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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of Allegiance and Presentation of Colors.

At the beginning of session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), introduced the Westover Composite Squadron Color Guard of the Massachusetts Wing of the Civil Air Patrol who entered the Chamber and presented Colors. At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato) the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The Colors were then posted; and the Westover Composite Squadron Color Guard departed from the Chamber.

Pledge of
Allegiance and
Colors posted.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Speaker took the Chair, declared a brief recess, and introduced You Kijun, Consul General of Korea, and Deputy Consul Hong. They were the guests of Representative Chan of Quincy.

Consul General
You and Deputy
Consul Hong.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Chan of Quincy and other members of the House) reaffirming the friendship between Massachusetts and the Republic of Korea and welcoming the President of the Republic of Korea, Yoon Suk Yeol, to Massachusetts, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Yoon Suk
Yeol.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been returned by the State Secretary, under the provision of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, with memoranda relative thereto) severally were referred, under Rule 24, as follows:

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3801) of Margaret R. Scarsdale for legislation to establish a municipal building assistance program and building authority. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Municipal
safety building
authority.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3802) of Natalie M. Blais and others relative to creating a municipal and public safety building authority; and

Id.

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3803) of Margaret R. Scarsdale and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to establish a public safety building authority and assistance program;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3804) of Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation to establish the Martha's Vineyard housing bank funded by a fee upon the transfer of any real property in member towns. To the committee on Revenue.

Martha's
Vineyard,—
housing bank.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3805) of Dylan A. Fernandes and others for legislation to establish a body politic and corporate to be known as the Massachusetts clean energy technology center; and

Clean energy
technology
center.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3806) of Sally P. Kerans, Joan B. Lovely and Jennifer Balinsky Armini for legislation to further regulate the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company board of directors;

Municipal
electric
company,—
board.

Severally to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representatives Wong of Saugus and Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3807) of Donald H. Wong and Kate Lipper-Garabedian (by vote of the town) that the town of Wakefield be authorized to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Wakefield,—
property tax
exemption.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Saunders of Belchertown and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron L. Saunders and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the towns) that Joseph J. Cuneo be authorized to continue employment as fire chief of the towns of Wendell and New Salem, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and

Wendell and
New Salem,—
Joseph Cuneo.

By Representatives Sousa of Framingham and Lewis of Framingham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Priscila S. Sousa and Jack Patrick Lewis that the commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land in the city of Framingham to said city.

Framingham,—
land.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a process for determining the order of candidates' names on the town of Marblehead's town election ballots (Senate, No. 411) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Marblehead,—
election
ballots.

A report of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1322) of Pavel M. Payano and Adam Scanlon for legislation relative to courtesy retail parking spaces designed for non-handicapped veterans, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal

Veterans,—
parking
spaces.

Affairs,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and others relative to requiring school attendance up to age 18 or until graduation. To the committee on Education.

Schools,—
attendance
age.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Antonio F. D. Cabral, Christopher Hendricks and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System to grant credible service to Kellie Martin. To the committee on Public Service.

Kellie
Martin,—
retirement.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3167) of Denise C. Garlick relative to closed captioning on public-facing televisions,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Closed
captioning,—
public-facing
televisions.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Establishing a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3778); and

William
Donahue.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Lisa Balentine, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 3779);

Lisa
Balentine.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, and employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 2376) (which originated in the Senate), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and it was sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain

General
Appropriation

activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3900), was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

After debate on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then move to amend it in section 9, in lines 232 to 237, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Ms. Ferguson of Holden; and on the roll call 25 members voted in the affirmative and 132 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 17](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by inserting after section 14 the following four sections:

“SECTION 14A. Section 6 of said chapter 62, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 290, the figure ‘2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 2028.

SECTION 14B. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 296, the figure ‘2024’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 2029.

SECTION 14C. Section 38Q of chapter 63 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the figure ‘2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 2028.

SECTION 14D. Said section 38Q of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 9, the figure ‘2024’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 2029.”.

The amendment was adopted.

