

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

The one hundred and ninety-third General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday of January, being the fourth day of the year two thousand twenty-three and of the independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.

General Court
convened.

The following-named members-elect of the House of Representatives, having been duly summoned by the Executive, assembled and were called to order at fourteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., by Representative-elect Kevin G. Honan of Boston (member of the House from 1987 to 2022, inclusive) the oldest senior member-elect, to wit:—

House called
to order.

Arciero, James
Arena-DeRosa, James C.
Armini, Jennifer Balinsky
Arriaga, Shirley B.
Ashe, Brian M.
Ayers, Bruce J.
Balser, Ruth B.
Barber, Christine P.
Barrett, John, III
Barrows, F. Jay
Berthiaume, Donald R., Jr.
Biele, David
Blais, Natalie M.
Boldyga, Nicholas A.
Cabral, Antonio F. D.
Cahill, Daniel
Capano, Peter
Carey, Daniel R.
Cassidy, Gerard J.
Cataldo, Simon
Chan, Tackey
Ciccolo, Michelle L.
Connolly, Mike
Consalvo, Rob
Coppinger, Edward F.
Cruz, Manny
Cusack, Mark J.
Cutler, Josh S.
Day, Michael S.
Decker, Marjorie C.
DeCoste, David F.
D'Emilia, Angelo L.
Diggs, Kip A.
Doherty, Carol A.
Domb, Mindy
Donaghue, Kate
Donahue, Daniel M.
Donato, Paul J.
Driscoll, William J., Jr.
DuBois, Michelle M.
Duffy, Patricia A.
Durant, Peter J.

Elliott, Rodney M.
Farley-Bouvier, Tricia
Ferguson, Kimberly N.
Fernandes, Dylan A.
Ferrante, Ann-Margaret
Finn, Michael J.
Fiola, Carole A.
Flanagan, Christopher Richard
Fluker Oakley, Brandy
Frost, Paul K.
Galvin, William C.
Garballey, Sean
Garcia, Judith A.
Garlick, Denise C.
Garry, Colleen M.
Gentile, Carmine Lawrence
Giannino, Jessica Ann
Gifford, Susan Williams
González, Carlos
Gordon, Kenneth I.
Gregoire, Danielle W.
Haggerty, Richard M.
Hamilton, Ryan M.
Hawkins, James K.
Hendricks, Christopher
Higgins, Natalie M.
Hogan, Kate
Holmes, Russell E.
Honan, Kevin G.
Howard, Vanna
Howitt, Steven S.
Hunt, Daniel J.
Jones, Bradley H., Jr.
Kane, Hannah
Kearney, Patrick Joseph
Keefe, Mary S.
Kerans, Sally P.
Khan, Kay
Kilcoyne, Meghan
Kushmerek, Michael P.
LaNatra, Kathleen R.
Lawn, John J., Jr.

LeBoeuf, David Henry Argosky
 Lewis, Jack Patrick
 Linsky, David Paul
 Lipper-Garabedian, Kate
 Livingstone, Jay D.
 Lombardo, Marc T.
 Madaro, Adrian C.
 Mahoney, John J.
 Mariano, Ronald
 Markey, Christopher M.
 McGonagle, Joseph W., Jr.
 McKenna, Joseph D.
 McMurtry, Paul
 Mendes, Rita A.
 Meschino, Joan
 Michlewitz, Aaron
 Mom, Rady
 Montaña, Samantha
 Moran, Frank A.
 Moran, Michael J.
 Muradian, David K., Jr.
 Muratore, Mathew J.
 Murphy, James M.
 Murray, Brian W.
 Nguyen, Tram T.
 O'Day, James J.
 Orrall, Norman J.
 Owens, Steven
 Parisella, Jerald A.
 Paulino, Francisco E.
 Peake, Sarah K.
 Pease, Kelly W.
 Peisch, Alice Hanlon
 Philips, Edward R.
 Pignatelli, Smitty
 Puppolo, Angelo J., Jr.

Ramos, Adrianne Pusateri
 Ramos, Orlando
 Reyes, Estela A.
 Robertson, David Allen
 Rogers, David M.
 Rogers, John H.
 Roy, Jeffrey N.
 Ryan, Daniel J.
 Sabadosa, Lindsay N.
 Santiago, Jon
 Saunders, Aaron L.
 Scanlon, Adam J.
 Schmid, Paul A., III
 Sena, Danillo A.
 Shand, Dawne
 Silvia, Alan
 Smola, Todd M.
 Soter, Michael J.
 Sousa, Priscila S.
 Stanley, Thomas M.
 Straus, William M.
 Sullivan-Almeida, Alyson M.
 Turco, Jeffrey Rosario
 Tyler, Chynah
 Ultrino, Steven
 Vargas, Andres X.
 Vaughn, Marcus S.
 Vieira, David T.
 Vitolo, Tommy
 Walsh, Thomas P.
 Whipps, Susannah M.
 Williams, Bud L.
 Wong, Donald H.
 Worrell, Christopher J.
 Xiarhos, Steven George
 Zlotnik, Jonathan D.

At the request of the presiding officer (Mr. Honan of Boston), prayer was offered by Sister Patricia Andrews, CSJ, Director of The Literacy Connection, a congregation ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston, as follows:

Good morning, thank you for your welcome and to Representative Honan, sincere gratitude for this honor to join you in prayer.

The Covid pandemic has rapidly transformed life as we know it for millions of people throughout the world and there is great uncertainty around us.. and so to our God of many names – but always a God of inclusive love we pray:

Loving God, we hold in tenderness and prayer –the collective suffering of our world at this time and we grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened.

-We are a country pledged to pursue “liberty and justice for all” but, we are often too divided across lines of race, ethnicity and economic inequality.

-We are a nation of immigrants struggling to address the challenges of many new immigrants in our midst.

-We are an affluent society where too many live in poverty, lack of healthcare and the necessities of life

-We are part of a larger global community facing urgent threats to the environment that must sustain us all.

These challenges are at the heart of public life and at the center of the pursuit of the “common good.”

Prayer.

God of enduring love, may our personal faiths give us the strength to witness with courage to the challenges before us. May we be united both as- elected civic leaders and responsible-involved citizens and neighbors in in building a Commonwealth where everyone can have the opportunity to live with dignity and hope.

Let us work, loving God, toward a vision of your world as your love would have it!

A world where the weak are protected and none go hungry.

A world where the riches of creation are shared and everyone can use them.

A world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect.

A world where peace is built with justice and justice is guided by love. And give us, please, the inspiration and the courage to build it!

Today, God of unifying love, we ask that you would bless and give our State, City and national leaders – wisdom, discernment, strength and resolve

We also ask that you give our leaders courage so that even when it is hard, they would continue to boldly represent their constituents’ needs and those of the most vulnerable.

Sister Patricia Andrews then invited the Members, guests and employees to join with her in singing a song entitled “The Greatest Love” in honor of the occasion.

The Greatest Love.

Ms. Garlick of Needham then moved that the prayer be spread upon the records; and the motion prevailed.

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

Pledge of allegiance.

The National Anthem then was sung by Alexa Lauren Cahill, the legislative aide to Representative-elect Steven S. Howitt of Seekonk.

National Anthem.

Remarks of Dean Honan.

Representative-elect Honan of Boston then addressed the House with welcoming remarks.

Remarks of Dean Honan.

Distinguished Guests.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Honan) introduced several distinguished guests, including former Speakers Charles F. Flaherty of Cambridge, Thomas M. Finneran of Boston, Salvatore F. DiMasi of Boston, and Robert A. DeLeo of Winthrop; United States Senator Elizabeth Warren; Attorney General and Governor-elect Maura Healey, Auditor Suzanne Bump, Norfolk County Treasurer Michael G. Bellotti, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu; United States Marshall Brian Keyes, Salem Mayor and Lieutenant-Governor-elect Kimberly Driscoll, and Auditor-elect Diana DiZoglio.

Distinguished guests.

Special Recognitions.

The Chair (Mr. Honan of Boston) acknowledged the presence of long-time dedicated employees of the House, including Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House Raymond Amaru, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House and

Dedicated House employees,— recognition.

Chief Court Officer Eugene F. DiPersio, and Assistant Chief Court Officers Joseph A. Quinn and House Clerk Steven T. James.

Special Communication.

The following communication, together with the returns of the votes and schedules therein referred to, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to wit:—

January 4, 2023.

To the Honorable House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the returns of votes cast at the election held in this Commonwealth on the eighth day of November, 2022 for Representatives in the General Court in the several districts, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for.

Secretary of the
Commonwealth,—
returns of votes.

These returns have been duly canvassed by the Governor and Council, and are now transmitted for examination by the House of Representatives as required by the Constitution and General Laws.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The communication was read.

Whereupon, On motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham,—

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Representatives in the several Representative Districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a special committee, to consist of three members.

Representatives Day, Ryan of Boston and Jones of North Reading were appointed the committee.

Subsequently Mr. Day, for said special committee, reported, in part, that, under the provisions of Article LXIV (as amended) of the Amendments to the Constitution, until a successor is chosen and qualified, the term of Representative Mirra of Georgetown shall continue; and that said Representative Mirra of Georgetown shall continue to represent the Second Essex Representative District until a determination is made under the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as to the duly elected Representative from the Second Essex District; and, that, under the provisions of Article LVIX (as amended) of the Amendments to the Constitution until a Member is chosen and qualified, the First Middlesex Representative District shall remain vacant; and, that, under the provisions of Article LVIX (as amended) of the Amendments to the Constitution that, all other members-elect, except Members from the Second Essex Representative District and the First Middlesex Representative District, have been duly elected and are rightly and truly chosen and qualified to be sworn in by His Excellency the Governor; and the report was accepted, to wit:—

LIST OF PERSONS ELECTED ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022,
AS MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE YEARS 2023 — 2024.

D — Democrat. R — Republican. U — Unenrolled.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

District 1 — Christopher Richard Flanagan (D) of Dennis —Brewster; Dennis; Yarmouth:
Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8.

District 2 — Kip Diggs (D) of Barnstable — Barnstable: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13;*
Yarmouth: *Precincts 5, 6, 8A.*

District 3 — David T. Vieira (R) of Falmouth — Bourne: *Precincts 4, 5, 6;* Falmouth: *Precincts 3,*
***4, 5, 7, 8, 9;* Mashpee.**

District 4 — Sarah K. Peake (D) of Provincetown — Chatham; Eastham; Harwich; Orleans;
Provincetown; Truro; Wellfleet.

District 5 — Steven George Xiarhos (R) of Barnstable — Barnstable: *Precincts 10, 11, 12;* Bourne:
***Precincts 1, 2, 3, 5A, 7;* Sandwich.**

BARNSTABLE, DUKES AND NANTUCKET COUNTIES.

Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket — Dylan A. Fernandes (D) of Falmouth — Falmouth: *Precincts*
1, 2, 6 (Barnstable Co.); Chilmark (Dukes Co.); Edgartown (Dukes Co.); Aquinnah (Dukes Co.);
Gosnold (Dukes Co.); Oak Bluffs (Dukes Co.); Tisbury (Dukes Co.); West Tisbury (Dukes Co.);
Nantucket (Nantucket Co.).

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

District 1 — John Barrett, III (D) of North Adams — Adams; Cheshire; Clarksburg; Florida;
Hancock; Hinsdale; Lanesborough; New Ashford; North Adams; Peru; Savoy; Williamstown;
Windsor.

District 2 — Tricia Farley-Bouvier (D) of Pittsfield — Pittsfield.

District 3 — Smitty Pignatelli (D) of Lenox — Alford; Becket; Dalton; Egremont; Great
Barrington; Lee; Lenox; Monterey; Mount Washington; New Marlborough; Otis; Richmond;
Sandisfield; Sheffield; Stockbridge; Tyringham; Washington; West Stockbridge;.

BRISTOL COUNTY.

District 1 — F. Jay Barrows (R) of Mansfield — Mansfield: *Precincts 2, 3, 6, 7;* Norton: *Precincts*
***3, 4, 5;* Foxborough (*Norfolk Co.*).**

District 2 — James K. Hawkins (D) of Attleboro — Attleboro: *Wards 1, 2, Ward 3: Precinct A,*
Wards 4, 5, 6.

District 3 — Carol A. Doherty (D) of Taunton — Easton: *Precinct 4A, 5, 6;* Taunton: *Ward 1:*
Precincts A, B, Wards 2, 5, 7, 8.

District 4 — Steven S. Howitt (R) of Seekonk — Norton: *Precincts 1, 2;* Rehoboth; Seekonk;
Swansea: *Precincts 4, 5.*

District 5 — Patricia A. Haddad (D) of Somerset — Dighton; Somerset; Swansea: *Precincts 1, 2, 3*; Taunton: *Ward 1: Precinct A1, Ward 4: Precinct B1, Ward 6*.

District 6 — Carole A. Fiola (D) of Fall River — Fall River: *Ward 5: Precincts B, C, Ward 6: Precinct C, Wards 7, 8, 9*; Freetown: *Precinct 1*.

District 7 — Alan Silvia (D) of Fall River — Fall River: *Ward 1: Precincts B, C, Wards 2, 3, 4, Ward 5: Precinct A*.

District 8 — Paul A. Schmid, III (D) of Westport — Achushnet: *Precincts 2, 3*; Fall River: *Ward 1: Precinct A, Ward 6: Precincts A, B*; Freetown: *Precincts 2, 3*; New Bedford: *Ward 1, Precincts B1, C*; Westport.

District 9 — Christopher M. Markey (D) of Dartmouth — Dartmouth; New Bedford: *Ward 1: Precincts D, E, F*.

District 10 — William M. Straus (D) of Mattapoisett — Achushnet: *Precincts 1, 2A*; Fairhaven; New Bedford: *Ward 1: Precincts A, B, C1*; Marion (*Plymouth Co.*); Mattapoisett (*Plymouth Co.*); Rochester (*Plymouth Co.*).

District 11 — Christopher Hendricks (D) of New Bedford — New Bedford: *Ward 1: Precinct A1, Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts A, B, C, D, F1, Ward 4: Precincts A1, B, C, D, F*.

District 12 — Norman J. Orrall (R) of Lakeville — Berkley; Taunton: *Ward 3: Precincts A, B, Ward 4: Precincts A, B*; Lakeville (*Plymouth Co.*); Middleborough: *Precincts 2, 4, 5 (Plymouth Co.)*.

District 13 — Antonio F. D. Cabral (D) of New Bedford — New Bedford: *Ward 3: Precincts E, F, Ward 4: Precincts A, E, Wards 5, 6*.

District 14 — Adam J. Scanlon (D) of North Attleborough — Attleboro: *Ward 3: Precinct B*; Mansfield: *Precincts 1, 2A, 5*; North Attleborough.

ESSEX COUNTY.

District 1 — Dawne Shand (D) of Newburyport — Amesbury: *Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5*; Merrimac; Newburyport; Salisbury.

District 2 — *¹ — Boxford: *Precincts 2, 3*; Georgetown; Hamilton; Ipswich; Rowley; Newbury.

District 3 — Andres X. Vargas (D) of Haverhill — Haverhill: *Ward 1, Ward 2: Precinct 3, Ward 3, Ward 4, Ward 5: Precinct 3A, Ward 6, Ward 7: Precinct 3*.

District 4 — Estela A. Reyes (D) of Lawrence — Topsfield: *Precinct 1*; Lawrence: *Ward A: Precincts 1, 2, Ward B*; Methuen: *Precincts 1, 2, 4, 6A, 13, 14, 15*.

District 5 — Ann-Margaret Ferrante (D) Gloucester — Essex; Gloucester; Manchester-by-the-Sea; Rockport.

District 6 — Jerald A. Parisella (D) of Beverly — Beverly; Wenham: *Precinct 1*.

District 7 — Manny Cruz (D) of Salem — Salem.

District 8 — Jennifer Balinsky Armini (D) of Marblehead — Lynn: *Ward 3: Precinct 4, Ward 4: Precincts 3A, 4*; Marblehead; Swampscott.

District 9 — Donald H. Wong (R) of Saugus — Lynn: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2*; Saugus: *Precincts 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9*; Wakefield: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 7 (Middlesex Co.)*.

¹ No certificate of election received. Under Art. LXIV, as amended by Art. LXXXII of the Amendments to the Constitution, Lenny Mirra of Georgetown continued to represent the Second Essex District as a “holdover”, so-called.

District 10 — Daniel Cahill (D) of Lynn — Lynn: Ward 1: Precincts 2A, 3, 4, Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, 3, Ward 4: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 5: Precinct 3.

District 11 — Peter Capano (D) of Lynn — Lynn: Ward 4: Precinct 3, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 2, 4, Wards 6, 7; Nahant.

District 12 — Thomas P. Walsh (D) of Peabody — Peabody: Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

District 13 — Sally P. Kerans (D) of Danvers — Danvers; Middleton: Precinct 2; Peabody: Ward 6; Topsfield: Precinct 2; Wenham: Precinct 1A.

District 14 — Adrienne Pusateri Ramos (D) of North Andover — Amesbury: Precincts 1, 6; Boxford: Precincts 2, 3; Groveland; North Andover: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; West Newbury.

District 15 — Ryan M. Hamilton (D) of Methuen — Haverhill: Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 1A, 2, 3, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2, 2A, 3A; Methuen: Precincts 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

District 16 — Francisco E. Paulino (D) of Methuen — Lawrence: Ward A: Precincts 2A, 3, 4, Ward E: Precincts 1A, 2, 3, 4, Ward F; Methuen: Precincts 3, 7, 13A.

District 17 — Frank A. Moran (D) of Lawrence — Andover: Precincts 2, 3, 4; Lawrence: Ward C, Ward D, Ward E: Precinct 1.

District 18 — Tram T. Nguyen (D) of Andover — Andover: Precincts 1, 4A, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10; Boxford: Precinct 1; North Andover: Precincts 5A, 7, 8; Tewksbury: Precincts 3, 5A, 7 (Middlesex County).

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

District 1 — Natalie M. Blais (D) of Deerfield — Ashfield; Bernardston; Buckland; Charlemont; Colrain; Conway; Deerfield; Greenfield: Precincts 5, 6, 7, 8; Hawley; Heath; Leverett; Leyden; Monroe; Montague; Rowe; Shelburne; Sunderland; Whately.

District 2 — Susannah M. Whipps (U) of Athol — Erving; Gill; Greenfield: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 9; Northfield; Orange; Warwick; Athol (Worcester Co.); Phillipston (Worcester Co.); Royalston (Worcester Co.); Winchendon: Precinct 1 (Worcester Co.).

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

District 1 — Todd M. Smola (R) of Warren — Brimfield; Holland; Palmer; Wales; Ware: Precincts B, C (Hampshire Co.); Sturbridge (Worcester Co.); Warren (Worcester Co.).

District 2 — Brian M. Ashe (D) of Longmeadow — East Longmeadow: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5; Hampden; Longmeadow; Monson: Precincts B, C; Springfield: Ward 6: Precincts C, D.

District 3 — Nicholas A. Boldyga (R) of Southwick — Agawam: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; Blanford; Chester; Granville; Huntington; Middlefield; Montgomery; Russell; Southwick; Tolland.

District 4 — Kelly W. Pease (R) of Westfield — Southampton; Westfield: Ward 1, Ward 2: Precincts A, B, Wards 3, 4, 5, Ward 6: Precincts A, B1.

District 5 — Patricia A. Duffy (D) of Holyoke — Chicopee: Ward 3: Precinct A1, B; Holyoke.

District 6 — Michael J. Finn (D) of West Springfield — Agawam: Precinct 1; Chicopee: Ward 2: Precinct A, Ward 3: Precinct A, Ward 4: Precinct A; West Springfield; Westfield: Ward 2: Precinct A1, Ward 6: Precinct B.

District 7 — Aaron L. Saunders (D) of Belchertown — Ludlow; New Salem (Franklin Co.); Shutesbury (Franklin Co.); Wendall (Franklin Co.); Belchertown (Hampshire Co.); Pelham (Hampshire Co.); Petersham (Worcester Co.).

District 8 — Shirley B. Arriaga (D) of Chicopee — Chicopee: *Ward 1, Ward 2: Precinct B, Ward 4: Precinct B, Wards 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.*

District 9 — Orlando Ramos (D) of Springfield —Springfield: *Ward 1: Precincts C1, D, Ward 2, Ward 5: Precinct D, Ward 8: Precincts A, B, C, D, E, F, G1, H.*

District 10 — Carlos González (D) of Springfield — Springfield: *Ward 1: Precincts A, B C, D1, E, F, G, H, Ward 3: Precincts B, C, D, E, F, G, H, Ward 6: Precincts A, B, E, F, Ward 7: Precincts A1.*

District 11 — Bud L. Williams (D) of Springfield — Springfield: *Ward 3: Precinct A, Ward 4, Ward 5: Precincts A, B, C1, E, F, H, Ward 6: Precincts D1, G, H, Ward 7: Precincts A, B1, H.*

District 12 — Angelo J. Puppola, Jr. (D) of Springfield — East Longmeadow: *Precincts 1, 2A, 3A, 4A; Monson: Precinct A; Springfield: Ward 5: Precincts D, G, Ward 7: Precincts B, C, D, E, F, G, H1, Ward 8: Precincts B1, G; Wilbraham.*

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

District 1 — Lindsay N. Sabadosa (D) of Northampton —Chesterfield; Cummington; Goshen; Hatfield; Northampton; Plainfield; Westhampton; Williamsburg; Worthington.

District 2 — Daniel R. Carey (D) of Easthampton — Easthampton; Granby: *Precinct 2; Hadley; South Hadley.*

District 3 — Mindy Domb (D) of Amherst — Amherst; Granby: *Precinct 1, 2A.*

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

District 1 — *² — Ashby; Dunstable; Groton: *Precincts 2, 3; Lunenburg: Precincts A, B1, C, D; Pepperell; Townsend.*

District 2 — James Arciero (D) of Westford — Chelmsford: *Precincts 3B, 4, 5; Littleton; Westford.*

District 3 — Kate Hogan (D) of Stow — Hudson; Maynard; Stow; Bolton (*Worcester Co.*).

District 4 — Danielle W. Gregoire (D) of Marlborough — Framingham: *Precincts 21A, 22, 23; Marlborough: Ward 1: Precinct 1A, Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, Wards 3, 4, 5, 6, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2.*

District 5 — David Paul Linsky (D) of Natick — Natick; Wayland: *Precincts 2, 3.*

District 6 — Priscila S. Sousa (D) of Framingham — Framingham: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9A, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.*

District 7 — Jack Patrick Lewis (D) of Framingham — Ashland; Framingham: *Precincts 9, 11A, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21B, 24, 25, 26, 27.*

District 8 — James C. Arena-DeRosa (D) of Holliston — Holliston; Hopkinton; Millis: *Precincts 2, 3; Sherborn.*

District 9 — Thomas M. Stanley (D) of Waltham —Waltham: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 4: Precinct 1, Ward 5: Precinct 2, Ward 6: Precincts 1, 2A, Ward 7, Ward 8: Precincts 1, 2A.*

District 10 — John J. Lawn, Jr. (D) of Watertown — Newton: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2A, 4, Ward 2: Precinct 1A, Ward 3: Precincts 1A, 4; Waltham: Ward 1: Precinct 2A, Ward 3: Precincts 2A, Ward 4: Precincts 1A, 2, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 2A, Ward 6: Precinct 2, Ward 8: Precinct 2, Ward 9; Watertown: Precincts 9, 10, 11, 12.*

² Pursuant to the in part report of the special committee no person from the First Middlesex District was qualified or sworn in at this time.

District 11 — Kay Khan (D) of Newton — Newton: *Ward 1: Precincts 2, 3, Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, 3, Ward 4, Ward 7: Precinct 2, 3, 4.*

District 12 — Ruth B. Balser (D) of Newton — Brookline: *Precincts 5, 13A, 14, 15, Newton: Wards 5, 6, Ward 7: Precinct 1, Ward 8.*

District 13 — Carmine Lawrence Gentile (D) of Sudbury — Concord: *Precincts 3, 4, 5A; Lincoln: Precinct 1; Marlborough: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 2: Precinct 2A, Ward 7: Precinct 2A; Sudbury; Wayland: Precincts 1, 4.*

District 14 — Simon Cataldo (D) of Concord — Acton: *Precincts 1, 2, 6, 7; Carlisle; Chelmsford: Precincts 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; Concord: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, 5.*

District 15 — Michelle L. Ciccolo (D) of Lexington — Lexington: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9; Winchester: Precinct 6; Woburn: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2.*

District 16 — Rodney M. Elliott (D) of Lowell — Chelmsford: *Precincts 1, 2, 3A, 5B, 6; Lowell: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 2, Ward 4: Precinct 4.*

District 17 — Vanna Howard (D) of Lowell — Lowell: *Ward 3, Ward 4: Precinct 1, 2, 3A, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 6: Precincts 3, 4A, Ward 7: Precinct 3A, Ward 8: Precinct 4A; Tewksbury: Precinct 1.*

District 18 — Rady Mom (D) of Lowell — Lowell: *Ward 1: Precinct 1A, Ward 4: Precincts 3, 4A, Ward 5: Precinct 1A, Ward 6: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, 4, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 8: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4.*

District 19 — David Allen Robertson (D) of Tewksbury — Tewksbury: *Precincts 2, 4, 5, 6, 8; Wilmington.*

District 20 — Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R) of North Reading — North Reading; Reading: *Precincts 1, 7, 8; Lynnfield (Essex Co.); Middleton: Precincts 1, 2A, 3 (Essex Co.).*

District 21 — Kenneth I. Gordon (D) of Bedford — Bedford; Burlington; Lexington: *Precinct 6.*

District 22 — Marc T. Lombardo (R) of Billerica — Billerica.

District 23 — Sean Garballey (D) of Arlington — Arlington: *Precincts 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21; Medford: Ward 3: Precinct 2, Ward 6: Precincts 1, 2.*

District 24 — David M. Rogers (D) of Cambridge — Arlington: *Precincts 2, 4, 8, 10, 12; Belmont; Cambridge: Ward 11: Precincts 1, 3.*

District 25 — Marjorie C. Decker (D) of Cambridge — Cambridge: *Ward 3: Precincts 3A, Ward 4: Precincts 2, 2A, 3, Ward 6: Precincts 2, 3, Wards 7, 8, Ward 10: Precincts 1A, 2.*

District 26 — Mike Connolly (D) of Cambridge — Cambridge: *Ward 1: Precinct 3, Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, Ward 3: Precinct 1, 2, 3, Ward 4: Precinct 1, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 3, Ward 6: Precincts 1, 1A; Somerville: Ward 1: Precinct 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 2: Precinct 1A.*

District 27 — Erika Uyterhoeven (D) of Somerville — Somerville: *Ward 1: Precinct 4A, Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 3, Ward 4: Precinct 2A, Ward 5, 6: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4.*

District 28 — Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr. (D) of Everett — Everett: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, Ward 2: Precincts 2, 3, Wards 3, 4, 5, 6.*

District 29 — Steven Owens (D) of Watertown — Cambridge: *Ward 9, Ward 10: Precinct 1, 3, Ward 11: Precincts 1A, 2, 3A; Watertown: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.*

District 30 — Richard M. Haggerty (D) of Woburn — Reading: *Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; Woburn: Ward 1: Precinct 2A, Wards 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.*

District 31 — Michael S. Day (D) of Stoneham — Stoneham; Winchester; *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8.*

District 32 — Kate Lipper-Garabedian (D) of Melrose — Malden: *Ward 5: Precincts 2, 3A;* Melrose; Wakefield: *Precincts 4, 5, 6.*

District 33 — Steven Ultrino (D) of Malden — Malden: *Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 4, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 3, Ward 6, Ward 7: Precincts 2, 3, Ward 8.*

District 34 — Christine P. Barber (D) of Somerville — Medford: *Wards 4, 5, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2A, Ward 8: Precinct 2;* Somerville: *Ward 4: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, Ward 6: Precinct 3A, Ward 7.*

District 35 — Paul J. Donato (D) of Medford — Malden: *Ward 1, Ward 3: Precincts 1A, 3, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 3A;* Medford: *Wards 1, 2, Ward 3: Precinct 1, Ward 6: Precinct 2A, Ward 7: Precinct 2, Ward 8: Precinct 1.*

District 36 — Colleen M. Garry (D) of Dracut — Dracut; Tyngsborough.

District 37 — Danilo A. Sena (D) Acton — Acton: *Precincts 3, 4, 5, 6A;* Ayer; Boxborough; Groton: *Precincts 1, 3A, Shirley; Harvard (Worcester Co.).*

NORFOLK COUNTY.

District 1 — Bruce J. Ayers (D) of Quincy — Quincy: *Ward 3: Precincts 3, 4, 5, Ward 4: Precincts 1, 3, Ward 6;* Randolph: *Precincts 7, 8, 11, 12.*

District 2 — Tackey Chan (D) of Quincy — Quincy: *Ward 1, Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 4: Precincts 2, 4, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.*

District 3 — Ronald Mariano (D) of Quincy — Holbrook: *Precincts 3, 4;* Quincy: *Ward 2, Ward 4: Precinct 5, Ward 5: Precinct 1A;* Weymouth: *Precincts 1A, 5, 6, 9, 12, 16.*

District 4 — James M. Murphy (D) of Weymouth — Weymouth: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9A, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18.*

District 5 — Mark J. Cusack (D) of Braintree — Braintree; Holbrook: *Precincts 1, 2.*

District 6 — William C. Galvin (D) of Canton — Avon; Canton; Stoughton: *Precincts 1, 2A, 4A, 5, 7, 8.*

District 7 — William J. Driscoll, Jr. (D) of Milton — Milton: *Precincts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10;* Randolph: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10.*

District 8 — Edward R. Philips (D) of Sharon — Sharon; Stoughton: *Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5A, 6, 7A, 8A;* Walpole: *Precincts 2A, 3, 4, 5A;* Mansfield: *Precincts 4, 6A (Bristol Co.).*

District 9 — Marcus S. Vaughn (R) of Wrentham — Medfield: *Precincts 3, 4;* Millis: *Precinct 1;* Norfolk; Plainville; Walpole: *Precinct 5;* Wrentham.

District 10 — Jeffrey N. Roy (D) of Franklin — Franklin; Medway: *Precincts 1A, 2, 3, 4.*

District 11 — Paul McMurtry (D) of Dedham — Dedham; Walpole: *Precinct 8;* Westwood.

District 12 — John H. Rogers (D) of Norwood — Norwood; Walpole: *Precincts 1, 2, 6, 7, 8A.*

District 13 — Denise C. Garlick (D) of Needham — Dover; Medfield: *Precincts 1, 2;* Needham.

District 14 — Alice Hanlon Peisch (D) of Wellesley — Wellesley; Lincoln: *Precinct 2 (Middlesex Co.);* Weston (*Middlesex Co.*).

District 15 — Tommy Vitolo (D) of Brookline — Brookline: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17.*

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

District 1 — Mathew J. Muratore (R) of Plymouth — Plymouth: *Precincts 2A, 3A, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.*

District 2 — Susan Williams Gifford (R) of Wareham — Carver; Middleborough: *Precincts 3, 6, 7A; Wareham.*

District 3 — Joan Meschino (D) of Hull — Hingham; Hull; Cohasset (*Norfolk Co.*).

District 4 — Patrick Joseph Kearney (D) of Scituate — Marshfield: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7; Norwell: Precinct 3; Scituate.*

District 5 — David F. DeCoste (R) of Norwell — Hanover; Hanson: *Precinct 1; Norwell: Precincts 1, 2; Rockland.*

District 6 — Josh S. Cutler (D) of Pembroke — Duxbury; Halifax: *Precinct 2; Hanson: Precincts 2, 3; Marshfield: Precincts 2A, 4; Pembroke: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, 4, 5.*

District 7 — Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida (R) of Abington — Abington; East Bridgewater: *Precincts 1, 2, 3; Whitman.*

District 8 — Angelo L. D’Emilia (R) of Bridgewater — Bridgewater; Raynham (*Bristol Co.*).

District 9 — Gerard J. Cassidy (D) of Brockton — Brockton: *Ward 1: Precincts B, C, D, Ward 3: Precincts C, D; East Bridgewater: Precinct 4; West Bridgewater; Easton: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4B, 7 (Bristol Co.).*

District 10 — Michelle M. DuBois (D) of Brockton — Brockton: *Wards 4, 5, 6.*

District 11 — Rita A. Mendes (D) of Brockton — Brockton: *Ward 1: Precinct A, Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts A, B, Ward 7.*

District 12 — Kathleen R. LaNatra (D) of Kingston — Halifax: *Precincts 1, 2A; Kingston; Middleborough: Precincts 1, 5A; Pembroke: Precinct 3; Plymouth: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 5, 13; Plympton.*

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

District 1 — Adrian C. Madaro (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, Ward 6: Precinct 12A.*

District 2 — Daniel J. Ryan (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 2, Ward 4: Precinct 10A, Ward 5: Precincts 10, 12, Ward 21: Precinct 1, 2A; Cambridge: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, 3 (Middlesex Co.); Everett: Ward 1: Precinct 3 (Middlesex Co.).*

District 3 — Aaron Michlewitz (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 13A, 13B, 14, 15, Ward 4: Precinct 1, Ward 5: Precincts 1, 13, 14.*

District 4 — David Biele (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 1: Precinct 15, Ward 6: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Ward 7: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.*

District 5 — Christopher J. Worrell (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 7: Precinct 10, Ward 8: Precinct 5, Ward 12: Precincts 6, 7, 9, Ward 13: Precincts 1, 2, 4, 5, Ward 14: Precincts 1, 1A, 3, 4, 9A, Ward 15: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9.*

District 6 — Russell E. Holmes (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 14: Precincts 2, 3A, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, Ward 17: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, Ward 18: Precincts 7, 8, Ward 19: Precinct 12.*

District 7 — Chynah Tyler (D) of Boston — Boston: *Ward 4: Precincts 9, 10, 10C, Ward 9: Precincts 4, 5, 7, Ward 10: Precincts 1, 2, 3, Ward 11: Precincts 1, 2, 3, Ward 12: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8.*

District 8 — Jay D. Livingstone (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 3: Precincts 5, 9, 17, Ward 4: Precincts 2A, 6, 7, 8, 9A, 10B, 11, 12, Ward 5: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13A, 15.

District 9 — Jon Santiago (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 3: Precincts 7, 16, Ward 4: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, Ward 6: Precinct 1A, Ward 7: Precincts 5A, 8, 9, Ward 8: Precincts 1, 2, 2A, 3, 4, 4A, 6; Ward 9: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4A, 6, 7A, Ward 13: Precinct 7A.

District 10 — Edward F. Coppinger (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 10: Precinct 9A, Ward 19: Precincts 2, 3, 8, Ward 20: Precincts 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20; Brookline: Precinct 16 (Norfolk Co.).

District 11 — Judith A. Garcia (D) of Chelsea — Chelsea; Everett: Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2A (Middlesex Co.).

District 12 — Brandy Fluker Oakley (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 16: Precinct 11, Ward 17: Precincts 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, Ward 18: Precincts 1, 2, 2A, 3, 4, 5, 6, 21; Milton: Precincts 1, 2, 4A (Norfolk Co.).

District 13 — Daniel J. Hunt (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 13: Precincts 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, Ward 15: Precincts 6, 8, Ward 16: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12.

District 14 — Rob Consalvo (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 18: Precincts 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, Ward 19: Precincts 10, 11, 13, Ward 20: Precincts 3, 3A.

District 15 — Samantha Montañó (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 10: Precincts 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Ward 11: Precincts 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10A, Ward 19: Precincts 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9.

