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SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Please proceed.

REP. BALDUCCI: (27th)

Thank you. On page 10, Calendar No. 313, Substitute for House Bill No. 6266, File No. 346, AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH AT SAUGATUCK SHORES IN WESTPORT.

On page 16, Calendar No. 400 in the middle of the page, House Joint Resolution No. 23, File No. 512, RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO STRENGTHEN THE CLEAN AIR ACT.

On page 17, Calendar No. 406, House Bill No. 5456, File No. 508, AN ACT CONCERNING SCHEDULES OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

Calendar No. 408, House Bill No. 7076, File No. 488, AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGING THE NAME DESIGNATIONS OF THE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

And the last bill on that page, Calendar No. 409, Substitute for House Bill No. 6103, File No. 514, AN ACT GRANTING AN EASEMENT OVER STATE LAND TO ANNA MAE CHICOS OF CANTERBURY.

On page 18, on the bottom of the page, Calendar No. 415, Substitute for Senate Bill No. 970, File No. 383, AN ACT CONCERNING DEPOSIT OF PUBLIC MONEY AND TRUST FUNDS.

On page 19, Calendar No. 416, Senate Bill No. 317, File No. 380, AN ACT INCREASING THE FINES FOR THE ILLEGAL

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Down that page, Calendar No. 420, Senate Bill No. 988, File No. 385, AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO STORE ROOMS AND WAREHOUSES.

Mr. Speaker, I move that these items be placed on the Consent Calendar for action at our next session.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Is there objection to any of the items proposed for the Consent Calendar? Is there any objection?

Seeing no objection, those items are placed on the Consent Calendar for action at our next session day.

REP. BALDUCCI: (27th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Rep. Balducci.

REP. BALDUCCI: (27th)

I would like to move the Consent Calendar, passage of the Consent Calendar with one exception. On page 5, I would like to remove Calendar No. 395, Substitute for House Bill No. 7182, File No. 466, AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL FIRE INSPECTION OF INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS. I would like that item to be removed from the Consent Calendar and move that the other items be passed.

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Calendar 428, House Bill 6148, File 529.

On Page 14, Calendar 432, Substitute for House Bill 7158, File 521.

Calendar 434, House Bill 5712, File 522.

And the last one, Calendar 435, Substitute for House Bill 7092, File 534.

Mr. Speaker, I move that those items be placed on the Consent Calendar for action at our next Session.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Is there an objection to any of the items just placed on the Consent Calendar for action on our next Session day?

Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, the items are placed on the Consent Calendar. Rep. Balducci.

REP. BALDUCCI: (27th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to move adoption of the Consent items on today's Calendar on on Pages 1 and 2.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Is there any objection to any of the items on today's Consent Calendar?

Is there any objection to any item on today's Consent Calendar on Pages 1 and 2?

Seeing no objection, the items on the Consent

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Calendar are passed. H.B. 6266, H.J.R. 23, H.B. 5456, H.B. 7076,
S.B. 970, S.B. 317, S.B. 988

CLERK:

Calendar Page 12, Calendar No. 424, File No. 528,
House Bill No. 7004, AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE COVERAGE
OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS; Favorable Report of the
Committee on Planning and Development.

REP. MOYNIHAN: (10th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

Rep. Moynihan,

REP. MOYNIHAN: (10th)

Mr. Speaker, I move that that item be referred to
the Committee on Insurance.

SPEAKER STOLBERG:

The motion is a reference to the Committee on
Insurance. Is there an objection? Is there objection?
Seeing no objection, it is so ordered.

CLERK:

Calendar Page 13, Calendar No. 425, File No. 533,
House Bill No. 5383, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A LIEN AGAINST
THE PROPERTY OF OWNERS OF CONDEMNED PROPERTIES. Favorable
Report of the Committee on Planning and Development.

REP. MOYNIHAN: (10th)

Mr. Speaker.

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it makes it clear that a draft or report should be submitted to the appointing authority.

If there is no objection, I would move this bill to Consent.

THE PRESIDENT:

Hearing none, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Cal. 491. File 462. House Bill No. 6379.

AN ACT REQUIRING NAMES OF INSURANCE COMPANIES ON THE UNIFORM MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORT FORM. Favorable report of the Committee on Transportation.

THE PRESIDENT:

We will pass this item temporarily. We will pass the next item temporarily also as it is a Transportation bill.

THE CLERK:

Cal. 493. File 488. House Bill 7076.

AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGING THE NAME DESIGNATIONS OF THE

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SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. Favorable report of the
Committee on Education.

THE PRESIDENT:

Senator Eads.

SENATOR EADS: (30th)

Thank you, Mr. President. I move the
acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report
and passage of the bill.

THE PRESIDENT:

Will you remark?

SENATOR EADS:

Thank you. This bill simply changes the names
of the special school districts of the Departments of
Correction, Children and Youth Services and Mental
Retardation to the State of Connecticut as unified
School District No. 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

If there is no objection, I would move it be
placed on the Consent Calendar.

THE PRESIDENT:

Hearing none, it is so ordered.