Representatives Jones of North Reading and Kerans of Danvers then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 51. Section 13 of chapter 58 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the figure ‘16’, in line 74, the following words: ‘; of all land comprising the North Shore regional 911 center and the Essex county correctional facility in the town of Middleton.’”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3900, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

At twenty-nine minutes before one o’clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess until half past one o’clock, there being no objection; and at twenty-five before two o’clock P.M. the House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

At twelve before two o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston (the Speaker being in the Chair), the House recessed until four o’clock; and at two minutes after four o’clock P.M. the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

The House thereupon took a further recess, on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn, subject to the call of the Chair; and at six minutes after six o’clock P.M. the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz and other members of the House moved, under the provisions of the last sentence of the penultimate paragraph of Rule 20A, to amend it in section 2, in item

Bill.

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 17.

Recesses.

Consolidated
amendments
(education

1410-0010, in line 6, by inserting after the year: “2024” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended for the NEADS Service Dogs for Veterans program to train service dogs for veterans; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the East Longmeadow American Legion Post 293 for repairs, maintenance and upgrades to their current facility”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “7,803,565” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,913,565”;

and local aid,
social services,
and veteran
services and
soldiers’ homes).

In item 1410-0012, in line 14, by inserting after the year: “2023” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Mulch for Military, Inc. for restoring, maintaining and honoring veteran markers and headstones across central Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center, Inc. for the grace veterans program based in cognitive processing therapy with a holistic and wellness approach; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Springfield Veterans First (NABVET) Outreach Center; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Veterans Oral History Project in Natick; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Quabbin Mediation, Inc. to provide veteran mediation training and support services; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a Pittsfield caseworker through the Bilingual Veterans Outreach Centers of Massachusetts, Inc. in Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for free lunches and wrap-around services that Community Roots Neighborhood Services, Inc. provides to veterans; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Veterans Inc. to expand its behavioral health programming and create low-barrier access to treatment for persons at the Worcester housing programs and that these funds shall be in addition to funds available for its outreach center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Veterans’ Kitchen of Fall River, Inc. to provide hot meals twice weekly to veterans and their families at no charge; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Veterans Northeast Outreach Center, Inc. for services for veterans in the city of Haverhill; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for American Legion Post 82 in Nantucket for repairing and replacing veteran gravestones and honoring veterans; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Michael J. Perkins Post American Legion Post 67 in the South Boston neighborhood of Boston for plumbing, heating and energy efficiency improvements; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Abraham Lincoln Post in the Charlestown neighborhood of Boston for historic preservation; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements and upgrades of the Oxford VFW Post 5663 in Oxford”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “9,519,222” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,039,222”;

In item 1410-0250 by adding following: “; and provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Disabled American Veterans Department of Massachusetts Service Fund, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,242,655” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,492,655”;

In item 1410-1616 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Friends of North Attleboro Monuments Incorporated for the global war on terrorism monument project; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the installation of a veterans memorial in Arlington; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the town of Kingston for the construction of a veterans memorial; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for maintenance services for the Korean War

memorial located in the Charlestown Navy Yard; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to hire a preservationist to repair and stabilize monuments within Laurel Hill cemetery in Reading; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Lynnfield war memorial project; and provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for masonry repairs at Laurel Hill cemetery in Reading”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “340,000”;

In item 3000-1000, in line 30, by inserting after the word “basis” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for the support of grant funding and personnel efforts in Duxbury; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Elizabeth Peabody House Association in Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the Hyde Square Task Force, Inc. for creative development and community engagement programs; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for More Than Words, Inc. for a job training program for youth and young parents; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for capital improvements for the Haskins facility of Child Care of the Berkshires, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for For Kids Only Afterschool, Incorporated for a pilot workforce development program to support programming for low-income and at-risk children and educators”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “11,591,537” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,936,537”;

In item 3000-7070 by striking out the figures: “1,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,750,000”;

In item 4200-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the South End Community Center of Springfield, Inc.’s community youth corps program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,576,720” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “25,626,720”;

In item 4400-1000, in line 27, by inserting after the word “requirements” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the town of Hudson for the retention of 1 part-time employee to support the MetroWest Food Collaborative and its mission to strengthen local and regional food systems; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Fresh Start Furniture Bank, Inc. in Hudson; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the support of transition-aged youth through the Friends of Children, Inc. FOCUS program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “79,436,407” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “79,761,407”;

In item 4800-0015, in line 154, by inserting after the word “home” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$110,000 shall be expended for Rick’s Place, Inc. of Wilbraham to provide grief support to youth and their families in the Pioneer Valley”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “139,806,735” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “139,916,735”;