District 16 — Jessica Ann Giannino (D) of Revere —Revere: Ward 1: Precinct 3, Ward 2: Precinct 3, Wards 3, 4, 6; Saugus: Precincts 3, 10 (Essex Co.).

District 17 — Kevin G. Honan (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 21: Precincts 3, 4A, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, Ward 22: Precincts 2, 3, 6, 9, 10; Brookline: Precincts 13, 14A (Norfolk Co.).

District 18 — Michael J. Moran (D) of Boston — Boston: Ward 21: Precincts 2, 4, 13, 14, 15A, 16, Ward 22: Precincts 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13; Cambridge: Ward 1: Precinct 2A, Ward 5: Precinct 2 (Middlesex Co).

District 19 — Jeffrey Rosario Turco (D) of Winthrop — Revere: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, Ward 2: Precincts 1, 2, 3A, Ward 5; Winthrop.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

District 1 — Kimberly N. Ferguson (R) of Holden — Holden; Paxton, Princeton; Rutland; Westminster.

District 2 — Jonathan D. Zlotnik (D) of Gardner — Ashburnham; Gardner; Templeton; Winchendon: Precincts 2, 3.

District 3 — Michael P. Kushmerek (D) of Fitchburg — Fitchburg; Lunenburg: Precincts B, C1.

District 4 — Natalie M. Higgins (D) of Leominster — Leominster.

District 5 — Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (R) of Spencer — Barre; Brookfield; East Brookfield; Hardwick; Hubbardston; Leicester: Precinct 1; New Braintree; North Brookfield; Oakham; Spencer: Precincts 2, 3, 4; Ware: Precinct A; West Brookfield.

District 6 — Peter J. Durant (R) of Spencer — Charlton: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4A; Dudley; Southbridge; Spencer: Precinct 1.

District 7 — Paul K. Frost (R) of Auburn — Auburn; Charlton: Precinct 4; Leicester: Precinct 3; Millbury; Oxford: Precincts 2, 3, 4A.

District 8 — Michael J. Soter (R) of Bellingham — Blackstone; Medway: *Precinct 1*; Millville; Uxbridge: *Precincts 1A, 2, 3, 4*; Bellingham (*Norfolk Co.*).

District 9 — David K. Muradian, Jr. (R) of Grafton — Grafton; Northbridge; Upton: *Precincts 1, 2, 3*.

District 10 — Brian W. Murray (D) of Milford — Hopedale; Mendon; Milford; Upton: *Precinct 3A*.

District 11 — Hannah Kane (R) of Shrewsbury — Shrewsbury; Westborough: *Precinct 4*.

District 12 — Meghan Kilcoyne (D) of Northborough — Berlin; Boylston; Clinton; Lancaster; Northborough: *Precinct 4*; Sterling.

District 13 — John J. Mahoney (D) of Worcester — Worcester: *Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, Ward 3: Precinct 2, Ward 9, Ward 10: Precinct 1*.

District 14 — James J. O'Day (D) of West Boylston — West Boylston; Worcester: *Ward 1: Precinct 5, Ward 2, Ward 3: Precincts 3, 5, 6*.

District 15 — Mary S. Keefe (D) of Worcester — Worcester: *Ward 3: Precincts 1, 2A 4, Ward 4, Ward 6: Precinct 1, Ward 10: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5*.

District 16 — Daniel M. Donahue (D) of Worcester — Worcester: *Ward 5, Ward 6: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Ward 8: Precincts 1, 5*.

District 17 — David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf (D) of Worcester — Leicester: *Precincts 2, 4*; Worcester: *Ward 7, Ward 8: Precincts 2, 3, 4, 6, Ward 10: Precinct 6*.

District 18 — Joseph D. McKenna (R) of Webster — Douglas; Oxford: *Precincts 1, 4*; Sutton; Uxbridge: *Precinct 1*; Webster.

District 19 — Kate Donohue (D) of Framingham — Framingham: *Precinct 21*; Northborough: *Precincts 1, 2, 3*; Southborough; Westborough: *Precincts 1, 2, 3, 5, 6*.

The report was read; and, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, it was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Order.

On motion of Ms. Peake of Provincetown,—

Ordered, That a special committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him that a quorum of the members-elect of the House of Representatives have assembled, and that they are ready to take the oaths and affirmations of qualification.

Governor
notified.

Representatives-elect Peake of Provincetown, Pignatelli of Lenox, Barrett of North Adams, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Garballey of Arlington, O'Day of West Boylston, Decker of Cambridge, Khan of Newton, Meschino of Hull, McMurtry of Dedham, Roy of Franklin, Rogers of Cambridge, Nguyen of Andover, Vitolo of Brookline, Kerans of Danvers, Walsh of Peabody, Donato of Medford, Consalvo of Boston, Ferguson of Holden, Gifford of Wareham, Sullivan-Almeida of Abington and Vaughn of Wrentham were appointed the committee.

Subsequently Ms. Peake of Provincetown, for the committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned to them, and that the Governor had stated that he would attend forthwith and administer the oaths of office.

Soon afterward His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, Charles D. Baker, accompanied by the Honorable Karyn E. Polito, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, the Honorable William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Suzanne M. Bump, Auditor of the Commonwealth, and the Honorable Council entered the Chamber; the oaths and affirmation required by the Constitution and laws then were administered by the Governor to the members-elect present, and were subscribed by them; after which His Excellency declared that the House was duly qualified to enter upon the discharge of its duties.

Oaths of office administered by the Governor.

After remarks by His Excellency the Governor and Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor they, and the members of the Honorable Council, withdrew from the Chamber, under escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Organization of the House.

On motion of Mr. Moran of Boston,—

Ordered, That, the House proceed to the election of a Speaker, without nominations; and that the election be held in the following manner: The roll shall be called by the Clerk, and each member present, in response to their name, shall arise and announce the name of the member for whom they vote.

Election of Speaker.

The roll was called; and the following named members voted for Ronald Mariano of Quincy:

Arciero, James	Garcia, Judith A.
Arena-DeRosa, James C.	Garlick, Denise C.
Armini, Jennifer Balinsky	Garry, Colleen M.
Arriaga, Shirley B.	Gentile, Carmine Lawrence
Ashe, Brian M.	Giannino, Jessica Ann
Ayers, Bruce J.	González, Carlos
Balser, Ruth B.	Gordon, Kenneth I.
Barber, Christine P.	Gregoire, Danielle W.
Barrett, John, III	Haggerty, Richard M.
Biele, David	Hamilton, Ryan M.
Blais, Natalie M.	Hawkins, James K.
Cabral, Antonio F. D.	Hendricks, Christopher
Cahill, Daniel	Higgins, Natalie M.
Capano, Peter	Hogan, Kate
Carey, Daniel R.	Holmes, Russell E.
Cassidy, Gerard J.	Honan, Kevin G.
Cataldo, Simon	Howard, Vanna
Chan, Tackey	Hunt, Daniel J.
Ciccolo, Michelle	Kearney, Patrick Joseph
Connolly, Mike	Keefe, Mary S.
Consalvo, Rob	Kerans, Sally P.
Coppinger, Edward F.	Khan, Kay
Cruz, Manny	Kilcoyne, Meghan
Cusack, Mark J.	Kushmerek, Michael P.
Cutler, Josh S.	LaNatra, Kathleen R.
Day, Michael S.	Lawn, John J., Jr.
Decker, Marjorie C.	LeBoeuf, David Henry Argosky
Diggs, Kip	Lewis, Jack Patrick
Doherty, Carol A.	Linsky, David Paul
Domb, Mindy	Lipper-Garabedian, Kate
Donaghue, Kate	Livingstone, Jay D.
Donahue, Daniel M.	Madaro, Adrian C.
Donato, Paul J.	Mahoney, John J.
Driscoll, William J., Jr.	Mariano, Ronald
DuBois, Michelle M.	Markey, Christopher M.
Duffy, Patricia A.	McGonagle, Joseph W., Jr.

Elliott, Rodney M.
 Farley-Bouvier, Tricia
 Fernandes, Dylan A.
 Ferrante, Ann-Margaret
 Finn, Michael J.
 Fiola, Carole A.
 Flanagan, Christopher Richard
 Fluker Oakley, Brandy
 Galvin, William C.
 Garballey, Sean
 Murray, Brian W.
 Nguyen, Tram T.
 O'Day, James J.
 Owens, Steven
 Parisella, Jerald A.
 Paulino, Francisco E.
 Peake, Sarah K.
 Peisch, Alice Hanlon
 Philips, Edward R.
 Pignatelli, Smitty
 Puppolo, Angelo J., Jr.
 Ramos, Adrianne Pusateri
 Ramos, Orlando
 Reyes, Estela A.
 Robertson, David Allen
 Rogers, David M.
 Rogers, John H.
 Roy, Jeffrey N.
 Ryan, Daniel J.
 Sabadosa, Lindsay N.

McMurtry, Paul
 Mendes, Rita A.
 Meschino, Joan
 Michlewitz, Aaron
 Miranda, Liz
 Mom, Rady
 Montaña, Samantha
 Moran, Frank A.
 Moran, Michael J.
 Murphy, James M.
 Santiago, Jon
 Saunders, Aaron L.
 Scanlon, Adam J.
 Schmid, Paul A., III
 Sena, Danillo A.
 Shand, Dawne
 Silvia, Alan
 Sousa, Priscila S.
 Stanley, Thomas M.
 Straus, William M.
 Tyler, Chynah
 Ultrino, Steven
 Vargas, Andres X.
 Vitolo, Tommy
 Walsh, Thomas P.
 Whipps, Susannah M.
 Williams, Bud L.
 Worrell, Christopher J.
 Zlotnik, Jonathan D.

The following named members voted for Bradley H. Jones, Jr., of North Reading:

Barrows, F. Jay	McKenna, Joseph D.
Berthiaume, Donald R., Jr.	Muradian, David K., Jr.
Boldyga, Nicholas A.	Muratore, Mathew J.
DeCoste, David F.	Orrall, Norman J.
D'Emilia, Angelo L.	Pease, Kelly W.
Durant, Peter J.	Smola, Todd M.
Ferguson, Kimberly N.	Soter, Michael J.
Frost, Paul K.	Sullivan-Almeida, Alyson M.
Gifford, Susan Williams	Vaughn, Marcus S.
Howitt, Steven S.	Vieira, David T.
Jones, Bradley H., Jr.	Wong, Donald H.
Kane, Hannah	Xiarhos, Steven George
Lombardo, Marc T.	

The Chair announced the result of the vote as follows:

Whole number of votes.....	156
Necessary for a choice	79
Ronald Mariano of Quincy had.....	131
Bradley H. Jones, Jr., of North Reading had.....	25

And Mr. Mariano was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Moran of Boston,—

Ordered, That, a committee consisting of fourteen members be appointed to escort Speaker Mariano of Quincy to the Chamber, under escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Speaker Mariano of Quincy escorted to the Chamber by a special committee.

There being no objection, the presiding officer (Mr. Honan) then appointed Representatives Moran of Boston, Michlewitz of Boston, Hogan of Stow, Coppinger of Boston, Gregoire of Marlborough, Livingstone of Boston, Farley-Bouveir of Pittsfield, Moran of Lawrence, González of Springfield, Fiola of Fall River, Scanlon of North Attleborough, Chan of Quincy, Lawn of Watertown, Biele of Boston, Blais of Deerfield, McGonagle of Everett, Barber of Somerville, Cassidy of Brockton, Mahoney of Worcester, Murphy of Weymouth, Peisch of Wellesley, Garlick of Needham, Wong of Saugus, Kane of Shrewsbury and Smola of Warren to the committee.

Soon thereafter Mr. Moran of Boston, for the committee, reported that they had completed their assignment, whereupon the Speaker entered the Chamber under escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Remarks of Speaker Mariano of Quincy.

Speaker Mariano, now in the Chair, then made remarks to the Members, guests, employees, and to the citizens of the Commonwealth, as follows:—

It is an incredible honor to be re-elected as Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to have again earned the trust and confidence of this historic body.

Remarks of the Speaker.

I have had the privilege of serving my constituents in Quincy, Weymouth, and Holbrook for over 30 years, and to have the opportunity to serve the people of the Commonwealth as Speaker for another term is a responsibility that I do not take lightly.

Joining me here today is my wife, Eve, Quincy Mayor Tom Koch, my predecessor and former Inspector General Robert Cerasoli, my former staffer and friend Joe Murphy, and my good friend Tom Fabrizio.

Without the lasting support of my wife, and without the counsel of each of my guests here today, I simply would not be standing here as Speaker.

Two years ago, when I first addressed the House as Speaker, we were at the height of a global pandemic that had uprooted just about every facet of our lives, putting tremendous strain on hospitals and healthcare workers, while simultaneously creating unprecedented economic uncertainty.

Yet despite these immense challenges, residents of the Commonwealth displayed admirable resiliency, and the Legislature acted to provide vital relief and support where it was needed most.

Without a shared sense of collaboration within this body - and between the House, Senate, and Governor - state government simply could not have responded to the needs of residents as effectively as it did.

That spirit of collaboration here is more important now than ever before. As the sense of common purpose in our national politics continues to deteriorate, and as Washington enters divided government, common-sense solutions become more and more allusive, making the work we do at the state level critical to solving many of the biggest challenges facing the Commonwealth, and the country.

That's why I'm proud that we do things differently in Massachusetts. Senate President Spilka has been a steadfast partner on a number of pressing issues, and I'm

grateful for Governor Baker's good faith efforts at compromise that have helped to deliver tangible results.

It's that approach to collaboration, along with the hard work of every member in this chamber, that allowed us to pass major pieces of legislation last session.

I am incredibly proud of the fact that the past legislative session began and ended with historic action on climate.

The Next Generation Climate Roadmap set ambitious emissions reduction targets and established a plan to meet them. Then, the Legislature ended the session with historic investments in offshore wind, energy storage, in and other forms of clean energy, while accelerating the process of modernizing our energy grid.

We used federal ARPA and state surplus funding to make historic, targeted investments in hospitals, affordable housing, public education, and small businesses, along with a host of other critical investments designed to provide support where it was needed most.

The Legislature also took action last session to overhaul the Commonwealth's mental health delivery system, helping to bolster support for youth mental health services and ensure that mental health is treated with the same level of importance as physical health.

I'm also proud that the House-led effort to legalize wagering on professional and collegiate sports in Massachusetts was signed into law, bringing the immense economic benefits of a legal sports betting industry to the Commonwealth.

Additionally, a decades-long effort to ensure that every driver on the roads in Massachusetts is both licensed and insured came to fruition, as the Legislature passed the Work, Family, and Mobility Act.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't mention the fact that today, we are swearing in the most diverse membership body in the history of the House of Representatives as the result of a redistricting effort that created four minority-majority districts, aiming to amplify the voices of historically underserved communities.

These accomplishments could not have happened without the hard work of each of you, and represent the kind of forward-thinking approach that Massachusetts has always led with.

I have no doubt that the sense of collaboration that produced the achievements of the past legislative session will continue with Governor-elect Healey in office, as she has already demonstrated a strong commitment to delivering for the people of the Commonwealth.

We have come a long way since the height of the pandemic, but we now find ourselves confronting lingering consequences of those years of hardship, and the challenges of a new, post-pandemic economy. Our ability to tackle these new challenges depends on our ability to maintain the same collaborative approach that drove the progress of the last two years.

One of those issues is the instability in our healthcare system, in terms of both patient affordability and the financial position of our hospitals and other providers. As a result of the reforms we passed in 2006 and 2012, we have less uninsured residents, and more tools to assess the Commonwealth's health care market and to respond to concerning trends.

It's been 10 years since that 2012 cost containment legislation, which was intended to slow the growth of healthcare spending. While our cost growth benchmark has allowed us to keep spending growth below the national average, we've too often missed our own targets, which is why it's time to revisit our cost containment goals and retool for the next decade.

Part of that effort must include establishing more robust protections for community hospitals.

For many of our most vulnerable residents, community hospitals are the most affordable care option, meaning that when a community hospital goes out of business, working families lose a critical care access point, overall health care costs rise in the Commonwealth, and entire local economies are left reeling.

That's why it will again be a priority of mine to pursue legislation that establishes a more rigorous review process around hospital expansions, ensuring that community hospitals are protected from the financial threat of larger hospital systems expanding into their market.

If we want to guarantee access to affordable treatment for all residents of Massachusetts, we must take action this session to protect community hospitals.

This session, the House will also continue its legacy of enacting strong gun laws that have made Massachusetts a national leader in gun safety, which is a designation that has been put under threat by a highly politicized United State Supreme Court.

We must build on the progress of last session, such as the implementation of a public awareness campaign regarding red flag laws, and continue to engage in a comprehensive review of our gun laws to ensure that the Supreme Court's flawed decision last summer will not endanger Massachusetts residents.

Another sector that the pandemic reinforced as essential to both families, and to our economy, is childcare. This session, the full attention of the House will be directed at examining ways to further support our vital early education and care workforce, who are largely women and often women of color, as we work to build a system to provide affordable access to quality childcare for Massachusetts families. I was proud of the work done last session to increase salaries and other key supports for EEC workers, and I'm confident that the Legislature can do more on this critical issue.

Ensuring that Massachusetts residents have access to a safe and reliable public transportation system will be another priority of the House this session. While this is certainly not an issue that the Legislature can tackle alone, it's the responsibility of all public officials in Massachusetts to help address the challenges facing the MBTA.

I'm also proud of the work done in the House last session to make historic investments in clean energy, we must continue to examine ways to provide further support for offshore wind development if we are to meet the Commonwealth's ever important climate goals and maximize the potential of a vital industry.

Another significant challenge facing Massachusetts residents is access to affordable housing. The House looks forward to working with Governor-elect Healey on this issue, as it is critical that working folks across the Commonwealth have access to quality housing.

And finally, as residents continue to feel the pinch of inflation, and as the Fed moves to raise interest rates, the House will continue to preach the critical importance of fiscal discipline, which has produced a historically high balance in the Commonwealth's Stabilization Fund. The House is committed to using the surplus and federal funding responsibly, and in the best interest of residents, without compromising the long-term economic security of the Commonwealth during a period of tremendous financial uncertainty.

These are undoubtedly serious challenges that no single person could ever hope to solve alone.

That's why I am grateful to serve in this body with all of you. I will continue to lean on your knowledge and expertise while working to facilitate the discussions and collaboration necessary for a successful working environment.

The people of this Commonwealth are looking to their state government for results, and I know that if we work together, we can deliver.

Thank you.

Remarks of former Speaker DeLeo.

There being no objection, former Speaker Robert A. DeLeo of Winthrop then addressed the House.

Remarks of former Speaker DeLeo.

Remarks of Representative Jones of North Reading.

The remarks of Mr. Jones of North Reading were spread upon records, on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden, as follows:—

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and through you to the Members, their families, friends, supporters and our distinguished guests.

Remarks of the Minority Leader.

It is a privilege to stand before you today at the start of the 193rd Biennial session. Today and together, we begin to write the next chapter in Massachusetts history. It is a day of new beginnings, renewed commitments, and promise. Today, we took our oath, recited almost countless times by dedicated servants of this great Commonwealth over time. We represent different and diverse communities and each of us has our own list of goals and priorities, but we all share a bond as elected members of the Massachusetts House of Representatives that have been given the opportunity to work side by side on issues of importance over the next two years. We are hopeful for a brighter future but ever mindful of the challenges ahead.

I would like to thank the residents of the Twentieth Middlesex District once again for allowing me to continue to serve them. It is an honor and privilege to represent the citizens of Reading, North Reading, Lynnfield and Middleton and I look forward to continuing to work on their behalf.

Swearing-in day is always a favorite - being here with new and seasoned members of the Legislature and I am always elated to see the members surrounded by family and friends in this magnificent Chamber. This Chamber provides us inspiration and appreciation and reminds us how fortunate we are to be here.

Each of our journeys to this Chamber travelled a path made possible by family and friends; those important individuals who worked so hard during the election and sacrificed, so that we may serve the citizens of Massachusetts. The commitment and support demonstrated during the campaign, the late-night meetings, the standouts in the rain, the weekend events, and the occasional public criticism is truly commendable and inspiring. Our families keep us grounded and serve as the constant reminders each day that we must give 100% of ourselves to our constituents and that we must do so with honor and integrity.

Many of you are fortunate today to be joined by that one special person in your lives who never lets you down and keeps you going – even on the toughest of days. For me that person is my lovely wife Linda with whom I will celebrate 23 years of marriage this coming Sunday. She is our family's organizer and motivator constantly making sure keeping up with the Joneses is not just an expression.

I am thrilled to be joined by my daughter Alexis and son Nicholas before they resume their studies. They are without doubt my two greatest non-legislative accomplishments and no matter how difficult the day, or how tough the vote they never fail to lift my spirits and brighten my day with their unconditional love.

Thank you to my Republican colleagues for the continued opportunity to lead them.

We welcome the Gentleman from Wrentham as the newest member of our Caucus and look forward to him sharing his professional experiences and making him part of our legislative family.

To all the new legislators, congratulations on becoming a member of a remarkable institution. The next two years will be rewarding, challenging and you need only be true to yourself and your constituents. To my veteran colleagues, I welcome you back and look forward to the coming session together.

Mr. Speaker, congratulations on your re-election, as the Leader of this august body. Your Democratic colleagues have again demonstrated their faith in you to lead this historic institution. I hope that we can find common ground in the year ahead to ensure that the critical needs of the residents of the Commonwealth are addressed.

Tomorrow will be an important day in Massachusetts history as we swear-in our new Governor. On behalf of the Republican Caucus, I welcome the Gentledady and her Lieutenant Governor to the corner office.

As we all too painfully know issues which barely draw our notice today will command our focus at some point in the next two years. While a return to legislative normalcy is a fervent hope there is no doubt the experiences and necessities of the past session will impact how we go about our business going forward.

There can be no doubt that as we assemble here today, our top priorities must be a stronger economic recovery, maintaining our focused fiscal responsibility, and transforming the way we operate as a government and provide services to our citizens.

While our economy is no doubt stronger than it was two years ago, none of us can or should be satisfied that it is as strong as it should be. Many of our fellow citizens remain out of work or underemployed. No one in our Commonwealth should believe that their children's future will not be a little brighter or a little better than theirs was. It falls to each one of us individually and collectively to make this happen.

Our stronger economy and the shared prudent fiscal stewardship coupled with tremendous support from our federal partners has allowed us to bring our rainy-day fund to historic levels, eliminate our structural deficit and make meaningful targeted increased investments in a wide variety of essential areas.

Our never-ending wishes to do more across a wide variety of fronts must always be tempered by the ability of the taxpayers to afford those wishes and our obligation to prepare for the future by building our reserves even further. In fact, our fiscal success led to a historic one-time refund to taxpayers across the Commonwealth. Going forward we need to revisit the targeted tax relief both the House and Senate passed last session but failed to finalize. Fortunately, the incoming Governor supported those efforts and has identified tax relief like the kind we passed as her number one priority on day one and we agree.

Our democracy is confrontational by design and in passing legislation and crafting laws, strong-willed people of diverse talent, experiences and divergent beliefs will have differences of opinion, some of which are irreconcilable. We should always work towards achieving common ground even when that effort takes valuable time. When we can reach agreement without sacrificing our principles, the Republican Caucus will do so in the best interests of the citizens of the Commonwealth. Likewise, when agreement proves elusive or unattainable, we will debate and highlight those differences not because we are likely to carry the day but rather because it is what our democracy expects from each of us.

We are a proud and great state steeped in history and tradition. The stories of the people of Massachusetts are an integral part of the quilt that is America. Working

together, we can ensure that Massachusetts remains a national leader and a source of inspiration for the rest of the country on so many fronts.

I am optimistic that collectively we can accomplish great things during the next two years. I know that the Republican Caucus is ready to get to work, and we look forward to working with the members of the majority and Governor-elect Healey and Lt. Governor-elect Driscoll as we move Massachusetts forward.

May God bless you and may God bless the residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Ms. Armini of Marblehead then moved that the House proceed to the election of a Clerk, that the election be by acclamation, and that Steven T. James of Swampscott be so elected Clerk of the House.

Election
of Clerk.

The motion unanimously prevailed; Mr. James was elected by acclamation; and the declaration thereof was made by the Speaker.

The Clerk then qualified by taking the following oath, administered by the Speaker:

Whereas, You, Steven T. James, are chosen Clerk of the House of Representatives of the General Court of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all votes and orders thereof, and that, in all things relating to your office, you will act faithfully and impartially, according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

A communication from the Clerk, announcing that he had appointed Timothy Carroll of Hull, Assistant Clerk of the House, and Elizabeth M. Thompson of Clinton, Second Assistant Clerk of the House, was read; and the communication was placed on file.

Assistant
Clerks
appointed.

Notice of Organization of the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, by a committee thereof, announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Karen E. Spilka of Ashland as President and Michael Hurley of Boston as Clerk.

Notice of
organization
of the Senate.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston,—

Ordered, That a special committee be appointed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Senate notified
of organization
of the House.

Representatives Galvin of Canton, Ferrante of Gloucester, Ayers of Quincy, Parisella of Beverly, Straus of Mattapoisett, McGonagle of Everett, Barber of Somerville, Cassidy of Brockton, Mahoney of Worcester, Murphy of Weymouth, Peisch of Wellesley, Muratore of Plymouth, Xiarhos of Barnstable and Durant of Spencer of were appointed the committee.

Subsequently Mr. O'Day, for the committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned to them.

On motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington,—

Ordered, That a special committee be appointed to inform His Excellency the Governor and the Council that the House of Representatives has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Governor and
Council notified
of organization
of the House.

Representatives Gordon of Bedford, Driscoll of Milton, Garlick of Needham, Balser of Newton, Gregoire of Marlborough, Blais of Deerfield, Williams of Springfield, Nguyen of Andover, Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, LaNatra of Kingston, Madaro of Boston, Orrall of Lakeville, DeCoste of Norwell and D’Emilia of Bridgewater were appointed the committee.

Subsequently Mr. Gordon, for the committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned to them.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton,—

Ordered, That, the Clerk begin the keeping of, and making available daily in a format determined by the Speaker in consultation with the Clerk of the Journal, as authorized by House Rule 10, and that the daily reading thereof be dispensed with; that, under authority of Section 22A of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, copies of the Journal for the entire session be printed and bound with the customary appendices and an index; and that the attested bound copy be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the official Journal of the House.

Journal of
the House.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton,—

Ordered, That, the Rules of the House of Representatives of 2021-2022 be observed, so far as they are applicable, until rules shall be adopted by the present House.

Temporary
House Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held at a quarter before twelve o’clock noon on Thursday, January 5 for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor-elect, Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the several Councillors-elect.

Convention
of the two
branches.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:

Ordered, That the joint rules observed in the preceding General Court (2021-2022) be observed as the temporary joint rules of the two branches for the present General Court until the adoption of permanent joint rules and that Joint Rule 12 be amended, in line 511, by striking out the word “February” and inserting in place thereof the word “January”.

Temporary
Joint Rules.

Benediction.

At the request of the Speaker, a blessing was offered by Rabbi Chaim Dessler of Bais Yaakov of Boston; and on the motion of Mr. Honan of Boston, it was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:—

Good afternoon. Thank you Speaker Mariano, congratulations on your re-election! Thank you to Dean Honan for inviting me here today.

Benediction.

I’d to share a short and powerful insight, and then close this Historic ceremony in this beautiful chamber with words of prayer.

Last week we completed the 8 day celebration of Chanukah, the Jewish festival of lights.

Chanukah celebrates victory-renewal, a victory of light over darkness, celebrating the miracle of the small flask of pure olive oil that was found and used to

light the menorah in the Holy Temple. And the even greater miracle of the Menorah's continuous illumination for eight full days

Over 2000 years ago during that era, the Assyrian Greeks ruled biblical Israel.

In addition to desecrating the Holy Temple, they restricted religious freedom and forbade certain religious practices in their pursuit to upend Jewish identity.

Among the Jewish practices that were outlawed, was G-d's commandment of sanctifying and blessing the new moon each month.

Jewish Scholars and commentators have long debated the question, as to why they chose this "seemingly insignificant commandment of blessing the new moon", as one to outlaw?

Early commentators explain- that the monthly rebirth of the moon represents a renewal, a renewal that each individual person may also experience and adapt. We sanctify the moon to express how each individual person also experiences renewal and light.

And even when we endure challenges- darkness, and antisemitism, we find ways to aspire and inspire spiritual growth, renewal, and light, within ourselves and community.

Since we, like the moon, also may renew, refresh ourselves, and be a light.

This is what the Assyrian Greeks tried to eliminate.

Yet they failed.

They were defeated by a group called the Maccabees.

Renewal and growth were victorious. Light was victorious over darkness.

And THIS is what we celebrate each year on Chanukah!

Throughout the generations since the Chanukah story, there have been times that the darkness has re-emerged and has suppressed the light. But Almighty G-d brings forth the renewed light of salvation to diminish the darkness.

My late grandfather, Rabbi Dessler of Cleveland, Ohio, escaped the horrors of the Holocaust in Europe. Arriving on American shores at the age of 21, he came with a mission - a responsibility, and was determined to rebuild and reestablish the lifestyle of growth and renewal in the Land of the Free!

Despite his tender age, he established a school for Jewish children, including children of survivors and immigrants, regardless of their ability to pay, where spiritual growth, renewal, and light- a bright future, were its hallmark. He partnered with likeminded individuals across the country in establishing a network of schools under this mission, which have grown and are thriving till today

This is renewal and growth being victorious. This is the victory of light over darkness.

Ribono Shel Olam - Master of the world, we are here to inaugurate the 193rd legislature of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, the body that creates the laws which govern our state.

In their role representing the people of this great Commonwealth, lawmakers must ponder the policies to make our state and society better – to renew, to refresh, and to be a light.

Policies to ensure that we are safe; policies that provide assistance to those in need; policies to ensure that the future is bright for the next generation; policies that allow us to live meaningful and spiritual lives as we all see fit.

While we are here to usher in the new, we must undoubtedly acknowledge the work of the 192nd legislature, who came in on the heels of great challenges and uncertainty, rose to the challenge, and led the Commonwealth to where we are today!

Almighty G-d, we ask You to bestow Your bounty of blessings on this most powerful and talented group of

public servants who have stood up to carry out the mission of service. We ask You to protect and inspire these remarkable individuals. Endow them with courage, fortitude, and wisdom, crown them with humility and compassion, and infuse them with the concepts of growth and renewal to lead us all forward.

Please bless them, their families and their administrations with good health and prosperity and please bless each and every one of the nearly 7,000,000 people who live in the commonwealth of Massachusetts with good health, success, and happiness.

And to this we say Amen.

Order.

On motion of Ms. Hogan of Stow,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at a half past eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the House adjourned, to meet the following day at half past eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, January 5, 2023.

Met at twenty-five minutes before twelve o'clock noon, in an Informal Session.

At the request of the Speaker, the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communication from the Minority Leader.

January 4, 2023.

Steven T. James, Clerk
House of Representatives
State House, Room 145
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Please be advised that, at a Republican Caucus held on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 in Room 428, with twenty-six (26) of twenty-six (26) members voting, I, Bradley H. Jones, Jr. was re-elected as Minority Leader.

Election of
Minority
Leader.

Please contact me should you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

BRADLEY H. JONES, JR.,
Minority Leader.

The communication was read; and placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the returns of votes cast at the election held in the Commonwealth on the eighth day of November, 2022, for the constitutional offices of Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, and Auditor of the Commonwealth and Executive Councillors in the several districts, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for, was read.

Returns of
votes for
state officers
and Councillors.

The following order then was adopted, in concurrence:

Ordered, That a joint committee to consist of members of the Senate and House of Representatives be appointed for the purpose of canvassing the votes for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Attorney General,

Id.

Treasurer and Receiver-General and Auditor of the Commonwealth, and Councillors in the several districts.

Senators Crighton, Brownsberger, Payano, Velis and Fattman having been appointed by the Senate, Representatives Day of Stoneham, Ryan of Boston and Jones of North Reading were joined on the part of the House.

Subsequently the following report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes, having been accepted by the Senate, was read:

From an examination of the returns, it appears that votes were cast as follows:—

For Governor and Lieutenant-Governor.

Healey and Driscoll (Democratic) had	1,584,403
Diehl and Allen (Republican) had	859,343
Reed and Everett (Libertarian) had	39,244
All others.....	2,806
Blanks.....	25,665
Total Votes Cast	2,511,461

And Maura T. Healey and Kimberley L. Driscoll are elected.

For Attorney General.

Andrea Joy Campbell of Boston (Democratic) had	1,539,624
James R. McMahon, III of Bourne (Republican)	908,608
All others.....	1,550
Blanks.....	61,679
Total votes cast.....	2,511,461

And Andrea Joy Campbell is elected.

For Secretary of State.

William Francis Galvin of Boston (Democratic) had	1,665,808
Rayla Campbell of Whitman (Republican) had	722,021
Juan G. Sanchez, Jr. of Holyoke (Green-Rainbow) had	71,717
All others.....	1,396
Blanks.....	50,519
Total votes cast.....	2,511,461

And William Francis Galvin is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Deborah B. Goldberg of Brookline (Democratic) had	1,709,555
Cristina Crawford of Sherborn (Libertarian) had	516,019
All others	9,994
Blanks.....	275,893
Total votes cast.....	2,511,461

And Deborah B. Goldberg is elected.

For Auditor.

Diana DiZoglio of Methuen (Democratic) had.....	1,310,773
Anthony M. Amore of Winchester (Republican) had	897,223

Gloria A. Caballero-Roca of Holyoke (Green-Rainbow) had	68,646
Dominic A. Giannone, III of Weymouth (Workers Party) had	51,877
Daniel Werner Riek of Yarmouth (Libertarian) had	48,625
All others.....	1,648
Blanks.....	132,669
Total votes cast.....	2,511,461

And Diana DiZoglio of Methuen is elected.

And also that it appears from an examination of the returns that the following named persons have been duly elected Councillors in their respective districts, to wit:

District No. 1. Joseph C. Ferreira, of Swansea
District No. 2. Robert L. Jubinville, of Milton
District No. 3. Marilyn M. Petitto Devaney, of Watertown
District No. 4. Christopher A. Iannella, Jr., of Boston
District No. 5. Eileen R. Duff, of Gloucester
District No. 6. Terrence W. Kennedy, of Lynnfield
District No. 7. Paul M. DePalo, of Worcester
District No. 8. Tara J. Jacobs, of North Adams
The report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

CONVENTION

in the Chamber of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant Governor-elect and the several Councilors-elect, and were called to order by the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate.

Remarks of Senate President Karen E. Spilka.

This first joint meeting of the 193rd General Court.

Welcome to the members of House and Senate - particularly to our new members - to our first joint meeting of the 193rd General Court. Congratulations, it's a very exciting time full hope and opportunity.

Welcome also to family, friends, and distinguished guests of the Governor-elect and Lieutenant Governor-elect.

Today is a historic day in our Commonwealth's history.

As only the third woman Senate President in our history, it is a distinct honor and privilege to administer the oath of office to the first woman elected Governor of the Commonwealth – and the first woman team of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

We should not let this moment pass without recognizing the contributions of generations of women who paved the way, who never stopped hoping for – or working towards – this momentous occasion.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brownsberger,—

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to consist of members of the Senate and the House of Representatives to wait upon the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant Governor-elect and the several Councilors-elect and inform them that the two

Remarks of
Senate President
Karen E. Spilka.

