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REP. LARSON: Okay. Great. Thank you very much.

REP. STAPLES: Any further questions? Thank you very much.

J.R. CLISHAM: Thank you.

REP. STAPLES: Matt Cholewa followed by David Fay and then Representative Conroy. Is Matt here or did I butcher your name so badly that you don't even recognize it when I call you?

Is David Fay here? And then Representative Conroy.

DAVID FAY: My name is David Fay, I'm the president of the Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts. Thank you for hearing me today. I'm here to comment on Bill 5482, actually just the very last piece of it, just to provide some clarification.

Two years ago, under the neighborhood Assistance Act, the Bushnell applied for and ultimately received \$250,000 in corporate support, which then, there were tax credits associated with that, which went back to the corporations. Last year, under three -- all three programs we applied and were awarded \$400,000 over the -- with 150 coming in two of the programs and a hundred thousand in the third program. At the very end of the year, we were notified by the Department of Revenue Service that an honest mistake had been made in the prior year and that the \$250,000 was beyond the limitation of the legislation, that there was a combined limit of \$150,000, not \$150,000 per program. We had read it and interpreted it that it was \$150,000 per program. We were then notified by DRS that no, it was \$150,000

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combined. So even though they had awarded us the \$250,000 in the prior year, they said they didn't want to make the same mistake twice. This was the very tail end of the year and they recommended that we approach the Legislature for this validating act, which is what this is.

We have commitments on all three of the programs from corporations in the state of Connecticut. We worked all last year to do that, to get that put together and within each one of the areas, we have vital programs that we are -- that this funding is providing a portion of the funding for each one of the programs that we're doing.

So we're here simply to ask you to pass this as a one time exemption. It still is -- it's my understanding that the total tax credit is a five million dollar budget item and that this would only take it to about 2.3 million so it is still substantially below the budget for the year.

REP. STAPLES: Thank you. Any questions? Thanks for your testimony. Representative Conroy. I don't see her here. She's right outside, maybe if someone could just let her know that her -- she's up.

Representative Conroy, we await you, we humbly await you. Well, maybe not humbly, but we await you anyway.

REP. THERESA CONROY: Well, good afternoon, Representative Staples and other distinguished members of the Finance Committee. For the record, my name's Theresa Conroy and I represent the 105th district, which includes Seymour, Beacon Falls and a part of Ansonia. I am here today to testify in favor of House Bill

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taxes and send them off to the state. We would have to figure out a system whereas to change each location depending on what municipality it's in to put as the sales tax. So it would cause an accounting nightmare basically.

REP. CANDELORA: Yeah, I was just thinking that through and wondering how that would be accomplished. I appreciate your comments. Thank you.

REP. STAPLES: Further questions? If not, thank you very much. John Cattelan followed by John Singleton, Paul Brady and Tom Caporaso.

JOHN CATTELAN: Representative Staples and members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today. My name is John Cattelan, I'm the director of the Connecticut Federation of Catholic School Parents. I'm here today to discuss House Bill 5482, AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AND EXEMPTIONS, which makes a slight adjustment to the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act.

I would recommend the committee make the following changes to the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act to make it easier for non profits and corporations to participate in the program.

Number one, require the Secretary of State to publish a list of corporations with their addresses and that they're eligible to apply for tax credits in Connecticut. One of the obstacles many small nonprofits face is that they do not know which companies are eligible to participate in this program so they are unaware of which companies to solicit.

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Representative Staples, I also understand that the Secretary's office is very good at creating lists and databases at the current time, so I think we can alleviate any concerns about additional costs to the state.

A nonprofit must file Form NAA-01 before July 1 to get approved by a local municipality. The local municipality must hold the public hearing and their legislative body must approve the application. I believe this part of the application process is unnecessary. It would also provide local municipalities with some minor mandate relief and none of the other 25 tax credit programs in Connecticut require this.

The business organizations requesting the tax credit then must file an NAA-02 between September 15th and October 1st. This is only a two week window to apply for the tax credit, which seems unreasonable. No other Connecticut tax credit program has a two-week window to apply. I would suggest allowing the eligible corporations to file between September 1 through December 31st.

The business or corporation then must receive an approval letter from the Department of Revenue Services to even file the NAA-02. I'm not sure this is necessary. The problem I have with this provision is from discussions with Tom Dorsey from Northeast Utilities. Last year, Northeast Utility was going to donate \$150,000 to this program, but he never received an approval letter from the Department of Revenue Services, so he didn't end up making the donations. And that's really a shame.

