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matters on the Consent Calendar be accepted and passed:

Cal. 572, H.B. 6168, AN ACT CONCERNING RETIREMENT OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES BY SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Cal. 574, Sub. for H.B. 6442, AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPIRATION OF HIGHWAY TOLL MARKER PLATES.

Cal. 605, S. B. 0017, AN ACT CONCERNING PERMITS FOR NEW DISCHARGES INTO STATE WATERS.

THE SPEAKER:

You have heard the motion of the gentleman from the 114th. Is there any individual objection to these items being passed on the Consent Calendar. Hearing none, the question is on acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the bills. All those in favor indicate by saying AYE. Opposed. The bills are PASSED.

Gentleman from the 114th.

MR. PRETE: (114th)

Mr. Speaker, if there is no objection, I move the following items be placed on the Consent Calendar:

Cal. 532, Sub. for H.B. 6174, AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE NORWICH SAVINGS SOCIETY.

Cal. 567, Sub. for H.B. 5196, AN ACT CONCERNING THE AMOUNT OF CREDIT UNION SHARES TO BE OWNED BY ANY PERSON.

Cal. 576, Sub. for H.B. 6474, AN ACT CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF CONSERVATION OFFICERS.

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in addition, if they get this lease, in addition will pay for any water, heat fuel etc. and other things.

THE CHAIR:

The question is on passage of the bill, as amended. Will you remark? If not, all those in favor of passage signify by saying, "aye". Opposed, "nay". The ayes have it. The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

CAL. NO. 536. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Government Administration and Policy. Substitute Senate Bill 1679. An Act Concerning Claims Against the State.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This bill provides that (inaudible) the people who supply (inaudible) their bills with the comptroller with a statement saying to make it mandatory that they file with the statement with the agency that supplied (inaudible)

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark further? If not, all those in favor signify by saying, "aye". Opposed, "nay". The ayes have it, the bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

CAL. NO. 539. Favorable report of the joint committee on Transportation. An Act Concerning the Expiration of Highway Toll Marker Plates. House Bill

SENATOR MONDANI:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This bill is a change in the statute. It requires the Motor Vehicle Department to change the expiration date on the

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on the parkway toll plates and move the expiration date up into February. It is my understanding, in talking with the people in the department, that this will help them spread out the work load. The fee payment that is listed here, covers an eighth month period. And then, from that point on they would be renewable in February.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on passage. All those in favor of passage signify by saying "aye". Opposed, "nay". The ayes have it, the bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

CAL. NO. 543. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Corrections, Welfare and Humane Institutions. Substitute House Bill 5258. An Act Prohibiting Unwarranted Institutionalization of General assistance Recipients.

SENATOR CIARLONE:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This bill repeals the section ~~and~~ <sup>that</sup> makes it mandatory to be institutionalized in order to be able to receive public assistance. With this bill now, you can be a pauper, remain at home and receive general assistance. It's a good bill and urge adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on passage. Will you remark further? If not, all those in favor of passage signify by saying, "aye". Opposed, "nay". Bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

CAL. NO. 545. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Transportation. House Bill 5557. An Act Concerning the Railroad Grade at Flatbush Avenue in the Town of West Hartford.

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other remarks. Are there any other questions?

Rep: O'Dea: Thank you Mr. Carroll. Have we no one in favor of 5941? Is there any opposition to the bill? The hearing is closed on 5941. Next the bill is H.B. 6076, AN ACT CONCERNING A TOLL-FREE EXIT LANE ON THE CONNECTICUT TURNPIKE AT STRATFORD. This is a bill that was put in by Representative Provenzano, this morning he is not able to come here and testify and he asked that we reschedule this bill, however, if there is anyone to speak in favor of this bill we will gladly hear them. Any opposition?

Mr. Fitzgibbons: Members of the Committee Arthur Fitzgibbons, Department of Transportation speaking on H.B. 6076. In addition to the basic comments submitted to the Secretary the Department of Transportation we wished to point out that there are in the Stratford-Devon area, in an estimated distance of 5 miles Westbound; 5 toll free lanes, with two exits before the toll stations and three exits after Eastbound; five toll free lane exits, with two exits before the toll station and three exits after Westbound; the last free exit before the toll station is approximately two miles, while Eastbound, the last free exit before the toll station is less than a mile. In both of these instances, the traffic exiting then enters U.S. 1, which runs parallel. In addition, it is felt that the need of an additional ramp or ramps at this time, does not warrant the cost of their construction. For the reasons state above, the Department of Transportation opposes this bill.