Notify Governor.

branches of the General Court are now in convention for the purpose of administering oaths required to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their offices.

Senators Creem of Norfolk and Middlesex, DiDomenico of Middlesex and Suffolk, Kennedy of First Worcester, Miranda of Second Suffolk and O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk were appointed to the committee on the part of the Senate; Representatives Gregoire of Marlborough, Peake of Provincetown, Moran of Boston, Peisch of Wellesley, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Fiola of Fall River, González of Springfield, Balser of Newton, Day of Stoneham, Nguyen of Andover, Hogan of Stow, Kane of Shrewsbury, Ferguson of Holden and Gifford of Wareham were appointed to the committee on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Ms. Creem and Miss Gregoire, for the said committee, reported that the Governor-elect, Lieutenant Governor-elect and the Councillors elect were duly notified.

Subsequently, the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the Councillors-elect, and William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, entered the Chamber, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Presentation of Colors.

The President then introduced the Massachusetts State Police Color Guard and the National Guard Honor Guard, who presented the colors.

Presentation
of colors.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The President then introduced the following Gold Star families who led the Convention in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Gold Star wife Patricia Sherman and Gold Star daughter Skylab May-Marie Sherman of Plymouth, family of Sergeant Benjamin Sherman, killed in action, Afghanistan, Gold Star sister Maura Durkin of Quincy, family of Corporal Ciara Durkin, Afghanistan, Gold Star parents Ernesto and Maria Cordoba of Taunton, family of Private First Class Aaron Cordoba Martinez, Global War on Terrorism Gold Star aunt Tanisha Meranda of Malden and Gold Star brother Kato Wise of Boston, family of Specialist Raymond Wise, Kuwait and Gold Star wife Peggy Griffin of Wellesley, family of Specialist Charles Sabatier, Jr., Vietnam.

Pledge of
allegiance.

National Anthem.

The President then introduced Lydia Harrell, instructor and alumnus of the Berklee School of Music who sang the National Anthem.

National Anthem.

Invocation.

The invocation was offered by Bishop John M. Borders III from the Morning Star Baptist Church in Boston, as follows:

Invocation.

Almighty and Sovereign God, creator of new beginnings, we assemble for this historic event-the inauguration of Maura Tracy Healey as 73rd governor of Massachusetts. We praise your holy and righteous name because you are doing a new thing. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Treasurer, State Auditor as well as the Mayor of Boston are all women. You promised in the last days to pour out your Spirit on all flesh, sons and daughters old and young You chose a daughter of working parents and five brothers and sisters to become a daughter of democracy.

Lord, Maura may be small in stature, but she is a giant in spirit.

Bless Maura Healey with the calm, the consideration, and the courage to help construct a better quality of life for everyone across the social and political spectrum. Use Maura Healey to heal the wounds of division, discrimination, and desperation across our state. Afford Maura Healey the favor to champion the cause of diversity, equality, and justice for all. And empower Maura Healey to unite all of us from Mattapoisett to Mattapan for better education, better housing and healthcare, economic opportunity and ending violence.

Jesus said, "*Work while it is day for the night is coming when no one can work.*"

Governor-Elect Maura Tracy Healey is ready, willing, and able to work for all the people of Massachusetts and we are ready to work with her.

Lord, end war and bring peace,

In the Spirit of the Christ we pray,

Amen.

Oaths of Office.

Before the President of the Senate, and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to, and subscribed by Joseph C. Ferreira of Somerset, Marilyn M. Petitto Devaney of Watertown, Christopher A. Iannella, Jr. of Boston, Eileen R. Duff of Gloucester, Terrence W. Kennedy of Lynnfield, Paul M. DePalo of Worcester and Tara J. Jacobs of North Adams, as Councillors, at twenty-seven minutes past twelve o'clock noon.

Before the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmation of office were then administered to, and subscribed by Her Honor Kim Driscoll, as Lieutenant-Governor, at a half past twelve o'clock noon.

Before the President of the Senate, and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to, and subscribed by, Her Excellency Maura Healey, as Governor, at twenty-six minutes before one o'clock P.M.

After the certification of the oaths of office by the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a proclamation was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Her Honor the Lieutenant Governor Kimberley L. Driscoll then addressed the convention, as follows (see Senate, No. 2):

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR KIMBERLEY L. DRISCOLL INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

Madam President, Mr. Speaker, and members of the Legislature.

Governor Healey, Madame Chief Justice, members of our Judiciary, and members of the Governor's Council. Our incoming and outgoing Constitutional Officers and Cabinet Secretaries. Distinguished guests, family and friends.

It is the honor of a lifetime for this Navy brat, public higher ed grad, and Gateway City Mayor to be standing here as your Lieutenant Governor.

Thank you all for being here to mark this historic moment.

I'm so grateful to have members of my family here to share in this special day. My 89 year old Navy veteran father, Fred, flew in for this occasion along with my sister Chrystal, my niece, Aunts, uncles and cousins who are here from near and far. Thank you for being here.

And I owe a special debt of appreciation and thanks to my husband Nick and our kids Delaney, Ailish, and Nicky. You have always been there for me. Thank you for

Executive
Councillors,—
oath of office.

Lieutenant
Governor,—
oath of office.

Governor,—
oath of office.

Proclamation.

Lieutenant-
Governor
Kimberley
Driscoll,—
Inaugural
Address.

your patience, sacrifices, and all your help. I wouldn't be here without your love and support. I'm grateful and I love you.

Thank you to the talented individuals and groups who have honored us with their presence and performances today.

I also want to recognize members of the military, our Gold Star and bereaved military families, including members of the Ayube family who came here today from Salem.

To Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy –

To Governor Jane Swift –

To Senate President Terry Murray –

To the dozens of women who I have not named but who have created a pathway in your fearlessness. You have my immense gratitude and great respect. Maura and I are honored to walk in the path you blazed. Thank you.

As we embark on the start of a new Administration, we begin on strong footing thanks to the work of Governor Baker and Lieutenant Governor Polito.

At a time when our national politics are moving in the other direction, they chose a bipartisan, people-centered approach and governed with a wide lens, a big heart and an open mind.

I know both Governor Healey and I want to extend our gratitude for their support, encouragement and collaboration throughout the transition.

Please join me in thanking them for their years of dedicated service to our Commonwealth.

Madam President and Mister Speaker, the steady hands of this Legislature have helped to ensure that Massachusetts is not just surviving, but thriving in the face of today's global challenges. With your leadership, our state has provided safe haven and secured record resources to invest back into improving the quality of life in all our communities.

Thank you, the members of this Legislature from throughout our amazing Commonwealth, for the work you do every day. We are so grateful to join you in service to this place we are all fortunate enough to call home.

And to my partner and teammate ... Madam Governor! I really like the sound of that.

It is my great honor to make history with you, my friend. The voters have entrusted us with a tremendous responsibility and an awesome opportunity. Like so many residents of our Commonwealth, I've been inspired by your work as the People's Lawyer and I am thrilled to be by your side as you serve as the People's Governor.

Many of you know me as the Mayor of Salem and having served as a local leader from the 'get stuff done' branch of government for the last 17 years, I know firsthand that what happens in this building impacts the quality of life of the people who live within our 351 cities and towns.

Mayors and local officials are on the front lines doing some of the most important work residents rely on - educating our kids; keeping our neighborhoods safe; investing in the places where we make memories and supporting healthy and vibrant communities.

Good cities and good towns, they don't happen by accident. It takes intentional and thoughtful leadership and a whole lot of hard work and collaboration - among state and federal governments, private and public sector partners, and institutions of all sizes and magnitude.

Those of us in this room elected to represent people throughout Massachusetts know that it's possible to meet our collective needs in housing, in education, in

transportation and climate. After all, we're a state with a rich history of firsts - from sparking a revolution at home to sharing life-saving vaccines around the world.

Now, more than ever in our state's history, we must lean into our roots and embrace the opportunities to grow, change, innovate — to bring people together in advancement of our shared vision.

THAT is the promise of Governor Healey and THAT is what we are committed to delivering with you every day — these next four years.

It can't be overstated that Massachusetts is at an important inflection point as we turn the corner on the pandemic. Our ability to support thriving communities – and, as a result, have a thriving Commonwealth – will require a new commitment to embracing necessary change as we transition into a new America - one where you don't have to live in the same place you work, where long, congested commutes, expensive housing and childcare shouldn't dictate where you grow your roots, start your business, age or retire.

Simply stated, we can't be a thriving state if we're not meeting our housing and transportation needs; if we're not addressing education and childcare inequities; or leading the nation and frankly the world when it comes to clean energy, life sciences and advanced manufacturing.

The next 4 years are critical. A robust Massachusetts economy is not automatic and despite strong fiscal balances, we're still leaving too many folks behind.

The upshot is we have the tools right here to make a meaningful impact on our most pressing challenges and we're ready to get stuff done.

I am grateful that the people of Salem put their faith in me 17 years ago - an underdog candidate in a city that had never voted to put a woman in charge, let alone someone who hadn't grown up there. My dad, sitting proudly up there, he was a chef in the Navy. My mom was from Trinidad. I was born in Hawaii and, as a military family, we moved quite a bit.

But it wasn't until I came to Salem and got the chance to attend public college at Salem State that I finally felt like I had a home town. Like many of you, I could have called anywhere home after graduating but I fell in love with this place.

This amazing tapestry of people and places called Massachusetts.

Rich with history and natural beauty, a restlessness that comes when there's an abundance of energy and ideas filling a place...a unique cultural vibrancy that runs through our great sports teams and our classical musical halls. And most importantly, the people – their values, compassion, intelligence, creativity – always striving to do better – that's what made me want to call this place home.

And it's why I care about making our collective communities, our state, a better place for people to live and work, to go to school, to start a business, to raise a family and to grow old with dignity.

Governor Healey and I stand before you today with hope and gratitude.

We are excited to get to work with our new cabinet, and with all of you to build on our current success; to bring people together toward an aligned vision for a Commonwealth that works for and welcomes all.

It's truly an honor.

Now, let's get to work.

Thank you.

Her Excellency the Governor Maura Healey, thereupon submitted her address upon the general concerns of the Commonwealth, as follows (see Senate, No. 1):

GOVERNOR MAURA HEALEY

INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

Mr. Speaker, Madame President, and members of the Legislature,
Madame Chief Justice and members of the Judiciary, Members of the Governor's Council and the Cabinet, Former Governors, First responders, members of the armed services, veterans, and distinguished guests, Residents of our beloved Commonwealth,

Governor
Maura
Healey
Inaugural
Address.

We gather today to transfer the power of government and to renew the miracle of democracy.

We gather in the public trust, and commit ourselves once more to the work of the people.

I thank Governor Baker, who has led this Commonwealth with a steady hand. He has governed with integrity and care — eager to study problems and work together on solutions. The example he set for eight years was in the best traditions of public service, and it now becomes his legacy. Governor Baker, I thank you, and our state thanks you.

I thank Kim Driscoll, the best teammate I could ask for. In Salem, she has led with an eye to the future — protecting the coastal treasure of our state, and making sure we preserve it for generations to come. Kim, I can't wait to get to work.

I thank my family, many of whom are with me in this chamber. And so many teachers, coaches, mentors, and friends, who are in my heart.

I assume this office with humility — mindful of the weight of history and lightened by the gift of gratitude. It is the honor of my life to lead this state.

My family's story is a Massachusetts story, more than three centuries in the telling. My ancestors landed on a river bank in Newbury. On the journey they were borne along by dreams of greater freedom, and hope for the blessings of life. Decades later, in the Massachusetts Constitution — the first of its kind — those same dreams were written into a covenant and protected for all time. A model for a young nation.

My great-great-grandfather grew up in Newburyport. When he was 16, his father signed a permission slip so he could fight for the Union in the Civil War. My grandmother as a young girl would visit the Grand Army of the Republic Hall to hear their stories, and she'd later share them with my brothers and sisters and me. I think about them as I look at the servicemembers here and honor the sacrifices they make each day.

My grandparents met on the fishing docks in a Gloucester summer. She was in nursing school; he worked at the GE factory. Later, when I was to be born at a naval hospital in Maryland, they worried that I wasn't starting my life on Massachusetts soil. So she dug up a little dirt from the woodlot, caught a plane, sneaked into the hospital room, and put the little bag under the delivery table.

Massachusetts is my home. Its natural gifts take my breath away, and its people fill me with inspiration in return. The majesty of Mount Greylock and the hairpin turn at North Adams on the Mohawk Trail. The light at Cape Ann and the cranberry bogs of Plymouth. The port of New Bedford and the sparkling waters of the Quabbin. Long Point Peninsula and the Boston harbor islands guiding us on a flight home.

We share a legacy in this state. Our nation was born here, not with a whimper but with the spark of revolution. A hunger for something new and a demand for something better. We established the first public park and the first American public library. The first American lighthouse, railroad, and subway. The first basketball game.

Our state Constitution recognized our natural and essential rights and declared them to the world. The people of Massachusetts have always believed in protecting

these rights, and dedicating them to a higher purpose. We were the first to guarantee that health care is universal, and, twenty years ago now, that love is, too. It is in that spirit of common humanity that I stand before you today, representing another historic first.

This state achieves its higher purpose when the bedrock of individual freedom meets the bond of the public spirit. This is our common wealth, in the truest sense — equally ours, equally yours, whether your Massachusetts story began in an older time or in our own time.

This is why people come to Massachusetts. To write their own story, to become their own first, to take up the common good.

What do they see?

They see the shared heritage of our beautiful land. They see a call to higher learning, to enlightenment. They see research and innovation, joined to build a better future. They see culture and charity. They see the granite dignity of hard work and an everlasting commitment to equality. They see people reaching for something better, something more.

But they also see barriers that are holding back our people and our state. Keeping just out of reach what might be, what could be.

We have untold wealth in Massachusetts. But record public revenue does little good when families can't pay the rent, or buy a house, or heat their homes, or hire childcare.

Our health system is the envy of the world. Yet our hospitals are desperate for staff. Patients are boarding in emergency rooms — spending hours and days in an agonizing wait for care. We sense the shadows of a mental health crisis, and too many suffering from substance use.

Our companies are eager to expand, but they can't find workers with the skills they need.

Communities and people are yearning to grow and thrive, but they haven't been given the tools to do it.

This is the greatest state in the union. But people are leaving at some of the highest rates in the country. Giving up on the Massachusetts story.

All this would be challenge enough at any time. But we meet today as our state and our country feel their way toward the other side of the Covid pandemic. This crisis has brought out and lifted up the best of our state. Our companies, our ingenuity, created vaccines and saved lives. We came together, all of us, with courage and caring, patience and persistence.

Together we are healing, but we must acknowledge the scars. Our people have lost loved ones. Their lives and livelihoods have been disrupted. The toll on our physical and mental health is real. The pandemic exposed and widened gaps in learning and health care and equity.

I also think people are tired. We can speak honestly about that. We've come through difficult days.

But here's what you and I both know.

The people of Massachusetts are resourceful. And resolute. And hopeful. They're ready for what comes next. They're ready to walk forward. We just have to set the path. We just have to light the way.

If we do this right — if we act and choose in a way worthy of this state's proud history and its great people — we will make a difference right now. And we will lay a foundation of success for generations to come.

So let's chart a path forward, and walk it together. Into the next chapter of our Massachusetts story.

Many challenges are before us, but let's start here.

We love this state because it's our home. A home for us all.

We want people to come here. And we want people who grow up here to stay here. Our country looks on Massachusetts as a gleaming example of liberty and equality and success. But too many states are beginning to pass us by.

We have to make Massachusetts a place that people can afford to call home. Our people can't realize their dreams until we end the nightmare of high costs.

The average rent in our state is 50% higher than the national average. We have some of the lowest homeownership rates and some of the highest housing prices.

Now, one reason for this is that Massachusetts is a great place to be. People do want to live here. That's a good thing. But the cost of housing is also out of control because we simply don't have enough of it. If we want Massachusetts to be a home for all, we need to build more places to live, and we need to make sure those homes are within reach.

High housing costs are unacceptable for our people, our businesses, and our state's future. To fix that, we need to think big. We will build a state with room for all its people.

To lead this effort, in my first 100 days, I will file legislation to create a Secretary of Housing. The Secretary will work across government and support every city and town, to make sure we meet our goals.

We'll use property that belongs to the people ... to help the people. I've already directed my Secretary of Administration and Finance to identify unused state-owned land and facilities that we can turn into rental housing or homes within one year.

We'll get first-time homebuyers the help they need, and reduce costs for renters by expanding tax deductions.

This is a fine start, but we need to do more — and we need your help. We rise and fall as a state with the choices and commitments of every neighborhood. Today I'm asking every citizen to join this cause. That means building more housing next to transit hubs, taking another look at zoning, and preserving the housing we already have.

Loosening the grip of rising costs also means tax reform. I know the Speaker and Senate President share this goal, and I thank them for that.

I've already proposed a child tax credit for every child, for every family. The legislature also put forward several worthy tax cut proposals during the last legislative session.

This would mean real relief for the people who need it most. Let's get this done.

The strength of Massachusetts is its families. And they sorely need our help. Our state has some of the highest childcare costs in the country. Our care workers don't make a livable wage.

So today, let us pledge to be the first state to solve the childcare crisis. Let's finally pass legislation in line with Common Start to make sure every family pays what they can afford, and that care workers are paid what they deserve. This is something our families, workers, and businesses all agree on.

We also need to build a Massachusetts economy for the future.

We can't lead tomorrow if we settle for what's good enough today. To keep attracting the best workers in the world, our economy has to compete.

Let me speak directly to the business community. You help drive our economy and you will help build our future. In me, you will have a partner every step of the way.

That begins with making sure you have the work force you need. Tens of thousands of jobs in health care, transportation, and technology are going unfilled

because the skills of our workers don't match the demands of our economy. Let's work with our community colleges and vocational schools, and make sure the training we offer meets the needs of our companies in every region.

In my first budget, I will create and fund a new program called MassReconnect. This will offer free community college to students over 25 who don't have a college degree. We'll also enhance early college opportunities and increase funding to our state university system so everyone can afford a higher degree.

What we're talking about is an investment — and it's the most precious kind because it's an investment in our people.

But it can't wait until college. We must make Massachusetts a place where every child — every child — can reach their potential. The first free public school in America was established in our state almost 400 years ago. Public education has been guaranteed ever since. Today, we need an equal guarantee for our children: That we will continue to offer not just an education but the best education.

That means funding the Student Opportunity Act to make sure every student and every school gets the resources they deserve. It means doing more for mental health care and food security. Our students can't reach their potential if they are homeless or hungry or suffering from untreated mental illness.

To support our state, we have to support our children. And we will.

Ensuring we have the best workforce also means ensuring our workers have the training and protections they deserve, and workers will have a partner and a seat at the table every step of the way.

Now, we can't get our state where it needs to go until our people can get where they need to go.

And let's face it: The state of our trains and roads and bridges today is unacceptable.

Let's acknowledge that we can't have a functioning economy without a functioning T. So I will appoint a GM with deep experience and a laser focus on making our transit safe and reliable. In the next 60 days, we'll appoint a Safety Chief to inspect our system, top to bottom and track by track.

We know the MBTA is woefully understaffed — and we know that lack of staffing has had grave consequences. My first budget will include funding to hire 1000 additional workers focused on the operation of the MBTA within the first year of our administration.

The roads and bridges that get us from here to there are falling apart. Billions of dollars in federal funding are available to fix it, but we are competing with every state for those dollars. So I am forming an interagency task force — the first of its kind — to compete for federal infrastructure money.

We want to win every available dollar for shovel-ready projects across our state.

The people of this state deserve the best transportation system we can offer. So let's build it.

Finally, our greatest strength is our people, but we cannot reach our potential as a state when so many are held back from reaching their own. People of color, people with disabilities, women, LGBT residents - they continue to face barriers that have held them back for generations.

We must center equity in all we do. I will be directing each agency in my administration to conduct a full equity audit. Let Massachusetts be the place that shines a light on every systemic barrier, and then does the hard work to break them down. Because that's who we are.

I've talked about our shared history, the pride of this state and every citizen. Now we must devote ourselves to cherishing and protecting our shared future — and meeting the climate crisis.

Let me be clear about this. Where others may see hopelessness and resignation, I see unparalleled opportunity. We can protect our climate and create jobs. It's not too late to do either. It's urgent that we do both. And I believe Massachusetts can lead the world.

The legislature has already laid out ambitious goals. I share that ambition. I've pledged to double our offshore wind and solar targets, and quadruple our energy storage deployment. In transportation, we will electrify our public fleet, and put a million electric vehicles on the road by 2030.

Meeting these goals will take unprecedented focus, and a leader who can get the job done. Tomorrow, I am submitting an executive order to create the country's first Cabinet-level climate chief — reporting directly to me. She will work across government and with every city and town to meet our climate goals and achieve our economic potential.

We will match our ambitions with our investments. For the first time in our state's history, we will commit at least 1% of the state budget to environmental and energy agencies. We will triple the budget of the Clean Energy Center. We'll create a Green Bank to foster investment in resilient infrastructure and attract new businesses to Massachusetts.

I know we can do this. Over a decade ago, Governor Patrick and the legislature made a bet on life sciences in this state — offering funding and support and leadership to make Massachusetts a leader in biotech. Now, the results are nothing short of remarkable.

Let's commit to making climate innovation our next big investment, our next first, our next frontier.

Let's build a Climate Corridor that stretches from the Berkshires to Barnstable harnessing research, innovation and manufacturing. We'll create thousands of new jobs in clean tech and blue tech, coastal resiliency, and environmental justice. And I believe 10 years from now, we will look back and see the undeniable benefits for our workers, our economy, and our planet.

We can do this. We will do this.

The plans I've just described to you are bold. And I'm mindful of the moment. This is a time in our nation of poisoned discourse and ugly politics. Governors are using people — using children — as props for their cynical political agendas. Elected officials are putting partisanship over the interests of the people they serve.

But not in Massachusetts. That's not who we are.

In Massachusetts, we come together. We lift people up. And we lead.

No matter what challenges we face, no matter what lies ahead, we will stay true to the best of ourselves. We will act with empathy and with equity. We will work together.

As your Governor, I can promise you that these principles will be my North Star.

Let the word go out to people and businesses here and in every part of this country. In Massachusetts, you are welcomed. You are included. You are protected.

This is a state where we will never relinquish the right to reproductive freedom. Where we prize and protect human rights. And civil rights. And gay rights. And equality. And democracy.

That is the Massachusetts we love. And we will make it stronger than ever before.

I think about the people arriving in Massachusetts just today, just now, to make a go of it. Their hopes echo back through our history. Their dreams are the dreams of those who came before me. To live in freedom and equality. In safety and in happiness. To go forward with grateful hearts and pursue the blessings of life.

Those are the words of our state Constitution. Perhaps the proudest of our many firsts.

I assume this office as the first woman and first gay person elected governor of our state.

But every one of us, every citizen, is a first. You may be a first-generation immigrant, choosing Massachusetts as the foundation of your American dream. You may be the first in your family to go to college, or to send your child there. The first in your neighborhood to start a business.

In this state, we are all trailblazers. We are all leaders. That's why we live in Massachusetts.

What story will we write together?

Today is a day to celebrate, to think about how far we've come and where we need to go.

But I'm even more excited about tomorrow. Because tomorrow we get to work. We get to work in the greatest state, for the greatest people, at a moment when we can make the greatest difference — now and for a generation to come.

So with great optimism and pride, I thank you all, and now let's come together and get this done.

God bless you, and God bless this Commonwealth.

Thank you.

A proclamation was issued by William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth attesting to the election and swearing-in of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and the several Councillors.

Qualification of Governor and Lieutenant-Governor.

The benediction was given by Bishop John M. Borders III from the Morning Star Baptist Church in Boston, as follows:

Benediction.

To the new Healey- Driscoll Administration, to all the officers and members of the House and Senate, to the all those who work in Massachusetts state government, I offer you the blessings of the apostle Paul.

2 Thessalonians 3:16 NIV: Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

Berklee College of Music graduate, Precious Perez, performed *America the Beautiful*.

Precious Perez.

Her Excellency the Governor, Her Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Constitutional Officers and the Honorable Executive Council then withdrew from the Joint Session, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Withdrawal from Chamber.

On motion of Mrs. Creem, at twenty-five minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Convention of the Two Branches was dissolved; and the Senate withdrew from the Joint Session, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

At twenty-six minutes before two o'clock P.M., the House reconvened with Speaker Mariano in the Chair.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton,—

Order, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Her Excellency the Governor that Joseph C. Ferreira of Swansea, Marilyn M. Petitto Devaney of Watertown, Christopher A. Iannella, Jr., of Boston, Eileen R. Duff of Gloucester, Terrence W. Kennedy of Lynnfield, Paul M. DePalo of Worcester and Tara J. Jacobs of North Adams have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise her in the Executive part of the government.

Secretary to notify
Governor of
qualifications of
Councillors.

On motion of Ms. Hogan of Stow,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eighteen minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, January 9, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Andrew Sears on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Andrew
Sears.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Nathan Strahs on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Nathan
Strahs.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Elliott of Lowell, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That, there shall be a temporary committee on Rules on the part of the House to consist of members of the 193rd General Court who were members of the Rules committee at the end of the 192nd General Court, provided that the Speaker of the House shall not be a member of said committee; and provided further that appointments made to such committee shall not be subject to the provisions of House Rules 18 and 18A; and provided further that when constituted in such a manner said committee shall be authorized to perform the duties of the committee on Rules of the House.

Temporary
Rules
committee.

The temporary committee on Rules on the part of the House shall be authorized to meet jointly with the temporary committee on Rules on the part of the Senate; and, when constituted in such manner, shall be authorized to perform the duties of the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

The temporary committee on Rules shall be authorized to utilize joint and House committee resources of the various committees having expertise in the subjects referred to them.

The temporary committee on Rules shall cease to exist upon the appointment of the permanent committee on Rules; and that any matters pending before the temporary committee on Rules shall, upon the appointment of the permanent

committee on Rules, be considered to be pending before the permanent committee on Rules.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That, there shall be a temporary committee on Ways and Means to consist of members of the 193rd General Court who were members of the committee on Ways and Means at the end of the 192nd General Court, provided that appointments made to such committee shall not be subject to the provisions of House Rules 18 and 18A; and provided further that when constituted in such a manner said committee shall be authorized to perform the duties of the House committee on Ways and Means.

Temporary
Ways and
Means
committee.

The temporary House committee on Ways and Means shall be authorized to meet jointly with the temporary Senate committee on Ways and Means; and, when constituted in such manner, shall be authorized to perform the duties of the joint committee on Ways and Means.

The temporary committee on Ways and Means shall cease to exist upon the appointment of a permanent committee on Ways and Means; and that any matters pending before the temporary committee on Ways and Means shall, upon the appointment of the permanent committee on Ways and Means, be considered to be pending before the permanent committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 22, prior to the appointment of members to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the Counsel to the House of Representatives shall be authorized to perfect bills and resolves ordered to a third reading by the House or amended by the Senate and resolutions prior to adoption.

House
Counsel,—
perfect
bills.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Galvin of Canton moved that the vote be reconsidered by which the House, on January 4, adopted, in concurrence, the following order:

Temporary
joint rules.

Ordered, That the joint rules observed in the preceding General Court (2021-2022) be observed as the temporary joint rules of the two branches for the present General Court until the adoption of permanent joint rules and that Joint Rule 12 be amended, in line 511, by striking out the word “February” and inserting in place thereof the word “January”; and the motion to reconsider was considered forthwith; and it prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on adoption of the order, in concurrence, the same member moved to amend it by striking out the following: “that Joint Rule 12 be amended, in line 511, by striking out the words ‘third Friday in February’ and inserting in place thereof the words ‘third Friday in January’” and inserting in place thereof the following: “that Joint Rule 12 be amended by striking out, in both instances, the word ‘February’ and inserting in place thereof the word ‘January’”.

The amendment was adopted; and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, January 12, 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 Speaker Mariano of Quincy, Representatives Chan of Quincy and Ayers of Quincy, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of C. Jay Crowley of Quincy, who peacefully passed away surrounded by loved ones on December 28, 2022 at the age of 69.

C. Jay
Crowley.

Jay grew up in Brookline, was the oldest of five brothers. After graduating from Brookline High School, Jay followed in his father's footsteps with a lifelong career with the Trial Court where he retired in 2011 after 35 years of dedicated service to the Commonwealth.

Jay was the beloved son of the late Honorable Henry P. Crowley and Joan (O'Connell) Crowley of Brookline. Loving husband and best friend and confidant to Mary (Keenan) Crowley of Weymouth. Devoted Father to Allison Crowley of Weymouth, Ashley and her husband Jeremy Nichols both of Weymouth, Elizabeth and her husband Sean Ryan of Dallas, Texas. Cherished Papa to Gavin James, Lukas Wolf, Emmie, Sienna, and Collin.

Jay was funny, smart, caring, devoted and loved immensely by his family and friends. Jay will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved him. His absence will be felt by his family for a lifetime.

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.

At six 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.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, January 17, 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.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Balser of Newton and other members of the House) recognizing January 27, 2023 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Holocaust
remembrance.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Haggerty of Woburn, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-seven minutes after seven o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Garballey in the Chair.

Recess.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Laura R. Van Zandt on her retirement from Reach Beyond Domestic Violence, were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Laura
Van Zandt.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Reports of Committees.

A report, in part, of the special committee of the House established (under an order adopted by the House on January 4, 2023) to examine the returns of votes for Representatives in the several Representative Districts of the Commonwealth relative to the First Middlesex District (House, No. 50), filed this day in the office of the Clerk, was considered,

First
Middlesex
District.

So much of the report of the special committee as relates to the Resolutions relative to declaring that Margaret R. Scarsdale was duly elected Representative to the General Court (printed in House, No. 50, App. H), were referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on temporary committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said temporary committee on Rules, on the foregoing, reported that the resolutions (printed in House, No. 50, App. H), ought to be adopted.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the resolutions were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

The residue of the report of the special committee (House, No. 50), then was accepted.

Members-Elect to be Qualified.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Representatives Donato of Medford, Garballey of Arlington and Wong of Saugus as a special committee of the House to witness the qualification as members of the House of Representatives of Representatives-elect Patricia A. Haddad, member-elect from the Fifth Bristol District, Margaret R. Scarsdale, member-elect from the First Middlesex District, and Erika Uytterhoeven, member-elect from the Twenty-Seventh Middlesex District, to be administered at such time as may be convenient to the Governor and Council.

Representatives-elect Patricia Haddad, Margaret Scarsdale, and Erika Uytterhoeven,—qualification.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At twenty-eight minutes before eight o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, January 19, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Members Qualified.

The Speaker announced that the special committee of the House appointed at the preceding sitting, relative to the qualification of Patricia A. Haddad, member-elect from the Fifth Bristol District, Margaret R. Scarsdale, member-elect from the First Middlesex District, and Erika Uytterhoeven, member-elect from the Twenty-Seventh Middlesex District, had completed the assignment, and that Representatives Haddad, Scarsdale and Uytterhoeven had, on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, taken and subscribed the necessary oaths of office, and were now duly qualified as members of the House.

Representatives
Patricia Haddad,
Margaret
Scarsdale,
and Erika
Uytterhoeven,—
qualification.

Statement of Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville.

A statement of Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that it was my intent and desire to vote for Representative Ronald Mariano of Quincy for Speaker of the House at the inaugural session of the 193rd General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the vote that took place on Wednesday, January 4th due to feeling very ill. My missing of the roll call was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Ms. Uytterhoeven
of Somerville.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Parisella of Beverly) congratulating the Endicott College women's rugby team on their winning the National Collegiate Rugby Small College National Championship; and

Endicott
College
rugby team.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington and other members of the House) congratulating Vincent J. Marturano on the occasion of his retirement;

Vincent
Marturano.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown

the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, January 23, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Honan of Boston, Coppinger of Boston, Livingstone of Boston and Montaño of Boston) congratulating Joe Kriesberg on his retirement as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations, were referred under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Joe
Kriesberg.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Rogers of Cambridge then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Mary Jane Gibson, a member of the House from Belmont from 1979 to 1992; and the motion prevailed.

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

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, January 26, 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.

Messages from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 52), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, January 19.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to financing the immediate economic revitalization, community development, and housing needs of the Commonwealth (House, No. 51), was filed with the Clerk on Thursday, January 19.

Economic
revitalization.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying schedules, to the temporary committee on Ways and Means.

Special Recognition.

During the session, Representative Howard of Lowell took the Chair, declared a brief recess and on behalf of Representatives Wong of Saugus, Chan of Quincy, Schmid of Westport, Mom of Lowell, Nguyen of Andover, and Uytterhoeven of Somerville paid tribute to the members of the Asian community of the Commonwealth on the occasion of the Lunar New Year, as follows:

Southeast
Asian
New Year.

On Sunday, January 22nd, the New Year of the Lunar Calendar began. It is the 4720th year according to the Lunar Calendar and is the second oldest continuously used calendar in the world. Many Asian cultures including Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, and Laotian celebrate the Lunar New Year as a time to spend with family sharing happiness and good fortune.

The Lunar Calendar is set in 12-year cycles using 12 different zodiac animals to symbolize each year. This year is the year of the Rabbit, the 4th animal of the 12-year cycle. However, in the Vietnamese calendar they replace the rabbit with the cat and the ox with the buffalo, so in Vietnam they will be celebrating the year of the Cat. Persons born this year are calm, gentle, and thoughtful on how to approach challenges. The expectations for the year will be one of facing challenges in all aspects of life and developing new ways to achieve one's goals.

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 Wellesley High School girls swim team, who won their third Division 2 state swim and diving championship this fall. They were accompanied by their coach Doug Curtin, Division 2 swim coach of the year. They were the guests of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley.

Wellesley,—
girls swim
team.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Philips of Sharon) commending the Sharon Garden Club on the occasion of the ninetieth anniversary of its establishment; and

Sharon
Garden Club.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell) honoring Albert Harris, retired Pepperell firefighter and namesake of the Albert Harris Center;

Albert
Harris.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications.

A communication from the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission PERAC (under the provisions of Section 50 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting proposed amendments to the rules and regulations governing retirement of public employees in Massachusetts (840 CMR 3.00 and 13.00) (House, No. 49), was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Public Employee
Retirement
Administration
Commission.

Communications

From the Office of the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (see Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the County Registers Technology Fund fifty-first planned expenditure [copies of the communication were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight, as required by said law];

Norfolk
County,—
technology
fund.

From the District Attorney of Essex County (see Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022;

Essex,—
wiretaps.

From the District Attorney of Norfolk County (see Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022; and

Norfolk
County,—
wiretaps.

From the Northwestern District Attorney's Office (see Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022;

Northwestern
area,—
wiretaps.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

Annual Reports

Of the District Attorney of the Cape and Islands District (under Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022;

Cape and
Islands,—
wiretaps.

Of the Middlesex District Attorney (under Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022; and

Middlesex,—
wiretaps.

Of the District Attorney of Worcester County (under Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022; and

Worcester
County,—
wiretaps.

A quarterly report of the Sheriff's Department of Plymouth County (under Section 40 of Chapter 126 of the General Laws) submitting the aggregate data on the population of the Plymouth County Correctional Facility for the fourth quarter of the calendar year 2022;

Plymouth
County
Correctional
Facility.

Severally were placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At thirteen 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 Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, January 30, 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. LeBoeuf of Worcester, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Robert H. Dupuis, who passed away on Monday, January 23.

Robert
Dupuis.