I've reviewed the 25 tax credit programs available to corporations in Connecticut and

none of them seem to have the barriers like the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act. This is clearly the most burdensome and bureaucratic tax credit program in the state. Please make it easier for non profits to access donations during these difficult economic times. Thank you.

REP. STAPLES: Thank you. Questions?
Representative Coutu.

REP. COUTU: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. For this particular credit, the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act, do you have any idea how much potential funds are there and how much are being utilized for this credit?

JOHN CATTELAN: By statute, it's capped at five million dollars a year. I believe last year only 1.3 million dollars of it was used. Three years ago, maybe three million dollars of it was used, but it's definitely declined over the past few years.

REP. COUTU: And you believe that expanding the time line where organizations could apply would potentially result in organizations, nonprofits, utilizing these fund -- or credits?

JOHN CATTELAN: Well, I think it would make it a lot easier. I mean, the two week window seems a little unfair. And obviously the bigger concern, especially for smaller nonprofits, is that there's just no list out there of what corporations they can solicit or which ones are eligible to participate in the tax credit programs.

REP. COUTU: I guess my concern would be you're stating that the Secretary of State should come up with the list, and I personally believe that

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some other entity or organization should be doing that. Just because I think it would be more efficient and it's more probable that it will get done.

JOHN CATTELAN: Well, the reason the Secretary of State's -- keeps all the filings of corporations and obviously they do have a list of all the corporations that file. They publish a list of all the corporations that file within the state. It just doesn't designate what type of business or corporation they are.

REP. COUTU: I appreciate your testimony and thank you, Mr. Chairman.

REP. STAPLES: Thank you and any further questions? Thank you for your testimony.

John Singleton followed by Paul Brady and Tom Caporaso.

JOHN SINGLETON: Senator Daily, Representative Staples and members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, as management representatives of RAI Services, a subsidiary of Reynolds American, we are pleased to be here today. We will address legislation that will equalize the tax rate between packaged cigarettes and loose tobacco sold for pipes and roll your own cigarettes, S.B. 437.

As a result of the recent increase on cigarettes to \$3 a pack, many Connecticut smokers have switched to less taxed alternatives such as roll your own cigarettes. This is clearly apparent when you walk into your local markets and see the displays. The state of Connecticut stands to gain more than 4 million dollars in additional annual revenue by

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Background on The Bushnell's Neighborhood Assistance Tax Act Problem

Annually, The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts, a not-for-profit organization, participates in the Neighborhood Assistance Tax Act (NAA) program administered by the State of Connecticut's Department of Revenue Services (DRS). Each year we seek and receive pre-approval for the maximum available tax credits per program. For the last two years, we have been pre-approved to receive \$150,000 in tax credits per program—\$450,000 in the aggregate—to support three distinct programs: energy efficiency, which offers a 100% tax credit to participating corporations and handicap accessibility, and education programming for low income individuals, which each offer a 60% tax credit to participating corporations.

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Each year, we make every attempt to maximize donations to each programmatic area. In 2008, we were successful in securing a total of \$250,000 in donations to support the program and our donors received \$250,000 in tax credits from the DRS. This, along with our annual pre-approval for an aggregate of \$450,000 in tax credits confirmed our understanding that the NAA program has a \$150,000 programmatic cap, as opposed to a \$150,000 organizational cap.

In 2009, we were pre-approved for the maximum of \$450,000 in tax credits and leveraged \$400,000 in contributions that we believed would qualify for tax credits based on DRS's prior administration of the program. NAA tax credits were a powerful incentive to our corporate donors in 2009. Their significant support of this program helped to stabilize our contributed income at a time when all sectors of contributed income are in rapid decline due to the ongoing economic downturn.

We recently learned that the DRS made an error while implementing our tax credits for the Neighborhood Assistance Tax Act in 2008. DRS's prior issuance of \$250,000 in tax credits to The Bushnell in 2008 confirmed our understanding that the program had a programmatic cap of \$150,000 and an aggregate cap of \$450,000. When we met with the DRS and their legal counsel in December, they informed us that although they erred last year, and although the NAA program as a whole never depletes its allocated funds, the aggregate cap for tax credits through NAA is \$150,000 per not-for-profit organization. As a result, the DRS issued letters to our corporate donors informing them that they would receive significantly pro-rated tax credits.

