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VOL. 14 PART 7 3011-3376 call of Calendar business. Is the gentleman from the 118th prepared to outline the proposed Calendar business for today. would you like to proceed first with the Consent Calendar, CARL R. AJELLO, JR.:

I thought we might do the Consent Calendar first, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Clerk will call the Consent Calendar.

THE CLERK:

On Page 1 of the Calendar for Thursday, May 20th, 1971, the Consent Calendar.

WILLIAM A. O'NEILL:

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to kule 40, I move the tollowing adoption of and passage of the following Items on the Consent Calendar: Page 1, Calendar No. 905, File No. 1066, H.B. No. 5222, an Act exempting needles and syringes sold on prescription from the sales tax; Calendar No. 991, File No. 1075, Substitute for H.B. No. 7512, an Act authorizing the establishment of schools without walls and the delegation by School Boards to Community Committees of the power to administer same; calendar No. 990...

MR. SPEAKER:

The gentleman from the 52nd has the floor. Rep. O'Neill WILLIAM A. O'NEILL:

File No. 1069, Substitute for H.B. No. 6384, an Act concerning consent for autopsies; Ualendar No. 1000, File No. 1067, Substitute for H.B. No. 0566, an Act concerning Planning Commission Appeals; on Page 2 of the Calendar, top item on the page,

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Calendar No. 1003, File No. 1086, Substitute for H.B. No. 7776, an Act concerning appeals from decisions and actions of the Real Estate Commission; Calendar No. 1005, File No. 1083, Substitute for H.B. No. 5990, an Act concerning corporation business tax consolitated return. Mr. Speaker, I move for passage of those items on the Consent Calendar.

MR. SPEAKER:

Is there any individual Member who objects to the passage of these bills today on the Consent Calendar? If not, the question's on acceptance of the Joint Committees' favorable reports and passage of the Bills. All those in favor indicate by saying "aye".

Opposed. The Bills are passed.

RONALD A. SARASIN:

Mr. Speaker, prior to moving the items for today's Consent Calendar, I would ask that two items on Page 2, which are one-starred from today, be removed from the consent Calendar so that they will not be considered tomorrow. Calendar No. 1014, on Page 2, Substitute for H.B. No. 6127, an Act concerning practice of dentistry in clinics and schools of dentistry, File No. 1102; and Calendar No. 1028, Substitute for H.B. No. 5650, an Act concerning the membership of the State Board of Education and Services for the Blind, File No. 1121. I would ask that they be removed.

MR. SPEAKER:

removed from the Consent Calendar and will appear on tomorrow's regular Calendar.

KONALD A. SARASIN:

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VOL. 14 PART6 2436-2873 Health and Safety on Sub HB 6384, An Act concerning Consent For Autopsies. SENATOR PAC:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. Presently, before an autopsy can be performed you must get the written consent or the consent conveyed by telegram. This bill would add in addition to it, consent conveyed by telephoning. It must be recorded, however.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark further? If not, all those in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed, Nay? The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar 924, File 1079, Favorable report of the Committee on Education on Sub. HB 6466, An Act concerning A New Plan for Programs for Seriously Handicapped Children.

SENATOR MONDANI:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This would direct the State Board of Education to prepare a plan for the possibility of operating regional day and residential programs for children educated under the special education statut. We did receive a great deal of testimony before the committee on this possibility. They would report to the General Assembly prior to the February 1972 session so that any legislation necessary could be drafted. I would urge adoption of this. It is needed because there are many questions that were asked about the feasibility of providing these programs on a regional basis.

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this bill which has been passed in a substantial number of states, I'd be glad to give you the list of them at a later date, simply makes it clear that we are not a guarantor. If we're negligent in any way we're liable and we can see that we should be but we do not feel that we should be liable as a guarantor for something that in the present state of medical knowledge, there's nothing in the world we can do about it.

The third bill sponsored by the Hospital Association is 6384 (Rep. Griswold of the 109th.) AN ACT CONCERNING CONSENT FOR AUTOPSIES. Telephone consent for autopsies. Now when I get through here I'm going down to Judiciary and testify on exactly the same bill which is Senate Bill 137 which Sen. Rimer has introduced, so if you want to leave it out of here I'd be glad to deal with it in Judiciary. They are two bills almost word for word. This happens to be the one I drew and it got here. Sen. Rimer's is very similar and is in Judiciary.

#6909 (Rep. DiMeo of the 98th.) AN ACT CONCERNING PER-MITTING PERSONS OVER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO DONATE BLOOD WITHOUT PARENTAL PERMISSION IN CERTAIN INSTANCES. Down in Judiciary this morning there is another bill on the question of letting persons eighteen years of age and older consent to any hospital procedure. If that bill passes, that will take care of the situation. If it does not pass, we think that certainly 6909 is a step in the right direction. think people are doing it all the time. There's a blood donation drive at Yale and they go out and collect blood from students at Yale, UConn., or other places and nobody goes around and asks parental consent, but technically I think they're wrong and one of these days something is going to go wrong with one of these donations and we're going to have a law suit on the ground that you didn't get parental consent, and it seems to be a person of this age knows what blood donation is and should be entitled to give consent to it.

And the last bill as you might expect, which we are not in support, is the one you've just heard testimony on, 7273 introduced by Rep. Rose. This bill raises very serious problems as far as hospitals are concerned. I'd like to go back a little on the history of where this statute as it exists before the language changes suggested by 7273 came from. There was a case back in the fifties involving Backus Hospital in Norwich where a patient who had had a large hospital bill in the past came in, received \$1,200 worth of hospital treatment, and she said, "I don't want to be on welfare". Well, do you have any assets? None whatsoever.

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Dr. Hart: Right.

Sen. Gunther: Well, then you're talking about this bill being involved in six to nine towns.

Dr. Hart: No, no, no. I'm saying that in each town you never get 100%.

Sen. Gunther: But they are still participating in the program.

Dr. Hart: Yes, but the requirement would require that each child be immunized so that the other 28% would be taken care of, you see, in each town.

Rep. Cohen: They are participating but not fully.

Dr. Hart: Right

Sen. Gunther: Well, they are participating but they are not following up apparently. On the 28%.

Dr. Hart: Well merely because they cannot require this you see and if a parent refuses, if a child is sick that particular day or week, you can't get it done. This is the point

Sen. Gunther: Incidentally you said all the vaccine is available for nothing even to the private physicians?

Dr. Hart: Yes, the federal, the rubella vaccine. At this time it is.

Sen. Gunther: Do you have any idea, do they charge for visits? I would imagine for this.

Dr. Hart: Well, the one condition that's given a private doctor, by the way we have really not given up to private doctors, this is done by the local director of health, but the condition is that he not charge for the vaccine. He may charge for his service but not the vaccine.

Sen. Pac: Any other questions? Anyone else in favor of 6383? Anyone opposed? We'll move on to H.B. 6384 (Rep. Griswold of the 109th.) AN ACT CONCERNING CONSENT FOR AUTOPSIES. Anyone in favor? Anyone opposed to 6384? We'll move on to H.P. 6505 (Rep. Cohen of the 41st.) TO 6511 (Rep. Yedziniak of the 5th.) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF PODIATRY.

Peter Kelly representing the Conn. Podiatry Association in favor of H.B. 6511. Two years are as Rep. Yedziniak earlier said this committee and the general assembly recognized the prepriety and the necessity of ensuring the podiatrist's right to prescribe and administer drugs in the practice of his