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Thursday, September 7, 2023.

Met at twenty-one minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Collins in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

The Chair (Mr. Collins), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Communication.

Communication from the Department of Public Health submitting its Arbovirus Weekly Report for the week of September 5, 2023 (received September 5, 2023),-- **was placed on file.**

DPH,-- arbovirus report.
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Petition.

Mr. Oliveira presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2444) of Jacob R. Oliveira, Daniel R. Carey and Mindy Domb (by vote of the town) for legislation to provide for recall elections in the town of Granby [Local approval received];

Granby,-- recall elections.

**Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Election Laws.
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4079) of Nicholas A. Boldyga and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) relative to the office of town clerk and town treasurer in the town of Southwick; and

Southwick,-- town clerk and treasurer.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4080) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the governance of the Forbes Library in the city of Northampton;

Northampton,-- charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4081) of Paul A. Schmid, III (by vote of the town) that the town of Acushnet be authorized to continue the employment of the call deputy fire chief of said town;

Acushnet,-- deputy fire chief.

To the committee on Public Service.

A Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (House, No. 4082,-- on House, No. 2479), -- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

Judicial retirement,-- application.

A Bill relative to the Auburn water district clerk and treasurer (House, No. 2048,-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Auburn water district,-- clerk and treasurer.

A Bill authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers

Freetown,-- retired police officers.

in the town of Freetown (House, No. 3931,-- on House, No. 3730) [Local approval received on House, No. 3730],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “congratulating William Andrew Gillet on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

William Andrew Gillet.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Erin Keel, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (Senate, No. 2443);

Erin Keel,-- sick leave.

The bill was read. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill further regulating certain alcoholic beverage licenses in the town of Hudson (see House, No. 320) (which originated in the House), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and laid before the Governor for her approbation.**

Bill laid before the Governor.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4083) of Colleen M. Garry and Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Paul O’Brien, an employee of the Trial Court;

Paul O’Brien,-- sick leave.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4084) of Margaret R. Scarsdale and John J. Cronin for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Matthew McRae, an employee of the Department of the State Police;

Matthew McRae,-- sick leave.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

A Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 4057,-- being a message from Her Excellency the Governor),-- was read.

Bonds and notes,-- terms.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4057), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,-- was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.

Id.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and sent to the House for enactment.

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the House, came from the House with the endorsement that it had been enacted in that branch.

The Senate then passed the bill to be enacted; and it was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and laid before the Governor for her approbation.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fattman,--

Ordered, That, when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Time of meeting.

On motion of the same Senator, at nine minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.