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THE PRESIDENT:

The Clerk is going to do the Consent Calendar now. We have a few Disagreeing Actions and P.T.s which we will do after the vote is taken. When you are ready, Mr. Clerk, you can make the announcement for a roll call to vote on the Consent Calendar.

THE CLERK:

An immediate roll call has been called for in the Senate. Will all senators please take their seats. An immediate roll call has been called for in the Senate. Will all senators please be seated.

The following is the list of items that have been placed on the Consent Calendar:

Page 2 - Cal. 265, 267, 275. Page 4 - Cal. 328, 349, 356. Page 5 - Cal. 387, 390, 398. Page 6 - Cal. 401, 414. Page 7 - Cal. 434. Page 8 - Cal., Excuse me. Cal. 426 and 434 on Page 7. Page 8 - Cal. 440 and 451. Page 9 - Cal. 453, 456 and 457. Page 10 - Cal. 458 and 459. Page 11 - Cal. 465, 466, 468, 469. Page 12 - Cal. 470, 471, 473, 474.

HB6713, HB6963,
SB990, SB893,
HB6183, HB5063,
SB1132, SB895,
SB673, SB597,
SB630, HB5584,
SB879, HB5339,
SB810, SB109,
SB629, SB748,
SB428, SB972,
HB5667, HB5988,
HB5475, HB6547,
HB6575, HB7132,
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Page 13 - Cal. 475, 476, 477, 478. Page 14 - Cal. 480, 481, 484, 485. Page 15 - Cal. 487, 489, 490, 491. Page 16 - Cal. 492, 493, 494, 495, 496. Page 17 - Cal. 498, 500, 501. Page 18 - Cal. 502.

HB6285, HB6288,
HB6289, HB5108,
HB6536, HB6982,
HB5869, HB6142,
HB6511, HB7069,
HB7226, HB6379,
HB7113, HB7076,
HB5239, HB6266,
HB6567, HB7086,
HB6103, HB7182,
HB5456

That completes the list of items on today's

Consent Calendar.

THE PRESIDENT:

Any corrections or omissions or comments?

Senator Casey.

SENATOR CASEY: (31st)

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I would like to ask that Cal. 434 be taken off the Consent Calendar for a roll call vote. HB5584

THE PRESIDENT:

CAL. 434, which is on the bottom of page 7 will be taken off the Consent Calendar and voted on separately.

Senator O'Leary.

SENATOR O'LEARY: (7th)

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to move that Cal. 487 be taken off the Consent Calendar and HB6511

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Passed Retaining its place, if there is no objection.

THE PRESIDENT:

Cal. No. 487 which is on Page 15, the request has been made to remove it from Consent and passed retained. Is there any objection to that? Hearing none, that matter will be marked Passed Retained until next time.

Senator Skowronski.

SENATOR SKOWRONSKI: (17th)

Mr. President, I ask that Cal. 398 be taken from the Consent Calendar for purposes of my offering an amendment and having a roll call on the amendment.

SB673

THE PRESIDENT:

398 at the bottom of Page 5 will be taken off the Consent Calendar.

Is there any other request? Senator Zinsser.

SENATOR ZINSSER: (4th)

Mr. President, I would request that on Page 6, Cal. 414 be taken from the Consent Calendar for a roll call vote.

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THE PRESIDENT:

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Cal. 414 will be removed and voted on.

What we will do is do the Consent Calendar, if there are no further comments, and then we will run through those bills that were taken off with the exception of the one that has been Passed Retained.

The motion before the chamber is the Consent Calendar, somewhat amended by four requests. The machine is open. The machine will be closed and locked.

Total Voting is 36. Necessary for Passage is 19. Voting Yea is 36. Voting Nay is 0. THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS ADOPTED.

THE PRESIDENT:

Senator Skelley, a point of personal privilege?

SENATOR SKELLEY: (36th)

Yes, Mr. President. If I may invite the circle, tomorrow is the Finance Committee deadline and I've asked probably the greatest partymaker in the entire Senate to assist me and Senator Casey has agreed. We have a group coming in, what is it, MTV that will be doing some monitors around in the Finance Committee.

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State Capitol
Senate Chambers
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9:30 A.M.

PRESIDING CHAIRMEN:

Senator Casey
Representative Goodwin

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SENATORS:

Casey, Eads

REPRESENTATIVES:

Goodwin, Helfgott, Cohen,
Sarasin, Meyer, Osler, Allen,
Perry, Lugo, Palermino,
Keeley, Fritz, Roche, Turek,
Dyson

REP. GOODWIN: The agency head, list and for those of you from
Belt 1 the general public especially, I apologize for the lack
of facilities for us to get started with this morning.
We would have done it around the Circle except that the
acoustics is so bad. Really the only way you can hear
is with the room set up this way. If we have to, we may
bend the rules a little bit this morning, but we'll try
to be as expeditious as possible.

The first speaker on the list is Terry Roberts. She will
be followed by Bob Suerken.

