his experience up
5 here in the Assembly, at the state level, serving
6 at the county level, serving for the City of
7 Buffalo level, and also his many years in private
8 sector are all of experience that he has garnered
9 to bring now to this position to make him a great
10 impactful leader in the Department of Motor
11 Vehicles.

12 Also, I believe just from my
13 experience as being a county clerk and running a
14 local auto bureau, I know that Mark will view
15 local county clerks as an asset and as a partner
16 and work with them and know that is the best way
17 to deliver quality service to the constituents
18 throughout the State of New York.

19 Again, to Mark, to Kate, to his
20 whole family, congratulations to you and look
21 forward to working with you up here in Albany.

22 Thank you.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
24 Serino on the nominations.

25 SENATOR SERINO: Thank you,

1 Mr. President.

2 I rise today to congratulate all of
3 our nominations and to thank all of them, but to
4 say a special thank you to Mike Hein.

5 Mike was the county executive for
6 Ulster County. I knew him for years. We had a
7 great working relationship, a mutual friend who
8 sadly passed. And he just is such a people
9 person. He cares. And for him to be in this
10 position -- and I'm the ranker on Social
11 Services, so I know he's going to do so many
12 wonderful things working together with us. So I
13 thank you.

14 Thank you, everyone.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
16 Skoufis on the nominations.

17 SENATOR SKOUFIS: Thank you very
18 much, Mr. President.

19 I want to congratulate all of the
20 nominees, but in particular I rise to extend my
21 congratulations and thanks to Mike Hein, who I've
22 gotten to know over the past year, year and a
23 half, representing part of Ulster County now in
24 the Senate.

25 And Mike, as, you know, we've heard

1 from a number of my colleagues here, is the
2 consummate professional, the first county
3 executive in Ulster County who really had to
4 define what it meant to be an Ulster County
5 executive, and wound up turning that office into
6 a major force for good on behalf of his
7 constituents -- so much so that he, I would say,
8 more than any other elected official in Ulster
9 County, earned the respect of both Democrats and
10 Republicans wherever he went or whatever he
11 touched.

12 When we think of Democratic politics
13 in Ulster County, we naturally think of Kingston
14 and New Paltz. But there are many communities in
15 Ulster County that are not nearly as Democratic
16 as those. I represent a couple of them. And
17 Mike Hein, through demonstration of his elections
18 and otherwise, has proven that he has won support
19 across the aisle because of his ethics and
20 because of the great job he did as county
21 executive that he now gets to do on behalf of all
22 New Yorkers around the state.

23 Congratulations, and thanks for your
24 service, Mike.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

1 Little on the nominations.

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

4 All four of these agencies are very
5 important to the State of New York and to our
6 constituents because we all deal with issues that
7 go to these agencies, as do the people of
8 New York.

9 I commend the Governor on all four
10 appointments and was really impressed with the
11 Finance Committee meeting when we heard from all
12 four and checked on their resumes and what they
13 had done and what they plan on doing in office.
14 So I congratulate all four of you.

15 But I'd like to do a particular
16 congratulations to Rob Williams. He has been our
17 Native American person in the Governor's office
18 for a number of years. And since I represent the
19 Akwesasne Mohawk Reservation in the northern part
20 of Franklin County, I have dealt with the
21 Governor's Native American representative and
22 agency person since I got here.

23 And none of them stayed very long,
24 because it's a very difficult job, but it's one
25 that Rob did particularly well. His demeanor,

1 his attitude, his friendship with the people he
2 was dealing with has been very, very important
3 and continues to be important as we continue with
4 some of the issues that we are working on with
5 the Mohawk. And so I look forward to him having
6 this new position and continuing to work with him
7 going forward.

8 Congratulations to all of you.
9 Thank you very much for taking these positions.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 question is on the nominations of Robert T.
12 Williams as Executive Director of the New York
13 State Gaming Commission; Mark J.F. Schroeder as
14 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles; Michael P. Hein
15 as Commissioner of the Office of Temporary and
16 Disability Assistance; and Keith M. Corlett as
17 Superintendent of State Police. All in favor say
18 aye.

19 (Response of "Aye.")

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
21 Opposed?

22 (No response.)

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Robert
24 T. Williams, as Executive Director of the
25 New York State Gaming Commission; Mark J.F.

1 Schroeder, as Commissioner of Motor Vehicles;
2 Michael P. Hein, as Commissioner of the Office of
3 Temporary and Disability Assistance; and Keith M.
4 Corlett, as Superintendent of State Police, have
5 been confirmed.