The DRS acknowledges the mistake and provided guidance to us. The solution developed in concert with the DRS requires the passage of a validating act for NAA tax credits granted to Bushnell donors in 2009. This will allow us to retain our corporate donations above the aggregate limit for this year only, and would prevent us from having to return \$400,000 in critical corporate contributions. The NAA program is currently below its legislatively allocated cap, so there would be no negative fiscal impact to the State.

This year charitable gifts to The Bushnell and all not-for-profit organizations have plummeted—corporate giving has been particularly hard-hit. Passage of a validating act by the legislature is critical to us, and will be the most significant factor in supplementing or eroding our financial stability in a year of historic financial challenges faced by The Bushnell, the State of Connecticut, and our nation.

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From: Jason K. Blake

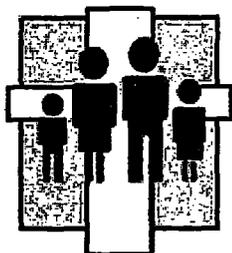
Reference: Extension for the Manufacturing Property Tax Exemption being H.B.5482.
An Act extending the deadline for certain Tax Credits and Exemptions.

We request to be included in the above mentioned bill granting companies an extension of time to file their manufacturing property tax exemption Form-M65. During the year the company's controller fell to an illness which made him unable to continue the duties of his employment. Due to the nature of his illness he was not able to properly train his replacement to facilitate a smooth transition of his duties to the new controller. As a result the replacement failed to timely file the manufacturing property tax exemption return. The loss of the exemption due to the controller's illness would result in a financial hardship and the loss of jobs. We request the inclusion on this bill to help preserve Connecticut jobs.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jason K. Blake".

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Senator Daily, Representative Staples and members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today. My name is John Cattelan and I am the Director of the Connecticut Federation of Catholic School Parents. I am here today to discuss H.B. 5482 An Act Extending the Deadline for Certain Tax Credits and Exemptions, which makes a slight adjustment to the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act.

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1. Require the Secretary of State to publish a list of corporations, with their addresses, that are eligible to apply for tax credits in

Connecticut. One of the obstacles small non-profits face is they do not know which companies are eligible to participate in this program, so they are unaware of which companies to solicit.

2. A non-profit must file a form NAA-01 before July 1 to get approved by a local municipality. The local municipality must hold a public hearing and their legislative body must approve. I believe this part of the application process is unnecessary. It would also provide local municipalities with some minor mandate relief. None of the other 25 tax credit programs in Connecticut require this.
3. The business organization requesting the tax credit must file a NAA-02 between Sept. 15 and Oct. 1. This is only a 2 week window to apply for the tax credit, which seems unreasonable to me. No other Connecticut tax credit program has a two week window to apply. I would suggest allowing the eligible corporation to file between September 1 through December 31.
4. The business must receive an approval letter from DRS to even file the NAA-02 – I'm not sure this is necessary either. The problem I have with this provision is from a discussion I had with Tom Dorsey from NU. Last year NU was going to donate \$150,000 through this program, but he never received the approval letter from DRS so his

corporation did not end up making the donation. That is really a shame.

I have reviewed the 25 tax credit available to corporations in Connecticut and none of them seem to have the barriers that exist in the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act. This is clearly the most burdensome and bureaucratic tax credit program in the state. Why not make it easier for non-profits, especially the smaller non-profits, to access the donations they need to survive during these difficult economic times.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Resolution is adopted.

Representative Merrill.

REP. MERRILL (54th):

Yes, Mr. Speaker. I move for the immediate transmittal of all items acted upon for further action to the Senate.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

The motion is for immediate transmittal of all items acted upon that need further action in the Senate. Are there any objections? Hearing none, the items are immediately transmitted to the Senate.

Will the Clerk please call Calendar 372.

THE CLERK:

On page 14, Calendar 372, Substitute for House Bill Number 5482, AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AND EXEMPTIONS, favorable report by the Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Cam Staples.

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I move acceptance and passage of the bill.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Question is on acceptance and passage. Will you remark?

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a bill that we do annually, which grants to corporations and nonprofit organizations that are eligible for tax exemptions, but missed deadlines to file one more time to access funds that are set aside for that purpose.

There is no fiscal note associated with this bill for the state since the funds are limited. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the Clerk to please call LCO Number 5697 and I be permitted to summarize.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Will Mr. Clerk please call LCO 5697, which will be designated House.

THE CLERK:

LCO Number 5697, House "A," offered by Representative Staples and Senator Daily.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

The Representative seeks leave of the Chair to summarize. Any objections? Hearing none, Representative Staples, you may proceed.