In item 4800-0030 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the Italian Home for Children, Inc. to provide high acuity autism and mental health services for children, adults and families suffering from the shortages in services and long waits as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “9,525,854” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “9,825,854”;

In item 4800-0038 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Weymouth Youth and Family Services Teen Center for job skills training, technology support, remedial education services and to promote a social service program for growth and social welfare; provided further, that

not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Center for Early Relationship Support, including for the Fragile Beginnings program, Project Newborns Exposed to Substances: Support and Therapy and related clinical and community services for vulnerable families with children from birth to age 5; provided further, that not less than \$475,000 shall be expended for children's advocacy centers; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Rise Above Foundation, Inc. additional programming for additional youth"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "354,543,909" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "355,343,909";

In item 7000-9401, in line 15, by inserting after the word "commonwealth" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for material and equipment upgrades for the Tufts library in Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Worcester public library to provide seed funding and support staff for the Library in Every Classroom project"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "15,241,800" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "15,441,800";

In item 7000-9501, in line 16, by inserting after the word "program" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Plympton public library for the purchase of furniture for the room for children"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "16,800,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "16,825,000";

In item 7009-6600, in line 5, by inserting after the word "education" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for Westfield State University for an early college program for nursing and health science pathways"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "15,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "15,150,000";

In item 7010-0012 by striking out the figures: "30,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "31,000,000";

In item 7010-0033, in line 11, by striking out the word "Momenta" and inserting in place thereof the words "HILL for Literacy";

In item 7010-1192, in line 4, by inserting after the word "appropriation" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for wireless security systems upgrades for Millis public schools; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Community Investors, Inc. for the PowerPlay initiative in Wellesley for the expansion of an after-school and out-of-school recreational program at urban and suburban schools in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for lighting upgrades for the Corey auditorium at the Carlisle public school; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for an inclusive playground in Holden; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended for youth programs at Dennison Memorial community center in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the SMART and Eureka programs for the Framingham, Holyoke, Lowell, Lynn, Pittsfield and Worcester chapters of Girls Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for safety and security improvements for the Johnson school in Nahant; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for busing needs for after school programs in Natick; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Natick public schools for staff development to support the profile of Natick educator competencies; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for roof repairs for Cape Cod Lighthouse charter school; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Macomber school in Westport; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Essex County Community Foundation

Incorporated for Haverhill Promise for efforts to expand early literacy; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for Sisters@Heart, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for security upgrades at Richardson Olmsted elementary school, Easton middle school and Oliver Ames high school in Easton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Raising Multicultural Kids, Inc. for diversity and inclusion workshops and for recruitment and training of teachers of color; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for mental health services for Methuen high school; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for El Instituto Cultural de Puerto Rico, Inc. to promote education and arts within the Puerto Rican and Latino community in Lawrence and Methuen; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for capital facility improvements for Berkshire Dream Center Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for two pilot programs to be awarded to school districts from gateway cities for the professional development and job-embedded coaching of general education teachers and classroom personnel around inclusive practices to ensure classrooms are managed with key supports for special education students and behavior challenges; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for repairs for Newbury elementary school; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Change is Simple, Incorporated for the expansion of STEM programming to public school students in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a youth sports fund in Boston for financial assistance for youth in referee trainings, payments for travel expenses related to sports referee trainings, purchase of youth sports equipment for Boston public school students with financial barriers, financial assistance and waivers for applications in youth sports programs and assistance for Boston-based non-profits to lower applications fees; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Salem public schools for upgrades to the Salem high school fieldhouse gym floor and other play surfaces; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for All Dorchester Sports League, Inc. for educational support, nutrition and other community benefits related to the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the purchase of band equipment for the North Attleboro high school music department; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the construction of a playground for the Roosevelt Avenue school in North Attleboro; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for an ADA-accessible playground for the John E. McCarthy Memorial elementary school in Peabody; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the marking of the tricentennial anniversary in Stoneham; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Stoneham Historical Society, Inc. for programming and facility maintenance; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Project Learn, Inc. for the operation of the youth innovation learning hub in Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Beyond Soccer, Inc. for health, athletic and leadership programming for low-income youth in Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for Worcester public library to hire a temporary ESOL navigator for English language learning needs in Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the construction of a recreational facility for Nathan Hale school; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for a play structure for Joseph H. Downey elementary school in Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for field improvements for the Brockton baseball fields and dugouts; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for Massachusetts