6 Please rise and be recognized.

7 (Standing ovation.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator
9 Gianaris.

10 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now
11 return to reports of standing committees.

12 Is there a Rules Committee report at
13 the desk?

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
15 is a report of the Rules Committee at the desk.

16 The Secretary will read.

17 THE SECRETARY: Senator
18 Stewart-Cousins, from the Committee on Rules,
19 reports the following bills:

20 Senate Print 1550, by
21 Senator Kennedy, an act to amend the Highway Law;

22 Senate Print 1734, by
23 Senator Jacobs, an act to amend the
24 General Municipal Law;

25 Senate Print 1873, by

1 Senator Comrie, an act to amend the Public
2 Authorities Law;
3 Senate Print 1997, by
4 Senator Little, an act to amend the
5 General Municipal Law;
6 Senate Print 2105, by
7 Senator Sanders, an act to amend the Banking Law;
8 Senate Print 2550, by
9 Senator Stavisky, an act to amend the
10 Education Law;
11 Senate Print 4745, by
12 Senator Parker, an act in relation to alternative
13 finance investment bonds;
14 Senate Print 5566A, by
15 Senator Brooks, an act in relation to authorizing
16 the County of Nassau to transfer ownership of
17 certain parkland to the Village of Freeport;
18 Senate Print 5599A, by Senator
19 Martinez, an act in relation to authorizing the
20 Town of Brookhaven to grant Maryhaven Center of
21 Hope, Inc., of East Patchogue a property tax
22 exemption;
23 Senate Print 5616A, by
24 Senator Breslin, an act to amend Chapter 450 of
25 the Laws of 2018;

1 Senate Print 5619, by
2 Senator Martinez, an act to direct the Department
3 of Environmental Conservation to study
4 alternative municipal uses for recycled glass;

5 Senate Print 5676A, by
6 Senator Mayer, an act to amend the Education Law;

7 Senate Print 5726, by Senator
8 Benjamin, an act to amend the Public Health Law;

9 Senate Print 5755, by
10 Senator Metzger, an act to amend the Agriculture
11 and Markets Law;

12 Senate Print 5792, by
13 Senator Skoufis, an act to amend the Town Law;

14 Senate Print 5873, by
15 Senator Metzger, an act to amend the
16 Agriculture and Markets Law;

17 Senate Print 5883, by
18 Senator Skoufis, an act to amend the
19 Education Law;

20 Senate Print 5884, by
21 Senator Skoufis, an act to amend the
22 Education Law;

23 Senate Print 5935, by
24 Senator Harckham, an act to amend the
25 Social Services Law and the Public Health Law;

1 Senate Print 5951, by
2 Senator Breslin, an act to amend the
3 Uniform Justice Court Act;

4 Senate Print 5985, by
5 Senator Breslin, an act to amend the
6 Education Law;

7 Senate Print 6041A, by Senator May,
8 an act directing the Department of Public Service
9 to study the feasibility of a municipal broadband
10 program within the state;

11 Senate Print 6092, by
12 Senator Kaminsky, an act to amend the Vehicle and
13 Traffic Law and the Public Health Law;

14 Senate Print 6100, by
15 Senator Sanders, an act to amend Chapter 223 of
16 the Laws of 1996;

17 Senate Print 6167, by
18 Senator Persaud, an act to amend the
19 Executive Law;

20 Senate Print 6179, by
21 Senator Skoufis, an act to amend the
22 Education Law; and

23 Senate Print 6207, by
24 Senator Benjamin, an act to direct the Department
25 of Financial Services to study health insurance

1 coverage through the Marketplace.

2 All bills ordered direct to third
3 reading.

4 SENATOR GIANARIS: Move to accept
5 the report of the Rules Committee.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: All in
7 favor of accepting the report of the Rules
8 Committee signify by saying aye.

9 (Response of "Aye.")

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
11 Opposed, nay.

12 (No response.)

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
14 Rules Committee report is accepted.

15 Senator Gianaris.

16 SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now move
17 to the reading of the supplemental calendar.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
19 Secretary will read.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
21 1152, Senate Print 1550, by Senator Kennedy, an
22 act to amend the Highway Law.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
24 is a home-rule message at the desk.

25 Read the last section.

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

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
4 the roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
7 Announce the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
9 Calendar 1152, voting in the negative:
10 Senator Funke.

11 Ayes, 61. Nays, 1.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
13 bill is passed.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 1153, Senate Print 1734, by Senator Jacobs, an
16 act to amend the General Municipal Law.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
18 the last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
22 the roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
25 Announce the results.

