

Senate floor proceedings  
April 1, 2019 at approximately 3:15 am

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1 (Laughter.)

2 SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS: In fact,  
3 after today, because we're -- after session  
4 today, then you get home.

5 But no, we do realize that there is  
6 talent on both sides and there are things we will  
7 do together and we will continue to do together.  
8 But I am excited beyond measure that 39 people  
9 came together, most of us didn't know each other,  
10 and we made the impossible happen because we  
11 understood that only we could.

12 So thank you very much to my  
13 colleagues. And again, enjoy the rest of the  
14 week.

15 And thank you, Mr. President, for  
16 allowing me this time.

17 (Standing ovation.)

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Senator  
19 Gianaris.

20 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,  
21 if you thought that was the end of our session,  
22 it was your first April Fools joke three hours  
23 in.

24  (Laughter.)

25 SENATOR GIANARIS: If we can return

1 to the bill we laid aside from Supplemental  
2 Calendar B, Calendar 362, I believe we have a  
3 message of necessity at the desk for it.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There  
5 is a message of necessity at the desk.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to accept  
7 the message.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: All in  
9 favor of accepting the message of necessity  
10 signify by saying aye.

11 (Response of "Aye.")

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:  
13 Opposed?

14 (Response of "Nay.")

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The  
16 message is accepted and the bill is before the  
17 house.

18 The Secretary will read.

19 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number  
20 362, Senate Budget Bill, Senate Print 1501A, an  
21 act making appropriations for the support of  
22 government.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Read  
24 the last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This



1 act shall take effect immediately.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: Call  
3 the roll.

4 (The Secretary called the roll.)

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN:  
6 Announce the results.

7 THE SECRETARY: In relation to  
8 Calendar 362, those Senators voting in the  
9 negative are Senators Akshar, Amedore, Antonacci,  
10 Boyle, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan, Griffo,  
11 Helming, Jacobs, Jordan, Lanza, LaValle, Little,  
12 O'Mara, Ortt, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie, Robach,  
13 Serino, Seward and Tedisco.

14 Ayes, 40. Nays, 22.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: The  
16 bill is passed.

17 Senator Gianaris, that completes the  
18 reading of today's calendar.

19 SENATOR GIANARIS: Is there any  
20 further business at the desk?

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: There  
22 is no further business at the desk.

23 SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to  
24 adjourn until Monday, April 1st, at 3:00 p.m.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BENJAMIN: On

1 motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Monday,  
2 April 1st, at 3:00 p.m.

3 (Applause.)

4 (Whereupon, at 3:19 a.m., the Senate  
5 adjourned.)

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