Rep. O'Dea: Any questions? Thank you Mr. Fitzgibbons. Anyone else opposed to the bill? We will close the hearing this morning on the bill but we will reschedule it. Next bill H.B. 6429, AN ACT CONCERNING USE OF HIGHWAY TOLL PLATES IN CONJUNCTION WITH MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES. Anyone in favor?

Mr. Fitzgibbons: Members of the Committee, Arthur Fitzgibbons, Department of Transportation speaking on H.B. 6429. The amendemnt of subsection (c) of Section 14-18 of the 1969 Supplement to the General Statutes will allow Merritt and Wilbur Cross Parkway toll plates to be attached to motor vehicle number plates. This will greatly assist the toll collectors in providing more effective visual observation of the toll plate and assist in our security measures. The Department of Transportation supports this bill.

Rep. O'Dea: Anyone else in favor? Anyone opposed to the bill? Hearing is closed on 6429. The next bill is 6442, AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPIRATION OF HIGHWAY TOLL MARKER PLATES. Anyone in favor?

Mr. Carroll: Edward Carroll in behalf of the Department of Motor Vehicles, this is a department bill which has expressed in the statement of purpose would change the expiration date for highway toll plates from June 1st to February 28 and thereby provide for a more even distribution of our work load. Thats all I have to say. Thank you.

Rep. O'Dea: Thank you Mr. Carroll. Anyone else in favor of the bill?

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Mr. Fitzgibbons: Members of the Committee, Arthur Fitzgibbons, Department of Transportation speaking on H.B. 6442. The Department of Transportation has been informed by the Motor Vehicle Department that the June 1st date for renewal of our parkway toll plates has presented a major problem to them in the past. It is understood that the change in renewal date to the last day in February will assist them greatly. The Department of Transportation, therefore supports this bill. Thank you.

Rep. O'Dea: Anyone in favor of the bill? Anyone opposed to the bill? The hearing is closed on 6442. Next, the bill is H.B. 6528, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TOLL TICKET BOOKS AT THE PLAINFIELD TOLL STATION. Anyone in favor? Any opposition to the bill? We will now hear H.B. 6935, AN ACT CONCERNING BOND ISSUES FOR STATE AIRPORTS, Anyone in favor of this bill? Anyone opposed to the bill? The hearing is closed on this bill. Did you want to speak on the bill Representative. I can hear you right now.

Rep. Fabrizio: I'm sorry I'm late, John Fabrizio, State Representative, 147th District. Chairman, Committe members, I'm speaking in favor of H.B. 5504 which I have submitted. This bill would allow you the Commissioner of Transportation to have illumination installed along those sections of route I-91 not now illuminated, in his judgement will provide maximum safety for motorists. I'm a firm beleiver in safety and accident prevention and by illumination of Route I-91 we will tend to prevent accidents during the evening hours. Thus I urge a favorable report of the bill. Thank you. I would also like to speak in favor of H.B. 5929, which I have submitted, this is enabling act to allow any town, city, or borough, to provide senior citizens with free transportation. This is a very good bill, its hoped that in passing this bill each and every town will provide free transportation for its senior citizens who live in senior citizen courts. The towns could supply transportation to ~~and from senior citizens courts~~ to a local shopping center once a week. I personally feel each and every town should provide senio citizens with this transportation, and in this bill we encourage the towns to do this. I feel this is a good bill and I urge a favorable report. Thank you very much.

Rep. O'Dea: Thank you Representative. The next bill is 7042, AN ACT CONCERNING UNIFORM TOLL TICKETS, Anyone in favor? Mr. Fitzgibbons you already opposed this one. Any other opposition to the bill? The hearing is closed on this bill. Now we have H.B. 7456 AN ACT CONCERNING THE BRANFORD TOLL STATION I-95. Anyone speak in favor of this bill? We already have your comments.

Mr. Fitzgibbons: Arthur Fitzgibbons speaking on H.B. 7456. In addition, to the basic comment if I may, the Department of Transportation feels that if this bill were inacted it would discriminate against all other citizens of the State of Connecticut who would be required to pay the toll. Also, at the present time commuter ticket books are available at one third the price or eight and a third cents per