1 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
3 bill is passed.

4 There is a substitution at the desk.

5 The Secretary will read.

6 THE SECRETARY: Senator Comrie
7 moves to discharge, from the Committee on Energy
8 and Telecommunications, Assembly Bill Number 435
9 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill
10 1873, Third Reading Calendar 1154.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
12 substitution is so ordered.

13 The Secretary will read.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 1154, Assembly Print Number 435, by
16 Assemblymember Paulin, an act to amend the
17 Public Authorities Law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
19 the last section.

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

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
23 the roll.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

1 Announce the results.

2 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
3 Calendar Number 1154, voting in the negative:
4 Senator Funke.

5 Ayes, 61. Nays, 1.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
7 bill is passed.

8 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
9 1155, Senate Print 1997, by Senator Little, an
10 act to amend the General Municipal Law.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
12 is a home-rule message at the desk.

13 Read the last section.

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

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
17 the roll.

18 (The Secretary called the roll.)

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
20 Announce the results.

21 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 bill is passed.

24 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
25 1156, Senate Print 2105, by Senator Sanders, an

1 act to amend the Banking Law.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
3 the last section.

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

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
7 the roll.

8 (The Secretary called the roll.)

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
10 Announce the results.

11 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
12 Calendar Number 1156, those Senators voting in
13 the negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore,
14 Antonacci, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan, Griffio,
15 Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Lanza, LaValle, Little,
16 O'Mara, Ortt, Ritchie, Ranzenhofer, Robach,
17 Serino, Seward and Tedisco.

18 Ayes, 41. Nays, 21.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
20 bill is passed.

21 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
22 1157, Senate Print 2550, by Senator Stavisky, an
23 act to amend the Education Law.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
25 the last section.

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

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
4 the roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
7 Announce the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
9 Calendar Number 1157, those Senators voting in
10 the negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore,
11 Antonacci, Boyle, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan,
12 Griffo, Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Lanza, LaValle,
13 Little, O'Mara, Ortt, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie,
14 Robach, Serino, Seward and Tedisco.

15 Ayes, 40. Nays, 22.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
17 bill is passed.

18 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
19 1158, Senate Print 4745, by Senator Parker, an
20 act in relation to alternative finance investment
21 bonds.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
23 the last section.

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

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
2 the roll.

3 (The Secretary called the roll.)

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
5 Announce the results.

6 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
7 Calendar Number 1158, those Senators voting in
8 the negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore,
9 Antonacci, Boyle, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan,
10 Griffo, Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Lanza, LaValle,
11 Little, O'Mara, Ortt, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie,
12 Robach, Serino, Seward and Tedisco.

13 Ayes, 40. Nays, 22.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
15 bill is passed.

16 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
17 1160, Senate Print 5599A, by Senator Martinez, an
18 act in relation to authorizing the Town of
19 Brookhaven to grant Maryhaven Center of Hope,
20 Inc., of East Patchogue a property tax exemption.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
22 the last section.

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

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call

1 the roll.

2 (The Secretary called the roll.)

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

4 Announce the results.

5 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
6 Calendar Number 1160, those Senators voting in
7 the negative are Senators Akshar, Antonacci and
8 O'Mara.

9 Ayes, 59. Nays, 3.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 bill is passed.

12 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
13 1162, Senate Print 5619, by Senator Martinez, an
14 act to direct the Department of Environmental
15 Conservation to study alternative municipal uses
16 for recycled glass.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
18 the last section.

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

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
22 the roll.

23 (The Secretary called the roll.)

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

25 Announce the results.

1 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
2 Calendar Number 1162, those Senators voting in
3 the negative are Senators Akshar and Griffo.

4 Ayes, 60. Nays, 2.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
6 bill is passed.

7 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
8 1163, Senate Print 5676A, by Senator Mayer, an
9 act to amend the Education Law.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
11 the last section.

12 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
13 act shall take effect June 30, 2019.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
15 the roll.

16 (The Secretary called the roll.)

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
18 Announce the results.

19 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
21 bill is passed.

22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
23 1164, Senate Print 5726, by Senator Benjamin, an
24 act to amend the Public Health Law.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read

1 the last section.

2 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
3 act shall take effect on the 180th day after it
4 shall have become a law.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
6 the roll.

7 (The Secretary called the roll.)

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
9 Announce the results.

