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Thursday, June 15, 2023.

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

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Garballey), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Mr. Driscoll of Milton, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of longtime Milton resident and public servant Alexander Whiteside who passed away on May 16, 2023, at the age of 78.

Alexander
Whiteside.

Mr. Whiteside was a dedicated and active public servant in Milton. After years of private practice, he was appointed by Governor William Weld to serve as Chief Counsel for the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. He served the Commonwealth for 16 years, but it was in his service to the town of Milton that he left an indelible mark. Mr. Whiteside served as a longstanding Town Meeting Member and a dedicated member and frequent Chair of the Milton Planning Board for over 30 years, having had a hand in the drafting of any zoning of note.

Mr. Whiteside's enthusiasm for service never diminished. His passing is a great loss to Milton, and he will be deeply missed. He is survived by his daughter Margaret and his son Alexander Jr.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, the Weston High School Boys Golf Team who won the Division 3 State Golf Championship last fall. They were led by Head Coach Mary O'Brien. The athletes and their coach participated in the pledged of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley.

Weston Boys
Golf Team.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and recognized Ms. Kilcoyne of Clinton for the purpose of introducing Clinton Middle School 8th Grade students, who were seated in the House Chamber. After witnessing the action of the House, the students departed from the Chamber under the guidance of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Clinton
Middle School
8th Graders.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Christopher Wilhelm Lustig Goessens on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Christopher
Goessens.

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

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Parisella of Beverly) designating August 12th and 13th 2023 as the sales tax holiday (House, No. 3916), were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Sales tax
holiday.

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

Communications.

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From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2SSSS of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the second quarter of fiscal year 2023 legislative report for the MassHealth Delivery System Reform Incentive Platform (DSRIP);

Delivery
System Reform
Incentive
Platform.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 2(B)(g) of Chapter 18 of the General Laws) submitting its report entitled: Standard Budgets of Assistance for Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, as required by said law]; and

DTA,—
standard
budgets.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4401-1003 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: 2-Gen Economic Mobility Programs Report;

DTA,—
2-Gen economic
mobility.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Mark presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3928) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Chesterfield to continue the employment of reserve special police officer Greg Smith; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Chesterfield,—
Greg Smith.

The following additional petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Representative Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3917) of Josh S. Cutler and Vanna Howard for legislation to establish a blockchain-based limited liability company. To the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

Blockchain,—
liability
company.

<p>By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3918) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian and Jason M. Lewis relative to the composition of the boards of registrars of voters. To the committee on Election Laws.</p>	<p>Boards of registrars of voters.</p>
<p>By Representative Armini of Marblehead, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3919) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini relative to boat wrap recycling. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.</p>	<p>Boat wrap recycling.</p>
<p>By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3920) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian and Jason M. Lewis relative to PANDAS/PANS screening in medical/clinical settings. To the committee on Financial Services.</p>	<p>PANDAS/PANS,— screening.</p>
<p>By Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3921) of Brandy Fluker Oakley relative to establishing a commission to study and develop proposals for lineage-based reparations programs in the Commonwealth; and</p>	<p>Lineage-based reparations,— study.</p>
<p>By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3922) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian relative to preventing false confessions.</p>	<p>Preventing false confessions.</p>
<p>Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.</p>	
<p>By Representative Driscoll of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3923) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., that zoning ordinances in MBTA communities require certain housing be located within high-capacity public transportation areas. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.</p>	<p>MBTA,— zoning ordinances.</p>
<p>By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3924) of Marcus S. Vaughn that cities and towns and schools be required to provide and maintain automated external defibrillators at athletic fields, parks and playgrounds. To the committee on Public Health.</p>	<p>Automated external defibrillators.</p>
<p>By Representative Robertson of Tewksbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3925) of David Allen Robertson relative to work hours for state retirees. To the committee on Public Service.</p>	<p>State retirees,— work hours.</p>
<p>By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3926) of David Allen Robertson relative to veteran disability benefits. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.</p>	<p>Veteran disability benefits.</p>
<p>Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.</p>	

Paper from the Senate.

<p>The House Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3807) [Local Approval Received], came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding the following section:</p>	<p>Wakefield,— senior citizen property tax.</p>
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“SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.”.

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

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 James K. Hawkins and Steven George Xiarhos relative to liability for damage caused by dogs. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Dogs,—
liability.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James K. Hawkins relative to zoning ordinances in MBTA communities. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

MBTA,—
community
zoning.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Bud L. Williams for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Maritza Miranda, an employee of the Department of Children and Families. To the committee on Public Service.

Maritza
Miranda,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Authorizing the town of Lanesborough to continue the employment of Daniel Bologna, Charles Garrity, Peter Pannesco, Peter Oakley, David Rolle, Donald Whalen and Michael Wooliver (House, No. 2435) [Local Approval Received];

Lanesborough,—
firefighters.

Authorizing the town of Hancock to allow firefighters and police to continue serving past age 65 (House, No. 2437) [Local Approval Received];

Hancock,—
retirement age.

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (House, No. 2448) [Local Approval Received]; and

Randall
Williams.

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Kenneth Ouimette (House, No. 3792) [Local Approval Received];

Kenneth
Ouimette.

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

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on Senate, Nos. 364, 378, 379 and 384 and House, Nos. 616, 627 and 648, a Bill to improve quality and oversight of long-term care (House, No. 3929). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Long-term
care,—
quality and
oversight.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill extending the time for the issuance of alcoholic beverage licenses in the city of Woburn (see House, No. 316) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Mansfield to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3828), having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mansfield,—
liquor license.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday
next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representative Duffy of Holyoke moved that when the House adjourned today, it do so in respect to the memory of David M. Bartley, a member of the House from Holyoke from 1963 to 1975, and Speaker of the House of Representatives from 1969 to 1975, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at eighteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.