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REGULAR SESSION

SENATOR ROXANNE J. PERSAUD, Acting President

ALEJANDRA N. PAULINO, ESQ., Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: 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 PERSAUD: 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 PERSAUD: Reading of the Journal.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Sunday, January 28, 2024, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Saturday, January 27, 2024, was read and approved. On motion, the Senate adjourned.

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

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senator Breslin

moves to discharge, from the Committee on Rules, Assembly Bill Number 8501 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill 8038, Third Reading Calendar 38.

Senator Persaud moves to discharge, from the Committee on Rules, Assembly Bill Number 8502 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill 8040, Third Reading Calendar 40.

Senator Skoufis moves to discharge, from the Committee on Rules, Assembly Bill Number 8480 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill 8068, Third Reading Calendar 54.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: 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: Good afternoon, Madam President.

Amendments are offered to the following Third Reading Calendar bills:

By Senator Comrie, page 12, Calendar Number 114, Senate Print 492A;

By Senator Addabbo, page 18, Calendar Number 169, Senate Print 2028.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The amendments are received, and the bills will retain their place on the Third Reading Calendar.

Senator Gianaris.

SENATOR GIANARIS: While we continue to do our work here in the chamber, there will be an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee in Room 332.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: There will be an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee in Room 332.

The Secretary will read. Oh --

(Laughter.)

SENATOR GIANARIS: Can we go to the reading of the calendar, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 12, Senate Print 8003, by Senator Cleare, an act to amend the Public Health Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the

last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 22, Senate Print 8013, by Senator Thomas, an act to amend the Public Health Law and the General Business Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce

the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 22, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Griffo, Lanza, Rhoads, Tedisco and Weik.

Ayes, 50. Nays, 5.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 24, Senate Print 8015, by Senator May, an act to amend the Environmental Conservation Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 24, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Brisport and Martinez.

Ayes, 53. Nays, 2.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 27, Senate Print 8024, by Senator Webb, an act to amend the Education Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 38, Assembly Bill 8501, by Assemblymember McDonald, an act to amend the Insurance Law and the Public Health Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 9. This

act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 39, Senate Print 8039, by Senator Gounardes, an act to amend the General Business Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 39, those Senators voting in the

negative are Senators Borrello, Griffo, Mattera, Murray, Oberacker, Ortt, Palumbo, Rhoads, Stec, Tedisco and Weik.

Ayes, 44. Nays, 11.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 40, Assembly Bill 8502, by Assemblymember Hunter, an act to amend the Insurance Law and the Social Services Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 54, Assembly Bill 8480, by Assemblymember Bronson, an act to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 4. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 72, Senate Print 8093, by Senator Mayer, an act to amend the Executive Law and the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the Laws of 2023.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar 72, those Senators voting in the negative are Senators Borrello, Felder, Griffo, Helming, Lanza, Martinez, Martins, Mattera, Murray, Oberacker, Ortt, Palumbo, Rhoads, Rolison, Stec, Tedisco, Weber and Weik.

Ayes, 37. Nays, 18.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 89, Senate Print 7689, by Senator Webb, an act to amend the Village Law and the Public Officers Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 55.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: The bill is passed.

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

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

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

SENATOR GIANARIS: Move to adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, January 30th, at 3:00 p.m.

ACTING PRESIDENT PERSAUD: On motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, January 30th, at 3:00 p.m.

(Whereupon, at 3:34 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)