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Visits to Clients by Welfare Department Representatives.

CARL R. AJELLO, 118th District:

Mr. Speaker, can this item, Calendar 301, House Bill No. 6951, be passed retaining its place on the calendar?

MR. SPEAKER:

Unless there is objection, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 328, Substitute for House Bill No. 6411, An Act Concerning the Open Space Grant-in-Aid Program to Assist Municipalities in the Acquisition of Conservation and Recreation Land

CARL R. AJELLO, 118th District:

Mr. Speaker, I move that Calendar No. 328, Substitute for House Bill No. 6411 be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

MR. SPEAKER:

Is there objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

On page 7, Calendar No. 334, House Bill No. 7413, An Act Concerning the Right of Way at Stop Signs.

DAVID J. SULLIVAN, JR., 130th District:

Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

MR. SPEAKER:

Question is on acceptance and passage, will you remark?

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Mr. Speaker, this merely clarifies a statute governing the right of way at stop signs. The Committee has found that the way the statutes that exist now it tends to cause accidents and we are hopeful that by deleting the last part of the statute safety will be enhanced on the highways. I move passage of the bill.

MR. SPEAKER:

Will you remark further on the bill? If not, the question is on acceptance and passage, all those in favor indicate by saying aye, those opposed? The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 335, Substitute for House Bill No. 6898. An Act Creating a Statutory Lien for Wages.

CARL R. AJELLO, 118th District:

Mr. Speaker, I move that Calendar No. 335, Substitute for House Bill No. 6898 be passed retaining its place on the calendar.

MR. SPEAKER:

Is there's no objection, so ordered.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 339, House Bill No. 7929, An Act Concerning Second Taxing District of City of Norwalk.

CARL R. AJELLO, 118th District:

Mr. Speaker, I move that Calendar No. 339, House Bill No. 7929 be recommitted to the Committee on the Environment.

MR. SPEAKER:

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Ayes have it. The Bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 357, File No. 274, Clerk is in error, File No. 272.

Favorable Report, Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, House Bill 7413,

An Act concerning the right of way at stop signs.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Jackson.

SENATOR JACKSON;

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of the Bill.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark?

SENATOR JACKSON:

Mr. President, the present law, our present law states that a vehicle shall stop in obedience to a stop sign at the intersection of a highway and yield to vehicles not so obligated to stop which are in the intersection or approaching so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard. Our present law goes on to state that when such driver has yielded, he may then proceed and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching the intersection shall yield to him. This last provision has been deleted so that once stopped, you still have the obligation to yield the right of way to those vehicles which are within the intersection or so close thereto as to constitute a hazard.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on passage of the Bill. Those in favor, indicated by saying aye. Opposed, nay. Ayes have it. The Bill is passed.

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JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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Lt. Griffin: (cont'd)

H.B.#7413 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF WAY AT STOP SIGNS.

The State Police Department is in favor of this bill.

H.B.#7487 - AN ACT CONCERNING SPEED LIMITS.

This proposes to raise the maximum allowable speed limit from 70 miles to 75 miles per hour. We are opposed to this bill.

S.B.#654 - AN ACT ELIMINATING AXLE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AS A CONSIDERATION PERTAINING TO OVERWEIGHT ON VEHICLES AND TRAILERS.

The State Police Department has no objection to the passage of this act due to the difficulty in obtaining accurate axle weights and the resultant difficulty in obtaining convictions on this charge.

Sen. Jackson: What number was that?

Lt. Griffin: That was S.B.#654. Introduced by Senator Dupont.

We would like to go on record as recommending a change in the present, or in the statute. On the printed bill, line 32, after the word "lesser", we would delete the words, "without written permission from the commissioner of transportation which shall prescribe the condition under which the same shall be operated." This is as regards permits for overweight. We propose that the following be substituted: "without a written permit from the commissioner of Transportaion which will be issued only for vehicles with semi-trailers which exceed the maximum allowable registered weight of 73,000 lbs. when such vehicle or vehicle with semi-trailer is carrying a load which cannot be broken down so as to be loaded on more than one vehicle or vehicle with semi-trailer, and provided that the vehicle receiving such permit be, has been certified by the vehicle manufacturer as being capable of safely carrying the actual weight above the statutory minimum of 73,000 lbs. Gentlemen, the purpose of this addition is to require that people who wish to haul loads heavier than there rated equivalent, equipment -- -- . In other words, the two axle vehicle should be limited to the statutory amount that is allowed. The State Police Department would like to go on record of being in favor of S.B.# 1022 concerning stopping of motor vehicles at railroad crossings.

S.B.#1022 - AN ACT CONCERNING STOPPING OF MOTOR VEHICLES AT RAILROAD CROSSINGS.

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Sen. Jackson: Anthony Mancuso.

Mr. Mancuso: Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee: My name is Anthony Mancuso. And I'm here on behalf of the State Traffic Commission. They are in favor of bill #6649.

H.B.#6649 - AN ACT CONCERNING SPEEDING

This bill would provide for meaningful and enforceable signs being erected on both the state highways and the town roads. And these signs would be so placed by an engineering survey which would be conducted by the State Traffic Commission through the Department of Transportation.

And in the same vein we're opposed to H.B.#6649 which provides for an increment of 5 miles an hour and the present maximum speed limit from 70-75.

We also wish to speak in favor of bill #7413 and #1025.

H.B.#7413 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF WAY AT STOP SIGNS

S.B.#1025 - AN ACT CONCERNING RESTRICTED TURNS, U-TURNS AND STOPPING ON HIGHWAYS AND SIGNALS THEREFOR.

These two bills provide and establish the responsibility of the driver at an intersection. And they are based on a national uniform vehicle code.

Thank you.

Sen. Jackson: Thank you very much. Edward Carroll.

Mr. Carroll: Mr. Chairman, Members of the Judiciary Committee: I'm Edward Carroll, representing the Department of Motor Vehicles. Yesterday, Robert C. Leuba was sworn in as Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Commissioner Leuba has not had sufficient time to review the bills which this Committee is concerned this morning. Therefore, he has directed me to ask permission of the Committee to submit written testimony regarding these bills at a later date. Commissioner Leuba did instruct me to inform the Committee that the Department of Motor Vehicles will favor legislation calling for the lowering of the blood alcohol level to .10 as being prima facie evidence that an operator was driving under the influence. Also the Department will oppose H.B.#5862

H.B.#5862 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS AND LICENSES.

Which would require a department hearing before any suspension action is taken except in cases where the law provides for mandatory suspension. This measure will be