Bob was the Safety Director at J.P. Noonan Transportation in West Bridgewater for 25 years, retiring in 2018. He was born in Worcester and later graduated from South High, Central New England College of Technology, and Nichols College. He served in the Army National Guard, as a Leicester firefighter for 23 years, and as Emergency Manager and HAZMAT Coordinator for the Town of Leicester. Bob was a Fourth Degree member of The Knights of Columbus Council #4528 and was a longtime hockey coach for Worcester Pee Wee Hockey. He also was a Certified Environmental Trainer.

Bob leaves his wife of 57 years, Deborah A. (Black) Dupuis; his sons, Michael R. Dupuis and his wife Theresa of Leicester, and William E. Dupuis and his wife Jane of Oxford; his daughter, Jane M. Barbato of Rochdale; and 10 grandchildren, Anthony, Nicole, Sarah, Sean, Ryan, Joseph, Meaghan, Michael, Kate, and Emily, who affectionately knew him as "Grampa."

He will be truly missed. Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with his family and friends as we mourn his passing.

Guests of the House.

During the session, Mr. Ashe of Longmeadow took the Chair, declared a brief recess, and introduced members of the 2022 MIAA Division II state champion Longmeadow girls' field hockey team. The team was accompanied by their coach Ann Simons, who is retiring after a remarkable 42-year career as head coach. They were the guests of Representative Ashe.

Longmeadow
High School
girls' field
hockey team.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Kushmerek of Fitchburg, Diggs of Barnstable and other members of the House) recognizing Rosa Parks Day, were referred under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Rosa
Parks
Day.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Shand of Newburyport, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications.

Communications

From the Office of the Attorney General (see Section 35(c) of Chapter 12 of the General Laws) submitting the Student Loan Ombudsman annual report for fiscal year 2022;

Student Loan
Ombudsman.

From the Department of Unemployment Assistance (see Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the January Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Annual Outlook Report containing updated projections for estimated contributions, benefit payments, and Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund balances for the five-year outlook period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027;

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

From the Secretary of Health and Human Services (see Section 30 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022) submitting an update on the progress towards achieving the goals of the comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination equity plan;

COVID-19
vaccination
equity plan.

From MassHealth (see item 4000-0950 of Section 126 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on the implementation of the Children's Behavioral Health Initiative;

Children's
Behavioral
Health report.

From the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see item 7061-9650 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the Supporting Healthy Alliances Reinforcing Education (SHARE) legislative report; and

SHARE
report.

From the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see item 7061-9607 of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021) submitting the Recovery High Schools legislative report for fiscal year 2022;

Recovery
high schools.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (under sections 21, 102 and 103 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) relative to the per centum change in the average cost-of-living as shown by the United States consumer price index for the year 2023 compared with such index for the year 2022 (House, No. 48), was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cost-of-living
adjustment,—
retirees.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Decker of Cambridge then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Alice K. Wolf, a member of the House from Cambridge from 1997 to 2012, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at fourteen 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 day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 47), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, January 30.

Supplemental
appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the temporary committee on Ways and Means.

Petition.

Representative O'Day of West Boylston and Senator Robyn K. Kennedy presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Holli Hill, an employee of the Department of Children and Families; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Holli Hill,—
sick leave.

Recess.

At two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-two minutes after twelve o'clock noon the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported (under the provisions of House Rules 7B and 7C) an Order relative to special procedures relative to the adoption of permanent House Rules for the 193rd General Court [see House, No. 2023] (House, No. 54); and the order was adopted.

House
Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported (under the provisions of House Rules 7B and 7C) an Order relative to special procedures relative to the adoption of permanent Joint Rules for the 193rd General Court [see House, No. 2025] (House, No. 55); and the order was adopted.

Joint
Rules.

A report, on the residue, of the special committee of the House established (under an order adopted by the House on January 4, 2023) to examine the returns of votes for Representatives in the several Representative Districts of the Commonwealth relative to the Second Essex District (House, No. 53), was considered.

Second
Essex
District.

So much as relates to the Resolutions relative to declaring that Kristin E. Kassner was duly elected Representative to the General Court (printed in House, No. 53, App. G), was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

On the question on acceptance of the residue of the report, further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, until the next sitting.

Orders.

An Order (filed this day by Mr. Galvin of Canton) for the adoption of permanent House Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 legislative session (House, No. 2023), was considered.

House
Rules.

Pending the question on adoption of the order, further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of the same member, until the next sitting.

An Order (filed this day by Mr. Galvin of Canton) for the adoption of permanent Joint Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 legislative session (House, No. 2025), was considered.

Joint
Rules.

Pending the question on adoption of the order, further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of the same member, until the next sitting.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-eight minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023.

[11]*

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, February 1, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representatives Rogers of Norwood, McMurtry of Dedham, Philips of Sharon and Vaughn of Wrentham, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute for Clifton K. Snuffer Jr., a longtime local elected official in the town of Walpole, who passed away on Monday, January 23, 2023 after a valiant battle with cancer.

Clifton K.
Snuffer Jr.

Cliff served as town meeting representative for 36 years, as well as the Walpole Finance Committee, Capital Budget Committee, and Cable Advisory Committee, before serving two terms as a Select Board member between 2008 and 2016. He was instrumental in the completion of new police, fire, and DPW stations, as well as his beloved Senior Center.

He leaves behind his five children, nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He will be deeply missed by the entire community of Walpole.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Galvin of Canton) commending the Titus family for their contributions to the community fabric of the town of Canton; and

Titus
family.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Soter of Bellingham) congratulating William F. Delaney on fifty years of teaching at Bellingham public schools;

William
Delaney.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Philips of Sharon, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Recess.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of one o'clock P.M.; and at twenty-three minutes before two o'clock the House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

Recess.

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported, that the House Resolutions relative to declaring that Kristin E. Kassner was duly elected Representative to the General Court (printed in House, No. 53, App. G), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the resolutions were considered forthwith.

Second
Essex
District.

After remarks on the question on adoption of the resolutions, Mr. Jones of North Reading moved to amend them by substitution of the following order:

“Ordered, that the Special House Committee to Examine the Return of Votes for Certain Representative Districts which was established on January 4, 2023, be hereby immediately revived for the purposes of examining the ballots in question in order to make a determination as to whether Kristin Kassner or Leonard Mirra has been properly elected or the Second Essex District has failed to elect a representative.”.

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 Mr. Jones; and on the roll call 23 members voted in the affirmative and 128 in the negative.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 1.

[See Yea and Nay No. 1 in Supplement.]

[Representatives Cataldo of Concord, Mirra of Georgetown and Sullivan-Almeida of Abington answered “Present” in response to their names.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the resolutions by substitution of the following order:

“Ordered, that the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the membership of the House from the Second Essex District, and appoint a time for an election to be held in said district for the purposes of filling that vacancy.”.

On the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Frost of Auburn; and on the roll call 22 members voted in the affirmative and 129 in the negative.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 2.

[See Yea and Nay No. 2 in Supplement.]

[Representatives Cataldo of Concord, Mirra of Georgetown and Sullivan-Almeida of Abington answered “Present” in response to their names.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

On the question on adoption of the resolutions, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 22 in the negative.

Resolutions
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 3.

[See Yea and Nay No. 3 in Supplement.]

[Representatives Cataldo of Concord, Mirra of Georgetown and Sullivan-Almeida of Abington answered “Present” in response to their names.]

Therefore the resolutions were adopted.

Orders of the Day.

The final report (on the residue) of the special committee of the House to examine the returns of the votes for Representative in the several Representative Districts of the Commonwealth relative to the Second Essex District (House, No. 53), was accepted.

Second Essex
District.

The House Order for the adoption of permanent House Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 Legislative Session (House, No. 2023), was considered.

House
Rules.

After debate on the question on adoption of the order, Ms. Uytterhoeven of Somerville moved to amend it in proposed Rule 17B, in lines 522 to 525, inclusive, by striking out the following: “the aggregate tally of members voting in the affirmative, members not voting or members reserving their rights, and the names of members voting in the negative on an individual bill, and shall be posted on the website of the General Court within 48 hours of the vote for public inspection.”; and by inserting after line 522 the following paragraph:

“All votes by the committee to give any legislation a favorable report, adverse report, or study order, whether by recorded vote at an executive session or by an electronic poll of the committee, shall be recorded on appropriate forms that show the names of all members voting in the affirmative, members voting in the negative, members not voting, and members reserving their rights, shall be kept in the offices of the committee, and shall be posted on the website of the General Court as soon as practicable; provided that votes may also be recorded in LAWS.”.

The amendments were rejected.

Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend the order in the second paragraph of Rule 33A by adding the following four sentences: “All amendments submitted to the Clerk after a formal session is called to order shall be made available by electronic means to all members of the House and the public; and provided further a duplicate copy of each such amendment shall be distributed to each member’s seat in the chamber. No technical or perfecting amendment shall be considered by the House until the expiration of at least 30 minutes after the amendment shall have been filed with the Clerk and distributed to the members. The House may consider an amendment that has not been so available for at least 30 minutes only upon a roll call vote of two-thirds of House members present and voting. This rule shall not be suspended unless by unanimous consent of the members present.”.

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 Mr. Jones; and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 23 members voted in the affirmative and 130 in the negative.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 4.

[See Yea and Nay No. 4 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

The same members then moved to amend the order in proposed Rule 33E, in line 1023, and in proposed Rule 101, in line 2334, by striking out the following: “30 minutes” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following: “1 hour”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Smola of Warren; and on the roll call 23 members voted in the affirmative and 130 in the negative.

Amendments
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 5.

[See Yea and Nay No. 5 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendments were rejected.

Mr. Smola of Warren then moved to amend the order in proposed Rule 18, in line 575, by inserting after the word “Means,” the word “two”; and in line 576 by striking out the word “member”, the first time it appears, and inserting in place thereof the word “members”. The amendments were adopted.

Representatives Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend the order in proposed Rule 101, in lines 2214 and 2215, by striking

out the words “one employee” and inserting in place thereof the words “two employees”; and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Galvin of Canton then moved to amend the order by in proposed Rule 7D, in line 125, by striking out the words “would minimize” and inserting in place thereof the word “minimizes”; and in line 129, by striking out the following: “5pm” and inserting in place thereof the following: “5:00 P.M.”

In proposed Rule 16A, in line 316, by striking out the following: “Chapter 3” and inserting in place thereof the following: “section 39 of chapter 3”

In proposed Rule 17A, in line 439, by striking out the word “were” and inserting in place thereof the word “was”;

In proposed Rule 17C, in line 555, by striking out the words “positions and” and inserting in place thereof the words “positions,”;

In proposed Rule 20A, in lines 703 and 704, by striking out the words “; and provided further, that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 33A”;

In proposed Rule 24, in line 833, by striking out the word “clauses” and inserting in place thereof the word “subsections” and by striking out the following: “of subsection (2)”;

In proposed Rule 33A, in line 990, by inserting after the word: “than” the following: “12:00”, in line 1001, by striking out the word “clerk” and inserting in place thereof the word “Clerk”;

In proposed Rule 101, in line 2159, by inserting after the word “Representatives” the words “as provided within this rule”; in line 2191, by striking out the word “Commonwealth” and inserting in place thereof the word “Commonwealth.”; in line 2195, by striking out the following: “(3)” and inserting in place thereof the following: “(4)”;

in line 2294, by striking out the words “Standing Rules” and inserting in place thereof the words “standing rules”; in line 2361, by striking out the words “webcast live” and inserting in place thereof the word “livestreamed”; and in line 2365, by inserting after the word “Remote” the word “Rule”.

The amendments were adopted.

On the question of adoption of the order, as amended, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Galvin of Canton; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 6 in Supplement.]

Therefore the order (House, No. 2024, published as amended) was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Order for the adoption of permanent Joint Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 Legislative Session (House, No. 2025), was considered.

After debate on the question on adoption of the order, Ms. Uytterhoeven of Somerville moved to amend it in proposed Rule 1D, in lines 180 to 188, inclusive, by striking out the text contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“Committees shall provide to members of the committee either the text or comprehensive summaries of the bills or other forms of legislative matters prior to the beginning of an executive session or poll. Any recorded votes on a favorable or adverse report on an individual bill or a study order, taken by roll call or electronic poll of each member, shall be posted on the website of the General Court.”.

The amendment was rejected.

Representatives Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend the order by inserting after proposed Rule 36 the following rule:

Order
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 6.

Joint
Rules.

“Rule 37. Not later than March 31st of each year, the house and senate shall approve a joint resolution declaring the minimum amount of aid to be distributed to the cities and towns of the commonwealth in the upcoming fiscal year. Said resolution shall declare the minimum amount of chapter 70 aid, so called, and unrestricted general government aid to be received by each city, town or school district.”.

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 Mr. Frost of Auburn; and on the roll call 23 members voted in the affirmative and 130 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 7 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

The same members then moved to amend the order in proposed Rule 1D, in line 184, by striking the following: “72 hours” and inserting in place thereof the words “one week.”

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Smola of Warren; and on the roll call 24 members voted in the affirmative and 129 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 8 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

On the question of adoption of the order, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Galvin of Canton; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 9 in Supplement.]

Therefore the order (House, No. 2025) was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o’clock A.M.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 7.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 8.

Order
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 9.

Next
sitting.

At fourteen minutes after four o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 2, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Member-elect to be Qualified.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Gordon of Bedford, Garballey of Arlington and Wong of Saugus as a special committee of the House to conduct Representative-elect Kristin E. Kassner of Hamilton, member-elect from the Second Essex District, to the Council Chamber to be qualified at such time as may be convenient to the Governor and Council.

Representative-
elect Kristin
E. Kassner
of Hamilton,—
qualification.

Statement of Representative Gordon of Bedford.

A statement of Mr. Gordon of Bedford was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber for yesterday's sitting due to a family commitment. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, I would have voted, in each instance, in the negative. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 3, 6 and 9, I would have voted in the affirmative. My missing of roll calls yesterday was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Gordon
of Bedford.

Statement of Representative Scanlon of North Attleborough.

A statement of Mr. Scanlon of North Attleborough was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber yesterday's sitting due to previously scheduled personal business. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, I would have voted, in each instance, in the negative. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 3, 6 and 9, I would have voted in the affirmative. My missing of roll calls yesterday was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Scanlon
of North
Attleborough.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, February 6, 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.

Member Qualified.

The Speaker announced that the special committee of the House appointed at the preceding sitting, relative to the qualification of Kristin E. Kassner, member-elect from the Second Essex District, had completed the assignment, and that Representative Kassner had, on Friday, February 3, 2023, taken and subscribed the necessary oaths of office, and was now duly qualified as a member of the House.

Representative
Kristin
Kassner,—
qualification.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 9, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Mr. Muradian of Grafton, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Retired Grafton Fire Chief Phil Gauthier, who passed away on February 7, 2023.

Phil
Gauthier.

Phil Gaultier played a significant role in the town of Grafton, having served in the fire department for 44 and a half years, including nearly 7 as Chief. He was influential to so many that knew him, and his loss will be felt for years to come.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), introduced the Division IV Superbowl championship football team and their coaches from Duxbury High School, who we seated in the House Chamber. At the invitation of the Chair, they participated in the reciting of the pledge of allegiance to the Flag. They were the guests of Representative Cutler of Pembroke and were accompanied by Senator O'Connor.

Duxbury High
School football
team.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, 5th grade students from the Newman Elementary School in Needham. They were the guests of Representative Garlick of Needham.

Newman
Elementary
School.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber a group of activists from the Leadership Southcoast organization. They were the guests of Representatives Haddad of Somerset and Hendricks of New Bedford.

Southcoast
leadership
organization.

Communications.

Communications

From the Rare Disease Advisory Council (see Section 26 (f) of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2020) submitting its inaugural annual report for calendar year 2022;

Rare Disease
Advisors.

From the Hampden County District Attorney's Office (see Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for calendar year 2022; and

Hampden,—
wiretaps.

From the Executive Office of Education (see Section 1T of Chapter 69 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on student preparedness for workforce and post-graduate success by school district and high school;

Student
preparedness.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (under Section 23 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) relative to divestment from companies that derive certain revenues from the sale of tobacco products;

PRIM Board,—
tobacco
products.

Of the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (under Section 64 (f) of Chapter 42 of the Acts of 2022) relative to divestment from Russian restricted securities;

PRIM Board,—
Russian
securities.

Of the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (under Section 6 of Chapter 232 of the Acts of 2010) relative to the divestment from Iran restricted securities; and

PRIM Board,—
Iran
securities.

Of the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (under Section 4 of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 2007) relative to divestment from Sudan restricted securities;

PRIM Board,—
Sudan
securities.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions (deposited with the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were presented and they were severally referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 26) of Erika Uytterhoeven and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to voting rights of certain persons incarcerated in correctional facilities due to felony convictions. To the committee on Election Laws.

Felons,—
voting rights.

By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 27) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to establish a right to health care. To the committee on Health Care Financing.

Health
care,—
rights.

By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 29) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the right to housing. To the committee on Housing.

Housing,—
rights.

By Representative Armini of Marblehead, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 30) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and Andres X. Vargas for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the title of the Governor;

Governor,—
title.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 31) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the title of the Lieutenant-Governor;

Lieutenant-
Governor,—
title.

By Representative Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 32) of Mindy Domb and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to use of gender in the Constitution of the Commonwealth;	Gender,— usage.
By the same member, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 33) of Mindy Domb and Jack Patrick Lewis for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the oaths and affirmations of public office;	Public office,— oaths.
By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 34) of Vanna Howard for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the term of office of judicial officers;	Judicial officers,— terms.
By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 35) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to prohibiting eminent domain takings;	Eminent domain.
By Representative McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 36) of Paul McMurtry for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to changing the mandatory age of retirement for judges;	Judges,— retirement.
By Representatives Ramos of Springfield and González of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 37) of Orlando Ramos and Carlos González for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to require reappointment of judges every five years; and	Judges,— reappointment.
By Representative Whipps of Athol and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 38) of Susannah M. Whipps, Paul W. Mark and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to a succession plan for a vacancy in the office of Lieutenant-Governor;	Lieutenant- Governor,— succession plan.
Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.	
By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 39) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to a Constitutional right to employable skills training. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.	Employable skills training.
By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 40) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to ensuring appropriate expenditure of fair share funds received from persons reporting incomes in excess of one million dollars; and	Fair share funds.
By Representative Schmid of Westport, a petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 41) of Paul A. Schmid, III and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to agricultural and horticultural lands;	Agricultural and horticul- tural lands.
Severally to the committee on Revenue.	
Representative O'Day of West Boylston and Senator Kennedy presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Holli Hill, an employee of the Department of Children and Families; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the temporary committee on Rules.	Holli Hill,— sick leave.
Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules and the temporary committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the joint petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the temporary committee on Rules. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the suspension of Joint Rule 12.	

Subsequently, Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported on the foregoing petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Holli Hill (House, No. 25), which was read.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the bill (having been certified by the House Counsel to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. O'Day of West Boylston moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 25, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate prior to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023, which had been referred by the Senate this day, to joint committees, were presented; and the House severally concurred in the references, as follows:

By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 7) of James B. Eldridge for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to establish an independent redistricting commission;

Independent
redistricting.

By Ms. Miranda, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 8) of Liz Miranda, Adam Gomez and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to voting rights; and

Voting
rights.

By Mr. Mark, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 9) of Paul W. Mark for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to campaign finance reform;

Campaign
finance
reform.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 10) of William N. Brownsberger for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor; and

Governor and
Lieutenant
Governor.

By Mr. Lewis (by request), a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 11) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution for term renewal process;

Term
renewal
process.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 12) of William N. Brownsberger for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to select boards. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Select boards.

By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 13) of Joanne M. Comerford, Susannah M. Whipps, Susan Williams Gifford, Hannah Kane and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to agricultural and horticultural lands;

Agricultural
and horticultural
lands.

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 14) of Bruce E. Tarr for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to require a supermajority vote for the utilization of rainy day funds; and

Rainy
day funds.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 15) of Bruce E. Tarr for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to cap the state income tax;

Income
tax cap.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

Recess.

At fourteen minutes before one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at fourteen minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Holli Hill, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (see House, No. 25, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Holli Hill,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-nine minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, February 13, 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.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Coppinger of Boston) congratulating Bill and Ann Downey on the occasion of the sixty-fifth anniversary of their wedding, were referred under Rule 85, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Bill and Ann
Downey.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Order for the adoption of permanent Joint Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 legislative session (House, No. 2025), came from the Senate adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the text of the order and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 21.

Joint Rules.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and on further motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Moran of Boston, Peisch of Wellesley and Frost of Auburn were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Conference
committee.

A report of the temporary Senate committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of Joint Rules governing the 2023-2024 legislative session (Senate, No. 20) (on Senate, No. 18), adopted by the Senate, was referred, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, to the committee on Rules.

Joint Rules.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At thirteen 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 16, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Appointment of Majority Leaders.

Under the provisions of Rule 18, the Speaker announced (on February 16, 2023) that the Majority Party Caucus had ratified the following appointments: Representative Moran of Boston, Majority Leader; Representative Hogan of Stow, Speaker *pro-tempore*, Representative Peisch of Wellesley, Assistant Majority Leader; Representative Moran of Lawrence, Second Assistant Majority Leader; and Representative Peake of Provincetown, Second Assistant Majority Leader.

Majority
Leaders and
Speaker *pro-
tempore*.

Appointment of Assistant Minority Leaders.

Notice was received that the Republican Caucus held on Tuesday February 14, 2023, had ratified the appointments by the Minority Leader of Representatives Ferguson of Holden to the position of Assistant Minority Leader, Frost of Auburn to the position of Second Assistant Minority Leader, Gifford of Wareham and Barrows of Mansfield to the positions of Third Assistant Minority Leader and Smola of Warren as the ranking minority party member on the committee on Ways and Means.

Assistant
minority
leaders and
ranking
Ways and Means
member.

Report of Committees.

By Mr. Moran of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out the text contained therein and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 21) of the House Order for the adoption of permanent Joint Rules for the 193rd General Court governing the 2023-2024 legislative session (House, No. 2025), reported, in part, an Order relative to Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for the 193rd General Court for the 2023-2024 legislative session, inasmuch as relates to "portions of Joint Rule 1" (House, No. 56), was considered forthwith, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Joint Rules.

House Standing Committees.

House standing committees were appointed (by the Speaker on February 16, 2023, and by the Minority Leader on February 14, 2023) as follows:—

Rules. — Representatives Galvin of Canton, Pignatelli of Lenox, Moran of Lawrence, Hunt of Boston, Gregoire of Marlborough, Cahill of Lynn, Donato of Medford, Balser of Newton, Peisch of Wellesley, Moran of Boston, Peake of Provincetown, Decker of Cambridge, Wong of Saugus, Frost of Auburn, and Muradian of Grafton.

Ways and Means. — Representatives Michlewitz of Boston, Ferrante of Gloucester, Haddad of Somerset, Holmes of Boston, Higgins of Leominster, Montaña of Boston, Ultrino of Malden, Silvia of Fall River, Howard of Lowell, Doherty of Taunton, Duffy of Holyoke, Kerans of Danvers, Blais of Deerfield, Biele of Boston, Vargas of Haverhill, Fernandes of Falmouth, Kilcoyne of Clinton, Ramos of Springfield, Kearney of Scituate, Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, Tyler of Boston, LaNatra of Kingston, Williams of Springfield, Murray of Milford, Haggerty of Woburn, Hawkins of Attleboro, Barber of Somerville, Smola of Warren, D’Emilia of Bridgewater, Muratore of Plymouth, Berthiaume of Spencer, McKenna of Webster, Pease of Westfield, Sullivan-Almeida of Abington, and Xiarhos of Barnstable.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Representatives Walsh of Peabody, Ashe of Longmeadow, and D’Emilia of Bridgewater.

Ethics. — Representatives Barrett of North Adams, Robertson of Tewksbury, Moran of Lawrence, Peake of Provincetown, Balser of Newton, Peisch of Wellesley, Gregoire of Marlborough, Barrows of Mansfield, Howitt of Seekonk, Kane of Shrewsbury, and Lombardo of Billerica.

Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight. — Representatives Lewis of Framingham, Hendricks of New Bedford, Hamilton of Methuen, Garry of Dracut, Flanagan of Dennis, Ramos of Springfield, Paulino of Methuen, LaNatra of Kingston, Cataldo of Concord, Smola of Warren, and Durant of Spencer.

Global Warming and Climate Change. — Representatives Garballey of Arlington, Mom of Lowell, Doherty of Taunton, Zlotnik of Gardner, Holmes of Boston, Fernandes of Falmouth, Armini of Marblehead, Kassner of Hamilton, Owens of Watertown, Ferguson of Holden, and Berthiaume of Spencer.

Human Resources and Employee Engagement. — Representatives Hunt of Boston, Philips of Sharon, Peake of Provincetown, Saunders of Belchertown, Hogan of Stow, Kushmerek of Fitchburg, Sousa of Framingham, Haggerty of Woburn, Nguyen of Andover, McKenna of Webster, D’Emilia of Bridgewater, Gifford of Wareham, and Lombardo of Billerica.

Intergovernmental Affairs. — Representatives Puppolo of Springfield, Scanlon of North Attleborough, Kearney of Scituate, Meschino of Hull, Donaghue of Westborough, Biele of Boston, Reyes of Lawrence, Uytterhoeven of Somerville, Shand of Newburyport, Boldyga of Southwick, and D’Emilia of Bridgewater.

Operations, Facilities and Security. — Representatives McGonagle of Everett, Holmes of Boston, Hunt of Boston, Day of Stoneham, Moran of Lawrence, Ferrante of Gloucester, Elliott of Lowell, Kilcoyne of Clinton, Gregoire of Marlborough, Vaughn of Wrentham, and DeCoste of Norwell.

Post Audit and Oversight. — Representatives Mahoney of Worcester, Carey of Easthampton, Markey of Dartmouth, Connolly of Cambridge, Ramos of North Andover, Khan of Newton, LeBoeuf of Worcester, Ferrante of Gloucester, Turco of Winthrop, Durant of Spencer, and McKenna of Webster.

Steering, Policy and Scheduling. — Representatives Honan of Boston, Nguyen of Andover, Ferrante of Gloucester, Armini of Marblehead, Owens of Watertown, Vitolo of Brookline, Khan of Newton, Turco of Winthrop, Sabadosa of Northampton, Gifford of Wareham, and Howitt of Seekonk.

Floor Division Committees. — First Division Chairperson, Representative Gregoire of Marlborough; Second Division Chairperson, Representative Donato of Medford; Third Division Chairperson, Representative Balser of Newton; and Fourth Division Chairperson, Representative O'Day of West Boylston.

Joint Standing Committees.

A notice was received from the Senate relative to the appointments of Senators to joint standing committees; and House membership of joint standing committees were appointed (by the Speaker on February 16, 2023, and by the Minority Leader on February 14, 2023) as follows:—

Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity. — Senators Moore, Payano, Finegold, Lewis, Mark, and Tarr; Representatives Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, Hawkins of Attleboro, Turco of Winthrop, Ramos of North Andover, Scarsdale of Pepperell, Sena of Acton, Mendes of Brockton, Meschino of Hull, Flanagan of Dennis, Lombardo of Billerica, and Boldyga of Southwick.

Joint standing
committees.

Agriculture. — Senators Gobi, Comerford, Lovely, Robyn Kennedy, Rausch, and Fattman; Representatives Schmid of Westport, Blais of Deerfield, Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, Flanagan of Dennis, Garcia of Chelsea, Kassner of Hamilton, Silvia of Fall River, Keefe of Worcester, Duffy of Holyoke, Gifford of Wareham, and Ferguson of Holden.

Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. — Senators Edward Kennedy, Mark, Collins, Moore, Payano, Timilty, and Fattman; Representatives Finn of West Springfield, Rogers of Norwood, Doherty of Taunton, Holmes of Boston, Consalvo of Boston, Ramos of Springfield, Connolly of Cambridge, Hawkins of Attleboro, Mendes of Brockton, Reyes of Lawrence, Vieira of Falmouth, Orrall of Lakeville, and Boldyga of Southwick.

Cannabis Policy. — Senators Gomez, Robyn Kennedy, Eldridge, Moran, Payano and Fattman; Representatives Donahue of Worcester, Consalvo of Boston, Saunders of Belchertown, Garry of Dracut, Sousa of Framingham, Shand of Newburyport, Capano of Lynn, Howard of Lowell, Cruz of Salem, Berthiaume of Spencer, and Soter of Bellingham.

Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities. — Senators Robyn Kennedy, Rausch, Edwards, Eldridge, Mark, and O'Connor; Representatives Livingstone of

Boston, Giannino of Revere, Mendes of Brockton, Ciccolo of Lexington, Ramos of North Andover, Doherty of Taunton, LeBoeuf of Worcester, Shand of Newburyport, Higgins of Leominster, Berthiaume of Spencer, and Sullivan-Almeida of Abington.

Community Development and Small Businesses. — Senators Payano, Collins, Gobi, Gomez, Miranda, and O'Connor; Representatives McMurtry of Dedham, Zlotnik of Gardner, Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, Scarsdale of Pepperell, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Scanlon of North Attleborough, Montañó of Boston, Mom of Lowell, Philips of Sharon, Vaughn of Wrentham, and Muratore of Plymouth.

Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. — Senators Cronin, Moran, Edward Kennedy, Oliveira, Timilty, and Tarr; Representatives Chan of Quincy, Keefe of Worcester, Meschino of Hull, Worrell of Boston, Shand of Newburyport, Donaghue of Westborough, Reyes of Lawrence, LeBoeuf of Worcester, Sena of Acton, McKenna of Webster, and Howitt of Seekonk.

Economic Development and Emerging Technologies. — Senators Finegold, Miranda, Comerford, Cronin, Gomez, Moran, and O'Connor; Representatives Parisella of Beverly, Vargas of Haverhill, Ashe of Longmeadow, Murray of Milford, Philips of Sharon, Giannino of Revere, Biele of Boston, Williams of Springfield, LaNatra of Kingston, Diggs of Barnstable, Muradian of Grafton, McKenna of Webster, and Vaughn of Wrentham.

Education. — Senators Lewis, DiDomenico, Jehlen, Robyn Kennedy, Rausch, and O'Connor; Representatives Garlick of Needham, Ultrino of Malden, Howard of Lowell, Pignatelli of Lenox, Donaghue of Westborough, Vargas of Haverhill, Sena of Acton, Worrell of Boston, McGonagle of Everett, Ferguson of Holden, Pease of Westfield.

Elder Affairs. — Senators Jehlen, Velis, Cyr, Edward Kennedy, Miranda, and Fattman; Representatives Stanley of Waltham, Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, DuBois of Brockton, Ayers of Quincy, Gentile of Sudbury, Ciccolo of Lexington, Montañó of Boston, Vitolo of Brookline, Uytterhoeven of Somerville, Kane of Shrewsbury, and Orrall of Lakeville.

Election Laws. — Senators Keenan, Gomez, Creem, Eldridge, Oliveira, and Fattman; Representatives Ryan of Boston, Vitolo of Brookline, Kerans of Danvers, Giannino of Revere, Silvia of Fall River, Kearney of Scituate, Doherty of Taunton, Carey of Easthampton, Kilcoyne of Northborough, Frost of Auburn, and Jones of North Reading.

Emergency Preparedness and Management. — Senators Pacheco, Timilty, Brady, Oliveira, Rausch, and Fattman; Representatives Driscoll of Milton, Owens of Watertown, Arriaga of Chicopee, Consalvo of Boston, Paulino of Methuen, Tyler of Boston, Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, Scarsdale of Pepperell, Cruz of Salem, Frost of Auburn, and Vieira of Falmouth.

Environment and Natural Resources. — Senators Rausch, Eldridge, Edward Kennedy, Moore, Rush, and Tarr; Representatives Cahill of Lynn, Fernandes of Falmouth, Kassner of Hamilton, Armini of Marblehead, Robertson of Tewksbury,

Gentile of Sudbury, Ciccolo of Lexington, Giannino of Revere, Carey of Easthampton, Orrall of Lakeville, and Boldyga of Southwick.

Financial Services. — Senators Feeney, Moore, Cronin, Edward Kennedy, Miranda, and Tarr; Representatives Murphy of Weymouth, Ayers of Quincy, Flanagan of Dennis, Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, Hamilton of Methuen, Pignatelli of Lenox, Kerans of Danvers, Cataldo of Concord, Owens of Watertown, Soter of Bellingham, and Boldyga of Southwick.

Health Care Financing. — Senators Friedman, Cronin, Cyr, Feeney, Keenan, Lewis, and O'Connor; Representatives Lawn of Watertown, LaNatra of Kingston, Murray of Milford, Ultrino of Malden, Barber of Somerville, Sabadosa of Northampton, Duffy of Holyoke, Diggs of Barnstable, Lewis of Framingham, Worrell of Boston, Kane of Shrewsbury, Muratore of Plymouth, and Barrows of Mansfield.

Higher Education. — Senators Comerford, Gobi, Edward Kennedy, Moore, Rush, and Tarr; Representatives Rogers of Cambridge, Gentile of Sudbury, Hamilton of Methuen, Garballey of Arlington, Elliott of Lowell, Duffy of Holyoke, Armini of Marblehead, Mom of Lowell, Domb of Amherst, Pease of Westfield, and Lombardo of Billerica.

Housing. — Senators Edwards, Keenan, Barrett, Cyr, Velis, and O'Connor; Representatives Arciero of Westford, Kilcoyne of Northborough, Connolly of Cambridge, Arriaga of Chicopee, Diggs of Barnstable, Hendricks of New Bedford, Consalvo of Boston, Kearney of Scituate, LeBoeuf of Worcester, DeCoste of Norwell, and Muradian of Grafton.

The Judiciary. — Senators Eldridge, Edwards, Creem, Gobi, Velis, and O'Connor; Representatives Day of Stoneham, Barber of Somerville, Garry of Dracut, Markey of Dartmouth, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Carey of Easthampton, Hendricks of New Bedford, Scanlon of North Attleborough, Mendes of Brockton, Durant of Spencer, and Sullivan-Almeida of Abington.

Labor and Workforce Development. — Senators Jehlen, Lewis, Cronin, DiDomenico, Feeney, and O'Connor; Representatives Cutler of Pembroke, Diggs of Barnstable, Saunders of Belchertown, Garry of Dracut, Rogers of Norwood, Zlotnik of Gardner, Flanagan of Dennis, Robertson of Tewksbury, Cataldo of Concord, Wong of Saugus, and Soter of Bellingham.

Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery. — Senators Velis, Cyr, Collins, Crighton, Keenan, Robyn Kennedy and O'Connor; Representatives Madaro of Boston, DuBois of Brockton, Kerans of Danvers, Markey of Dartmouth, Kushmerek of Fitchburg, Higgins of Leominster, Cataldo of Concord, Nguyen of Andover, Donaghue of Westborough, Whipps of Athol, Sullivan-Almeida of Abington, Berthiaume of Spencer, and Xiarhos of Barnstable.

Municipalities and Regional Government. — Senators Oliveira, Edward Kennedy, Cronin, Edwards, Payano, and Tarr; Representatives Fiola of Fall River, Sabadosa of Northampton, Philips of Sharon, Connolly of Cambridge, DuBois of Brockton, Hamilton of Methuen, Shand of Newburyport, Nguyen of Andover, Scarsdale of Pepperell, Orrall of Lakeville, and Muratore of Plymouth.