Marine Trades Association for workforce development training opportunities and technical education in secondary and post-secondary schools for careers in the marine trades; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Greater Attleboro Area Council for Children, Incorporated; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for The Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc. for renovation projects; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the Literacy Lab for literacy intervention services for pre-k through third grade students at risk of grade-level reading failure in the greater Springfield and western Massachusetts areas; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Asociacion Carnavalesca de Massachusetts, Inc. in Lawrence to highlight Dominican Carnival in the Merrimack valley and for programming and after-school activities for at-risk youth; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for Hispanic Week to showcase Hispanic culture in the Merrimack valley and across the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Ateneo Dominicano Del Merrimack Valley to promote Dominican culture in the Merrimack valley; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for One Bead Project for technology equity and entrepreneurship programming for school-age children in Boston; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the outside basketball court project for Lynnfield high school; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the replacement of student Chromebooks for the continuation of the district's 1:1 student to devices program in North Reading; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a classroom set of Nord stage 3 88 stage keyboards for the Reading Memorial high school performing arts program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Grow Food Northampton, Inc. for a project for gardening, outdoor exercise, healthy food and food preparation for elementary school age children in the greater Northampton area; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for mental health services in Braintree public schools; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for technological repairs and infrastructure improvements for Amherst regional high school performing arts department; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Littleton Robotics and Littleton STEM Educational Foundation; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended for a lightning protection system for Row elementary school in Chelmsford"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "3,325,000";

In item 7010-1193, in line 6, by inserting after the word "commonwealth" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Coalition for Anti-Racism and Equity and Commonwealth Seminar to administer a year-long joint fellowship program"; in lines 6 and 7, by striking out the following: "and provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Edward M. Kennedy Institute" and inserting in place thereof the following: "provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the USS Constitution Museum, Inc. for civics education programs within the Charlestown Navy shipyard park; and provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Edward M. Kennedy Institute"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "1,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "2,100,000";

In item 7027-1004, in line 9, by inserting after the year: "2017" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Rockland public schools for an English language learners program"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "3,599,084" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "3,624,084";

In item 7028-0031, in line 5, by inserting after the word “correction” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Fundación CEMDPCD for support, education and advocacy for low-income parents of students with learning disabilities in Lawrence”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “8,608,798” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “8,658,798”;

In item 7035-0002, in line 5, by inserting after the word “education” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for Operation A.B.L.E. of Greater Boston, Inc. for workforce and skills training, employment services and job re-entry support for older workers; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the e-team machinist program in Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Olive in July, Inc. for adult education, English as a second language and citizenship courses for residents of Lawrence and Methuen”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “65,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “65,325,000”;

In item 7061-9010, in line 9, by striking out the figures: “1,088” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,188”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “230,282,538” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “232,682,538”;

In item 7061-9611, in line 37, by inserting after the word “law” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Girls Design Academy in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the YWCA Central Massachusetts, Inc. for youth swimming lessons; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Boston Debate League Incorporated for the after-school debate league program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Cape Verdean Association of Brockton for employment positions for at-risk youth in the YEP! We Can summer program; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for programming to support young mothers returning to school including a micro-college set up by Bard College offered at the Care Center of Holyoke; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Homework House Inc for a tutoring and mentoring program in Holyoke public schools; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements for the gym and weight room in Andover high school”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,577,018” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,937,018”;

In item 7061-9612, in line 29, by inserting after the figures: “69” the words “; provided further, that schools receiving continuation grants shall, at the end of the grant year, submit a self-reflection report to the department detailing progress made in implementing their school-wide action plans; provided further, that the department shall provide said self-reflection reports to the safe and supportive schools commission which shall summarize said self-reflection reports in its annual report to the legislature”, in line 31, by inserting after the words “improvement plans” the words “, which the department shall provide to the commission,”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “600,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “650,000”;

In item 7066-0000, in line 8, by inserting after the year: “2012” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Thrive Scholars for support of college to career services; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for education and career training for incarcerated individuals at Holyoke Community College; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for academic and financial support services for students of Urban College of Boston, A Two-Year College, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,672,123” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,182,123”;

In item 7077-0023 by striking out the figures: “5,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,000,000”;

