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ALEJANDRA N. PAULINO, ESQ., Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Senate will come to order.

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

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

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

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The reading of the Journal.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Monday, February 24, 2020, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Sunday, February 23, 2020, was read and approved. On motion, Senate adjourned.

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

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senator Martinez

moves to discharge, from the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations, Assembly Bill Number 7331 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 6172, Third Reading Calendar 410.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The substitution is so ordered.

Messages from the Governor.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of select committees.

Communications and reports from state officers.

Motions and resolutions.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Carlucci, on page 6 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 52, Senate Print 1146, and ask that said bill retain its place on Third Reading Calendar.

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

SENATOR GIANARIS: On behalf of Senator Skoufis, on page 24 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 396, Senate Print

7300A, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

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

SENATOR GIANARIS: I now move to adopt the Resolution Calendar, with the exception of Resolution 2848.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: All in favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar, with the exception of Resolution 2848, please signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Opposed, nay.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Resolution Calendar is adopted.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President, can you at this time recognize Senator Kaplan for an introduction, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Kaplan for an introduction.

SENATOR KAPLAN: Thank you,

Mr. President.

It is my great privilege this afternoon to welcome several distinguished guests to the Senate chamber from the Henry Viscardi School, which is located in my district, and it serves young people from across the region.

Joining us today we have Joseph Slaninka, Andrew Cherico, Paul Navarro, Jr., Paul Navarro, Sr., and also Angelo Zagerali.

The Viscardi School offers children and young adults with severe disabilities a traditional educational setting that provides rigorous academics and an opportunity for personal growth and leadership development.

It is a specialized, accessible educational setting which provides a fully enriched academic program, a variety of therapies, assistive technology, and medical supports to students who may otherwise need to receive instruction in their homes or a hospital setting.

I've been privileged to tour the Viscardi School and meet with students, teachers, and even their dog Sunny on numerous occasions, and they've always been a source of immense

inspiration for me, not only for their incredible individual achievements, but also for the warm, embracing spirit of community that they have created at the school.

Mr. President, I ask you to please extend the courtesy and honor of the chamber to these wonderful special guests today.

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

Let us rise and recognize or guests.

(Standing ovation.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now recognize Senator Little for another introduction.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Little for an introduction.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

It's my honor today to introduce some students who are visiting here from Clinton Franklin BOCES program, and they are part of the

New Visions Program that BOCES has studying government. So they have an interest in government, they have been looking and visiting the court system, the sheriffs, the police, everything that has to do with local government as well as county government, and today they're here visiting us in state government.

So with them is Tracy Warren, who is the director of their program and has been doing this for a number of years.

And I thank Tracy for all of her efforts, and thank the students for coming. But really I thank you for your interest in government, as obviously we're all interested in government here, and glad to see that young people are looking at it as a possible career for them as well.

So, Mr. President, I present them.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: To our guests, I welcome you on behalf of the Senate. We extend to you all of the privileges and courtesies of this house. Please rise be and be recognized.

(Standing ovation.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now take up previously adopted Resolution 2557, by Senator Rivera, read its title only, and recognize Senator Rivera.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolution 2557, by Senator Rivera, memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim March 2 through 8, 2020, as Eating Disorder Awareness Week in the State of New York.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Rivera on the resolution.

SENATOR RIVERA: Thank you so much, Mr. President.

As was read, this resolution, which was previously adopted, is to recognize that we have Eating Disorder Awareness Week. Now, the theme this year is Come as You Are: Hindsight is 2020. The fact is that we need to talk about the message of this year's week of eating disorder awareness is to make sure that we take self-acceptance and acceptance of others and keep it as a core value.

The fact is that there is a lot of stigma for individuals that are suffering from eating disorders, and there's a lot of work that we still need to do, not only legislatively but in the area of stigma, to make sure that we eliminate it.

And there's one person in particular that I'd like to point out, and I know that some of my colleagues might be referring to this lady earlier. That is a lady by the name of Katelin Penner.

Well, Ms. Penner, much like our colleague Peter Harckham, who very courageously just a few weeks ago spoke about his struggles with alcoholism -- in her case she has publicly talked about her struggles with eating disorders. And it has been her work which actually has led to a piece of legislation that I know that my colleague Senator Hoylman will speak about.

And it is precisely this type of thing which we need to underline when we have young people or people of all types that bring ideas to us, talk about the struggles that they face and things that we need to do in the states to make sure that we change their condition for

the better. We want to make sure that we do what we can in the state to change those conditions.