Public Health. — Senators Cyr, Oliveira, Keenan, Robyn Kennedy, Payano, and O'Connor; Representatives Decker of Cambridge, Kerans of Danvers, Howard of Lowell, Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, Ashe of Longmeadow, Kassner of Hamilton, Garcia of Chelsea, Vargas of Haverhill, Khan of Newton, Kane of Shrewsbury, and Lombardo of Billerica.

Public Safety and Homeland Security. — Senators Timilty, Brady, Eldridge, Gobi, Moore, Velis, and Fattman; Representatives González of Springfield, Biele of Boston, Zlotnik of Gardner, Ayers of Quincy, Sena of Acton, Paulino of Methuen, Tyler of Boston, Arriaga of Chicopee, Ashe of Longmeadow, McGonagle of Everett, Vieira of Falmouth, Xiarhos of Barnstable, and Vaughn of Wrentham.

Public Service. — Senators Brady, Jehlen, Collins, Eldridge, Payano, and Fattman; Representatives Gordon of Bedford, Higgins of Leominster, Linsky of Natick, Saunders of Belchertown, Donaghue of Westborough, Garcia of Chelsea, Uytterhoeven of Somerville, Kushmerek of Fitchburg, Ayers of Quincy, DeCoste of Norwell, and Smola of Warren.

Racial Equity, Civil Rights, and Inclusion. — Senators Miranda, Gomez, Brownsberger, Comerford, Cyr, and Tarr; Representatives Williams of Springfield, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Scanlon of North Attleborough, Montañó of Boston, Cruz of Salem, Ramos of Springfield, Nguyen of Andover, Howard of Lowell, Sousa of Framingham, Wong of Saugus, and DeCoste of Norwell.

Revenue. — Senators Moran, Brady, Edwards, Moore, Rausch, and Fattman; Representatives Cusack of Braintree, Linsky of Natick, Garry of Dracut, Paulino of Methuen, Whipps of Athol, Uytterhoeven of Somerville, Turco of Winthrop, Markey of Dartmouth, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Soter of Bellingham, and Muradian of Grafton.

State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. — Senators Collins, Lovely, DiDomenico, Miranda, Pacheco, Velis, and Tarr; Representatives Cabral of New Bedford, Tyler of Boston, Markey of Dartmouth, Reyes of Lawrence, Gentile of Sudbury, Ciccolo of Lexington, Keefe of Worcester, Garcia of Chelsea, Elliott of Lowell, Barrows of Mansfield, and Durant of Webster.

Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. — Senators Barrett, Pacheco, Cyr, Finegold, Mark, and Tarr; Representatives Roy of Franklin, Haggerty of Woburn, Sousa of Framingham, Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, Owens of Watertown, Fernandes of Falmouth, Meschino of Hull, Hawkins of Attleboro, Robertson of Tewksbury, Jones of North Reading, and Howitt of Seekonk.

Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development. — Senators Mark, Oliveira, Barrett, Edward Kennedy, Moran, and Fattman; Representatives Domb of Amherst, Kushmerek of Fitchburg, Pignatelli of Lenox, Worrell of Boston, Keefe of Worcester, Ramos of North Andover, Vitolo of Brookline, Diggs of Barnstable, Blais of Deerfield, Wong of Saugus, and Vieira of Falmouth.

Transportation. — Senators Crighton, Mark, Keenan, Robyn Kennedy, Moran, Timilty, and O'Connor; Representatives Straus of Mattapoisett, Murray of Milford,

Kerans of Danvers, Blais of Deerfield, Cruz of Salem, Whipps of Athol, Capano of Lynn, Sabadosa of Northampton, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Mom of Lowell, Howitt of Seekonk, Orrall of Lakeville, and DeCoste of Norwell.

Veterans and Federal Affairs. — Senators Velis, Rush, Brady, Gobi, Mark, and Fattman; Representatives Cassidy of Brockton, Capano of Lynn, Philips of Sharon, Reyes of Lawrence, Kilcoyne of Northborough, Arriaga of Chicopee, Duffy of Holyoke, Silvia of Fall River, Elliott of Lowell, Xiarhos of Barnstable, and Pease of Westfield.

Communications.

Communications

From the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health (see Section 35 of Chapter 123 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of facilities other than the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Bridgewater being used for treatment of certain males and the number of persons so committed to such facilities for calendar year 2022;

MCI-
Bridgewater,—
treatment
of males.

From the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (see item 0340-2100 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its data from the District Attorneys relative to their criminal prosecutions and workloads for calendar year 2022;

District
Attorneys,—
prosecutions.

From the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (see item 1595-6368 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on ferry service use between Lewis Mall Wharf and Long Wharf in the city of Boston; and

MBTA,—
Boston ferry
service.

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see item 1599-2051 of Section 2A of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021) providing a status report update regarding immediate Covid-19 recovery needs for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2022;

Covid-19
recovery needs.

Severally were placed on file.

Quarterly Report.

The first quarterly report of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (under Section 2 of Chapter 35 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit (SAECK) report for February, 2023, was placed on file.

Sexual assault
collection kits.

Departmental Recommendations, House Petitions and concurrence in Senate Petitions to be inserted here.

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.

At five minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representatives Owens of Watertown and Lawn of Watertown, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Michael J. Driscoll, former Watertown City Manager.

Michael J.
Driscoll.

Michael passed away surrounded by his loving family on Saturday, February 11, after receiving treatment for cancer over the past year. Mr. Driscoll served Watertown for 45 years as a dedicated public servant, including 29 years as city manager, before retiring in 2022. To many in the Town, Mike was known as a tough but fair leader whose top priority was to provide the highest level of services to the citizens of Watertown while utilizing the taxpayers' dollars as efficiently as possible.

He valued his loved ones above all else, wholeheartedly embracing his guiding principle: family, family, family. He leaves behind his beloved wife Jane, his three daughters and one stepdaughter: Amy, Allison, Aileen, and Sarah, and his grandchildren. Michael will be missed by many; he leaves a towering legacy of love and public service. He left a positive mark on Watertown that will be felt for generations.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, members of Cub Scouts – Pack 12, Framingham. At the invitation of the Chair, the Cub Scouts participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Lewis of Framingham.

Framingham,—
Cub Scouts,
Pack 12.

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 13D ½ of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on minimum rates for behavioral health services provided by community health centers;

Behavioral
health
services.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the MassHealth report on caseload and utilization methodology;

MassHealth,—
methodology.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the MassHealth Dual Eligibles Initiative report; and

MassHealth,—
dual eligibles.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its annual Health Safety Net Trust Fund annual report for fiscal year 2022;

Health Net
Safety Trust
Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 23, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, Girl Scout Troop #1096, their parents and leaders, who were seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of Representative Haddad of Somerset.

Girl Scout
Troop #1096.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative McKenna of Webster and other members of the House) commending the New England Hemophilia Association on its recognition of March 2023 as Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Bleeding
Disorders
Awareness
Month.

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At five 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 Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, February 27, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representative Domb of Amherst, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of John W. Olver of Amherst, who died peacefully in his sleep on February 23rd.

John Olver.

Born in 1936, John grew up on a farm in Honesdale, Pennsylvania, and graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at the age of 18. He moved to Amherst in 1962 to teach chemistry at the University of Massachusetts after receiving his doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

John served as a Massachusetts State Representative from 1969 to 1972 and State Senator from 1973 to 1991. He went on to serve 107 communities in western Massachusetts as their U.S. Representative for the 1st Congressional District in 1991, winning a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of former Representative Silvio O. Conte. He was re-elected to ten succeeding Congresses, retiring in 2012. An early champion of renewable energy, the John W. Olver Design Building on the UMass Amherst campus, celebrates his leadership in sustainability. John was known as one of the most liberal and progressive members of the U.S. House.

Known for his great intellect, integrity, and his commitment to public service, John will forever be treasured for his reputation as a work horse, not a show horse. He inspired a generation of community leaders who continue to serve western Massachusetts and the Commonwealth. He was predeceased by his wife, Rose, whom he described as the spark plug that kept him going. He will be missed greatly by his daughter, Martha, and the Amherst community.

Resignation of Representative Coppinger of Boston.

The following communication was read; and spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

February 23, 2023.

Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
State House - Room 145

Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk,

I hereby irrevocably resign from my position as the State Representatives for the Tenth Suffolk District, as of 5:00pm on February 28, 2023. Thank you in advance for your assistance on this matter and ensuring that this letter is on file with the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

Resignation of
Representative
Edward F.
Coppinger
of Boston.

Sincerely,

EDWARD F. COPPINGER
10th Suffolk District

Resignation of Representative Santiago of Boston.

The following communication was read; and spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

February 23, 2023.

Mr. Steven James
Clerk of the Massachusetts House of Representatives
State House, Room 145
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk,

I hereby irrevocably resign from my position as the State Representatives for the Ninth Suffolk District, as of 11:59pm on February 28, 2023. Thank you in advance for your assistance on this matter and ensuring that this letter is on file with the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

Resignation of
Representative
Jon Santiago
of Boston.

Sincerely,

JON SANTIAGO, MD MPH
State Representative
9th Suffolk District

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Cabral of New Bedford) recognizing International Women's Day, celebrating fifty years of the local women's movement honoring Lee Blake;

Lee
Blake.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Pignatelli of Lenox) honoring Doctor May Edward Chinn for her contributions to healthcare and equality;

May
Chin.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Dylan Reese Corbett on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Dylan
Corbett.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Brandon Peter Mak on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Brandon
Mak.

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

Orders.

The following order (filed this day by Mr. Mariano of Quincy) was referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Ordered, That, the House irrevocably accepts the resignation, dated February 23, 2023 and effective at 5:00 P.M. on February 28, 2023, of Edward F. Coppinger as the Representative in the General Court from the 10th Suffolk District, and declares that, by reason of this resignation, the office of Representative from that district is vacant as of February 28, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.; and be it further

Tenth Suffolk
Representative
District,—
time for election
to fill vacancy.

Ordered, That, the precept to be issued by the Speaker, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, appointing a time for the election to fill the vacancy that shall exist in the office of Representative in the General Court from said 10th Representative District shall designate Tuesday, May 30, 2023, as the time ordered by the House of Representatives for said election.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted.

The following order (filed this day by Mr. Mariano of Quincy) was referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Ordered, That, the House irrevocably accepts the resignation, dated February 23, 2023 and effective at 11:59 P.M. on February 28, 2023, of Jon Santiago as the Representative in the General Court from the 9th Suffolk District, and declares that, by reason of this resignation, the office of Representative from that district is vacant as of February 28, 2023 at 11:59 P.M.; and be it further

Ninth Suffolk
Representative
District,—
time for election
to fill vacancy.

Ordered, That, the precept to be issued by the Speaker, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, appointing a time for the election to fill the vacancy that shall exist in the office of Representative in the General Court from said 9th Representative District shall designate Tuesday, May 30, 2023, as the time ordered by the House of Representatives for said election.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Ms. Domb of Amherst then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of John W. Olver, a member of the House from Amherst from 1969 to 1972, inclusive; a member of the State Senate from 1973 to 1991, inclusive; and a Representative in Congress from 1991 to 2012, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 47, reported, in part, a Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 57) [Total appropriation: \$353,200,000.00] [Bond Issue: General Obligation Bonds: \$585,300,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Supplemental
appropriations.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at a quarter before three o'clock the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

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.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and others moved to amend it in section 3, in line 87, by inserting the following item:

“7002-8041 For the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation established in section 3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws for a matching grant program that enables academic institutions, nonprofits, industry consortiums, federally funded research and development centers and other technology-based economic development organizations to compete for federal grants in technology and innovation fields, including, but not limited to, artificial intelligence and machine learning; cybersecurity, data storage and data management; quantum computing and information systems; robotics and advanced automation; high performance computing, semiconductors and advanced computer hardware; blockchain; supply chain; energy storage and batteries; food security; and advanced materials; and provided further, that the matching grant program may also

enable participation of these entities in associated workforce development federal grant programs.....\$50,000,000”;

By inserting after section 38 the following section:

“SECTION 38A. Section 21 of chapter 76 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘December 31, 2021’, each time they appear, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:— June 30, 2023”;

By inserting after section 46 the following section:

“SECTION 46A. Subsection (h) of section 60 of chapter 176 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘March 31, 2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— June 30, 2023.”;

By inserting after section 48 the following section:

“SECTION 48A. Item 1599-6088 of section 2A of chapter 268 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the department of elementary and secondary education to aid in the disbursement of federal funds for the Local Food for Schools Program’ and inserting in place thereof the following words: provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Massachusetts Farm to School for the disbursement of federal funds for the Local Food for Schools Program.”;

By inserting after section 55 the following two sections:

“SECTION 55A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the special commission established in section 76 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2018 is hereby revived and continued to April 30, 2023. The special commission shall file its findings and recommendations pursuant to said section 76 of said chapter 154 with the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives and the chairs of the senate and house committees on ways and means not later than April 30, 2023.

SECTION 55B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the special commission established in section 94 of chapter 358 of the acts of 2020 is hereby revived and continued to December 31, 2024. The special commission shall file its findings and recommendations pursuant to said section 94 of said chapter 358 with the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, the chairs of the senate and house committees on ways and means, the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture and the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on telecommunications, utilities and energy not later than December 31, 2024.”; and

In section 57, in line 802, by striking out the figures: “473,300,000” and inserting in the place thereof the figures: “523,300,000”.

On the question on adoption of the 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 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 10](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments were adopted.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 11](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 58, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 10.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 11.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes before four o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 2, 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.

Messages from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting the annual budget of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 (House, No. 1), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, March 1.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying schedules, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to creating tax relief for affordability, competitiveness and equity (House, No. 42), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, March 1.

Tax
relief.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Message from the Governor — Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 2023.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting (under Article LXXXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution) Reorganization Plan Number 1 of 2023 to create the executive office of housing and livable communities and to rename the Executive Office of Economic Development (House, No. 43), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, March 1.

Reorganization
Plan No. 1,—
executive
agencies.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Article LXXXVII and Joint Rule 23A, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Statement of Representative Peisch of Wellesley.

A statement of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber for the sitting of Wednesday, March 1, 2023, during consideration of the Bill making appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain

Statement of
Ms. Peisch
of Wellesley.

other activities and projects (House, No. 57). If I had been present, I would have voted yes on Roll Call No. 10, on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments offered by Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and I also would have voted yes on Roll Call No. 11, on the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Cutler of Pembroke) commemorating Theodore J. Flynn upon his retirement after decades of dedicated service to the town of Duxbury;

Theodore
Flynn.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Roy of Franklin and Soter of Bellingham) congratulating Charles D. Ross on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Charles
Ross.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Saunders of Belchertown) congratulating Lodge 2448 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in the town of Ludlow on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of its founding; and

Ludlow,—
Elks Lodge.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Vaughn of Wrentham) commemorating the one hundredth birthday of Mary Ellen McCarthy Warren;

Mary Ellen
McCarthy
Warren.

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, March 6, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representatives Domb of Amherst and Balser of Newton, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute for the more than 24,000 people who have died of COVID-19 in Massachusetts since the first case in the United States was confirmed by the CDC in January 2020.

Covid-19
remembrance.

Today we remember those who we have lost to COVID-19, with special attention to those most vulnerable – older adults, people with disabilities, unhoused individuals, and those who at the beginning of the pandemic lived in congregate settings including nursing homes and correctional settings. We also acknowledge the disproportionate impact on communities of color and those residents who continue to struggle with ongoing symptoms of the viral infection.

We also recognize with great appreciation the researchers whose work has contributed to COVID-19 treatment, testing and vaccination. And with deep gratitude, we honor those who were deemed “essential” and who continued to serve our Commonwealth during the early pandemic, including first responders, bus drivers and other municipal workers, care givers, health care providers, food pantry workers, shelter workers, members of our National Guard, and others who risked so much to make sure our communities were cared for. Today we also recognize their courage and commitment to our Commonwealth.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Philips of Sharon) congratulating Fire Chief James Wright of the town of Sharon on his retirement, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

James
Wright.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Department of Public Utilities (see Section 2 of Chapter 25 of the General Laws) of its activities for calendar year 2022;

DPU.

From the Department of Correction (see Section 6 of Chapter 124 and Section 1B of Chapter 127 of the General Laws) submitting its 2021 annual report;

Department of Correction.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 5 of Chapter 276B of the General Laws, as inserted by Section 202 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the annual report of the Restorative Justice Advisory Committee for fiscal year 2022; and

Restorative Justice Advisory Committee.

From the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (see Section 20 of Chapter 23N of the General Laws) submitting its research plan for a prospective study of the feasibility and impact of sports wagering kiosks in retail locations and (see Section 25 of Chapter 173 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its study on participation by minority, women, and veteran owner business enterprises in the sports wagering industry;

Sports wagering.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Quarterly Reports.

A report of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (under Section 39 of Chapter 7C of the General Laws) submitting a listing of the Commonwealth's real property holdings and leased property for calendar year 2022; and

Real property holdings and leased property.

A quarterly report of the Office of the State Auditor (under item 0710-0200 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its second quarter fiscal year report of the Bureau of Special Investigations from October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022;

Bureau of Special Investigations.

Severally were placed on file.

Paper from the Senate.

A report of the Massachusetts Capital Resource Company (under the provisions of Section 20 of Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) submitting its forty-sixth annual report (Senate, No. 22), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Revenue.

Capital Resource Company.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Brian J. Donnelly, a member of the House from Boston from 1973 to 1978, inclusive, a Representative in Congress from 1979 to 1993, inclusive, and United States Ambassador to Trinidad and Tobago, from 1993 to 1997; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 9, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Worrell of Boston 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. Worrell), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Worrell of Boston) declared a brief recess and introduced students from Memorial High School in Wakefield and their leader, Andrew Moody, who were seated in the House Chamber. The students and Mr. Moody participated in the reciting of the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Wong of Saugus.

Wakefield
Memorial
High School
students.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Worrell of Boston being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, March 13, 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.

Communications.

Communications

From the Office of the Inspector General (see Section 12 of Chapter 12A of the General Laws) submitting the 2022 Inspector General's Division of State Police Oversight (DSPO) annual report;

State Police
Oversight,—
annual report.

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

Delivery
System Reform
Incentive
Platform.

From the Massachusetts Technology Transfer Center (Mass Ventures) (see Section 45B of Chapter 75 of the General Laws) submitting the Acorn Innovation Fund Report for fiscal year 2023; and

Acorn
Innovation.

From the Division of Medical Assistance (see Section 10F of Chapter 118E of the General Laws) submitting the second quarter of fiscal year 2023 legislative report for the Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP) for the period October 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022;

Children's
Medical
Security Plan.

Severally were placed on file.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peake of Provincetown) honoring Jane Crowley for her twenty-three years of service to the town of Eastham;

Jane
Crowley.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Driscoll of Milton and other members of the House) recognizing the month of March 2023 as Kidney Disease Awareness Month;

Kidney Disease
Awareness
Month.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Garlick of Needham) congratulating Dylan D. Rogers on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Dylan
Rogers.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Vitolo of Brookline) recognizing March 27-31, 2023 as the Week of Hope;

Week of
Hope.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the resolutions (reported by the

committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 16, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session, Mrs. Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose took the Chair, and at her request, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Scott Forbes, a United States Air Force Veteran and former President of the Melrose City Council, who died on Monday, March 6, 2023. Scott graduated from Melrose High School in 1992 and served in the military for 22 years with active-duty assignments in Afghanistan and Iraq. In 2013, Scott was elected to the Melrose Board of Alderman as the Ward 7 Alderman, following in the footsteps of his father and fellow veteran, Bill H. Forbes. Scott represented his Ward for three terms on the Board, renamed the City Council, including as President in his final year.

Scott
Forbes.

In January 2021, Scott was named interim executive director of Haverhill-based Veterans Northeast Outreach Center after volunteering with the organization for two years. In his role, Scott helped homeless and at-risk veterans receive the housing, education, benefits, and peer support they need and deserve. Scott's work with the VNEOC and his time as a volunteer in the community serve as shining examples of what it means to continue to serve one's nation after leaving the military.

Scott is survived by his mother Mary, children Abby and Jack, brother Billy, sister Julie, and countless family and friends who will miss deeply his good humor, his sense of service, and his commitment to doing good and helping others.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Cassidy of Brockton and other members of the House) commending the Admetech Foundation on recognizing the fourteenth annual Prostate Cancer Awareness Day on March 30, 2023, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Prostate Cancer
Awareness Day.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 468) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation to prohibit the application of fertilizer used in the town of Nantucket except for farming purposes. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Nantucket,—
fertilizer.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2371) of Anne M. Gobi and Kimberly N. Ferguson (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Rutland to increase the membership of the board of selectmen from 3 members to 5 members. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Rutland,—
selectmen.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2369) of John C. Velis (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the retirement of Greg Heath, a former firefighter of the city of Westfield; and

Westfield,—
Greg Heath.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2370) of Patricia D. Jehlen (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Somerville to continue the employment of Charles J. Femino as acting Chief of Police;

Somerville,—
Charles
Femino.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2368) of Marc R. Pacheco, Carol A. Doherty, Patricia A. Haddad and Norman J. Orrall (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to property tax deferral for seniors in the city of Taunton. To the committee on Revenue.

Taunton,—
senior tax
deferrals.

A petition of Edward J. Kennedy and Margaret R. Scarsdale for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Meredith Mingolelli-Cotter, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Meredith
Mingolelli-
Cotter,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2372) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Ferrante of Gloucester then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Anthony J. Verga, a member of the House from Gloucester from 1995 to 2008, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at twenty-six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, March 20, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3545), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, March 17.

Supplemental
appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Guests of the House.

During the session, Speaker pro Tempore Hogan of Stow took the Chair for the purpose of recognizing members of the American Irish State Legislators Caucus: Senator Mark Daly of the Senate of Ireland and the 24th Chair of the Senate of Ireland American Irish State Legislators Caucus; Laoise Moore, Consul General of Ireland to New England; Paul McAuliffe, a member of Dáil Éireann, the lower house of the Irish Parliament; Dublin City Councillor Briege MacOscar; and Representative Lawn of Watertown. Senator Daly then addressed the House briefly. They were the guests of Speaker Pro-tempore Hogan and Representative Lawn of Watertown.

American Irish
State Legislators
Caucus.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Montano of Boston) congratulating the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University in the city of Boston on its sesquicentennial anniversary; and

Arnold
Arboretum.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Vieira of Falmouth) congratulating the National Wild Turkey Federation, Inc. on the fiftieth anniversary of its establishment;

Wild Turkey
foundation.

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

Report of Committee.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 52, a Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3546). Referred, under Joint Rule 1F, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petitions.

Ms. Kassner of Hamilton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner for legislation to expand the designation of priority development sites; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Priority
development
sites.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Kassner of Hamilton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner for legislation to protect water supplies and the environment; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Water
supplies,—
protection.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Kassner of Hamilton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner relative to site plan zoning review; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Zoning
review.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Kassner of Hamilton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner and Liz Miranda relative to zoning voting thresholds; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Zoning,—
thresholds.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Kassner of Hamilton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner, Lydia Edwards and Liz Miranda relative to education and training for members of local planning boards and zoning boards of appeals; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Local boards,—
education and
training.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Kassner of Hamilton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner and Samantha Montañó relative to insurance coverage of hearing aids.

Hearing
aids.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner relative to local option for associate members of planning boards.

Planning
boards,—
members.

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

The following petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were transmitted to the State Secretary under Chapter 3 of the General Laws:

By Representative Cahill of Lynn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Daniel Cahill relative to Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation.

Credit Unions.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Michelle L. Ciccolo, Cindy F. Friedman and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) for legislation to reorganize the Lexington Housing Assistance Board, Inc. in the town of Lexington.

Lexington,—
housing
board.

By Representative Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Richard M. Haggerty for legislation to modernize Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation (MSIC) investments.

Credit Union
Share Insurance
Corporation.

By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Brendan P. Crighton for legislation to further regulate the Lynnfield Center Water District.

Lynnfield
Center Water
District.

By Representative Meschino of Hull, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Joan Meschino and others for legislation to create a climate bank to facilitate innovative financing solutions for climate and clean energy innovations in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

Climate
bank.

Recess.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed, subject to the call

Recess.

of the Chair; and at twenty-one minutes after two o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Report of Committee.

By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, that the Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3546), ought to pass [Bond Issue: \$350,000,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-two minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 23, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. 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.

Statement of Representative of Markey of Dartmouth.

A statement of Mr. Markey of Dartmouth was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I will be unable to attend the formal session of the House of Representatives today. I will be undergoing a personal medical procedure that will prevent me from being present in the chamber. I apologize for my absence and appreciate the General Court's understanding. My missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Markey of
Dartmouth.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston) raising awareness of missing persons; and

Missing
persons.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating the Dalton Community Recreation Association on its one hundredth anniversary;

Dalton
recreation.

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

Petitions.

The following petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were transmitted to the State Secretary under Chapter 3 of the General Laws:

By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Natalie M. Blais and others relative to creating a municipal and public safety building authority.

local, safety
building
authority.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) 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.

Martha's
Vineyard,—
housing bank.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) 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.

Martha's Vineyard,—green bank.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) 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.

By Representative Madaro of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Adrian C. Madaro relative to modernizing the governance of port authority parks in the East Boston section of the city of Boston.

Port authority parks.

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Margaret R. Scarsdale and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to establish a public safety building authority and assistance program.

local, safety building authority.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Margaret R. Scarsdale for legislation to establish a municipal building assistance program and building authority.

Id.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill making appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 58, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 24. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Said committee then reported that the amendment was correctly drawn.

Supplemental appropriations.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston then moved that the House concur with the Senate in its amendment with a further amendment striking out all after the enacting clause (inserted by amendment by the Senate) and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3548; and the further amendment was adopted. The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendment, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the further amendment.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1284) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the establishment of a betterment loan program for the funding of electrification initiatives in the town of Brookline;

Brookline,—loan program.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1285) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Brookline to amend its community choice aggregation plan; and

Brookline,—aggregation plan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2374) of Lydia Edwards (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the promulgation of zoning rules and regulations in the city of Boston;

Boston,—zoning.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

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 Kristin E. Kassner and Samantha Montaña relative to insurance coverage of hearing aids. To the committee on Financial Services.

Hearing
aids.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kristin E. Kassner relative to local option for associate members of planning boards. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Planning
boards,—
membership.

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

Prior to the noon recess, By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3546), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 3547) [Bond Issue: General Obligation Bonds: \$350,000,000.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith. The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Straus of Mattapoissett; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 12.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 12](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 3547) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 1729).

Christopher
Trigilio,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill directing the City of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wilfrid Decossa (House, No. 2520) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,—
Wilfrid
Decossa.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the position of police chief in the town of Leicester (House, No. 2579) [Local Approval Received].

Leicester,—
Kenneth
Antanavica.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill further regulating the appointment of special police officers in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2622) [Local Approval Received].

Watertown,—
special police.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Recess.

At twenty-one minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at twenty-one minutes before two o'clock the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill making appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 58, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Supplemental
appropriations.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 71 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House), was put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a "loan" bill as defined by Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(state loan),—
yea and nay
No. 13.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 13 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-one minutes before three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, March 27, 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.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Shepard Cohen on his retirement from the Wellesley Board of Health;

Shepard
Cohen.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston) congratulating Anna D. Coleman on the occasion of her one-hundred-and-second birthday;

Anna
Coleman.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating Joseph Patrick Agar on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Joseph
Agar.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating William Boozang on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

William
Boozang.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating Christopher Botchis on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Christopher
Botchis.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating Thomas Schratz on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Thomas
Schratz.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating Griffin Tolonen on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Griffin
Tolonen.

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

Petitions.

Representative Chan of Quincy and Senator O'Connor presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kathleen Donnellan, an employee of the Norfolk Superior Court; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Kathleen
Donnellan,—
sick leave.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition

(accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions (deposited with the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were presented and they were severally referred, as follows:

By Representative DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7A) of David F. DeCoste that the Plymouth County Retirement System grant creditable service to Judy Hartigan for certain service to the town of Rockland.

Judy Hartigan,—
creditable
service.

By Representative Haddad of Somerset (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7A) of Lucia M. Casey that the Bristol County Retirement Board be authorized to grant creditable service to Lucia M. Casey.

Lucia Casey,—
creditable
service.

By Representatives Cataldo of Concord and Arciero of Westford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Simon Cataldo and James Arciero relative to exempting the position of deputy fire chief of the town of Chelmsford from the provisions of the civil service law.

Chelmsford,—
civil service.

Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Mark J. Cusack, Walter F. Timilty and John F. Keenan relative to post-retirement earnings for certain police officers in the city known as the town of Braintree.

Braintree,—
retirement
earnings.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Mark J. Cusack that the retirement board of the city of Boston grant certain creditable service to Thomas Brooks.

Thomas Brooks,—
creditable
service.

By Representative Hawkins of Attleboro, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of James K. Hawkins relative to exempting the city of Attleboro from the provisions of the civil service law in the recruitment and hiring of full-time permanent police officers.

Attleboro,—
police
officers.

By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Daniel J. Hunt for legislation to provide for residency preference for appointment at the police and fire departments of the city of Boston.

Boston,—
police
and fire.

By Representative Kearney of Scituate, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to the territorial limits of the town of Cohasset.

Cohasset,—
territory.

Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton and Senator Cronin, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Meghan Kilcoyne and John J. Cronin that the town of Clinton be authorized to grant 6 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town.

Clinton,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton and Senator Kennedy, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Meghan Kilcoyne and Robyn K. Kennedy relative to insurance proceeds for injured police and fire personnel in the town of Boylston.

Boylston,—
police and
fire.

By Representative Mendes of Brockton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Rita A. Mendes and Michelle M. DuBois that the city of Brockton be authorized to prohibit landlords and brokers from requiring broker's commissions to be paid by tenants or prospective tenants.

Brockton,—
brokers'
commissions.

By Representative Peisch of Wellesley (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Susan Zacharias relative to increasing the membership of the select board in the town of Weston.

Weston,—
select board.

By Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida that the town of East Bridgewater be authorized to exempt uniformed positions within the police department of said town from the civil service law.

East
Bridgewater,—
civil service.

By Representatives Uytterhoeven of Somerville and Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Erika Uytterhoeven and Mike Connolly for

Somerville,—
voting rights.

legislation to provide for legal voting rights in municipal elections for non-citizen residents of the city of Somerville.

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

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wilfrid Decossa (House, No. 2520) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Boston,—
Wilfrid
Decossa.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on further motion of the same member, the bill (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.

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:

Relative to the position of police chief in the town of Leicester (House, No. 2579) [Local Approval Received]; and

Leicester,—
police chief.

Further regulating the appointment of special police officers in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2622) [Local Approval Received];

Watertown,—
special police.

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-nine minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 30, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, a group of 5th Grade students from the Plymouth River School in Hingham, accompanied by their teachers, Ms. Harrington and Ms. Pack. The students were visiting the State House on a civics education tour. They were the guests of Ms. Meschino of Hull.

Plymouth
River
School
students.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Jones of North Redding) congratulating Craig Stone for his fifty years of dedicated service to the Lynnfield Public School district as a coach and educator;

Craig
Stone.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Barrows of Mansfield) congratulating William G. Keegan, Jr., on his retirement after forty years of dedicated public service;

William
Keegan.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Lombardo of Billerica and other members of the House) recognizing May 1-7 as Elks National Youth Week;

Elks National
Youth Week.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Philips of Sharon, Rogers of Norwood, McMurtry of Dedham and Vaughn of Wrentham) congratulating Edith Noyes on her one hundredth birthday; and

Edith
Noyes.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Straus of Mattapoisett) commending the Sippican Pomona Grange #31 in the town of Rochester on the one hundredth anniversary of its establishment;

Sippican
Pomona
Grange #31.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Lowell Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements, supplementary information, and a schedule of expenditures of federal awards and OMB uniform guidance auditors' reports for fiscal year 2022;

Lowell Regional
Transit
Authority,—
reports.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0500 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on the outcomes achieved by Accountable Care organizations (ACOs) and Community Partners; and

ACO's and
Community
Partners.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 7004-0005 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report entitled: Safe and Successful Youth Initiative;

Safe and
Successful
Youth
Initiative.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Special Reports.

Annual Reports

Of the Multi-Agency Illegal Tobacco Task Force (under Section 40(d) of Chapter 64C of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2023 annual report relative to the coordination of efforts to combat contraband tobacco distribution, including efforts to foster compliance with the law and conduct targeted investigations and enforcement actions; and

Multi-Agency
Illegal Tobacco
Task Force.

Of the Massachusetts Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) (under Section 45C of Chapter 75 of the General Laws) submitting the fifth annual report of the Innovation Voucher Program Fund; and

Innovation
Voucher
Program Fund.

Reports

Of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the January, 2023 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Report;

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

Of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (under item 7004-0104 of Section 2 of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021) submitting a progress report entitled: Permanent Supportive Housing – A Solution-Driven Model, January 2023 Home and Healthy for Good;

Permanent
supportive
housing.

Of the Office of the Attorney General (under item 0810-0045 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting on behalf of the specialized unit of the wage enforcement program established in said item a report on enforcement actions and violation trends in the construction industry; and

Construction,—
wage
enforcement.

The sixth quarterly report of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under item 1790-3009 of Section 2 of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 2020) regarding the comprehensive modernization and transformation for the deployment of an online delivery system for unemployment insurance compensation benefits;

Unemployment
insurance.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Donaghue of Westborough presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Donaghue for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Hollie Barter,—
sick leave.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the

report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cabral of New Bedford and Senator Montigny, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy.

David Benway,—
sick leave.

By Representative Markey of Dartmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher M. Markey and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jane Racine, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services.

Jane Racine,—
sick leave.

By Representative Michlewitz of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron Michlewitz for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sarah Kolb, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services.

Sarah Kolb,—
sick leave.

By Representative Ryan of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Ryan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court.

William Donahue,—
sick leave.

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Margaret R. Scarsdale for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Meredith Mingoelli-Cotter, an employee of the Trial Court.

Meredith Mingoelli-Cotter,—
sick leave.

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

Petitions (deposited with the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were presented and they were severally referred, as follows:

Seasonably
filed
petitions.

By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3556) of Kathleen R. LaNatra relative to food security infrastructure grants. **To the committee on Agriculture.**

By Representative Soter of Bellingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3557) of Michael J. Soter and F. Jay Barrows relative to medical cannabis research funding.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3558) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to fines for violations of cannabis advertising regulations.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3559) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to cannabis advertisements by out of state dispensaries.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3560) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to billboard advertisements for cannabis.

Severally to the committee on Cannabis Policy.

By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3561) of Tackey Chan, Michelle M. DuBois and Steven Ultrino relative to the posting of information about the National Human Trafficking Resource Center hotline at hair salons or cosmetology schools.

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3562) of Vanna Howard and Michelle M. DuBois relative to the cancellation of gym memberships.

By Representatives Mendes of Brockton and Paulino of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3563) of Rita A. Mendes and Francisco E. Paulino relative to required identification for applicants for professional licensure.

By Representative Williams of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3564) of Bud L. Williams relative to medical debt exclusion from creditor reports.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Representatives Diggs of Barnstable and Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3565) of Kip A. Diggs, Sean Garballey and others that the Massachusetts Gaming Commission establish a state athletic commission to oversee boxing, kickboxing, mixed martial arts or other unarmed combative sporting events.

By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3566) of Erika Uytterhoeven relative to limited liability companies.

Severally to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3567) of Natalie M. Blais and others relative to rural schools.

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3568) of Rob Consalvo relative to school transportation cost reimbursement for families of students with disabilities.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3569) of Rodney M. Elliott that the Massachusetts School Building Authority reimburse the city of Lowell for high school renovation project construction costs.

By Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3570) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and others relative to reimbursing local school transportation of foster children.

By Representatives Honan of Boston and Tyler of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3571) of Kevin G. Honan, Chynah Tyler and others relative to creating a commercial driver's license pilot program to be administered by Madison Park Technical Vocational High School in the city of Boston.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3572) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf relative to the membership of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3573) of Marcus S. Vaughn and others relative to establishing a grant program to increase the presence of mental health counselors in schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Representative Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3574) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to the use of a certain prescription medication used in psychotherapy and the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder.

To the committee on Elder Affairs.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3575) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to provide for recall elections in said town.

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3576) of Mike Connolly for legislation to allow persons sixteen or seventeen years of age to vote in local elections and presidential primaries.

By Representative Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3577) of Sean Garballey relative to uniformity of ballots in polling places.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3578) of Meghan Kilcoyne and John J. Cronin (by vote of the town) relative to validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Lancaster.

By Representatives Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose and Hunt of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3579) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian, Daniel J. Hunt and others relative to child care for candidates for public office.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3580) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to certain manufactured chemicals known as PFAS.

By Representative Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 28) of Colleen M. Garry (by vote of the town) for legislation to provide sustainable water resources in the town of Tyngsborough.

By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3581) of Daniel J. Hunt and others relative to promoting nature-based approaches for resiliency and climate change adaptation.

By Representatives LaNatra of Kingston and Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3582) of Kathleen R. LaNatra and Josh S. Cutler relative to water flow in the Central Plymouth County Water District.

Severally to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3583) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to customer reimbursement in instances of financial fraud.

By Representatives Howard of Lowell and Rogers of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3584) of Vanna Howard, David M. Rogers and others that insurance providers cover a minimum of 30 days for in-patient substance abuse treatment.

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3585) of Vanna Howard and Colleen M. Garry relative to healthcare coverage for telehealth.

By Representative Santiago of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3586) of Jon Santiago relative to healthcare insurance coverage for maternal and pediatric health.

By Representative Silvia of Fall River, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3587) of Alan Silvia and Paul McMurtry for legislation to ensure access to prescription medications.

Severally to the committee on Financial Services.

By Representative Smola of Warren, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3588) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to further regulate health care payments to nursing facilities. **To the committee on Health Care Financing.**

By Representative Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3589) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to the legalization of certain natural plants and fungi.

By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3590) of Kip A. Diggs relative to homestead protection.

By Representative Garcia of Chelsea, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3591) of Judith A. Garcia, James C. Arena-DeRosa and Samantha Montaña relative to standard procedures in probate court.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3592) of Judith A. Garcia, James C. Arena-DeRosa and Samantha Montaña relative to the availability of court interpreters.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3593) of Judith A. Garcia and Samantha Montaña relative to certified translations in court proceedings.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3594) of Judith A. Garcia and Samantha Montañño relative to jurisdiction in paternity actions.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3595) of Judith A. Garcia, James C. Arena-DeRosa and Samantha Montañño relative to court petitions for special findings in relation to certain immigrant juveniles.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3596) of Judith A. Garcia and Samantha Montañño relative to improper service of process in certain custody or legal status of children cases.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3597) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf relative to protecting employees from discharges from employment except for just cause.

By Representative Montañño of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3598) of Samantha Montañño that the Department of Housing and Community Development establish a pilot program to demonstrate the individual, family, and community economic impacts and state-level cost savings of a universal basic income.

By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3599) of Erika Uytterhoeven for legislation to implement a 4 day work week.

Severally to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

By Representative Donaghue of Westborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3600) of Kate Donaghue and others relative to discharge from substance use disorder treatment.

By Representative Rogers of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3601) of David M. Rogers, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Mindy Domb for legislation to maintain a public database website for fatal and nonfatal opiate overdoses.

By Representatives Sabadosa of Northampton and Pignatelli of Lenox, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3602) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Smitty Pignatelli that the Department of Mental Health establish peer-run respite centers.

Severally to the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3603) of Vanna Howard relative to requiring the construction of protective parking bollards and establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) on improving parking and pedestrian safety. **To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3604) of Bruce J. Ayers that the Department of Public Health study the feasibility of incentivizing inpatient psychiatric hospitals to admit patients directly from community behavioral health centers.

By Representative Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3605) of Nicholas A. Boldyga that the Department of Public Health establish procedures for the granting of psilocybin facilitators licenses.

By Representative Cassidy of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3606) of Gerard J. Cassidy and others relative to the use of the term physician.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3607) of Gerard J. Cassidy relative to the exposure of public safety officials to HIV.

By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3608) of Tackey Chan relative to optometrist licensure.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3609) of Tackey Chan and others relative to translated certified nurses assistant exams.

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3610) of Rob Consalvo and Ruthzee Louijeune relative to commercial disposal containers for the disposal of solid waste.

By Representative Coppinger of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3611) of Edward F. Coppinger and Brian W. Murray relative to the establishment and maintenance of blood banks, so-called.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3612) of Edward F. Coppinger and others relative to athletic trainers and athletic training.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3613) of Edward F. Coppinger for legislation to improve health care workforce development through graduate nursing practice.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3614) of Edward F. Coppinger and Adam Scanlon relative to the Parkinson's disease registry and improving outcomes for individuals with Parkinson's disease.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3615) of Edward F. Coppinger relative to the definition of health care adverse outcome disclosure, apology and early offer programs.

By Representatives Cruz of Salem and Tyler of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3616) of Manny Cruz, Chynah Tyler and others relative to the regulations governing licensed birth centers.

By Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3617) of Mark J. Cusack relative to the joint negotiation prohibition for integrated systems in health care.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3618) of Mark J. Cusack and others relative to establishing a statewide standard prehospital care protocol related to the assessment, treatment and transport of stroke patients.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3619) of Michael S. Day for legislation to prohibit the participation of healthcare professionals in the torture and abuse of prisoners.

By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3620) of Vincent L. Dixon relative to nursing and health care worker staffing levels.

By the same member (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3621) of Vincent L. Dixon for legislation to encourage and improve the level of availability of physicians.

By Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3622) of Marjorie C. Decker, Mindy Domb and others relative to the health impacts and costs of emissions associated with grid electricity and delivered fuels, and the benefits of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy.

By Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3623) of Marjorie C. Decker, Hannah Kane and others relative to autopsy reports by the medical examiner.

By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3624) of Marjorie C. Decker and Joanne M. Comerford relative to findings and reports of medical examiners performing autopsies on children under the age of two.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3625) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to videotaping, audiotaping and photographing persons receiving medical treatment.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3626) of Marjorie C. Decker for legislation to improve access to breastfeeding care.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3627) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to the use of polystyrene containers and wares by certain food and retail establishments.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3628) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to clinical laboratories.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3629) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to the administration of opioid maintenance treatment in the prescription monitoring program.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3630) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to establishing a maternal mortality and morbidity review committee within the Department of Public Health.

By Representative Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3631) of Mindy Domb relative to the diagnosis and treatment of certain infections.

By Representative Ramos of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3632) of Orlando Ramos relative to establishing an advisory committee (including members of the General Court) on the accessibility of fresh food retail in communities.

By Representative Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3633) of Andres X. Vargas relative to lead pipe safety.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3634) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to further regulating the discharge of fireworks in densely populated neighborhoods.

By Representative Galvin of Canton (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3635) of Paul McAuliffe relative to medical parole.

By Representative Paulino of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3636) of Francisco E. Paulino that law enforcement agencies establish minority recruitment and selection programs.

By Representative Rogers of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3637) of David M. Rogers relative to state police criminal intelligence information fusion centers.

By Representative Schmid of Westport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3638) of Paul A. Schmid, III for legislation to include rain sensor devices for newly installed or renovated residential outdoor landscape sprinkler systems in the building codes.

Severally to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

By Representative Capano of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3639) of Peter Capano that the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board be authorized to credit Cheryl DiLisio, an employee of Nahant public schools, with certain creditable service.

By Representatives Diggs of Barnstable and Xiarhos of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3640) of Kip A. Diggs and Steven George Xiarhos for legislation to impose a surcharge on certain retirement earnings to be used for recreational opportunities.

By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3641) of Kip A. Diggs and Steven George Xiarhos (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Jacob M. White be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3642) of Kip A. Diggs (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Gregory S. Shopshire

be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3643) of Kip A. Diggs and Steven George Xiarhos (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Matthew K. Sonnabend be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3644) of Kip A. Diggs and Steven George Xiarhos (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Jeffrey H. Jackson be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3645) of Kip A. Diggs relative to providing for creditable service for retirement purposes for Lynn Turner, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System.

By Representative Durant of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3646) of Peter J. Durant for legislation to authorize the Worcester Regional Retirement System to grant creditable service to Nelson Burlingame.

By Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3647) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Paul W. Mark relative to authorizing June Tooley, an employee of Berkshire Community College, to become a member of the State Employees Retirement System.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3648) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to residency requirements for certain police officers, firefighters and fire alarm division personnel.

By Representative Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3649) of Sean Garballey relative to teachers' retirement funds.

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3650) of Vanna Howard relative to the withdrawal of local subscribers from the Group Insurance Commission.

By Representative Howitt of Seekonk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3651) of Steven S. Howitt for legislation to authorize Cynthia Falzone to purchase creditable service from the Norfolk County Retirement Board

By Representative Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3652) of Sarah K. Peake (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Holly Thyng be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3653) of Sarah K. Peake (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Christopher Arrigo be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3654) of Sarah K. Peake (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Adrian Peters be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By Representative Xiarhos of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3655) of Steven George Xiarhos (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Thomas Harmon be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3656) of Steven George Xiarhos and Susan L. Moran (with the approval of the county commissioners) that John R. Stowe, Jr., be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3657) of Steven George Xiarhos (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Wayne A. Ellis be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3658) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to establishing tax credits for the adoption of cats and dogs.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3659) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to establishing a tax credit for users of public waterway transportation.

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3660) of Mike Connolly, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to establish a local option empty homes tax on vacant units in residential buildings.

By Representative Doherty of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3661) of Carol A. Doherty and others for legislation to establish a tax exemption for pension income for certain senior citizens.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3662) of Rodney M. Elliott for legislation to provide certain tax credits for the development of affordable housing or housing insecurity facilities.

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3663) of Vanna Howard and Michelle M. DuBois for legislation to establish tax incentives for small-scale commercial development for gateway cities.

By Representative Muratore of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3664) of Mathew J. Muratore and others relative to providing for a sales tax exemption for animal medication prescribed by veterinarians.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3665) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) that the town of Wellfleet be authorized to establish a real estate transfer fee in said town.

By Representative Soter of Bellingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3666) of Michael J. Soter, Joseph D. McKenna and F. Jay Barrows for legislation to establish a high school trade partnership program and to provide tax credits for money expended for said program.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3667) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to the estate tax code.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3668) of Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to establish a special commission to conduct an audit on all abandoned state properties and determine the feasibility of repurposing them into drug addiction treatment facilities.

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3669) of John Barrett, III relative to establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study the effectiveness of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services.

By Representative Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3670) of Josh S. Cutler and Carol A. Doherty relative to the timely disbursement of appropriated funds.

By Representatives Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3671) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier, Mindy Domb and others relative to virtual meetings of appointed statewide public bodies.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton and Senator Cronin, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3672) of Meghan Kilcoyne and John J. Cronin that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of state owned land in the town of Lancaster to said town.

Severally to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

By Representative Armini of Marblehead, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3673) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and others relative to access to electric vehicle charging stations.

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3674) of John Barrett, III and others relative to municipal aggregation and third-party electricity service suppliers.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3675) of Michelle L. Ciccolo and Christine P. Barber for legislation to establish a special commission on transportation finance for achieving net-zero statewide greenhouse gas emissions by the year 2050.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3676) of Michelle L. Ciccolo and others relative to the provisions of the bottle bill, so-called.

By Representatives Connolly of Cambridge and Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3677) of Mike Connolly, Jack Patrick Lewis and others relative to establishing solar neighborhoods.

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3678) of Mike Connolly, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Rebecca L. Rausch relative to promoting the adoption of renewable energy for heating, cooling and hot water under the zoning law.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3679) of Mike Connolly for legislation to establish a task force (including members of the General Court) to study and make actionable recommendations regarding public ownership of public utilities.

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3680) of Rob Consalvo relative to the listing on utility bill of discounts available to seniors, veterans or persons with disabilities.

By Representative Coppinger of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3681) of Edward F. Coppinger and others relative to the availability of private utility construction contracts.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3682) of Edward F. Coppinger and others relative to transparency in private utility construction contracts.

By Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3683) of Mark J. Cusack relative to solar energy storage permit applications and inspections.

By Representative Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3684) of Josh S. Cutler and others for legislation to include nip bottles and certain other containers in the bottle law.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3685) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to ensuring solar energy access.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3686) of Michael S. Day that retailers of home heating oil provide notices to customers of the availability of liability insurance coverage for certain claims arising out of releases of oil into the environment.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3687) of Michael S. Day that the Energy Facilities Siting Board consider requests of municipalities for reimbursement of application expenses.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3688) of Michael S. Day relative to the Energy Facilities Siting Board.

By Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3689) of Marjorie C. Decker, Sean Garballey and others relative to transitioning to clean electricity, heating and transportation.

By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3690) of Marjorie C. Decker and others for legislation to expand the bottle bill to include any drinkable liquid intended for human oral consumption.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3691) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to energy assessments and energy efficiency improvements at schools and public institutions of higher education.

By Representative Donahue of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3692) of Daniel M. Donahue relative to the maximum storage charges on motor vehicles involuntarily towed.

By Representative Driscoll of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3693) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., and others relative to achieving a green future with infrastructure and workforce investments.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3694) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., and others relative to the clean heat standard.

By Representative DuBois of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3695) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to the locating of generation facilities within one mile of certain public areas and areas of critical environmental concern.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3696) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to clean energy resources.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3697) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to renewable energy production technologies.

By Representative Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3698) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others relative to tow lien reform.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3699) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others relative to municipal light plant emergency mutual aid.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3700) of Dylan A. Fernandes relative private utility lines and poles.

By Representative Giannino of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3701) of Jessica Ann Giannino and others relative to the prohibition of using plastics as fuel.

Severally to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

By Representative Armini of Marblehead, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3702) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to the operation of bicycles and motor vehicles at certain intersections.

By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3703) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to establishing a special commission on public waterway transportation.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington and Senator Barrett, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3704) of Michelle L. Ciccolo and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Lexington be authorized to finance expanded transit services.

By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3705) of Kip A. Diggs that the Division of Highways establish a highway wildflower program to promote the establishment and flowering of native flowering plants and pollinator habitats.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3706) of Rodney M. Elliott for legislation to authorize cities and towns to establish height and weight restrictions for motor vehicles on roadways within 500 yards of quarries or gravel pits.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3707) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf relative to applications for certificates of title at the Registry of Motor Vehicles for surviving spouses and next of kin of deceased persons.

By Representative Ramos of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3708) of Orlando Ramos relative to odometer readings documented incorrectly in the certificates of title of certain antique motor vehicles.

Severally to the committee on Transportation.

By Representative Arriaga of Chicopee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3709) of Shirley B. Arriaga for legislation to provide for the appointment of full-time veterans' agents or directors of veterans' services in certain cities and towns.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 3710) of Shirley B. Arriaga for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) on women veterans and the long-term effects of combat on motherhood.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3711) of Shirley B. Arriaga for legislation to establish the women veterans' network in the Department of Veterans' Services.

Severally to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Meredith Mingoelli-Cotter, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2377) (on Senate bill No. 2372), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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sick leave.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the bill (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, in concurrence.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2376) (on Senate bill No. 1105), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Christopher
Trigilio,—
sick leave.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 1729), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Christopher
Trigilio,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Meredith Mingoelli-Cotter, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 2377), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Meredith
Mingoelli-
Cotter,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 5 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill directing the Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wilfrid Decossa (see House, No. 2520) (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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, April 3, 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.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Arciero of Westford and Murray of Milford) recognizing April 2023 as Donate Life month in Massachusetts, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Donate Life
month.

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.

Communications

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Sections 2(B) and 5I of Chapter 18 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Consolidated Report on the Department of Transitional Assistance Program Integrity Division;

DTA,—
program
integrity.

From the Office of the Inspector General (see Section 9(e) of Chapter 6C of the General Laws) submitting the 2022 Inspector General's Internal Special Audit Unit annual report;

Inspector
General,—
internal audit.

From the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (see Section 6 of Chapter 40H of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2022 annual report;

Economic
Development
Assistance.

From the Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements, supplementary information, and a schedule of expenditures of federal awards and OMB uniform guidance auditors' reports for fiscal year 2022;

Attleboro-
Taunton Transit
Authority.

From the Montachusett Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements, supplementary information, and a schedule of expenditures of federal awards and OMB uniform guidance auditors' reports for fiscal year 2022;

Montachusett
Transit
Authority.

From the Office of Community Corrections of the Trial Court (see Section 5 of Chapter 211F of the General Laws) submitting fiscal year 2022 annual report of the Massachusetts Probation Service, Office of Community Corrections, including a statistical report on the utilization of community corrections centers;

Community
Corrections.

From the Secretary of Health and Human Services (see Section 30 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022) submitting an update on the progress towards achieving the goals of the comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination equity plan;	COVID-19 vaccination plan.
From the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (see item 9110-1637 of Chapter 26 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report entitled: Home Care Aide Training Grant Program;	Home Care Aide Training Grant Program.
From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0700 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on MassHealth Dental Coverage;	MassHealth Dental Coverage.
From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16EE of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the annual report of the 988 Commission, summarizing its activities;	988 Commission.
From the Department of Revenue (see Chapter 207 of the Acts of 2018) submitting an annual review of tax expenditures;	Tax expenditures.
From the Massachusetts Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Disease and All Other Dementias (see Chapter 220 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the 2022 annual report of said council; and	Alzheimer's disease and dementias.
From the Department of Mental Health (see Section 9 of Chapter 321 of the Acts of 2008) submitting the annual report for fiscal year 2022 of the Children's Behavioral Health Knowledge Center;	Children's behavioral health.
Severally were placed on file.	

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:	
By Representatives McKenna of Webster and Soter of Bellingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3714) of Joseph D. McKenna and Michael J. Soter (by vote of the town) that the town of Uxbridge be authorized to grant four additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town; and	Uxbridge,—liquor licenses.
By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3715) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Northampton be authorized to grant seven licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town;	Northampton,—liquor licenses.
Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.	
By Representative Ashe of Longmeadow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3716) of Brian M. Ashe, Ryan C. Fattman and Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. (by vote of the town) relative to the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Monson; and	Monson,—treasurer-collector.
By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham and Senator Rausch, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3717) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen to select board in the town of Wrentham;	Wrentham,—select board.
Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.	
By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3718) of Marjorie C. Decker (with the approval of the city council) relative to expanding the definition of dependent for the purposes of municipal employee benefits in the city of Cambridge;	Cambridge,—dependents.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3719) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to civil service positions in the department of public works of the city of Northampton; and	Northampton,— civil service.
By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham and Senator Rausch, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3720) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) that the town of Wrentham be authorized to exempt the position of deputy fire chief of said town from certain provisions of the civil service law; Severally to the committee on Public Service. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.	Wrentham,— civil service.
Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:	
By Representative Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and others relative to requiring school attendance up to age 18 or until graduation.	Schools,— attendance.
By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan and Michael D. Brady relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure.	Dental hygienists.
By Representative Coppinger of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Edward F. Coppinger relative to increasing the minimum pension for public retirees.	Minimum pension.
By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent L. Dixon relative to environmental and water testing requirements.	Water, etc.,— testing.
By the same member (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent L. Dixon relative to police chief certification reform and improvement.	Police chiefs,— certification.
By the same member (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent L. Dixon relative to the uniform sales tax.	Uniform sales tax.
By the same member (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent L. Dixon for legislation to improve pedestrian and vehicular safety.	Safety improvements.
By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marjorie C. Decker and Russell E. Holmes relative to insurance coverage to expand access to mental health services.	Mental health services.
By Representative DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David F. DeCoste and David Allen Robertson relative to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts.	Artillery Company.
By Representative Driscoll of Milton (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Clinton Graham for legislation to prohibit hate speech.	Hate speech,— prohibition.
By Representative Gifford of Wareham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Susan Williams Gifford and Joseph D. McKenna relative to the maintenance of records on the transfer of firearms, rifles, shotguns, machine guns and ammunition.	Firearms,— records maintenance.
By Representative González of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carlos González and others for legislation to establish a foreclosure review division within the Superior Court Department.	Foreclosure review division.
By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Hunt relative to the assistant clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.	Suffolk County,— clerks.
By Representatives Lewis of Framingham and Schmid of Westport, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jack Patrick Lewis for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the town of Ashland as the Harold Wadhams Gates memorial bridge.	Ashland,— Gates bridge.
By Representative Robertson of Tewksbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David Allen Robertson relative to the retirement group for public safety officers,	Public safety officials,— retirement.

police officers or public safety officials of the Department of Mental Health, Department of Public Health or Department of Developmental Services.

By Representative Schmid of Westport and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Paul A. Schmid, III relative to the board of selectmen in the town of Westport.

Westport,—
select board.

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

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 joint petition of Antonio F. D. Cabral and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

David
Benway,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2376), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Christopher
Trigilio,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Schmid of Westport, for the committee on Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 102) of William M. Straus and Sarah K. Peake relative to farmer-distilleries,—and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Farmer-
distilleries.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill further regulating the appointment of special police officers in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2622), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At five 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, April 6, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (for message, see House, No. 3737) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, April 5.

Bonds,—
terms.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Joint Rule 1F, with accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had re-appointed Maureen Cavanagh as his designee (under Chapter 309 of the Acts of 2020) to the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund Advisory Council.

Opioid
recovery.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Domb of Amherst and other members of the House) commemorating Congressman John W. Olver for his forty-four years of dedicated service to the Commonwealth and the United States of America; and

Congressman
John Olver.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Howard of Lowell and other members of the House) commemorating the observance of Ramadan 2023;

Ramadan.

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

Annual and Special Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services (under Section 168 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) summarizing the status of the complaints reviewed by the Criminal Record Review Board;

Criminal
Record Review
Board.

Of the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services (under Section 168 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) submitting the Commissioner Approved Access to Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI);

CORI
report.

Of the State Lottery Charitable Gaming Division (under Section 38 of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) for calendar year 2022; and

Charitable
Gaming.

Of the Cannabis Control Commission (under Section 18 of Chapter 94G of the General Laws) relative to the number, summary and costs of performed audits [a copy of said report was forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, as required by said law]; and

Cannabis
Control
Commission,—
audit.

Reports

Of the Department of Transitional Assistance (under Sections 2(B) and 5 of Chapter 18 and Section 3C(d) of Chapter 118 and Section 3C(d) of Chapter 118 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children Consolidated Report [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

Transitional
Aid to Families
with Dependent
Children.

Of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (under item 0340-2100 of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its amended and final Disabled Persons Protection Commission data for fiscal year 2022; and

Disabled,—
protection
commission.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for February 2023;

Unemployment
Insurance Trust
Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3721) of Vanna Howard and Rodney M. Elliott (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Lowell be authorized to fill vacancies in certain elective bodies in said city. To the committee on Election Laws.

Lowell,—
vacancies.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3722) of Manny Cruz and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to a condominium conversion ordinance in the city of Salem; and

Salem,—
condominium
conversions.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3723) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) that the town of Truro be authorized to establish a year-round market rate rental housing trust in said town;

Truro,—
rental housing
trust.

Severally to the committee on Housing.

By Representative Barrows of Mansfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3724) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) that the town of Foxborough be authorized to change the name of the board of selectmen to the select board;

Foxborough,—
select board.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3725) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to amending the charter of the city known as the town of Greenfield;

Greenfield,—
charter.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3726) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Oak Bluffs be authorized to further regulate the rental of mopeds and motor scooters in said town;	Oak Bluffs,— rental of mopeds.
By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton and Senator Gobi, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3727) of Meghan Kilcoyne (by vote of the town) for legislation to increase the membership of the select board in the town of Sterling;	Sterling,— select board.
By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3728) of Margaret R. Scarsdale (by vote of the town) relative to the charter of the town of Townsend; and	Townsend,— charter.
By Representatives Wong of Saugus and Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3729) of Donald H. Wong and Kate Lipper-Garabedian (by vote of the town) that the town of Wakefield be authorized to convey an easement in said town to the Wakefield Municipal Gas and Light Department;	Wakefield,— land.
Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.	
By Representative Fiola of Fall River and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3730) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Freetown;	Freetown,— special police.
By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3731) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that all future members of the police department of the town of Great Barrington be exempt from the civil service law; and	Great Barrington,— civil service.
By Representative Worrell of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3732) of Christopher J. Worrell (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the police department of the city of Boston be authorized to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis;	Boston,— Wendy Pierre- Louis.
Severally to the committee on Public Service.	
By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3733) of Manny Cruz (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to providing for payments in lieu of taxes by the South Essex sewerage district in the city of Salem;	Salem,— payments.
By Representative Domb of Amherst and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3734) of Mindy Domb and Joanne Comerford (by vote of the town) that the city known as the town of Amherst be authorized to establish a real estate transfer fee in said town;	Amherst,— real estate transfer fee.
By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3735) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Truro be authorized to establish a program to reduce property tax liability in exchange for volunteer services for persons with disabilities; and	Property tax,— liability reduction.
By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3736) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Truro be authorized to impose a 0.5% real estate transfer fee in said town;	Truro,— real estate transfer fee.
Severally to the committee on Revenue.	
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.	
Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:	
By Representatives Cabral of New Bedford and Hendricks of New Bedford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Antonio F. D. Cabral, Christopher Hendricks	Kellie Martin,— credible service.

and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System to grant credible service to Kellie Martin.

By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent Dixon for legislation to provide for a COVID-19 vaccination tax credit.

COVID-19,—
tax credit.

By Representatives Hawkins of Attleboro and Nguyen of Andover, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James K. Hawkins and Tram T. Nguyen for legislation to include climate education in the elementary and secondary school curriculum.

Schools,—
climate
curriculum.

By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Hunt for legislation to provide creditable service for certain teachers for retirement purposes.

Teachers,—
creditable
service.

By Representatives Kassner of Hamilton and Gordon of Bedford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner, Kenneth I. Gordon and Jeffrey Rosario Turco relative to travel mileage rate fees for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and constables.

Sheriffs,—
mileage
rates.

By Representative Kassner of Hamilton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner for an investigation by a special commission relative to the preparation of the built environment for the next economy, including an inventory of infrastructure, buildings, and land use regulations.

Next
economy,—
commission.

By Representatives McKenna of Webster and Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joseph D. McKenna, Kate Lipper-Garabedian and others relative to carbon monoxide alarms in schools.

Schools,—
CO 2 alarms.

By Representative Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William M. Straus and others for legislation to provide funding of certain collective bargaining agreements.

Collective
bargaining.

By Representative Worrell of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher J. Worrell for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to establishing a statewide Massachusetts Caribbean American cultural center in the city of Boston.

Boston,—
Caribbean
American
cultural center.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher J. Worrell that the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs be authorized to conduct an environmental audit of environmental justice neighborhoods.

Environmental
audit.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Joanne M. Comerford and Natalie M. Blais for legislation to exempt Barbara Killeen from certain requirements of the retired municipal teacher program, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Barbara
Killeen,—
retirement.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2379) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that Joint Rule 7B be suspended on the joint petition of Paul A. Schmid, III relative to the board of selectmen in the town of Westport. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 7B was suspended;

Westport,—
board of
selectmen.

and the joint petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 petition of Christopher M. Markey and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jane Racine, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Jane Racine,—
sick leave.

By Representative Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 314) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others relative to licensing of dog day care businesses,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Dog day
cares,—
licensing.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 248) of Ruth B. Balser relative to establishing senior psychologist licensure; and

Psychologist,—
licensure.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of Colleen M. Garry relative to sonographers and vascular technologists;

Sonographers
and vascular
technicians.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Representative Cahill of Lynn, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 753) of Natalie M. Blais and others for legislation relative to agricultural disaster relief;

Agricultural
disaster relief.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 754) of Natalie M. Blais and Vanna Howard relative to agricultural preservation restrictions;

Agricultural,—
restrictions.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 758) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to the regulation and availability of cottage foods;

Cottage foods,—
regulations.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 759) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and others for legislation to establish a division of marine fisheries resources within the Department of Fish and Game of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs;

Marine
fisheries,—
resources.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 773) of Josh S. Cutler, Patrick Joseph Kearney and others relative to establishing a fisheries conservation gear grant program to be developed and administered by the Division of Marine Fisheries;

Fisheries
conservation
gear.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 828) of Vanna Howard and others relative to establishing a food justice frontline providing compensated work involving food production, distribution, preparation, or delivery for food insecure residents;

Food justice,—
insecure
residents.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 836) of Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Fishermen's Partnership to have a seat on the Seaport Economic Council;

Seaport
Economic
Council.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 837) of Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to authorize commercial lobster fisherman to fish according to their permit for 12 months a year in state waters;

Commercial
lobster
fishermen.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 839) of Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to recreational shell fishing areas;

Shell fishing
areas.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 855) of Adrian C. Madaro and Vanna Howard for legislation to create local and community garden agriculture programs within the Department of Agricultural Resources;

Garden
agriculture
programs.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 878) of Alice Hanlon Peisch relative to regulating the sale and purchase of horses;

Horses,—
sales.

Of the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 909) of William M. Straus, Susan L. Moran and others relative to a cranberry water use transfer program; and

Cranberry,—
water use.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 915) of Erika Uyterhoeven for legislation to regulate cottage foods;

Cottage
foods.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 755) of Natalie M. Blais and others for legislation to establish a department of energy transformation planning within the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs;

Department
of energy,—
planning.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 777) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to clean lighting; and

Clean
lighting.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 873) of Steven Owens, Joanne M. Comerford and Michelle L. Ciccolo relative to carbon dioxide equivalents and factors that impact statewide greenhouse gas emissions;

Greenhouse
gas emissions.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 870) of Steven Owens, Adrienne Pusateri Ramos and others relative to commuting trends and drive alone rates,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Transportation.

Commuting
trends and drive
alone rates.

By Representative Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 2262) of John H. Rogers relative to the board of registration in podiatry within the board of registration in medicine,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Podiatry,—
board of
registration.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Representative Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3713). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Hollie Barter,—
sick leave.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, April 10, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representative Shand of Newburyport, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Byron J. Matthews, a visionary public servant, who died March 25, 2023, at the age of 94.

Byron J.
Matthews.

The Honorable Byron Matthews served as mayor of Newburyport (1968-1978); as cabinet secretary for the Office of Communities and Development (1979-1983) under Governor Edward J. King; and, as chairman of Northern Essex Community College (1996-2007). He was appointed by President George H.W. Bush to the board of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. Born August 31, 1928, Matthews served in the U.S. Marine Corps after graduating from Newburyport High School in 1946.

As mayor of Newburyport, he led the restoration of the city's historic downtown, including: Inn Street Pedestrian Mall, Market Square Bullnose, the waterfront boardwalk, and the Custom House. He created the Lord Timothy Dexter Industrial Park, which thrives today. He oversaw the establishment of the city's reservoir, its Central and West End Fire Stations, and the rebuilding of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. Through these vital places, Matthews' foresight lives in modern-day Newburyport.

Changes in a Joint Standing Committee.

A communication from Minority Leader Jones was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

April 6, 2023.

Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
State House, Room 145
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Please be advised that I have made a change to the appointments to the standing committees of the House and the joint standing committees of the House and Senate for the remainder of the 2023-2024 legislative session. I am removing Representative

Joint committee
on Elder
Affairs,—
change in

Norman Orrall from the joint committee on Elder Affairs and appointing Representative F. Jay Barrows to the vacancy.

membership.

The appointment was ratified by a majority vote of the members of the minority party caucus, pursuant to House Rule 18 and 18A.

Please contact me should you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.
Minority Leader.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Garlick of Needham) congratulating Jack Lewis Carnahan on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Jack
Carnahan.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Garlick of Needham) congratulating Thomas Scanlon Reichard on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Thomas
Reichard.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Luke Noel Saint-Amour on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America; and

Luke
Saint-Amour.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Philips of Sharon) congratulating Ethan Levine on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Ethan
Levine.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Office of the Child Advocate (see Section 10 of Chapter 18C of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of the office's accomplishments and activities for fiscal year 2022;

Child
Advocate.

From the Massachusetts Advisory Commission for Travel and Tourism (see Section 13T of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitting its annual report and recommendations on state expenditures to promote tourism for calendar year 2022;

Travel and
Tourism,—
expenditures.

From the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, Inc. (see Section 7 of Chapter 306 of the Acts of 2008) submitting audited financial statements of said conservancy for fiscal year 2022, entitled "The Green Way";

Rose Kennedy
Conservancy,—
The Green Way.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its quarterly MassHealth Pharmacy Pipeline Report; and

MassHealth
Pharmacy
Pipeline.

From the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (see Section 62 of Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: MBTA 3-Year Safety Improvement Plan;

MBTA,—
safety plan.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Special Reports.

The annual report of the Office of the Inspector General (under Section 12 of Chapter 12A of the General Laws) summarizing the activities of the office for the prior year in a report entitled: MassHealth and Health Safety Net: 2023 Annual Report; and

MassHealth
and Health
Safety Net.

Special reports

Of the Special Commission on Structural Racism in the Massachusetts Probation Service (under Section 21 of Chapter 76 of the General Laws and most recently revived and continued by Section 43 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its final report;

Structural
Racism,—
probation.

Of the Special Commission to Investigate and Study the Impact of Qualified Immunity Doctrine to the Administration of Justice (under Section 22 of Chapter 76 of the General Laws and most recently revived and continued by Section 44 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its final report; and

Qualified
Immunity
Doctrine.

Of the Special Commission to Evaluate Government Use of Facial Recognition Technology (under Section 105 of Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020 and most recently revived and continued by Section 70 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its final report and appendices;

Facial
Recognition
Technology.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

A joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023), was transmitted to the State Secretary, under the provisions of Chapter 3 of the General Laws.

Northampton
Housing
Authority.

The following petitions (having been deposited with the Clerk previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) were presented and they were severally referred, as follows:

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3750) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to cannabis marketing. To the committee on Cannabis Policy.

Seasonably
filed
petitions.

By Representative Arriaga of Chicopee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3753) of Shirley B. Arriaga relative to youth and athletics and establishing the PLAY trust fund to be administered by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

By Representative Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3754) of Danielle W. Gregoire relative to school bullying.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3755) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to address workforce shortages in early education through educational coursework and apprenticeship participation.

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3756) of Margaret R. Scarsdale relative to providing for full funding of regional school district transportation.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3757) of Sally P. Kerans relative to prohibiting insurers from requiring annual re-authorizations for certain prescription drugs.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3758) of Sally P. Kerans relative to ensuring sufficient notice to homeowners by insurance companies prior to inspections.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3759) of Sarah K. Peake relative to ATM receipts.

Severally to the committee on Financial Services.

By Representative Cataldo of Concord and Senator Payano, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3760) of Simon Cataldo, Pavel M. Payano and others relative to higher education admissions.

By Representative Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3761) of Mindy Domb and Bud L. Williams for legislation to establish an open educational resource trust fund.

Severally to the committee on Higher Education.

By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3762) of Daniel J. Hunt relative to establishing a penalty for the sale, preparation, manufacturing, or distribution of kratom products that are contaminated with dangerous non-kratom substances.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3763) of Howard Caras relative to healthcare proxy information.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Representatives Nguyen of Andover and Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3764) of Tram T. Nguyen and Andres X. Vargas relative to parental notification about student health evaluations.