In item 7100-0200, in line 30, by inserting after the word “closure” the words “; provided further, that the university shall expend funds for the UMass-Amherst Cranberry Station”;

In item 7116-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the John J. Binienda Center for Civic Education at Worcester State University”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “34,809,139” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “34,859,139”;

In item 7503-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Veterans’ Educational Service Center at Bristol Community College”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “26,801,164” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “26,851,164”;

In item 7507-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended for the MassBay Center for Cybersecurity Education”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “19,335,019” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “19,420,019”;

In section 2E by inserting after item 1595-0115 the following item:
“1595-0116 For the Genocide Education Trust Fund, as established in section 2MMMMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws, inserted by section 1 of chapter 98 of the acts of 2021; provided, that said funds shall be distributed by the commissioner of the department of elementary and secondary education for purposes related to the instruction of middle and high school students on the history of genocide, including but not limited to: (i) development of curricular materials detailing the underlying causes, international reaction, progression and aftermath of genocide; and (ii) professional development training, including, but not limited to, the provision of trainings, seminars, conferences and materials, for educators to use in the teaching of genocide.....\$500,000”;

In section 2F, in item 1596-2418, in lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words “a program of higher education at a public community college” and inserting in place thereof the following: “either (A) a program of higher education at a public community college; or (B) an associate degree or certificate program at a municipal college”;

By inserting after section 28 the following section:

“SECTION 28A. Line-item 1410-0250 of section 2 of chapter 182 of the acts of 2008 is hereby amended by striking out the figure ‘\$190,000’ and inserting in place thereof the figures: ‘440,000’.”;

In section 31, in lines 603, 604 and 605, by striking out the following: “and (iii) nutrition requirements or best practices of states with enhanced standards beyond federal requirements” and inserting in place thereof the following: “(iii) nutrition requirements or best practices of states with enhanced standards beyond federal requirements; and (iv) nutrition standards determined to prevent chronic disease and optimize the short-term and long-term health of children in the commonwealth”, in line 608, by inserting after the word “content” the words “, dietary fiber content, limits of saturated fat and cholesterol in and ultra-processing”; and in line 609, by striking out the words “medical and non-medical dietary restrictions” and inserting in place thereof the words “cultural, medical and non-medical dietary restrictions, including, but not limited to, food allergies and lactose intolerance”;

By inserting after section 34 the following section:

“SECTION 34A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the bureau of purchased services in the operational services division shall determine prices for programs under chapter 71B of the General Laws in fiscal year 2024 by increasing the final fiscal year 2023 price by the rate of inflation as determined by the division. The division shall adjust prices for extraordinary relief pursuant to 808 CMR 1.06(4). The division shall accept applications for program reconstruction and special circumstances in fiscal year 2024. The division shall authorize the fiscal year 2024 price for out-of-state purchasers requested by a program, not to exceed a maximum price determined by the bureau, by identifying the most recent price calculated for the program and applying the estimated rate of inflation for each year, as determined by the bureau under section 22N of chapter 7 of the General Laws, in which the rate of inflation is frozen beginning with fiscal year 2004, in a compounded manner for each fiscal year.”

After debate on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F, and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 18](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (education and local aid, social services, and veteran services and soldiers’ homes) were adopted.

At twenty-four minutes before seven o’clock P.M., on motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until eight o’clock; and at twelve minutes before nine o’clock P.M., the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz and other members of the House moved, under the provisions of the last sentence of the penultimate paragraph of Rule 20A, to amend it in section 2, in item 4000-0005, in line 10, by inserting after the year: “2023”, the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to A.W.A.K.E., Inc. Youth Violence Prevention in Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to BAGLY, Inc. to provide innovative job training and wraparound support to LGBTQ+ homeless youth; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the SISU Center in the city of Lawrence to provide a safe space for structured education, health and recreational programming for at-risk youth throughout the Merrimack Valley”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “12,600,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,800,000”;

In item 4000-0009, in line 4, by inserting after the word “office” the following : “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Sickle Cell Disease Association of Massachusetts, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “350,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “600,000”;

In item 4000-0300, in line 8, by inserting after the word “resources” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Human Relations Service, Inc. in the town of Wellesley to address the mental and behavioral health needs of families and children; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Brookline Community Mental Health Center, Inc. to expand the healthy lives program; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to The Lily House Inc. in the town of Wellfleet for hospice house facility repairs; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center at William James College for the retention and development of a culturally diverse and experienced behavioral health workforce that cares for underserved communities in the commonwealth and to train

Consolidated amendments adopted,—yea and nay No. 18.