So today, again, we are speaking about Eating Disorder Awareness Week. We will be doing some legislation on this issue as well. But for the moment I just want to recognize not only that we have individuals all across the state and the country that have this issue, but that we can fight stigma, we can change legislation to make their lives better, and we can recognize particularly those that bring ideas to us that then can turn into legislative issues and solutions for the State of New York.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Hoylman on the resolution.

SENATOR HOYLMAN: Thank you, Mr. President.

I wanted to thank Senator Rivera for this resolution.

As he mentioned, I carry a bill, S7094, with Senator Salazar and Assemblymember Yuh-Line Niou, that would require schools to provide age-appropriate instruction on the prevention of eating disorders to all students in

Grades 6 through 12.

We introduced this bill together, Senator Salazar and I, thanks to the advocacy of Katelin Penner, as Senator Rivera mentioned. She's a member of the Zoomers Caucus. I don't know if you know what a Zoomer is; I didn't until I met Katelin. But it's anyone who was born in the late '90s and early 2000s -- some of whom probably serve in this chamber, which is kind of hard to believe.

But a remarkable thing, and it's a remarkable thing that young New Yorkers are getting involved in actually drafting important legislation like this that will make an enormous difference to school-age children across the State of New York.

So thank you, Senator Rivera. Thank you, Katelin Penner. And let's make certain that we stamp out the affliction of eating disorders for all young people.

Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Carlucci on the resolution.

SENATOR CARLUCCI: Thank you, Mr. President.

I want to thank the sponsors of the legislation just talked about, and thank Senator Rivera for putting this important resolution forward.

Unfortunately, in the United States we know over 30 million Americans are living with a serious eating disorder. And unfortunately the majority of Americans living with an eating disorder will never be diagnosed and will never get treatment. Even though treatment and services and resources exist, there's still a major stigma that faces mental health and eating disorders.

Unfortunately, we know that eating disorders, particularly anorexia, is the leading cause of mortality of any of mental health issue. In fact, unfortunately, 23 people on average die every day in the United States directly related to an eating disorder.

That's why it's so important that we raise awareness, we make sure that we talk about this, but we also have to have policies in place that will help people that are living with eating disorders.

I had the good fortune of meeting a

young girl from Briarcliff who had experienced an eating disorder. Unfortunately, she was living with it probably from the time as young as 8 years old, and wasn't diagnosed until she was 15. She underwent treatment and is in recovery and getting the help that she needs, but she's spoken out about the need to make sure that our pediatricians understand and screen our young people for eating disorders.

We know if you're diagnosed at a young age or if you're diagnosed at any age and you know what the problem is, that you can get the help and recover and live an independent, productive life.

So this is a serious issue. It's important that we address it here in this chamber. We have to recognize Eating Disorder Week and make sure that we end the stigma, but we must go further to have policies in place to make sure that anyone that is experiencing it gets the help and treatment they need.

This is also about parity, to make sure that someone that is experiencing an eating disorder gets the treatment and that insurance can't deny them for seeking that coverage and

that treatment.

So, Mr. President, I thank my colleagues for supporting this resolution, and I'll be supporting it as well.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The resolution was previously adopted on January 22nd.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Actually, at the request of the sponsor, the resolution we just took up is open for cosponsorship, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The resolution is open for cosponsorship. Should you choose not to be a cosponsor of the resolution, please notify the desk.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we now take up the reading of the calendar, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 54, Senate Print 3057, by Senator Gaughran, an act to amend the Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Law and the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefit Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

(Pause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Calendar Number 52 was high and is laid aside for the day, so we are on Calendar 54.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 57.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 142, Senate Print 2719, by Senator Krueger, an act to amend the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

SENATOR GRIFFO: Lay it aside.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Lay it aside.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 167, Senate Print 5421A, by Senator Ramos, an act

to amend the Workers' Compensation Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the 30th day after it shall have become a law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 167, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Ortt, Lanza and Jacobs.

Ayes, 54. Nays, 3.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 326, Senate Print 2861, by Senator Parker, an act to amend the Public Service Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 326, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Akshar, Borrello, Funke, Gallivan, Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Ortt, O'Mara, Ranzenhofer, Serino and Seward.

Ayes, 45. Nays, 12.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 366, Senate Print 7639, by Senator Addabbo, an act to amend the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 166. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 366, voting in the negative: Senator LaValle.

Ayes, 56. Nays, 1.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 410, Assembly Number 7331, substituted earlier by Assemblymember Dilan, an act to amend the Executive Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Mayer to explain her vote.

SENATOR MAYER: Thank you, Mr. President.