MS. TERRY ROBERTS: My name is Terry Roberts. I'm the Super-
intendent of Special School District of the Department
of Mental Retardation and I'd just like to make a couple
of brief comments about No. 882 and 7076. The first,
882, is concerning the status of children in the private
rehabilitative nurseries. There are four of those in the
state. Since the inception of the special school district,
we have been educating those children and carrying the
educational responsibility for them.

The statute did not really clarify their status and this
change in the language would in fact, then make it quite
clear that we should and will continue to carry the edu-
cational responsibility for those students whom we place
in those four nurseries.

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MS. ROBERTS: (continued)

The second, 7076, is the Bill concerning the change of name for the special school districts in Corrections, DCYS and the Department of Mental Retardation. Although the issues around this name change do not effect the students who attend the special school district of the Department of Mental Retardation, we endorse the kinds of issues that Corrections and DCYS have had and we have no objection to having our name changed if it will help those students in the future.

REP. GOODWIN: Thank you Terry. Are there any questions? Thank you. The next speaker, Bob Suerken, followed by Richard Olsen.

MR. ROBERT SUERKEN: Good morning Madam Chairwoman, Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, my name is Bob Suerken. I am Superintendent of Schools of the Department of Children and Youth Services and I'd like to address my comments to House Bill 7076.

House Bill 7076 provides for a change in the name of the three special school districts in the state of Connecticut. I ask your support of this legislation because the Department of Children and Youth Services feels that the current title, Special School District may often be construed as a negative reference or possible stigma in the educational history of an individual.

Many students who are enrolled in the three state operated school districts are not educationally handicapped and therefore should not be labelled with terms such as special or correctional as they perceive to develop plans for adulthood. Indeed, no student, irrespective of educational status should be inadvertently labeled with the name of his or her school district. Persons requesting transcripts in order to facilitate applications for employment or future education could be adversely effected by terms like special school district, children and youth service special school district or correctional school district. The mission of each of the three state operated school districts is to prepare children, youth and young adults to be productive, contributing members of society. The term such as special school district can only detract

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MR. SUERKEN: (continued)

from this worthy mission. It is specifically for this reason that the Department of Children and Youth Services wishes to change the designated name of the three special school districts to the State of Connecticut Unified Districts #1, #2 and #3. The terminology Unified School District accurately describes all three of the state operated school districts while clearly separating them from the Regional School District concept in Connecticut. The name change will further serve to promote a professional image that will not detract from the students opportunities for future growth and development. The basic intent of this proposed legislation is to safeguard the dignity of every student enrolled in state operated institutional schools and to promote and enhance each individual's potential for further advancement and training.

It is for all of the reasons stated that I urge for passage of House Bill 7076.

REP. GOODWIN: Thank you. Are there questions? Thank you very much, Bob. Richard Olsen, followed by Bob Margolin.

MR. RICHARD OLSEN: Good morning Madam Chairman. My name is Richard Olsen. I'm Assistant Superintendent of the Correction School District. I'm here this morning to speak in behalf of Bill 7076, An Act Concerning Changing the Name Designation of the Special School Districts.

Ladies and gentlemen, House Bill 7076 makes provision for a change in the name of Connecticut's three special school districts. I request your support of this legislation. These districts provide for recognition and education of an individual completing a variety of educational program offerings. Completion of one's high school education program has long been recognized as a right to passage in American society. Such effort should compromise a milestone in one's development as an individual and a citizen. However, if the documentation attesting to the completion carries a label such as Correction School District, Children and Youth Services School District or Department of Mental Retardation School District, it is difficult to display with pride and dignity, the certificate of completion. Rather, it causes the student who has put

MR. OLSEN: (continued)

forth such effort to carry always a label of past actions which he or she would prefer to leave behind. It is for the above stated reasons that House Bill 7076 is submitted. The term Unified School District Nos. 1, 2, and 3, is appropriate as the special school districts serve the state of Connecticut at large. Your favorable review of this proposed legislation will provide a mechanism by which those individuals who put forth the energy and diligence to better themselves educationally may display with dignity, the result of such efforts.

It is to this end that House Bill 7076 has been proposed. Thank you.

REP. GOODWIN: Thank you. Questions: ~~by York~~ ~~Essex~~

REP. ALLEN: Could I please ask, how many students are in these special districts?

MR. OLSEN: I can speak for my own district which is the Department of Correction. We handle between eleven and twelve hundred students per year.

REP. ALLEN: Thank you.

REP. GOODWIN: Any other questions? Thank you very much. Now we have a problem. The next two speakers on the list are listed on the Agency Head Legislators List and are not really Agency Head-Legislative people and yet they are the last two Agency Head people on the list after Bob Margolin. What we did before on this, was to put them at the end of the public list. It's a little rough since they probably got here in time to have signed up before the end of the list, but I would ask both--and so I'll take them in the order in which they are here, but I would ask them both please to not do it again.

Agency head means the head of a state agency or their designee and legislator means legislator. Bob, please proceed.

MR. ROBERT MARGOLIN: Good morning. I am really speaking here on behalf of June Goodman. Her schedule did not permit her to be here. She extends her apologies. She would