Recess.

Consolidated amendments (health and human services, and elder affairs).

a cohort of K-12 experts in school climate, including teachers and administrators, to create inclusive, behaviorally healthy school environments that foster psychological health, social development, diversity and inclusion for children; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Fall River Deaconess Home, Inc. for the expansion of clinical, occupational and trauma informed mental health treatment for youth; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to support the critical care operations of New England Life Flight, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital – Needham, Inc. for behavioral health services; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Martha’s Vineyard Community Services, Inc. for increased access to health and human services on Martha’s Vineyard; provided further, that not less than \$2,500,000 shall be expended for building costs for North Shore Community Health, Inc. to support the capital project of building a new Salem family health facility to enhance and improve the care that is given to patients in Salem and the greater North Shore region”, in line 124, by striking out the following: “300,000” and inserting in place thereof the following: “500,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “123,456,500” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “126,871,500”;

In item 4000-0601, in line 10, by inserting after the word “occurs” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Harbor Health Services, Inc. for eldercare workforce development, training programs, infrastructure and operational upgrades to its Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) day centers in Mattapan, Brockton and in any new communities for which Harbor Health Services has been contracted to help meet the commonwealth’s PACE expansion goals”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,486,764,509” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,486,914,509”;

In item 4000-0700, in line 66, by inserting after the word “purposes” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the family medicine program in Franklin county; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Harbor Health Services, Inc. for workforce development, training and recruitment of qualified dental assistants and hygienists to expand capacity at its community-based dental health clinics serving Plymouth and Cape Cod; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for to the Greenfield family medicine residency program in western Massachusetts to support the training of primary care physicians in underserved communities”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,713,166,357” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,743,716,357”;

In item 4000-1700 by adding the following “; provided, that not less than \$140,000 shall be expended to Manet Community Health Center, Incorporated for construction costs associated with the completion of phase 2 expansion of its Attleboro satellite health care center with 6 exam rooms, 2 behavioral health rooms and 1 consult room”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “167,727,025” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “167,867,025”;

By inserting after the heading before item 4003-0122 the following item:
“4003-0111 For the operation of the office for refugees and
immigrants.....\$500,000”;

In item 4003-0122, in line 4, by inserting after the words “program”, the first time it appears, the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a grant for the Immigrants Assistance Center, Inc. in the city of New Bedford to provide citizenship and workforce readiness programming; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the city of Framingham public

school system for a multilingual family assistance caseworker to assist immigrant families and children with navigating and accessing resources that are essential to meeting their basic needs, including mental health and medical services; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Lawrence Family Development, Inc. in Lawrence for English as a second language and citizenship classes; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Casa Dominicana, Inc. to assist in English as a second language and citizenship classes”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,036,957” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,186,957”;

By inserting after item 4003-0122 the following item:

“4003-0123 For the resettlement agencies in the commonwealth that contract with the United States Department of State to resettle refugees and immigrants to provide services and support to refugees and other displaced persons eligible for the services provided by said resettlement agencies; provided, that, at the discretion of the agency, not less than 75 per cent of the funds may be expended on direct assistance to refugees and immigrants, including, but not limited to, assistance securing immigration status in the United States, and not more than 25 per cent of the funds may be expended to support the infrastructure of the resettlement agencies on a pro-rata basis; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in item 4003-0122 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021, as amended by section 65 of chapter 102 of the acts of 2021, shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be made available until September 30, 2023 \$500,000”;

In item 4400-1004, in line 11, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Salem Food Pantry to appoint and hire a community programs assistant who shall serve as a key community liaison and support operations of the market located in the Point neighborhood in the city of Salem; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Allston-Brighton Food Pantry and community refrigerator support program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,050,000”;

In item 4400-1020, in line 14, by inserting after the word “Inc.” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Main South Community Development Corporation’s efforts to promote the safety and security of the University Park and Beacon Brightly neighborhoods”; and by striking out the figure “\$5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,050,000”;

In item 4405-2000, in lines 7 and 9, and also in item 4408-1000, in lines 19 and 21, by striking out the year: “2022”, each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof the year: “2023”;