I will be voting yes on this bill, and this is an important step forward. But I would hope that the Division of Human Rights --

this is a program bill of theirs -- can issue some guidance. Because in multi-tenant buildings like co-ops and rentals, the -- having a pet that provides some kind of -- meets a need of a tenant frequently may conflict with another tenant. And I had such an example in my district.

And there's very little guidance to say that a pet that is necessary for someone's emotional health might not be a challenge to another person's emotional health, and that's what happened.

And I think I would ask the Division of Human Rights to recognize and administratively to make some guidance so that this balancing of interests, which is essential for those of us who live next to each other in apartment houses or in rentals or in co-ops, find a way to live together in peace, and that this is not a sort of one-size-fits-all.

So I'll be voting yes, but again I urge the division to address the inherent conflicts in multi-unit buildings that occur when animals may be present.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

Mayer to be recorded in the affirmative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 410, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Borrello, Griffo, Jacobs, Jordan, Lanza, Ortt, O'Mara, Ranzenhofer and Seward.

Ayes, 50. Nays, 9.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 413, Senate Print 4142, by Senator Savino, an act to amend the State Technology Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 414, Senate Print 6037A, by Senator Savino, an act to amend the Economic Development Law, in relation to the development and creation of distributed ledger technology and business entities.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 437, Senate Print 3654, by Senator Salazar, an act to amend the General Business Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 437, voting in the negative: Senator Flanagan.

Ayes, 58. Nays, 1.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

Senator Gianaris, that completes the reading of today's calendar.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President, can we return to motions and resolutions for a moment and take up Resolution 2848, by Senator May, read its title only, and recognize Senator May.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senate Resolution 2848, by Senator May, honoring Deborah Carey for her outstanding advocacy, education and fundraising efforts for lymphedema awareness.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

May on the resolution.

SENATOR MAY: Thank you, Mr. President.

Lymphedema is a disease of the lymphatic system that affects 10 million Americans and up to 250 million people worldwide. You can be born with it, but more commonly it occurs as a result of treatment for cancer, breast cancer in particular.

Sadly, it is a little-known disease or it is -- it's something often that could be preventable, but doctors either don't know how or don't bother to do that. And so that the Lymphatic Education and Research Network is doing very important work to raise awareness about this, and their great champion is Deborah Carey, who is with us today.

We're honoring her for her exceptional activism, education and service in raising awareness and fundraising for lymphedema research and education. In 2017, Deborah was diagnosed with breast cancer, and she reached out to the Lymphatic Education & Research Network, or LE&RN, for guidance in helping to prevent lymphedema from developing in herself as a side

effect of her cancer and treatment. But then after that was successful, she started reaching out to help other people get this kind of treatment.

She was able to receive cutting-edge surgery from a world-renowned Memorial Sloan Kettering surgeon, Dr. Joseph Dayan, to treat her cancer and mitigate her chances of developing lymphedema. And she's remained fervently active in fundraising and awareness since 2013, alongside her husband.

The organization LE&RN that they work so hard to promote has revealed a barrier to lymphedema being a nationwide priority, in that it has such a low profile among medical practitioners and in medical schools it isn't studied. And so they are working to make sure that that changes.

After Deborah's 2017 breast cancer diagnosis and her successful surgery, together with the leadership of LE&RN, her motivation and unrelenting commitment, she remains active in volunteering in an upstate New York hospital, continues to support the fight avidly. And she is an incomparable role model to those who have

undergone lymphatic diseases and lymphedema.

And she's joined here by her husband Jim, by Colleen McGuire, the chief operating officer of LE&RN, and William Repicci, the president of LE&RN, and also Emma Detlefsen, who is a youth ambassador about lymphedema and an amazing young person who is bringing her energy and awareness to this cause.

So I ask you to recognize our guests in the gallery, please.

Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: To Deborah, her family and to the team from LE&RN, I welcome you on behalf of the Senate. We extend to you all of the privileges and courtesies of this house. Please rise, all of you, and be recognized.

(Standing ovation.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Senator May would like to open that resolution for cosponsorship.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Sorry, Senator.

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

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The resolution is adopted.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Can you now please open that resolution for cosponsorship.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The resolution is open for cosponsorship. Should you choose not to be a cosponsor of the resolution, please notify the desk.

Senator Gianaris.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The Secretary will ring the bell.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 142, Senate Print 2719, by Senator Krueger, an act to amend the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator

Griffo, why do you rise?

SENATOR GRIFFO: Mr. President, I believe that there is an amendment at the desk. I would waive the reading of that amendment and ask that you recognize Senator Ortt.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Thank you, Senator Griffo.

