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MR. SPEAKER:

Will you remark further on adoption of House Amendment Schedule "B". If not, all those in favor will indicate by saying "aye". All those opposed. House Amendment "B" is adopted. The question's on the main motion...acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the Bill as amended by House Amendments Schedules "A" and "B". Will you remark further.

JOHN D. PRETE:

The Bill as amended, Mr. Speaker, provides that the Legislative Management Committee handle the sale and exchange of Public Acts and Special Acts where the Comptroller formerly did.

This is perfectly logical and reasonable. It's a good Bill. It's a Bill that reinforces our Legislative perogative, and I urge its passage.

MR. SPEAKER:

will you remark further on the Bill as amended. It not, the question is acceptance and passage of the Bill as amended by House Amendments Schedules "A" and "B". All those in favor will indicate by saying "aye". All those opposed. The Bill is passed. THE CLERK:

Page 12, Calendar No. 795, S.B. No. 1325, an Act concerning reimbursement to the Welfare Commissioner of the cost of care furnished by him to children other than those committed to him. File No. 574.

MICHAEL R. COLUCCI:

Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's

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favorable report and passage of the Bill.

MR. SPEAKER:

Question's on acceptance and passage in concurrence. Will you remark.

MICHAEL R. COLUCCI:

Mr. Speaker, this Bill reimburses to the Welfare Commissioner the cost of care furnished by him to children other than those committed to him. Where the Welfare Commissioner cares for a child not committed legally to his custody. This Bill authorizes the Commissioner to determine the portion of the cost of care, which the legally responsible parents shall pay in accordance with the standards set up by the Welfare Commissioner.

MR. SPEAKER:

will you remark further on the Bill. If not, the question's on acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the Bill. Will all those in favor indicate by saying "aye". Opposed. The Bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 797, Substitute for H.B. No. 5891, an Act concerning the establishment of a cemetery for the burial of veterans.

NICHOLAS M. MOTTO:

Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the Bill.

MR. SPEAKER:

Question's on acceptance and passage. Will you remark.

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another when there was a residency requirement. This, not being the case anymore, we're doing away with that section. It's a good bill and I urge adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on passage of the bill, 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. 433. File No. 577. Favorable report of the joint committee on Corrections, Welfare and humane Institutions. Senate Bill 736. An Act Concerning The Incentive Earnings Programs.

SENATOR CIARLONE:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. An attempt to encourage people on general assistance, that s people on aid by the Town, become self-sufficient Senate Bill 736 addresses itself to incentive earnings program. In effect, this program is the same as we have on our State level for public assistance.

The formula contained in this bill is also the same as our public assistance program. It's a good bill. It will encourage people going back to work, hopefully, take people off our welfare rolls. I 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. 434. File No.574. Favorable report of the joint committee on Welfare, Corrections, and Humane Institutions. Senate Bill 1325. An Act

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Concerning Reimbursement to the Welfare Commissioner of the Cost of C re Furnished by Him to Children Other Than Those Committed to Him. SENATOR CIARLONE:

Mr. President, I move adoption of the joint committee s favorable report and passage of the bill. This is an administrative bill. Heretofore, an uncommitted child, where committed to an institution, the services from this institution were shared by the parent and by the Welfare Department. It was always a problem collecting this money. This bill would allow the Welfare Department, to pay the bill in full and they then in turn seek collection from the parent. I urge the adoption.

THE CHAIR:

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

THE CLERK:

CAL. NO. 435. File No. 576. Favorable report of the joint committee on Corrections, Welfare and Humane Institutions. Senate Bill 1512. An Act Concerning Powers of Welfare Commissioner Concerning Receiving Homes. SENATOR CIARLONE:

Mr. President, I move adoption of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This bill allows the Welfare Commissioner to establish or lease receiving homes for children in his care. He may contract for the operation of maintenance of such receiving homes, which would then be a non-profit group and the maxmum he can pay these particular receiving homes is the going rate that is now allowed for patients in Humane Institutions. It's a new concept and we feel that it will perhaps help these children that are sent to these receiving homes. I urge adoption.

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on these Bills as brief as possible. Senate Bill 1315, this Bill would provide for a Hearing in General Assistance cases. By regulation, about a mongh ago, the Welfare Commissioner did establish such a procedure. Therefore, we think there is no necessity for this Bill. Senate Bill 1325, this is a Bill which was requested by the State Welfare Department. Primarily, it concerns the procedure for collections from parents of noncommitted children. We believe it fills a gap and would make much efficient the means of collection. Senate Bill 1400, we are suggesting a Substitute to this Bill. We are in agreement with the principle of it. We suggest that the personal property limit be raised from \$250 to \$500 and that the insurance be reflected, the face value of up to \$1,000.00. On Section II, as to motor vehicles, we do have a policy where, if a motor vehicle is essential for the beneficiary, he may have such a motor vehicle. Weare otherwise opposed to Section II. Senate Bill 1438, generally we are in agreement with the principle, that is, not to have a specific rate for the House of Good Shepherd. But, we are suggesting to the Committee that the Hospital Cost Commission, rather than the Welfare Commissioner, set the rates for the House of Good Shepherd. Senate Bill 1459. this is again, a Bill which was requested by the State Welfare Committee. We are asking that the Legislature establish, within the powers of Professional Policy Committee, a way in which uniform fee schedules can be established for opticians, pharmacists, psychologists and vendors of sick room supplies. Currently, there is no real procedure whereby these rates are established.

(Unidentified Committee Member) Is this your Bill here?

- Mr. Bernstein: That's right, sir. 1459, yes sir. Senate Bill 1460 is again one of our Bills and we know that the private agencies are very concerned about this Bill, as we are. We understand that currently the Welfare Commissioner does not have power to purchase service -
- Rep. Chagnon: Can you be as quiet as possible? We're not getting all the pickup here on the Would you speak directly into this?
- Mr. Bernstein: Yes, sir. Just to repeat, on Senate Bill 1460, this is a Bill requested by the State Welfare Department andwe know is highly supported as well, by the private agencies. This Bill would give the Welfare Commissioner authority, if he wishes, to contract with public or private agencies, for pilot projects on certain difficult, the more difficult types of cases.
- Rep. Lowell: Mr. Bernstein, Representative Lowell of the Committee, how does this compare with the project for training Foster Parents, which was on that -
- Mr. Bernstein: Yes, sir. Well, the Foster Parents cases, as I remember, would just give \$50.00 a week to a small number of Foster Parents