## HOUSE BILL NO. 422

## INTRODUCED BY PECK, BACHINI, FARRIS, O'CONNELL, BENGTSON, J. HAMMOND

## IN THE HOUSE

Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
Second reading, do pass,
Considered correctly engrossed.
Third reading, passed. Transmitted to Senate.
SENATE
Introduced and referred to Committee on Education and Cultural Resources.
Committee recommend bill be
concurred in. Report adopted.
Second reading, concurred in.
Second reading, concurred in. Third reading, concurred in.
Second reading, concurred in. Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 47; Noes, 0.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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