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment offers a

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couple of additional sections for entities that have not had an opportunity to file for their credits. And I urge adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Question is on adoption. Will you remark?

Remark? Representative Candelora.

REP. CANDELORA (86th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, if I may, a question to the proponent of the amendment?

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Please proceed, sir.

REP. CANDELORA (86th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment, which, I guess, is an add on to the underlying bill only contains extensions for businesses, for individuals who fail to file and there is no other changes aside from granting those extensions? Through you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Staples.

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Through you, that's correct, yes.

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Representative Candelora.

REP. CANDELORA (86th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I support the amendment, I also support the underlying bill. I think that as Representative Staples pointed out this is a process we do on an annual basis. It's a good amendment. It should pass. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Thank you, Representative.

Do you care to remark further? Care to remark further?

If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor of the amendment, please signify by saying aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Those opposed, nay.

The ayes have it. The amendment is adopted.

Would you care to remark further on the bill as amended? Representative Shawn Johnston.

REP. JOHNSTON (51st):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, through you, a question to the proponent of the bill as amended.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Please proceed, sir.

REP. JOHNSTON (51st):

Through you, Mr. Speaker, in your comment on the fiscal note, you referenced the fact that there'd be no fiscal impact to the state of Connecticut. Could you share the comments in the fiscal note of what type of an impact this would have on our municipalities in the state of Connecticut? Through you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Staples.

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, there is a fund that has been set aside on an annual basis for a PILOT grant for certain types of exemptions and what we're doing here is we're letting -- we're letting some additional companies and nonprofits that have had an opportunity to file for exemptions, but have missed deadlines to file for those exemptions and therefore, become part of the PILOT pool on a pro rata basis. So the impact is that every community that is eligible for the PILOT grant will have their grant reduced sufficiently to reflect the new additional exemptions that we're authorizing. And so the fiscal impact will

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be felt on every other municipality that has already been approved and in the pool. Through you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Johnston.

REP. JOHNSTON (51st):

I thank you, Mr. Speaker, and to try to paraphrase, what I believe that means is that the communities that are going to receive -- the communities where these companies are located will receive this tax exemption. And every other community around the state, their manufacturing PILOT payment will be reduced. In the budget document that we're going to vote on later tonight, we're going to be further reducing that manufacturing PILOT grant payment to municipalities by an additional five million.

And Mr. Speaker, what has happened since we passed Senate Bill 1 a few years ago, which mandated that we pay a hundred percent of this value to each of our municipalities, we have continuously lowered the funding in that pot. And in a fiscal -- and in a correspondence from our Office of Fiscal Analysis earlier today, Mr. Speaker, we're not at a hundred

percent funding any more in that grant line item, we're down to 58.6. And now that was before this amendment.

Since -- through you, Mr. Speaker, does he -- does the gentleman who's proposing this bill as amended know the dollar amount that this grant will be further reduced? And if he knows the dollar amount, would he know the percent reduction that each town is going to receive in this line item in the next fiscal year? Through you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Staples.

REP. STAPLES (96th):

Through you, Mr. Speaker. The bill before us has -- or rather, the -- yes, the bill before us has an impact of approximately -- I'm not finding it, but about six million dollars, I believe, to the fund. There's about -- between 75 and 81 million dollars of applications that would be funded, and it's not actually the bill before us that makes the greatest impact, it is the reduction in the budget that we are making to this PILOT grant that is really the most significant impact.

But I believe that impact, as you state, would be

around -- would have about 60 percent of the grant left. And so all towns would receive approximately that percentage of what they would otherwise be entitled to.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Representative Johnston.

REP. JOHNSTON (51st):

I thank the gentleman for his answer.

Mr. Speaker, what we've done with this line item is -- we've short changed our municipalities. We promised them a hundred percent. We've continually eroded it down. And again, without seeing those final numbers and marrying it up with the fiscal analysis I got earlier today, I think that this line item is going to be down to about 50 percent.

So in essence, Mr. Speaker, in the same session that we passed a bill for municipality mandate relief to try to help our towns out in a period of declining revenues, on the one hand, we're giving them a little bit of relief and on the other hand, we're continuing to underfund them.

Mr. Speaker, this is a bill that we do not do every year. We do it most every year, but we have had years where we've had budget difficulties where we

haven't done this. And we do have to be honest with ourselves. For those companies that we're going to let receive this money, every other town across the state of Connecticut is going to pay for those companies having missed this deadline. In these tough economic times, Mr. Speaker, where everyone is making a sacrifice, I think that this is something that we should not be doing tonight and that we cannot afford to do. Through you, Mr. Speaker. And as such, I'll be voting no on this bill as amended.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Thank you, Representative.