By Representative Smola of Warren, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3765) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to further regulate community-based health initiative requirements for the construction of certain nursing facilities.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

By Representative Doherty of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3766) of Carol A. Doherty and others for legislation to establish an income tax credit for parents contributing to college tuitions.

By Representative Paulino of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3767) of Francisco E. Paulino relative to the senior circuit breaker tax credit.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3769) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf and others for legislation to promote the transition to electric school buses. To the committee on Transportation.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 3768) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others for the adoption of resolutions memorializing the Congress of the United States to pass and send to the states for ratification a constitutional amendment to restore the first amendment and fair elections to the people. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3740) of David Paul Linsky (by vote of the town) that the town of Natick be authorized to establish minimum seating capacity for granting licenses for the sale of

Natick,—
alcoholic
beverages.

all alcoholic beverages or wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town; and

By Representative Worrell of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3741) of Christopher J. Worrell (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said city;

Boston,—
liquor
licenses.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Representative Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3742) of Christine P. Barber, Patricia D. Jehlen and Erika Uytterhoeven (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to provide voting rights in municipal elections for certain residents aged 16 and 17 years old. To the committee on Election Laws.

Somerville,—
voting
rights.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3743) of Christine P. Barber, Patricia D. Jehlen and Erika Uytterhoeven (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to further regulate the affordable housing trust in the city of Somerville; and

Somerville,—
affordable
housing.

By Representative Montaña of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3744) of Samantha Montaña (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to implement rent stabilization and tenant eviction protections;

Somerville,—
rent control
and evictions.

Severally to the committee on Housing.

By Representative Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3745) of Christine P. Barber, Patricia D. Jehlen and Erika Uytterhoeven (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) that the city of Somerville be authorized to impose municipal reviews on institutional master plans of certain institutional facilities;

Somerville,—
master
plans.

By Representative Galvin of Canton and Senator Brady, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3746) of William C. Galvin and Michael D. Brady (by vote of the town) that the town of Avon be authorized to amend the by-laws of said town to change the name of the board of selectmen to select board in said town; and

Avon,—
by-laws.

By Representative Parisella of Beverly, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3747) of Jerald A. Parisella (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the home rule charter of the city of Beverly;

Beverly,—
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Soter of Bellingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3748) of Michael J. Soter (by vote of the town) that the town of Bellingham be authorized to exempt all positions in the police department of said town from certain provisions of the civil service law; and

Bellingham,—
civil service.

By Representative Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3749) of David T. Vieira and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) that all positions of the fire department of the town of Falmouth be exempt from certain provisions of the civil service law;

Falmouth,—
civil
service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cassidy of Brockton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Gerard J. Cassidy and Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Lisa Balentine, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance.

Lisa
Balentine,—
sick leave.

By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan and others relative to increasing interest rate deductions.	Interest rate deductions.
By Representative Cusack of Braintree and Senator Timilty, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mark J. Cusack, Walter F. Timilty and others relative to the retirement benefits of Brian Murphy, a uniformed member of the Department of State Police.	Brian Murphy,—retirement.
By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael S. Day that a certain overpass over state Route 28 in the town of Stoneham be designated as the State Trooper Tamar A. Bucci memorial bridge.	Stoneham,—Bucci bridge.
By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Marjorie C. Decker for legislation to authorize the city of Cambridge to impose a real estate transfer fee.	Cambridge,—real estate transfer fee.
By Representative Donaghue of Westborough, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Donaghue for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the oaths and affirmations of public office.	Oaths of office.
By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr relative to authorizing the town of Nantucket to impose a real estate transfer fee for affordable and workforce housing.	Nantucket,—real estate transfer fee.
By same member (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Zorianna Petrosyan relative to school start times for middle and high school students.	Schools,—start times.
By Representative Flanagan of Dennis and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher Richard Flanagan and Julian Cyr (with the approval of the county commissioners) for legislation to authorize Jeremiah Z. Valli to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board.	Jeremiah Valli,—retirement.
By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vanna Howard and Samantha Montaña for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) to examine anti-slavery education in schools.	Anti-slavery education.
By Representative Meschino of Hull, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joan Meschino and others for legislation to promote the development of clean energy.	Solar development.
By Representative Peake of Provincetown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sarah K. Peake for legislation to designate a portion of state highway Route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway.	Harwich,—Rogers highway.
By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sarah K. Peake relative to accidental disability retirement for William Little, a police officer of the town of Chatham, from the Barnstable County Retirement Association.	William Little,—retirement.
By Representative Roy of Franklin, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation to expand customer access to a modern grid.	Electric grid access.
By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Erika Uytterhoeven relative to educators' pay.	Educators,—pay.
By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to public schools' emergency alert systems.	Schools,—alert systems.
By Representative Vitolo of Brookline and Senator Creem, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tommy Vitolo and Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) that the town of Brookline be authorized to adopt green zoning by-laws and regulations in said town.	Brookline,—green zoning.
Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.	

*Report of the Committee on
State Administration and Regulatory Oversight on
Executive Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 2023.*

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 2023 (submitted by the Governor under the provisions of Article LXXXVII of the Amendments of the Constitution) relative to creating the executive office of housing and livable communities and to rename the Executive Office of Economic Development (House, No. 43) [For majority report, see Senate, No. 2378],— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23A, recommending that said Reorganization Plan Number 1 “ought to be approved”.

Reorganization
Plan No. 1,—
executive
office of
housing and
livable
communities,
etc.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being “Shall this reorganization plan be approved?”.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3713), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Hollie
Barter,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a joint petition, a Bill to establish a sick leave bank for Kathleen Donnellan, an employee of the Norfolk Superior Court (House, No. 3712).

Kathleen
Donnellan,—
sick leave.

By Representative Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 3738, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy (House, No. 3739).

David
Benway,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o’clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, April 13, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., 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 Tributes.

During the session, Mr. Worrell of Boston took the Chair, and, at his request and at the request of all of the Members of the Boston Delegation and the Members of the Black and Latino Caucus, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Melvin H. King, a member of the House from 1973 to 1982, inclusive.

Melvin
King.

Melvin Mel Herbert King (Sr) passed away on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, peacefully in his home in Boston, Massachusetts. He was 94 years old.

He was a community leader, political activist, author, songwriter, youth advocate, State Representative and retired educator. He grew up in the South End, a vibrant and multi-ethnic neighborhood, which was demolished due to urban renewal which destroyed the community prompting his mother and siblings to relocate to Roxbury.

Melvin taught math and worked as a youth counselor for United South End Settlements where he became Director of the 48 Rutland Street House. In 1967, King became the Director of the New Urban League of Greater Boston. King is well-known for his role in fighting for affordable housing and services in the South End, particularly the battle against commercial developers and the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) in 1968. King's goal was to ensure that the city's Urban Renewal program provided affordable housing for South End residents. Originally working for Community Assembly for a Unified South End (CAUSE), King led protests against the Boston Redevelopment Authority's plans to demolish housing and construct a parking garage. King and his supporters built a temporary tent city and lived on the demolished housing until developers agreed to construct a new housing complex which was named "Tent City".

In 1973, King was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives for the 9th Suffolk district. He was one of the founding members of the Massachusetts Black and Latino Caucus. In 1983, after vacating his seat in the House, King ran for mayor of Boston, winning the primary vote but losing the general election. He also established the Rainbow Coalition Party which has now become the Green-Rainbow Party.

He always said Love is the Question and the Answer.

During the session, Mr. Driscoll of Milton took the Chair, and acknowledged the tenth anniversary of the bombings at the Boston Marathon.

Boston
Marathon

This week marks 10 years since the bombings that took place at the Boston Marathon. Ten years later we take this moment to reflect and hold in our thoughts the families and friends of those lost that day. We recognize the grieving and healing process for the individuals and families who were injured and impacted by this tragedy remains an on-going reality.

bombings.

Today, we also remember and stand with all of the first responders and medical personnel who acted immediately and bravely to assist. Their actions to care for the hundreds injured saved countless lives and inspired the people of the city of Boston, the Commonwealth and the nation.

Let us take a moment of silence as we remember the individuals who lost their lives and express our profound condolences to their loved ones and honor the memories of Martin Richard, Krystle Campbell, Lingzi Lu, Officer Sean Collier, and Officer Dennis ‘DJ’ Simmonds.

Statement of Representative Arciero of Westford.

A written statement of Mr. Arciero of Westford was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present for today’s sitting due to a family memorial service out of state. Had I been present, I would have voted in the negative on roll call numbers 14 and 15, and in the affirmative on roll call number 16. My missing of said roll calls was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Mr. Arciero
of Westford.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Arciero of Westford) commemorating the one hundred and eighth anniversary of the Armenian Genocide;

Armenian
genocide.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Driscoll of Milton and other members of the House) commemorating the ten-year anniversary of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings; and

Boston
Marathon
bombings.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Gentile of Sudbury) commending the Commission on Disability of the town of Sudbury on its thirtieth anniversary;

Sudbury,—
disability
commission.

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

Petitions.

An additional petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3777) of Mike Connolly relative to establishing permanent eviction protections and tenancy preservation notices (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o’clock P.M., on Friday, January 20, 2023), was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Eviction
protections.

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 Mr. Cahill of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3772) of Daniel Cahill relative to Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation;

Credit union
share insurance.
Id.

By Mr. Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3773) of Richard M. Haggerty for legislation to modernize Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation (MSIC) investments; and

By Ms. Meschino of Hull, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3774) of Joan Meschino and others for legislation to create a climate bank to facilitate innovative financing solutions for climate and clean energy innovations in the public, private, and non-profit sectors;

Climate and
clean energy
innovations.

Severally to the committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. Ciccolo of Lexington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3775) of Michelle L. Ciccolo, Cindy F. Friedman and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) for legislation to reorganize the Lexington Housing Assistance Board, Inc. in the town of Lexington. To the committee on Housing.

Lexington,—
housing board.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Barber of Somerville presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3776) of Christine P. Barber and Patricia D. Jehlen (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Medford be authorized to impose municipal reviews on institutional master plans of certain institutional facilities in said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Medford,—
municipal
reviews.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Kassner of Hamilton and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kristin E. Kassner, Bruce E. Tarr and others for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate April 5 as Okur-Chung Neurodevelopmental Syndrome awareness day.

Okur-Chung
Syndrome
day.

By Mr. Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., that the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board be authorized to grant creditable service to Sheila Commisso.

Sheila
Commisso,—
retirement.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Reports

Of the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 115) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to increase the personal care allowance for long term care residents,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Elder Affairs; and

Personal care
allowance.

Of the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 121) of Susan L. Moran, James B. Eldridge, Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Jacob R. Oliveira that provisions be made to revive and continue the non-emergency human services transportation task force,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Transportation;

Non-emergency
human services
transportation.

Of the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 195) of Mark C. Montigny, Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Michael O. Moore and Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to protect personal biometric data; and

Biometric data,— protection.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 198) of Michael O. Moore for legislation to protect personal identifying information;

Personal information.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 193) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to protect life-saving electronic health records from reckless corporate greed and corruption,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Electronic health records.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 160) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Manny Cruz, Susannah M. Whipps, Jack Patrick Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to Social Work Uplifting Practices and Exam Removal (“The SUPER Act”),— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Higher Education.

Social workers,— exams.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of Joanne M. Comerford, Jason M. Lewis, John F. Keenan, James B. Eldridge and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to menstrual product ingredient disclosure;

Menstrual products,— ingredients.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 163) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to expand options for EMT paramedics;

EMT paramedics.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 186) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish senior psychologist licensure; and

Senior psychologists.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 212) of Rebecca L. Rausch, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and James B. Eldridge for legislation to support access to training on reproductive and gender-affirming care;

Gender-affirming and reproductive care.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Health.

Of the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 515) of Jason M. Lewis, Patrick M. O’Connor, Joanne M. Comerford and Julian Cyr for legislation to protect public health and reduce health care costs,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Public Health; and

Public health.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 566) of Pavel M. Payano and Steven Owens for legislation to support better commuting,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Transportation;

Commuting.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 619) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to establishing a prescription drug rebate program for seniors,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Seniors,— prescription drug rebates.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 642) of Mathew J. Muratore and others relative to short-term inpatient skilled nursing and rehabilitation services for persons twenty-two years of age or younger; and

Skilled
nursing and
rehabilitation.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3574) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to the use of a certain prescription medication used in psychotherapy and the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder;

PTSD,—
medications.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Health.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor, a Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 3737). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bonds,—
terms.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 3752, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jane Racine, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 3771). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Jean Racine,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill to establish a sick leave bank for Kathleen Donnellan, an employee of the Norfolk Superior Court (House, No. 3712), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Kathleen
Donnellan,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Roy of Franklin, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy, the bill (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.

Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair,—

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy (House, No. 3739), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

David
Benway,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Roy of Franklin, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 1, reported, in part, a Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3900) [Total appropriation: \$56,059,259,366.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, until Monday, April 24.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the position of police chief in the town of Leicester (House, No. 2579); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3713);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Recess.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at five minutes after one o'clock the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

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 Daniel J. Ryan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Gerard J. Cassidy and Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Lisa Balentine, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance. To the committee on Public Service.

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

William
Donahue,—
sick leave.

Lisa
Balentine,—
sick leave.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (see House, No. 3713), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 21 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Hollie
Barter,—
sick leave.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill further regulating the appointment of special police officers in the city of Watertown (see House, No. 2622) (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.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair),— Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 47, reported, in part, a Bill to improve the Commonwealth's competitiveness, affordability, and equity (House, No. 3770). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Tax relief
and policy.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Roy of Franklin, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being 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.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House then moved to amend it by striking out section 10.

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 Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 26 members voted in the affirmative and 128 in the negative.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 14.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 14](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

The same members then moved to amend the bill by striking out section 1.

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 Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 25 members voted in the affirmative and 129 in the negative.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 15.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 15](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed (the Speaker being in the Chair), the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Cusack of Braintree; and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 150 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 16.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 16](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently a statement of Mr. Vitolo of Brookline was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MADAM SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber on the previous roll call due to official business in another part of the State House. Had I been present when the vote was taken, I would have voted in the affirmative.

Statement of
Mr. Vitolo of
Brookline.

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.

Mr. Worrell of Boston then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Melvin H. King, a member of the House from Boston from 1973 to 1982, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, without further consideration of the remaining matters in the Orders of the Day, at thirteen minutes after three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, April 18, 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.

Change of Address of a Member.

A communication was received from Representative Cutler, formerly of Pembroke, that his official home town of record had changed (effective immediately) to the town of Duxbury.

Representative
Cutler of
Duxbury.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Jacob Botelho on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Jacob
Botelho.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Markey of Dartmouth) congratulating Brian Baptiste on the occasion of his becoming the winningest active coach in Division III men's basketball;

Brian
Baptiste.

Representative Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Meschino of Hull, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Cutler of Pembroke and Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler and Dylan A. Fernandes that the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development be authorized to establish a four-day work week pilot program.

Four day
work week.

By Mr. Vitolo of Brookline, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tommy Vitolo, Samantha Montaño and Francisco E. Paulino relative to electrical load aggregation programs.

Electrical
aggregation
programs.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A petition of Michael D. Brady for legislation to establish boxer protection and a safe and regulated environment for professional combat sports in Massachusetts, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Combat sports,— regulation.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and, on motion of Mr. Parisella of Beverly, the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2381) was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies. Sent to the Senate its action.

Reports

Of the committee on Elder Affairs, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 371) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Susannah M. Whipps, Brian W. Murray, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide emergency aid to certain elderly and disabled residents,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities; and

Elderly and disabled,— emergency aid.

Of the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 466) of Julian Cyr for legislation to promote conservation through oyster shell recycling;

Oyster shell recycling.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 478) of James B. Eldridge, Adam Scanlon, Michael J. Barrett, Paul W. Mark and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand the sale of products by farmer breweries;

Farmer breweries,— products.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 484) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to promote economic opportunities for cottage food entrepreneurs;

Cottage foods.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 490) of Anne M. Gobi for legislation relative to agricultural disaster relief;

Agricultural disasters.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 491) of Anne M. Gobi and Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation relative to creating an animal advisory board to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture;

Animal advisory board.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 496) of Anne M. Gobi for legislation to define farming;

Farming,— definition.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 502) of Anne M. Gobi and Jason M. Lewis for legislation relative to reducing food insecurity;

Food insecurity.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 507) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Rebecca L. Rausch, Vanna Howard and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to establish a food justice frontline;

Food justice.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 539) of Susan L. Moran, William M. Straus, Michael D. Brady, Mathew J. Muratore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to a cranberry wetland mitigation bank; and

Cranberry wetland bank.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 553) of Jacob R. Oliveira, Lydia Edwards, Brian W. Murray, Patrick M. O'Connor and other members of the General Court for legislation to promote economic opportunities for cottage food entrepreneurs;

Cottage foods.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 538) of Susan L. Moran, Thomas M. Stanley and Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to clean lighting,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Clean lighting.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2380) of Liz Miranda (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in Boston, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Boston,—
liquor
licenses.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jane Racine, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 3771), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Jane
Racine,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Meschino of Hull, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Hollie Barter, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (see House, No. 3713) (which originated in the House), 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 sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2376), was read a third time.

Third
reading
bill.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the bill be consolidated with the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 1729), likewise referred to said committee; and the report was accepted. The bill (Senate, No. 2376) then was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nineteen 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, April 20, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Guests of the House.

During the Session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and introduced the Corporal Nicholas G. Xiarhos Young Marines of Cape Cod, who participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The young marines were accompanied by family members and Unit Commander, United States Marine Vietnam War combat veteran George Challies of Sandwich. They were the guests of Mr. Xiarhos of Barnstable.

Corporal
Nicholas G.
Xiarhos Young
Marines of
Cape Cod.

Mr. Xiarhos then took the Chair and read and presented to Unit Commander Challies Citations of the House of Representatives offering the sincerest congratulations of the House to the Corporal Nicholas G. Xiarhos Young Marines in recognition of their courage, honor and commitment to the Cape and Islands and the entire Xiarhos Gold Star family.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had appointed Representative Vaughn of Wrentham as his designee (under Section 68 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) to the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee, replacing his current appointee, Representative Angelo L. D'Emilia of Bridgewater.

Gaming Policy
Advisory
Committee.

Statement of Representative Muratore of Plymouth.

A statement of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber or participate in the session of Thursday, April 13 due to a family commitment. If I could have been present for that session, I would have voted as follows:

Statement of
Mr. Muratore
of Plymouth.

- Roll call No. 14 on Mr. Jones's amendment #2, Strikes section 10 of the bill regarding adjustments to how Chapter 62F tax cap credits are distributed by making the credit amount equal per taxpayer rather than proportional to the amount a taxpayer contributed would have been yea/affirmative.

- Roll call No. 15 on Mr. Jones's amendment #3, Strikes section 1 of the bill which increases the cap for which funds are transferred from the Stabilization Fund

to the Tax Reduction Fund from the current structure of the Fund's balance exceeding 15% of the budgeted revenues and other financial resources pertaining to the budgeted funds, to 25.5% would have been yeas/affirmative.

- Roll call No. 16 on the engrossment of H 3770, An Act to improve the Commonwealth's competitiveness, affordability, and equity would have been yeas/affirmative.

My missing of roll calls that day was due entirely to the reason stated.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mrs. Haddad of Somerset) honoring Kenneth J. Pacheco for his years of service to the community of Dighton, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Kenneth
Pacheco.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Section 61 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting the Supplier Diversity Office Comprehensive Annual Report for fiscal year 2022;

Supplier
Diversity
Office.

From the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (see Section 6 of Chapter 7C of the General Laws) submitting its Supplier Diversity – Affirmative Marketing Program for Design and Construction annual report for fiscal year 2022 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, and the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, as required by said law];

DCAMM,—
Supplier
Diversity
Office.

From the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (see Section 70 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2022 complete and detailed annual report of the commission's activities, including a review of the implementation and enforcement of the governance structure established by said law; and

Gaming
Commission.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report for total spending related to pharmaceutical utilization for fiscal year 2022; and estimated spending related to pharmaceutical utilization for fiscal year 2023;

Pharmaceutical
utilization.

Severally were placed on file.

Quarterly Reports.

Quarterly reports

Of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund through April, 2023; and containing updated projections for estimated contributions, benefit payments, and Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund balances for the five-year outlook period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027; and

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

Of the Sheriff's Department of Plymouth County (under Section 40 of Chapter 126 of the General Laws) submitting the aggregate data on the population of the Plymouth County Correctional Facility for the first quarter of the calendar year 2023; Severally were placed on file.

Plymouth
County
Correctional
Facility.

Petitions.

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 Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3780) of Kip A. Diggs relative to broadband high-speed internet access. To the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity.

High speed
internet.

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3782) of Mike Connolly relative to the sale of food and alcoholic beverages by restaurants and bars and for the establishment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the promotion and discounted sale of alcoholic beverages; and

Discounted
alcoholic
beverages,—
study.

By Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3783) of Brandy Fluker Oakley and others relative to the promotion, display or advertising of cosmetic products that contain harmful ingredients.

Cosmetic
products,—
advertising.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Representative Frost of Auburn (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3784) of Tammy Winksy relative to teaching certification for persons with certain disabilities. To the committee on Education.

Teaching
certification.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3785) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to establishing a habitat conservation plan for a piping plover municipal technical assistance and monitoring program. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Piping
plovers,—
monitoring.

By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3786) of Kip A. Diggs and Paul R. Feeney for legislation to protect victims and the public from sexual assault and other violent crimes;

Victims,—
protection.

By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3787) of Patricia A. Haddad that the Probate and Family Court Department be authorized to conduct a study of guardians ad litem; and

Guardians
ad litem,—
study.

By Representative Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3788) of David T. Vieira and others relative to providing notification to victims and family members of victims when notices of temporary restraining orders or other abuse prevention orders have been successfully served.

Temporary
restraining
orders,—
notification.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3789) of Manny Cruz relative to authorizing municipalities to waive certain fees for the use of municipal-owned land by non-profit and charitable organizations; and

Municipal
owned land,—
fees.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3790) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to establish a "Plan G" form of city government.

City
counsel.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3791) of Manny Cruz and Vanna Howard relative to seatbelts on school buses. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

School buses,—
seatbelts.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3792) of Natalie M. Blais (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to continue the employment of Kenneth Ouimette, a member of the police department of said town;

Kenneth
Ouimette,—
employment.

By Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3793) of Mark J. Cusack for legislation to provide local option for retirement boards to grant retirement to totally and permanently incapacitated workers;

Incapacitated
workers,—
retirement.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3794) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to higher education incentives for certain municipal employees; and

Municipal
employees,—
incentives.

By Representatives Garcia of Chelsea and Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3795) of Judith A. Garcia, Jack Patrick Lewis and others for legislation to include 911 emergency communicators in the heart law, so-called.

911 emergency
communicators.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3796) of Christopher Richard Flanagan, Julian Cyr and others (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Yarmouth to establish a tourism revenue preservation fund. To the committee on Revenue.

Yarmouth,—
tourism
fund.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3781) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to simplify the language used on the state website by executive offices and agencies. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

State website
language.

By Representative Frost of Auburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3797) of Paul K. Frost relative to electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging stations;

Electric
vehicles,—
charging.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3798) of Paul K. Frost relative to electric vehicle charging and fueling;

Id.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3799) of Paul K. Frost relative to infrastructure for electric vehicles; and

Electric
vehicles.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3800) of Sally P. Kerans and Joan B. Lovely relative to notice to abutter communities of applications to the Department of Public Utilities.

Abutter
communities,—
notice.

Severally to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Brendan P. Crighton and Jennifer Balinsky Armini for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Social Services, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Amelia Alex,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2382) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1435) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to discrimination against buyers using cash payments,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Cash paying
buyers,—
discrimination.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1434) of Josh S. Cutler and others for legislation to prohibit the use of consumer reports for employment purposes and to reduce barriers to employment through credit discrimination,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Credit
discrimination,—
barrier
reduction.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1698) of Brian W. Murray for legislation to establish a penalty for the retrofitting of certain Diesel-powered vehicles with alternate emission devices,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Transportation.

Diesel-powered
vehicles,—
retrofitting
penalty.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3778).

William
Donahue,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Lisa Balentine, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 3779).

Lisa
Balentine,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Trigilio, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 2376), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Christopher
Trigilio,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 13 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy (House, No. 3739), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading be correctly, was read a third time.

David
Benway,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3739, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 12, the Clerk be authorized to print a Calendar for said sitting containing only the General Appropriation Bill.

Next
sitting.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Monday, April 24, 2023.

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

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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
amendments
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.

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 (at 11:03 o'clock A.M.).

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

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, and at the request of Mr. Saunders of Belchertown, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory Helen P. Lemek of Ludlow. At 96 years of age, Helen passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on April 17, 2023. Helen was a lifelong resident of Ludlow where she served as Town Clerk for 24 years and belonged to many civic organizations.

Helen P.
Lemek.

Sadly, she was predeceased by her husband Stanley, son Michael (Cathy), grandson Aaron Babinski, son-in-law Thomas Babinski and sister Irene Michonski.

Helen will be deeply missed by her daughter Elizabeth Babinski; her son Christopher and his wife Debbie Lemek. She was a cherished Babci to 10 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Helen Lemek will be fondly remembered as one of Ludlow's great civic leaders.

Guests of the House.

During the session, Mr. Markey of Dartmouth took the Chair, declared a brief recess and introduced Brian Baptiste, Head Coach of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth basketball team and the winningest active coach in NCAA Division III men's basketball, Coach Baptiste then offered brief remarks on the program's accomplishments. He was the guest of Mr. Markey.

Brian
Baptiste.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess and introduced Alex Capone, the godson of Ms. Ferrante of Gloucester. Alex was recently elected senator of his student council. He was accompanied by his grandmother, Sheila Capone-Wulfin. They were the guests of Ms. Ferrante.

Alex
Capone.

Petitions.

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

By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3808) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Brendan P. Crighton for legislation to further regulate the Lynnfield Center Water District; and

Lynnfield
Center Water
District.

By Representative Madaro of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3809) of Adrian C. Madaro relative to modernizing the governance of port authority parks in the East Boston section of the city of Boston.

Port authority
parks,—
governance.

Severally to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

A joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3810) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority (having been returned by the State Secretary, under the provision of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, with memorandum relative thereto) was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Hampshire
County Regional
Housing
Authority.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barber of Somerville, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christine P. Barber and Samantha Montañó for legislation to establish a protection and advocacy system for investigating abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation of persons with disabilities occurring and advocating for the civil and human rights of such persons.

Abuse
protection,—
persons with
disabilities.

By Representative Mahoney of Worcester and Senator Kennedy, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John J. Mahoney and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Michael
Grant,—
sick leave.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2177) of Rebecca L. Rausch and James B. Eldridge for legislation to advance water access equity through utility reporting requirements, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Water
access.

Petitions (having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Senate prior to five o'clock P.M. on Friday, January 20, 2023) (having been transmitted the State Secretary by the Clerk of the Senate, under the provisions of Section 7 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws; and which had been returned by said secretary with memorandum relative thereto), were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 675) of Paul W. Mark, Susannah M. Whipps, Joanne M. Comerford, John J. Cronin and other members of the General Court for legislation to create a climate bank in Massachusetts. To the committee on Financial Services.

Climate
bank.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1489) of Joanne M. Comerford, Susannah M. Whipps and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to create a Municipal and Public Safety Building Authority. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Local, safety
building
authority.

Report 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 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

New Salem
and Wendell,—
Joseph Cuneo.

the maximum age requirement. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the joint petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At a sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M. (Tuesday, April 25), on motion of Mr. Roy of Franklin (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of twelve o'clock noon; and at twenty-one minutes after twelve o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3900, amended), was considered.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston 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 0330-0300, in line 31, by inserting after the word "litigants" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for community outreach clinics and pro bono activities of the University of Massachusetts School of Law to provide direct legal assistance in the area of tenants' rights"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "312,830,200" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "312,880,200";

Consolidated
amendments
(public safety
and judiciary).

In item 0332-0100 by striking out the figures: "85,955,959" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "86,135,959";

In item 0337-0002 by adding the following: "; provided, that not less than \$330,000 shall be expended for the Worcester county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$136,000 shall be expended for the Franklin and Hampshire county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$180,000 shall be expended for the Hampden county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$167,000 shall be expended for the Essex county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$288,000 shall be expended for the Boston court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Berkshire county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Bristol county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts CASA Association; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a grant to One Can Help, Inc. for the purpose of providing assistance and resources for families in juvenile courts statewide"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "23,547,168" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "24,998,168";

In item 0339-1011, in line 19, by inserting after the word "incarceration" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the city of Everett for a second chance program, administered by the city's diversity,

equity and inclusion department, to enable the city to establish programs to help Everett residents recently released from state or county facilities to re-establish themselves in the community by mitigating the greatest risks of recidivism”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “14,111,078” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “14,211,078”;

In item 0340-0700 by striking out the figures: “13,620,863” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “13,808,852”;

By inserting after item 1599-0105 the following item:

“1599-0107 For a reserve for expenses associated with the implementation of a pilot program at the department of correction and county correctional facilities to treat persons suffering from serious mental illness with clinically-appropriate long-acting injectable medications; provided, that not later than March 11, 2024, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the total number of individuals receiving treatment; (ii) the number of individuals requesting treatment who were not approved for said treatment; (iii) the reason for said denial of treatment; and (iv) initiatives in place to expand and improve access to medication-assisted treatment for incarcerated individuals within county correctional facilities \$2,500,000”;

In item 8000-0313 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for public safety upgrades at Blackstone town hall; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the purchase of additional camera system to monitor downtown in the city of Leominster; provided further, not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to Mission, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Portal to Hope to develop programs combatting domestic violence in Medford, Malden, Everett and Winthrop; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for public safety trainings at the Pembroke police and fire departments; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for automated external defibrillators at recreation programs and athletic fields in the town of Shrewsbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the improvement of the intersection between route 140 and route 123 in the town of Norton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for additional personal protective equipment for the Natick fire department; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for 911 compliance in the town of Ludlow; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Dismas House of Massachusetts, Inc. in Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for the city of Quincy’s mitigation fund for the state-owned intersection at Ricciuti drive and the I-93 southbound off-ramp for temporary traffic mitigation measures; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for town of Randolph’s police department to obtain a self-contained unit for use at community enhancement partnership events; provided further, that not less than \$18,000 shall be expended for the installation of an emergency access boat ramp for use by first responders at Sandy Neck Park beach in the town of Barnstable; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Georgetown for public safety facilities, information technology and oxygen replenishment system for firefighters; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the city of Boston for the payroll costs of the Boston police department for dedicated patrols of the Fairmount housing development in the Hyde Park section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall

be expended for health wellness and heart exams for the Tewksbury police department; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for Cambridge HEART in the city of Cambridge; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for 20 sets of bunker gear shorts in the town of Saugus; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to the Plymouth police department for police boat electronics upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for fire department safety gear in the town of Dover; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to implement the recommendations of the city of Woburn's report from the Massachusetts Downtown Initiative Local Rapid Recovery program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for public safety improvements in the town of Upton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for public safety improvements in the town of Northbridge; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for public safety improvements in the town of Grafton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for new lockers and office equipment for the Millbury police station; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for equipment for Braintree's fire department; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Braintree police department's family services unit; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for mobile data terminals with E-Ticket and police radio digital infrastructure conversion equipment for the Dracut police department; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for services provided by the Tewksbury police department to the Tewksbury state hospital"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "1,253,000";

In item 8100-1001, in line 9, by inserting after the word "property" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$1,170,000 shall be expended for the payroll costs of the state police directed patrols; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for Troop A to conduct mounted, directed patrols throughout Revere beach, the Lynn Fells and the Middlesex Fells reservation park, among other identified areas; provided further, that, subject to appropriation, communities receiving funds for directed patrols in fiscal year 2008 shall receive an equal disbursement of funds in proportion to the current appropriation in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that funds shall be expended for directed patrols at Constitution beach in East Boston; provided further, that not less than \$95,000 shall be expended for designated seasonal state police patrols in the Wollaston beach and Quincy Shore drive area and Furnace Brook parkway of Quincy from May 31 to September 1; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the payroll costs of the state police to perform directed patrols and traffic enforcement functions on the Harry Truman parkway, Neponset Valley parkway and Dedham parkway in the Hyde Park section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to employ 2 full-time mental health crisis management counselors at the Barnstable police department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for directed patrols in in the South Boston section of the city of Boston, including, but not limited to, Day boulevard, Carson beach, M street beach, Marine park, and Castle Island"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "348,999,010" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "350,454,010";

In item 8200-0200 by adding the following: "; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be provided to the town of Boylston as compensation for hosting a municipal police training academy"; and by striking out the figures: "17,394,005" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "17,444,005";

In item 8324-0050 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for fire hydrant replacement and repair in the town of Millville; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the purpose of 3 CPR apparatuses for Saugus fire department; provided further, not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for public safety equipment for the Billerica fire department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for fire safety and equipment improvements at the Duxbury fire department; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for rescue training and cardiac screening programs at the Hanson fire department; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be allocated for a municipal grant program administered by the fire marshal for firefighter cancer screenings, including advance blood testing and imaging; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a new emergency vehicle for the fire chief in the town of Dunstable; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for demolition and site work related to the fire station project in the town of Southbridge; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the procurement of CPR machines in the town of Boxford; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Everett fire department for a computer-aided dispatch program for the fire alarm dispatch center; provided further, that not less than \$21,000 shall be expended for digital radio pagers in the town of East Bridgewater; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a replacement fire hose for the Milford fire department; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Norfolk county regional fire and rescue dispatch center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Whitman fire department; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for heart health and cancer screenings for members of the Tewksbury fire department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for radio equipment for the town of Tewksbury fire department and additional equipment for Tewksbury fire and police departments; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended for a self-contained breathing apparatus vehicle to ensure safety and efficiency in the Worcester fire department; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the town of Stow for the development and installation of new firefighting cisterns; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the procurement of multi-band portable communication radios at the Wenham fire department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Hilltown Community Ambulance Association, Inc., a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, for the purchase of equipment, including, but not limited to, LIFEPAK 15 V4+ monitor and defibrillators; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Spencer fire department; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the New Braintree fire department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for public safety equipment for the Berlin fire department; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a fire rescue watercraft for the town of Sharon; provided further, that fire department training academies listed in item 8324-0000 of section 2 of chapter 182 of the acts of 2008 shall be allocated to each program in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that the amount allocated for hazardous material response teams in said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 182 shall be allocated to each program in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that in addition to the allocation listed in said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 182, the Boston fire department training academy shall be allocated an additional \$500,000; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for equipment for the Easton fire department; provided

further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for turnout gear for the Auburn fire department; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for necessary safety equipment and repair of facilities at the Dracut fire department”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,406,000”;

In item 8700-0001, in line 6, by inserting after the words “grades” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Regiment and Massachusetts Army National Guard military funeral honors detachment for the purchase and maintenance of a caisson and other necessary support items required such as initial maintenance, shipping costs, uniform requirements and equestrian harnesses”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “12,530,030” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,580,030”;

In item 8800-0001, in line 3, by inserting after the word “authorities” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a new incident command vehicle for the Chelmsford police department to respond to public safety events related to natural disasters, major crime scenes, missing persons, major accidents and large public gatherings”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,960,850” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,030,850”;

By inserting after section 8 the following section:

“SECTION 8A 1/2. Section 26 of chapter 23K, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘commission’, in line 37, the following:— ; provided, however, that the division of gaming liquor enforcement of the alcoholic beverages control commission, in consultation with the commission, shall, for violations of said chapter 138, enforce, regulate and control the distribution of alcoholic beverages to be drunk in a gaming establishment but not within a gaming area, including, but not limited to, restaurants and bars.”;

In section 23, in line 467, by inserting after the year: “2023” the words “; provided further, that the department of correction and sheriffs shall ensure adequate infrastructure for voice communication services”;

By inserting after section 24 the following four sections:

“SECTION 24A. Chapter 138 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 12C the following section:

Section 12D. (a)(1) The licensing authority in a city or town that votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages may grant temporary licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to applicants that are nonprofit charitable corporations organized pursuant to chapter 180 and registered with the public charities division of the office of the attorney general.