10 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
11 Calendar Number 1164, those Senators voting in
12 the negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore,
13 Antonacci, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan, Griffo,
14 Jordan and Ortt.

15 Ayes, 53. Nays, 9.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
17 bill is passed.

18 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
19 1165, Senate Print 5755, by Senator Metzger, an
20 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
22 the last section.

23 THE SECRETARY: Section 7. This
24 act shall take effect immediately.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call

1 the roll.

2 (The Secretary called the roll.)

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

4 Announce the results.

5 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
7 bill is passed.

8 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
9 1166, Senate Print 5792, by Senator Skoufis, an
10 act to amend the Town Law.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
12 is a home-rule message at the desk.

13 Read the last section.

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

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
17 the roll.

18 (The Secretary called the roll.)

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

20 Announce the results.

21 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
22 Calendar Number 1166, those Senators voting in
23 the negative are Senators Akshar and Lanza.

24 Ayes, 60. Nays, 2.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The

1 bill is passed.

2 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
3 1171, Senate Print 5951, by Senator Breslin, an
4 act to amend the Uniform Justice Court Act.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
6 the last section.

7 THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This
8 act shall take effect on the first of January.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
10 the roll.

11 (The Secretary called the roll.)

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
13 Announce the results.

14 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
15 Calendar Number 1171, those Senators voting in
16 the negative are Senators Antonacci, Funke,
17 Griffo, Jordan, Ritchie and Serino.

18 Ayes, 56. Nays, 6.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
20 bill is passed.

21 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
22 1172, Senate Print 5985, by Senator Breslin, an
23 act to amend the Education Law.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
25 the last section.

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

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
4 the roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
7 Announce the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
10 bill is passed.

11 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
12 1173, Senate Print 6041A, by Senator May, an act
13 directing the Department of Public Service to
14 study the feasibility of a municipal broadband
15 program within the state.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
17 the last section.

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

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
21 the roll.

22 (The Secretary called the roll.)

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
24 Announce the results.

25 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
2 bill is passed.

3 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
4 1175, Senate Print 6100, by Senator Sanders, an
5 act to amend Chapter 223 of the Laws of 1996.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
7 the last section.

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

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
11 the roll.

12 (The Secretary called the roll.)

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
14 Announce the results.

15 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
17 bill is passed.

18 There is a substitution at the desk.

19 The Secretary will read.

20 THE SECRETARY: Senator Persaud
21 moves to discharge, from the Committee on Crime
22 Victims, Crime and Correction, Assembly Bill
23 Number 7079 and substitute it for the identical
24 Senate Bill 6167, Third Reading Calendar 1176.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The

1 substitution is so ordered.

2 The Secretary will read.

3 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
4 1176, Assembly Print Number 7079, by
5 Assemblymember McMahon, an act to amend the
6 Executive Law.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read
8 the last section.

9 THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This
10 act shall take effect on the 180th day after it
11 shall have become a law.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
13 the roll.

14 (The Secretary called the roll.)

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
16 Announce the results.

17 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
19 bill is passed.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
21 1178, Senate Print 6207, by Senator Benjamin, an
22 act to direct the Department of Financial
23 Services to study health insurance coverage
24 through the Marketplace.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read

1 the last section.

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

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call
5 the roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:
8 Announce the results.

9 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
11 bill is passed.

12 Senator Gianaris, that completes the
13 reading of the supplemental calendar.

14 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
15 if we can return to motions for moment.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: We will
17 return to motions and resolutions.

18 SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of
19 Senator Stavisky, I wish to call up Senate Print
20 4469A, recalled from the Assembly, which is now
21 at the desk.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
23 Secretary will read.

24 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
25 695, Senate Print 4469A, by Senator Stavisky, an

1 act to amend the Education Law.

2 SENATOR GIANARIS: Move to
3 reconsider the vote by which this bill was
4 passed.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
6 Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

7 (The Secretary called the roll.)

8 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 62.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
10 bill is restored to its place on the Third
11 Reading Calendar.

12 SENATOR GIANARIS: I now offer the
13 following amendments.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The
15 amendments are received.

16 SENATOR GIANARIS: Thank you,
17 Mr. President.

18 Is there any further business at the
19 desk today?

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There
21 is no further business at the desk.

22 SENATOR GIANARIS: There being
23 none, I move that the Senate stand adjourned
24 until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 5th, at 1:00 p.m.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: On

1 motion, the Senate stands adjourned until

2 Wednesday, June 5th, at 1:00 p.m.

3 (Whereupon, at 4:04 p.m., the Senate
4 adjourned.)

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