Would you care to remark further? Care to remark further?

If not, staff and guests, please come to the well. Members take their seats, the machine will be opened.

THE CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by roll call. Members to the Chamber. The House is voting by roll call. Members to the Chamber.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Have all the members voted? Have all the members voted? If so, the machine will be locked.

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Clerk will take a tally.

And the Clerk will announce the tally.

THE CLERK:

House Bill 5482 as amended by House "A."

Total Number Voting 148

Necessary for Adoption 75

Those voting Yea 137

Those voting Nay 11

Those absent and not voting 3

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Bill as amended is passed.

Representative Olson.

REP. OLSON (46th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move for the immediate transmittal of all items acted upon which require further action in the Senate, thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY:

Without objection, so ordered.

Mr. Clerk, please call Calendar 495.

THE CLERK:

On page 26, Calendar 495, Substitute for Senate Bill Number 402, AN ACT CONCERNING the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP, favorable reported, the Committee on Human Services.

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Mr. President, on Senate Agenda Number 6, move to --
for suspension for purposes of taking up an item place it
on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Motion on the floor for suspension of the rules.

Seeing no objection, so ordered, sir.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President.

Under business from the House, House Bills Favorably
Reported, move to place Substitute House Bill Number 5482
on the consent calendar from Senate Agenda Number 6.

THE CHAIR:

Motion to place item on the consent calendar.

Seeing no objection, so ordered, sir.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President.

Now moving to the calendar for items to place on the
consent calendar.

Mr. President, first, calendar page 5, Calendar 295,
House Bill 5114, move to place the item on the consent
calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Motion on the floor to place this item on consent.

Seeing no objection, so ordered, sir.

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Seeing no objection, so ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President.

And, Mr. President, calendar page 14, Calendar 514,
House Bill 5426, move to place the item on the consent
calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Seeing no objection, so ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, Mr. President, at this time would call the
consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk, please call for the consent calendar.

THE CLERK:

An immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the
Senate on the consent calendar. Will all Senators please
return to the chamber. An immediate roll call vote has
been ordered in the Senate on the consent calendar. Will
all Senators please return to the chamber.

Mr. President, the items on the Consent Calendar
Number 2:

Calling from agendas first: Agenda 3, Substitute
for House Bill 5208, Substitute for House Bill 5490;

Senate Agenda Number 6, House Bill 5482.

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Calling from Agenda Number 4, Substitute for Senate Bill 201.

Senate Agenda Number 8, Substitute for House Bill 5398, Substitute for House -- Senate Bill 175, Substitute for Senate Bill 302.

Returning to the calendar -- beginning on calendar page 5, Calendar Number 315, House Bill 5264.

Calendar page 6, Calendar 378, Substitute for or -- correction -- House Bill 5197.

Calendar page 8, Calendar -- correction, returning back to page 5, Calendar 295, Substitute for House Bill 5114 -- correction, not Calendar 295, it's Calendar 294, House Bill 5391.

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Calendar page 10, Calendar 461, House Bill 5207;
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House Bill 5253; and House Bill -- Calendar 563, House
Bill 5340; Calendar 567, House Bill 5371; and Calendar
573, House Bill 5371.

Mr. President, I believe that completes the items

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THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk, could you please give me on Calendar 567,
do you have 5516, sir?

THE CLERK:

What -- what calendar?

THE CHAIR:

567 on page 22.

THE CLERK:

It's 5516.

THE CHAIR:

Yes, sir. Okay.

Machine's open.

THE CLERK:

An immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the
Senate on the consent calendar. Will all Senators please
return to the chamber. Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate on the
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THE CHAIR:

Have all Senators voted? Please check your vote. The machine will be locked. The Clerk will call the tally.

THE CLERK:

Motion is on adoption of Consent Calendar Number 2.

Total number voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	35
Those voting Nay	0
Those absent and not voting	1

THE CHAIR:

Consent Calendar Number 2 passes.

Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, Mr. President.

Mr. President -- Mr. President, before moving to adjourn, I would like to ensure the entire chamber will wish Laura Stefon, Senator McDonald's aide, my former intern, a happy birthday.

And with that -- and with that, Mr. President, I would move the Senate stand adjourn