In item 9110-1630, in line 15, by inserting after the word “served” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to Coastline Elderly Services, Inc. for its community mainstream program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “213,760,442” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “213,795,442”;

In item 9110-1660, in line 3, by striking out the figures: “856,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “906,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,831,491” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,881,491”;

In item 9110-1900 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be expended for the Meals on Wheels Program for the elderly”; and

in said item by striking out the figures: “11,047,709” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,797,709”;

In item 9110-9002, in line 7, by inserting after the word “elder” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Plymouth senior center for the renovation and modernization of its reception station to make accessible for all seniors; provided further that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the city of Leominster for improvements to the Leominster senior center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Millis senior center for the purchase and operation of a transportation vehicle; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Brookline council on aging to collaborate with the Brookline chamber of commerce and Brookline housing authority to provide workforce training, focused on interviewing, online job searching and resume updating directed at older adults but open to all residents of Brookline; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the East Longmeadow Pleasant View senior center for a new ADA-compliant van to transport seniors to medical appointments, adult day care facilities and events outside the senior center; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the costs associated with care and services provided at the Whipple senior center in the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Wilbraham senior center in the town of Wilbraham; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for equipment and supplies for the council on aging in the town of Southborough; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior medical rides program and related elderly and veteran outreach efforts operated by Deja New Leicester, Incorporated, the council on aging in the town of Leicester and Project New Hope Incorporated; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Pepperell council on aging for the improvement, replacement and repair of the kitchen and kitchen appliances in the Albert Harris senior center; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended for the Acushnet council on aging; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for grab and go meals for the council on aging in the town of East Bridgewater; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Milano center in the city of Melrose for safety and infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for expanding programs for seniors at the Spitzer senior center in North Adams; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for vehicles for the Fall River council on aging; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Dedham council on aging for senior transportation; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for an accessible van for the council on aging in the town of Abington; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Methuen senior activity center for operational costs; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the Friends of Maynard Seniors, Inc. to conduct a study addressing the need for a permanent senior center in Maynard; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for interior improvements to the Sturbridge senior center in the town of Sturbridge; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Parkway in Motion, Inc. to provide programming for seniors in the southwest Boston neighborhoods; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the West Springfield council on aging for a new public transportation van to improve accessibility for seniors; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the Spencer senior center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Martha’s Vineyard Community Foundation, Inc. to provide transportation services to older adults on Martha’s

Vineyard; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Middleton council on aging for the new community center in the town of Middleton; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for out-of-town transportation for seniors and disabled persons in the town of North Reading”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,789,309” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “27,074,309”;

In section 2E, in item 1595-1068, in lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words “unless stated otherwise in this item,”, in lines 4 to 8, inclusive, by striking out the words “services provided during state or federal fiscal year 2023 or 2024 or for public hospital transformation and incentive initiative payments for state fiscal year 2023 or 2024 or for Medicaid care organization payments under 42 CFR 438.6(c) for rate year 2023 or 2024” and inserting in place thereof the following: “: (i) services provided; (ii) public hospital transformation and incentive initiative payments; (iii) health equity incentive payments; or (iv) Medicaid care organization payments under 42 CFR 438.6(c)”; and in lines 27 and 28, by striking out the words “which shall fully satisfy the non-federal share of such payment”;

By inserting after section 12 the following section:

“SECTION 12A. Chapter 32A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 33. (a) For the purposes of this section, ‘Federally-defined preventive services’ shall mean: (i) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (ii) immunizations with routine use in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; (iii) with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; and (iv) with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in clause (i) as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; provided, that federally-defined preventive services shall include all other preventive services not subject to cost-sharing, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(b) The commission shall provide to an active or retired employee of the commonwealth who is insured under the group insurance commission coverage for federally-defined preventive services.

(c)(1) Coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any cost-sharing, including, but not limited to, co-payments, co-insurance or any deductible, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(2) Benefits for an enrollee pursuant to this section shall be the same for the enrollee’s covered spouse and covered dependents.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit: (i) coverage for items and services in addition to those recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; or (ii) denying coverage for items or services not recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

(e) If a recommendation pursuant to subsection (a) is changed during a plan year, a carrier shall not be required to make changes to the health plan during the plan year.”;

By inserting after section 27 the following four sections:

“SECTION 27A. Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 47TT the following section:

Section 47UU. (a) For the purposes of this section, ‘Federally-defined preventive services’ shall mean: (i) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (ii) immunizations with routine use in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Center for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; (iii) with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; and (iv) with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in clause (i) as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; provided, that federally-defined preventive services shall include all other preventive services not subject to cost-sharing, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(b) A policy, contract, agreement, plan or certificate of insurance issued, delivered or renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage pursuant to section 1 of chapter 111M, shall provide coverage for federally-defined preventive services.