Upon review of the amendment, in accordance with Rule 6, Section 4B, I rule it nongermane and out of order at this time.

SENATOR GRIFFO: Mr. President, accordingly, I would appeal the ruling of the chair and ask that Senator Ortt be heard on the appeal of the amendment.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The appeal has been made and recognized, and Senator Ortt may be heard.

SENATOR ORTT: Thank you, Mr. President.

Obviously I feel this amendment is germane, otherwise I wouldn't have had it brought up.

But the reality is this deals with clerks. And we know from the bill that was passed through this chamber last year,

affectionately known as the Green Light Law, which is driver's licenses for illegal immigrants, that had an impact on the clerks, who obviously are responsible for overseeing the DMVs in this state.

But more importantly, not only are county clerks being impacted, what we learned yesterday from a briefing from the Department of Homeland Security, from Customs and Border Protection, and from our ICE -- a special agent from ICE, is that this law has had very real and negative public safety impacts on New Yorkers who work for those agencies, who wake up every morning -- of all political stripes -- and who simply go to work and try to do the job they were hired to do and enforce federal immigration laws -- which this law specifically makes more difficult and in some cases almost outright prohibits.

It also not only impairs those agents, but it also impairs New Yorkers who those agents are tasked with protecting. My district has three international border crossings with Canada. The volume of traffic that comes through there every day is very significant. In fact,

it's the largest border as far as goods and services and traffic coming across anywhere in the world.

And the reality is what we've seen with this, by not allowing CBP and DHS and ICE to share in that database, the DMV database -- which goes further than any other law of this kind in the country -- it has put these agents at risk, it has put New Yorkers at risk.

And remember, this was done -- this was originally done by Governor Pataki as part of an executive order after 9/11. This is a pre-9/11 mindset in a post-9/11 world. And on this floor, when that was raised, the sponsor of this legislation, which is now law, took a lot of heart in the fact that we would be able to identify perpetrators of future 9/11s -- but we wouldn't be able to stop them.

And so going even further, when you look at what has happened now with the federal government responding by suspending New Yorkers' access to Trusted Traveler, NEXUS, Global Entry, that impacts about 80,000 New Yorkers today, Mr. President. But it is estimated by the federal government that within five years it

could move up to around 800,000 New Yorkers who will be negatively impacted because they will not have access to NEXUS and Global Entry programs.

Now, why would the federal government do that? Some would have us believe it was a political vendetta. The truth is it was no more of a political vendetta than this legislation itself. This was a direct response -- which was warned about on this floor, that the federal government would take measures to mitigate risk because we left them blind with their lack of access to information. Information which, I may add, includes sharing information with DHS, who's involved with counterterrorism.

They no longer have access to this information. People who investigate human traffickers no longer have access to this database.

So we're not just talking about somebody who's going into an orchard and picking up folks who have violated our federal immigration law -- which is still a violation and a crime -- but also going after people who are involved in drug smuggling, human trafficking.

For all of those reasons we have

left New Yorkers less safe, and now we have negatively impacted Western New York's economy and New York State's economy, because there are a number of business travelers for economic reasons who are part of these programs who now this will impact goods and services going across the border.

That has a negative impact economically, and it impacts business owners and taxpayers and law-abiding everyday New Yorkers and American citizens, at the expense of those who have violated our immigration Laws.

So, Mr. President, I would ask you to reconsider. And I would ask my colleagues across the aisle, especially those who voted against this legislation last year, to stand with me and my colleagues on this side of the aisle in supporting this amendment to repeal this dangerous and flawed policy.

Thank you very much.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Thank you, Senator Ortt.

I want to remind the house that the vote is on the procedures of the house and the ruling of the chair.

Those in favor of overruling the chair signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

SENATOR GRIFFO: Can I have a show of hands.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: A show of hands has been requested and so ordered.

(Show of hands.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 20.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The ruling of the chair stands, and the bill-in-chief is before the house.

Are there any other Senators wishing to be heard? Seeing and hearing none, debate is closed.

The Secretary will ring the bell.

(Pause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 142, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Amedore, Borrello, Gallivan, Griffo, Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Little, Ortt, Ranzenhofer and Seward.

Ayes, 49. Nays, 11.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The bill is passed.

Senator Gianaris, that completes the reading of the controversial calendar.

SENATOR GIANARIS: Is there any further business at the desk?

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

SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 26th, at 3:00 p.m.

ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: On motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, February 26th, at 3:00 p.m.

(Whereupon, at 3:57 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)