(c) Coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any cost-sharing, including, but not limited to, co-payments, co-insurance or any deductible, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit: (i) coverage for items and services in addition to those recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; or (ii) denying coverage for items or services not recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

(e) If a recommendation pursuant to subsection (a) is changed during a plan year, a carrier shall not be required to make changes to the health plan during the plan year.

SECTION 27B. Chapter 176A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 8UU the following section:-

Section 8VV. (a) For the purposes of this section, ‘Federally-defined preventive services’ shall mean: (i) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (ii) immunizations with routine uses in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; (iii) with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; and (iv) with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in clause (i) as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the

federal Health Resources and Services Administration; provided, that federally-defined preventive services shall also include all other preventive services not subject to cost-sharing, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(b) Any contract between a subscriber and a corporation subject to this chapter, pursuant to an individual or group hospital service plan that is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage pursuant to section 1 of chapter 111M, shall provide coverage for federally-defined preventive services.

(c) Coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any cost-sharing, including, but not limited to, co-payments, co-insurance or any deductible, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit: (i) coverage for items and services in addition to those recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; or (ii) denying coverage for items and services that are not recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

(e) If a recommendation pursuant to subsection (a) is changed during a plan year, a carrier shall not be required to make changes to the health plan during the plan year.

SECTION 27C. Chapter 176B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 4UU the following section:-

Section 4VV. (a) For the purposes of this section, ‘Federally-defined preventive services’ shall mean: (i) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (ii) immunizations with routine use in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; (iii) with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; and (iv) with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in clause (i) as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; provided, that federally-defined preventive services shall also include all other preventive services not subject to cost-sharing, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(b) Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service agreement which is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage pursuant to section 1 of chapter 111M, shall provide coverage for federally-defined preventive services.

(c) Coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any cost-sharing, including, but not limited to, co-payments, co-insurance or any deductible, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit: (i) coverage for items and services in addition to those recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; or (ii) denying coverage for items and services that are

not recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

(e) If a recommendation described in subsection (a) is changed during a plan year, a carrier shall not be required to make changes to the health plan during the plan year.

SECTION 27D. Chapter 176G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 4MM the following section:

Section 4NN. (a) For the purposes of this section, ‘Federally-defined preventive services’ shall mean: (i) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (ii) immunizations with routine use in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; (iii) with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; and (iv) with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in clause (i) as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration; provided, that federally-defined preventive services shall also include all other preventive services not subject to cost-sharing, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(b) An individual or group health maintenance contract that is issued, delivered or renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage pursuant to section 1 of chapter 111M, shall provide coverage for federally-defined preventive services.

(c) Coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any cost-sharing, including, but not limited to, co-payments, co-insurance or any deductible, as required by established federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued on or before July 1, 2023.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit: (i) coverage for items and services in addition to those recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the Health Resources and Services Administration; or (ii) denying coverage for items and services that are not recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or the federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

(e) If a recommendation described in subsection (a) is changed during a plan year, a carrier shall not be required to make changes to the health plan during the plan year.”;

By inserting after section 34A (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 34B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all ambulance ground transportation provided to MassHealth fee-for-service and managed care plan members who are also Medicare eligible shall be paid at the applicable Medicare rate.”; and

By inserting after section 44 the following section:

“SECTION 44A. The division of insurance shall issue guidance necessary for implementation and enforcement and to ensure compliance with sections 12A, 27A, 27B, 27C and 27D not later than 90 days after the effective date of this act; provided, that said guidance shall be consistent with all relevant federal requirements and any

preventive services that shall not be subject to cost-sharing that are added to relevant federal regulatory and sub-regulatory guidance issued not later than July 1, 2023.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F, and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 19](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (health and human services, and elder affairs) were adopted.

Consolidated
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adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 19.

Recess.

At six minutes after nine o'clock P.M. (Monday, April 24), on motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.; and at that time, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Recess.