(2) A temporary license shall describe the premises to which it applies and shall be granted only for the premises that are the principal place of business or headquarters of the applicant that is legally zoned to allow such sales or that are the premises of a licensee under section 12.

(3) A temporary license shall be valid for not more than 10 consecutive calendar days and a holder of any such temporary license shall be granted not more than 2 such licenses in a calendar year. A holder of a temporary license may conduct sales pursuant to paragraph (1) on any day and at any time permitted under said section 12.

(4) The license holder shall only sell alcoholic beverages pursuant to a temporary license issued under this subsection that have been donated at no charge to the license holder. Any alcoholic beverages donated to the license holder may be dispensed by the employees or agents of the donors of such beverages without compensation for

the dispensing services. All proceeds from such sales shall be used for the license holder's charitable purposes.

(5) The fee for the temporary license shall not exceed the minimum fee provided for holders of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages.

(6) The application procedures in section 15A shall not apply to temporary licenses under this subsection; provided, however, that such applications may be granted by the local licensing authority according to the local procedures for granting licenses under section 14.

(b)(1) The licensing authority in a city or town that votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages may grant temporary licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to joint applicants that consist of: (i) not less than 1 nonprofit charitable corporation organized under chapter 180 and registered with the public charities division of the office of the attorney general; and (ii) a licensee under section 12.

(2) A temporary license shall describe the premises to which it applies and shall be granted only for the premises of the joint applicant that is a licensee under said section 12.

(3) A temporary license shall be valid for not more than 10 consecutive calendar days and a holder of any such temporary license shall be granted not more than 2 such licenses in a calendar year. A holder of a temporary license under this subsection may conduct sales pursuant to paragraph (1) on any day and at any time permitted under said section 12.

(4) The license holder shall only sell alcoholic beverages pursuant to a temporary license issued under this subsection that have been donated at no charge to the license holders. Any alcoholic beverages donated to the license holder may be dispensed by the employees or agents of the donor of such beverages without compensation for the dispensing services. A majority of the proceeds from such sales shall be used for the charitable corporation license holder's charitable purposes.

(5) The fee for such temporary license shall not exceed the minimum fee provided for holders of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages at retail.

(6) The application procedures in section 15A shall not apply to temporary licenses under this subsection; provided, however, that such applications may be granted by the local licensing authority according to the local procedures for granting licenses under section 14.

SECTION 24B. Section 14 of said chapter 138, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph.

SECTION 24C. Said chapter 138 is hereby further amended by striking out section 14A and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 14A. (a)(1) The licensing authority in any city or town that votes to authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages may grant licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages at auctions, not to be drunk on the premises, to an applicant that is licensed as an auctioneer pursuant to chapter 100 for not less than 10 years. Each license shall describe the premises to which it applies and shall be granted only for the premises that are: (i) the principal place of business or headquarters of the applicant that is legally zoned to allow such sales; or (ii) the premises of a licensee under section 12 or section 15. The fee for the license shall not exceed the minimum fee for holders of licenses under section 14. A holder of a license for the sale of alcoholic beverages at auctions, not to be drunk on the premises, may conduct any such auction on any day and at any time permitted under section 12. Applications shall be granted by the licensing authority according to the local procedure for granting licenses under said section 14.

(2) A licensee who holds a license under this section may provide, without charge, on-premises sample alcoholic beverage tasting for prospective customers if such beverage shall be available for sale at auction on those premises; provided, however, that no single serving of wine shall exceed 1 ounce, no single serving of malt beverages shall exceed 3 ounces and no single serving of distilled spirits shall exceed 1/4 of an ounce; and provided further, that the licensee shall control the dispensing of the alcoholic beverages.

(b)(1) The licensing authority in a city or town that votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages may grant temporary licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages at auction, not to be drunk on the premises, to applicants that are nonprofit charitable corporations organized under chapter 180 and registered with the public charities division of the office of the attorney general.

(2) A temporary license shall describe the premises to which the license applies and shall be granted only for premises that are: (i) the principal place of business or headquarters of the applicant that is legally zoned to allow such sales; (ii) a location owned or leased by the applicant from which the applicant regularly conducts business and that is legally zoned to allow such sales; or (iii) the premises of a licensee under section 12 or section 15.

(3) A temporary license shall be valid for not more than 10 consecutive calendar days and a holder of any such temporary license shall be granted not more than 5 such licenses in a calendar year. A holder of a temporary license under this subsection may sell alcoholic beverages at auctions on any day and at any time permitted under section 12.

(4) Any alcoholic beverages sold under this subsection shall be donated at no charge to the license holder and all proceeds from such sales shall be used for the license holder's charitable purposes.

(5) The fee for a temporary license under this subsection shall not exceed the minimum fee provided for holders of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages at retail.

(6) The application procedures in section 15A shall not apply to temporary licenses under this subsection; provided, however, that such applications may be granted by the local licensing authority according to the local procedures for the granting of licenses under section 14.

(c)(1) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the licensing authority in a city or town that votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages may grant temporary licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages at auctions, not to be drunk on the premises, to applicants that are licensees under section 15.

(2) A temporary license shall describe the premises to which it applies. The licensing authority shall only grant a temporary license for premises that are: (i) the principal place of business or headquarters of the applicant and legally zoned to allow such sales; or (ii) the premises of a licensee under said section 15.

(3) A temporary license shall be valid for not more than 10 consecutive calendar days and a holder of a temporary license shall be granted not more than 2 temporary licenses in a calendar year. A holder of a temporary license under this subsection may sell alcoholic beverages at auction on any day and at any time permitted under said section 15.

(4) The fee for the temporary license shall not exceed the minimum fee for a license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail.

(5) The application procedures in section 15A shall not apply to temporary licenses under this subsection; provided, however, that such applications may be

granted by the local licensing authority according to the local procedures for granting licenses under section 14.

(d)(1) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the licensing authority in a city or town that votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of an alcoholic beverage may grant temporary licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages at auction, not to be drunk on the premises, to joint applicants that consist of: (i) not less than 1 nonprofit charitable corporation organized under chapter 180 and registered with the public charities division of the office of the attorney general; and (ii) a licensee under section 12 or section 15.

(2) A temporary license shall describe the premises to which it applies. The licensing authority shall only grant a temporary license for the premises of the joint applicant that is a licensee under section 12 or section 15.

(3) A temporary license shall be valid for not more than 10 consecutive calendar days and a holder of a temporary license shall be granted not more than 2 licenses in a calendar year. A holder of a temporary license under this subsection may sell alcoholic beverages at auctions on any day and at any time permitted under said section 12.

(4) A holder of a license under this subsection shall only sell alcoholic beverages that have been donated at no charge to the license holder. A majority of the proceeds from such sales shall be used for the charitable corporation license holder's charitable purposes.

(5) The fee for such temporary license shall not exceed the minimum fee for a license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail.

(6) The application procedures in section 15A shall not apply to temporary licenses under this subsection; provided, however, that such applications may be granted by the local licensing authority according to the local procedures for granting licenses under section 14.

SECTION 24D. Section 19F of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out subsections (a) and (b) and inserting in place thereof the following 2 subsections:

(a) The commission may issue a direct wine shipper license pursuant to this section to any person, firm or corporation that holds a federal basic permit pursuant to the Federal Alcohol Administration Act, compiled in 27 U.S.C. § 201 et seq., and that holds a license in the commonwealth or any other state to manufacture and export wine.

(b) Under this section, a direct wine shipper licensee may make sales and delivery of wine directly to residents of the commonwealth who are 21 years of age or older, for personal use and not for resale; provided, however, that a direct wine shipper licensee shall only sell at retail to residents of the commonwealth any wine or wine product produced for or by the winery and sold under the winery's brand name."; and

By inserting after section 27D (inserted by Consolidated "B") the following three sections:

"SECTION 27E. (a) Chapter 211D of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 17. There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a separate fund known as the Children and Family Legal Representation Trust Fund, which shall be administered by the chief counsel of the committee for public counsel services. The fund shall be credited with: (i) revenue from appropriations or other money authorized by the general court and specifically designated to be credited to the fund; (ii) reimbursement funds from federal sources

for the legal representation of children and families by the committee for public counsel services, including, but not limited to, reimbursements pursuant to Title IV-E of the federal Social Security Act; and (iii) interest earned on such revenues and reimbursements in the fund. Amounts credited to the fund that are unexpended at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund.

(b) Money in the fund may be expended by the chief counsel, without further appropriation, for the purposes of: (i) providing pre-petition representation and diversion advocacy; (ii) increasing the availability and quality of representation statewide, especially in underrepresented communities; (iii) ensuring availability of education advocacy throughout the commonwealth; (iv) improving the quality of advocacy through increased training capacity and performance evaluations; (v) increasing multidisciplinary representation and the use of experts, parent partner programs and specialized advocacy and support units; and (vi) improving and modernizing agency data collection, data reporting and billing systems. The chief counsel may designate an administrator of the fund to implement approved activities consistent with this section.

(c) Annually, not later than November 1, the chief counsel shall file a report on the fund's activities with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on the judiciary. The report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the source and amount of funds received; (ii) the amounts distributed and the purpose of expenditures from the fund, including any grants provided to early education and care programs, philanthropic organizations or other stakeholder organizations; and (iii) anticipated revenue and expenditure projections for the next calendar year.

SECTION 27F. Section 3C of chapter 217 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the figure '11' and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— 19.

SECTION 27G. Section 10 of chapter 218 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'Plymouth', in line 130, the following:— ; district court of Peabody.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the 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 (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 157 members voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 20](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (public safety and judiciary) were adopted.

At twenty-five minutes after one o'clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 25), on motion of Ms. Garlick of Needham (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until four o'clock; and at three minutes after four o'clock, 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 of Boston 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 4510-0100, in line 6, by striking out the figures: “22,492,001” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “850,000”;

In item 4510-0110, in line 2, by striking out the figures: “3,112,958” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “350,000”; by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Mattapan Community Health Center, Inc. for staff retention to sustain services and meet community needs; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for a federally

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qualified community health center with a 24/7 satellite emergency facility licensed under 105 C.M.R. 130 to improve patient access to emergency services by renovating front door and reconstructing sidewalk access; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the continuation of a comprehensive substance abuse and narcotic use reduction program at a federally qualified health center located in South Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for NEW Health – Charlestown for the operation and maintenance treatment of substance use disorder; and provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Public Health Institute of Western Massachusetts to support the 413Cares centralized database of community services in western Massachusetts”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,112,958” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,012,958”;

In item 4510-0710, in line 15, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Medical OnSite Academy to address behavioral health needs of employees that work in the medical field, including, but not limited to, critical incident stress management, substance abuse, post-traumatic stress disorder, issues resulting from increased stress due to the COVID-19 pandemic, continued staffing shortages and workplace violence in the medical field”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “15,345,492” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “15,420,492”;

In item 4512-0200, in line 5, by inserting after the words “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for To the Moon and Back, Inc. for services and programs to support families and children born opiate-dependent with neonatal abstinence syndrome; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the police department in Lynn for the behavioral health unit; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for Self Esteem Boston Educational Institute Inc.’s direct service and provider training programs; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the operation of The Dimock Center’s behavioral health continuum of care to provide comprehensive treatment for individuals suffering from substance use disorder and other behavioral health challenges, address workforce challenges and reduce barriers to care; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the operation of The Gavin Foundation, Inc.’s behavioral health continuum of substance use care to provide comprehensive treatment for individuals suffering from substance use disorder and other behavioral health challenges; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Joseph Nee Collaborative Center for substance use disorder programming”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “208,154,157” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “208,949,157”;

In item 4512-0204, in line 4, by inserting after the word “overdose” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Merrimack Valley Prevention and Substance Abuse Project, Inc. for resources, community outreach and programs in the Merrimack valley”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,140,480” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,165,480”;

In item 4512-0205 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for office-based addiction and opioid treatment, a program of the Greater New Bedford Community Health Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for continued capital improvements to the Cambridge Community Center and for the expansion of the community-based behavioral health program; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 be expended for the operation of Resources for Recovery Inc., formerly known as the Dennis

Messing Memorial Foundation, located in the Hyde Park section of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for Crossroads Family Housing, Inc. in East Boston to provide mental health, substance use and clinical recovery services for those impacted by family homelessness; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for RIZE Massachusetts Foundation, Inc. to assist in the work to end the opioid epidemic in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Baystate Eastern Region Grant Program to prevent and treat addiction to opioids and related substances; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Harbor Health Services, Inc. for a grant program to prevent and treat addiction to opioids and related substances; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the city known as the town of Braintree for Braintree Community Partnership on Substance Abuse; and provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for One Life at a Time, Inc., located in the city known as the town of Braintree, for the facilitation of access to sober living programs and job training services for people in recovery and associated operational costs”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,790,000”;

In item 4512-2022, in line 5, by inserting after the word “distribution” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Randolph public health department for new vehicles”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,050,000”;

In item 4513-1005, in line 12, by inserting after the word “federally” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$1,660,000 shall be allocated for Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. to continue services previously funded by Title X funding; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be transferred to the Public University Health Center Sexual and Reproductive Health Preparation Fund established in section 47 of chapter 15A of the General Laws for the purpose of reimbursements to public universities for abortion medications”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “21,460,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “24,460,000”;

In item 4513-1020, in line 43, by striking out the figures: “17,800,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,000,000”;

In item 4513-1027 by striking out the figures: “400,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “800,000”;

In item 4513-1112, in line 17, by inserting after the word “database” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$475,000 shall be expended for the Forsyth Institute’s Center for Children’s Oral Health to expand its ForsythKids programming focused on children and adolescents and explore the emerging association between oral health status and academic performance; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the operation of VITfriends LLC located in the Hyde Park section of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the operation of the Cranberry Health Research Center at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the non-state, government public hospital system established pursuant to chapter 147 of the acts of 1996 for a grant toward critical facilities and equipment to expand access to dental services”, in line 21 by striking out the figures: “150,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “250,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,833,604” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,533,604”;

In item 4513-1136, in line 63, by inserting after the year: “2024” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the domestic

violence outreach program for the Cape Verdean Association of Brockton”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “71,211,757” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “71,261,757”;

In item 4513-2020, in line 27, by inserting after the word “workforce” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for OUT MetroWest, Inc.’s LGBTQ+ programs”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “12,534,773” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,584,772”;

In item 4590-0250, in line 16, by inserting after the word “development” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the North Quabbin Community Coalition, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Amherst regional public schools to support on-site youth mental health services for Amherst regional high school students”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “18,573,733” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “18,698,733”;

In item 4590-0915, in line 7, by inserting after the following: “2B” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 in retained revenue shall be expended for the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children summer program; provided further, that the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children shall maintain not less than 120 beds for clients in its inpatient setting to the extent feasible within the appropriation; provided further, that Tewksbury hospital shall maintain at least the same number of beds in fiscal year 2024 as was maintained in fiscal year 2023”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “193,917,936” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “194,117,936”;

In item 4590-1503, in line 7, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the non-state, government public hospital system established pursuant to chapter 147 of the acts of 1996 for a grant toward facilities and start-up expenditures for birth center and midwifery care”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “8,810,806” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “9,810,806”;

In item 4590-1507 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Randolph community programs department in the town of Randolph for continuation of a full-time town social worker; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs, Inc., which shall be distributed between the alliance’s member organizations; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for The Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Big Sister Association of Greater Boston Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$600,000 shall be expended for the YWCA organizations, which shall be distributed equally between the Alliance of YWCAs member organizations; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Watertown Boys’ and Girls’ Club, Inc. for capital improvements; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for repairs for the Northern Berkshire YMCA complex located in the city of North Adams; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to expand programming opportunities at the Adams Community Youth Center in the town of Adams; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to expand afterschool programs at the Williamstown Youth Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for the town of Milford to provide programs, services or renovations at the Milford Youth Center; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to assist in programming efforts for the Southcoast

LGBTQ Network, Inc. in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for capital improvements to the former state armory building in the city of North Adams for the benefit of the Northern Berkshire Youth Basketball program; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts, Inc. Mentor 2.0 program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Day Dreaming Organization Inc to support baseball programming and youth mentoring in the city of Lawrence; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Sueños Basketball, Inc. summer league to support the recreational, social and health benefits the league provides to low-income youth in the city of Lawrence”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,550,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,745,000”;

In item 5042-5000, in line 14, by inserting after the word “care” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Shrewsbury Youth and Family Services, Inc. for mental health services in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health, Inc. and the BIRCh Center to continue the operation of the school-based behavioral health technical assistance center and for web-based promotion and prevention resources available to schools; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for YouthConnect to provide community-based mental health services to high-risk youth and their families residing in the East Boston community; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for The NAN Project to increase mental health awareness and suicide prevention; provided further, that not less than \$90,000 shall be expended for NoFIRES, Inc. for a juvenile firesetter intervention and prevention program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “118,014,949” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “118,504,949”;

In item 5046-0000, in line 23, by inserting after the word “measured” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a grant to the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Inc. to provide assistance in connecting consumers to licensed clinical social workers through the Therapy Matcher program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “584,890,500” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “584,940,500”;

In item 5095-0015, in lines 19 to 23, inclusive, by striking out the following: “provided further, that the department shall maintain not less than 671 inpatient beds in its system in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that of said 671 beds, 45 beds shall be continuing care inpatient beds on the campus of Taunton state hospital” and inserting in place thereof the following: “provided further, that within the existing appropriation, the department may operate more beds at Taunton state hospital; provided further, that the department shall operate not less than 260 adult continuing care inpatient beds at the Worcester recovery center and hospital; provided further, that the department shall maintain not less than 75 men’s recovery from addiction program beds at Taunton state hospital; provided further, that the department shall maintain not less than 45 women’s recovery from addiction program beds at Taunton state hospital; provided further, that the department shall not take action in fiscal year 2024 to: (i) reduce the number of state-operated continuing care inpatient beds or other state operated programs at the Taunton state hospital campus, or (ii) relocate administrative hospital services associated with the operation of the hospital off campus; provided further, that the department shall not enter into new vendor-operated lease agreements or expand existing vendor-operated programs; provided further, that the department shall not enter into new interagency agreements or expand existing interagency agreements, programs or facilities until the department, in

conjunction with the division of capital asset management and maintenance, develops a comprehensive long-term use master plan for the campus, which shall be developed not later than March 1, 2024, with appropriate community input that is consistent with maintaining the publicly-provided mental health services that are currently delivered on-campus at Taunton state hospital; provided further, that the plan shall include maintenance of existing affiliations with institutions of higher education and possible future relationships with those institutions and others to maintain the sustainability of Taunton state hospital; provided further, that the plan shall be consistent with maintenance of the Taunton state hospital campus as a publicly-run mental health facility and shall not prohibit the inclusion of behavioral health programs or publicly-run pilot programs to meet the needs of individuals with mental health diagnoses, behavioral health diagnoses and those dual diagnosed on the campus as part of the comprehensive long-term use master plan; provided further, that the comprehensive long-term use master plan shall be submitted to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of health and human services, the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the department may authorize on the campus of Taunton state hospital, a behavioral health emergency department relief pilot program to accept medically-stable individuals with high acuity behavioral health and dual diagnoses from emergency departments in the southeast region; provided further, that medically-stable patients presenting in an emergency department with a high acuity behavioral health condition or who have a dual diagnosis shall be transferred to the pilot program if another appropriate setting cannot be located within 4 hours of admission to the emergency department; provided further, that the pilot program shall care for patients either for 14 days following admission or until an appropriate placement is found that meets the patient's needs, whichever is sooner; provided further, that the pilot program may be operated by the department and staffed by department registered nurses, psychiatrists and other staff as needed; provided further, that within the first 6 months following the authorization of the program by the department, in consultation with the department of public health, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the Massachusetts Nurses Association and the Emergency Nurses Association shall establish a staffing plan and program protocols; provided further, that for the purposes of the pilot program, Taunton state hospital may accept patients classified under section 12 of chapter 123 of the General Laws; provided further, that the pilot program may be authorized to operate for not more than 2 years; provided further, that the department shall submit a report with the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery within 6 months after the conclusion date of the program; provided further, that the report shall evaluate the success of the program in decreasing emergency department overcrowding in the southeast region and the quality of care provided in the program; provided further, that the report may be drafted by an independent entity, utilizing data from the department and the local hospitals in the southeast region";

In item 5911-1003, in line 14, by inserting after the word "Inc." the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the House of Possibilities, Inc. for respite services"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "91,022,294" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "91,222,294";

In item 5920-2010 by adding the following: "; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Caring Health Center, Inc. in the city of Springfield to expand access to health programs and services"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "317,747,049" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "317,772,049";

In item 5920-2025, in line 11, by inserting after the word “participation” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Community Access to the Arts, Inc. in the town of Great Barrington”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “240,080,258” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “240,155,258”;

In item 5920-3020, in line 8, by inserting after the word “individual” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Latham Centers, Inc. for restoration of the kitchen facility”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “52,540,994” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “52,565,994”;

In item 5930-1000, in line 5, by striking out the word “intermittent” and inserting in place thereof the word “intermediate”;

By inserting after section 8 the following section:

“SECTION 8A 1/4. Chapter 17 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 22. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Certified school’, a school certified by the department pursuant to subsection (c).

‘Certified training program’, a training program certified by the department pursuant to subsection (b).

‘Operation House Call’, a program developed by the Arc of Massachusetts that teaches health care professionals skills to enhance the treatment and care of persons with autism and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

‘School’, an accredited institution of higher education that provides a course of study for students in: (i) health care, including, but not limited to, medical schools, nursing schools and dental schools; or (ii) other related fields, including, but not limited to, physician assistants, dieticians, nutritionists, physical therapists, dental hygienists, allied mental health and human services professionals.

‘Training program’, training for students that focuses on instruction and best practices for the treatment and care of patients with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, autism spectrum disorders.

(b) The department, in consultation with the department of developmental services and the Arc of Massachusetts, shall establish standards for a certified training program for schools. A training program, to be certified by the department as a certified training program, shall meet the following standards and practices:

(i) be modeled on Operation House Call;

(ii) be offered by schools to participating students on a voluntary basis separate from the students’ required course of study; and

(iii) maintain recognized standards and practices that provide instruction to students that:

(A) uphold industry standards for instructing students pursuing a health care profession on best practices for the treatment and care for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, autism spectrum disorders; and

(B) include not less than 6 hours of training consisting of didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning and online learning.

(c) The department shall certify that a school offers a certified training program, as described in subsection (b), upon receipt and review of documentation demonstrating that:

(i) the school has successfully delivered the training program to a sufficient number of participating students, as mutually agreed upon by the school and the provider of the training; and

(ii) the training program meets the minimum standards and practices pursuant to subsection (b).

(e) The director of the bureau of family health and nutrition shall periodically evaluate the integrity and efficacy of the training programs offered at schools seeking certification.

(f) The department shall prepare, publish, disseminate and annually update a list of certified schools. The list of certified schools shall be published in a location that is accessible to prospective students seeking to apply to attend a school in the health care field or related fields.”;

By inserting after section 12A (inserted by Consolidated “B”) the following section:

“SECTION 12B. Chapter 38 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 2A the following section:

Section 2B. In the case of the death of a child under the age of 2, the chief medical examiner shall review and approve: (i) the findings and report of the medical examiner performing the autopsy to determine the cause of death; and (ii) any change to the autopsy report.”;

By inserting after section 18 the following two sections:

“SECTION 18A. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 24N the following section:

Section 24O. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Maternal morbidity’, any health condition attributed to or aggravated by pregnancy that has negative health outcomes.

‘Maternal mortality’, the death of an individual, from any cause, during pregnancy or within 1 year of the end of the pregnancy, regardless of the duration and site of the pregnancy.

(b)(i) There shall be within the department a maternal mortality and morbidity review committee to review maternal mortality, study the incidence of pregnancy complications and maternal morbidity and make recommendations to improve maternal outcomes and eliminate preventable maternal deaths.

(ii) The committee shall access relevant records and reports pertaining to incidents of maternal mortality or near-death cases under its review. All relevant records and reports shall remain in the possession of committee staff and only de-identified information shall be presented or otherwise shared.

(c) The committee shall:

(i) conduct case reviews of maternal mortality and maternal morbidity in the commonwealth;

(ii) make recommendations to improve access to high-quality, evidence-based health care for pregnant individuals and infants in the commonwealth;

(iii) identify gaps in the provision of health care services for pregnant individuals who experience maternal mortality or maternal morbidity, including, but not limited to, disparities in access to: quality care; appropriate health care; transportation; and financial resources. The committee shall identify such gaps by analyzing the pregnant individuals’:

(1) race, ethnicity and age;

(2) geographic region of residence; and

(3) socioeconomic status;
(iv) review probable cause of death and identify contributing factors in cases reviewed pursuant to clause (i), to the extent possible;

(v) determine, to the extent possible, whether the death or health condition presented in cases reviewed pursuant to clause (i) was preventable, and if so, what actions could have been taken to prevent the death or health condition; and

(vi) make recommendations to prevent maternal mortality and maternal morbidity and to eliminate disparities in maternal health outcomes.

(d)(1) The committee shall maintain all information, documents and records in possession of the committee as confidential and not subject to subpoena or discovery in any civil or criminal proceeding; provided, however, that information, documents and records otherwise available from other sources shall not be exempt from subpoena or discovery solely because such information, documents and records were presented to or reviewed by the committee.

(2) A physician, hospital or pharmacy providing the committee access to medical records pursuant to this section shall not be liable for civil damages or be subject to any criminal or disciplinary action for good faith efforts in providing such records.

(3) Information, records, reports, statements, notes, memoranda or other data collected pursuant to this section shall not be otherwise admissible as evidence in any action before a court or any other tribunal, board or agency. Such information, records, reports, statements, notes, memoranda or other data shall not be exhibited and their contents shall not be disclosed in any way, in whole or in part, by any officer or representative of the department or any other person, except as may be necessary to further the review of the committee and as may be allowed by this section. No person participating in such review shall disclose, in any manner, the information so obtained except in conformity with review of the committee.

(4) All proceedings and activities of the committee and records obtained, created or maintained pursuant to this section including records of interviews, written reports and statements procured by the department or any other person, agency or organization acting jointly or under contract with the department in connection with this section shall be confidential.

(5) Members of the committee and staff members of the committee shall not be subject to questioning in any civil or criminal proceeding regarding ongoing or completed reviews of the committee; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a member of the committee from testifying to information obtained independently of the proceedings of the committee or which is public information.

(d)(1) The committee shall consist of the following members: the commissioner, or their designee, who shall serve as chair; a representative of the department of public health; a representative of the Perinatal-Neonatal Quality Improvement Network of Massachusetts; the chief medical examiner, or their designee; the chair of the Massachusetts chapter of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, or their designee; the chair of the Massachusetts chapter of the American College of Nurse Midwives, or their designee; the chair of the Massachusetts chapter of the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses, or their designee; and the commissioner shall appoint the following members: a medical professional with obstetric and neonatal nursing training; a medical professional with training in cardiology; a medical professional with training in pathology; a medical professional with expertise in substance use prevention and treatment; a psychology, social work or other mental health professional; a representative from academia in a relevant field; a medical professional with formal anesthesiology training; a medical professional

with maternal fetal medicine or perinatology training; a medical professional with psychiatric training; a medical professional with family medicine training; the director of a federally funded-Healthy Start program, or their designee; 2 individuals who practice as doulas; 2 community or family members who have been directly affected by a maternal death; a member of a community-based organization; a representative from the department of children and families; and a law enforcement officer.

(2) Each member, other than the commissioner, shall serve for a term of 3 years and until their successor is appointed. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the commissioner from appointing a committee member to serve additional terms. The committee shall convene as deemed necessary by the department. The commissioner shall, to the extent feasible, appoint members representing the racial, ethnic and geographic diversity of the commonwealth and shall prioritize appointing members from communities and groups most impacted by maternal mortality and maternal morbidity.

(e) Not later than December 31 of each even-numbered year, the committee shall submit to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on public health a report including, but not limited to:

(i) a description of the incidents of maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity reviewed during the immediately preceding 24 months, provided in a manner that shall not allow for the identification of any person;

(ii) a summary of the disparities identified and reviewed;

(iii) recommendations to reduce maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity in the commonwealth; and

(iv) recommendations for any legislation or other changes to policy to reduce maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity or otherwise improve the delivery of health care in the commonwealth.

SECTION 18B. Section 72W of said chapter 111, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following 2 paragraphs:

A nurses' aide who receives their training and works in a facility whose resident population is predominantly non-English speaking shall be offered the option to take the nurses' aide certification exam in a language other than English, including, but not limited to, Spanish and Chinese; provided, however, that the department shall determine which languages the exam shall be offered in.

The department shall make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.”; and

By inserting after section 47 the following section:

“SECTION 47A. Section 18B shall take effect on October 1, 2024.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the 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. 21](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (public health and mental health and disability services) were adopted.

At twenty-twenty-eight minutes before six o'clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 25), on motion of Mr. Moran of Boston (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until half past seven o'clock; and at twenty-three minutes after eight o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 21.

Recess.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston 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 in item 0411-1000 by striking out the figures: “6,101,602” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,173,602”;

In item 0521-0000, in line 4, by inserting after the word “education” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for updated cameras and audio and visual equipment for the Wayland town meeting”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “18,667,404” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “18,692,404”;

In item 0610-0051, in line 6, by striking out the figures: “248,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “350,000”; and by striking out the figures: “248,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “350,000”;

In item 0610-0060 by striking out the figures: “248,780” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “348,780”;

In item 0810-1205 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the New Bedford police department to support the greater New Bedford opioid task force; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the SAFE Coalition Incorporated to provide support, education, treatment options and coping mechanisms for those affected by substance use disorder in the city known as the town of Franklin”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,306,595” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,431,595”;

In item 0910-0300 by striking out the figures: “594,932” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “844,932”;

In item 0950-0080 by striking out the figures: “356,053” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “582,753”;

In item 1070-0840 by striking out the figures: “16,312,004” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “17,412,004”;

In item 1070-0842 by striking out the figures: “3,451,738” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,684,738”;

By inserting after item 1100-1700 the following item:
“1100-2200 For the state infrastructure implementation coordinator and the
operation of the federal funds and infrastructure development
office \$1,997,515”;

In section 2E, in item 1595-6368, by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for emergency roadway repairs in Bridgewater; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for emergency roadway repairs in Raynham; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for redesigning and installation of new steps, adding lights and installing an emergency safety alert system for the bridge in Boston on Norfolk street between the intersections of Corbet street and Willowood street; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the Berkshire Flyer in Pittsfield to create ‘last mile’ transportation solutions; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the survey, redesign and reconstruction of route 38 in Tewksbury; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for elderly and commuter services linking to the MBTA in the town of Maynard; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the MetroWest regional transit authority for the continuation of the CatchConnect service pilot in Hudson; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the development and engineering of a second means of egress for the Florence Sawyer school building complex in the town of Bolton; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be

expended for the Bristol-Plymouth regional vocational high school for the renovation of its vehicle entrance; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for improvements to the transportation infrastructure of the Vinal square section of the town of Chelmsford; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the repair or replacement of culverts in the town of Boxford; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a parking and multimodal transportation study for the city of Newburyport; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for road and sidewalk repair and improvements on Elliott street in the city of Beverly; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the purchase of electric bicycles as part of the BlueBikes share infrastructure program in the city of Boston”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “478,865,840” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “479,900,840”;

In section 2F, in item 1596-2406, in line 1, by inserting after the word “improvements” the words “at regional transit authorities”;

By inserting after section 3 the following two sections:

“SECTION 3A. Section 3 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the figures: ‘36,025’, in line 2, and inserting in place thereof the figures: ‘45,025’.

SECTION 3B. Chapter 6A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 109. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Government agency’, any state agency, quasi-state agency, sub-division of a state agency, or board, commission or entity created by the commonwealth.

‘Personal identifying information’, information: (i) that directly identifies an individual, including name, address, social security number or other identifying number or code; (ii) by which an agency intends to identify specific individuals in conjunction with other data elements, which shall include indirect identification that may compile an identity, such as a combination of gender, race, birth date, geographic indicator and other descriptors; or (iii) that permits the physical or online contacting of a specific individual.

(b) Every government agency that collects demographic data as to the race or ethnicity of residents of the commonwealth shall use separate collection and tabulations for the following:

(i) each major Asian group, as reported by the United States Census Bureau, including, but not limited to, Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Korean, Vietnamese, Asian Indian, Laotian, Cambodian, Bangladeshi, Hmong, Indonesian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Nepalese, Burmese, Tibetan and Thai;

(ii) each major Pacific Islander group, as reported by the United States Census Bureau, including, but not limited to, Native Hawaiian, Guamanian, Samoan, Fijian and Tongan;

(iii) each other Asian or Pacific Islander group not listed in clause (i) or (ii);

(iv) each major Black or African American group, as reported by the United States Census Bureau, including, but not limited to, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Cape Verdean and Somali;

(v) each major Latino group, as reported by the United States Census Bureau, including, but not limited to, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican and Colombian; and

(vi) each major white or Caucasian group, as reported by the United States Census Bureau, including, but not limited to, German, Irish, English, Italian, Polish, Portuguese and French.

(c) Each government agency shall allow an individual to choose more than 1 group, write in their own group or choose the aggregate category. No government agency shall fill out racial or ethnic information unless directed by the individual.

(d) Except for personal identifying information, which shall be deemed confidential, each government agency shall make the data available to the public in accordance with state and federal law. Data may be maintained in paper, electronic or other media form. To prevent identification of individuals, the data may be aggregated into categories at a state, county, city, census tract or zip code level to facilitate comparisons, identify disparities and to be included in studies and reports. This subsection shall not be construed to prevent any other government agency from posting data collected on the agency's website in a manner prescribed in this section.

(e)(1) The secretary of administration and finance shall establish regulations and guidelines on the collection of demographic data, which shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a standardized form for information collection; (ii) expanding the categories of race and ethnicity; (iii) a standardized format for agencies to make data publicly available and to update said data on an annual basis; (iv) a method to ensure that no personal identifying information is publicly released; (v) a standardized written disclosure to the individual completing the form that information collection is voluntary; (vi) procedures to ensure that nonparticipation in information collection shall have no impact on an individual's eligibility for state services; and (vii) an annual review of the cost impact and success of collecting information.

(2) Annually, there shall be not less than 1 public hearing on the implementation of or changes in the regulations and guidelines.

(3) Annually, not later than August 1, the secretary of administration and finance shall file a report on the progress of data collection to the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and the joint committee on state administration and regulatory oversight.

(f) All data collected by government agencies shall be subject to state and federal privacy laws, including, but not limited to, Title 13 of the United States Code and section 2 of chapter 93H.”;

By inserting after section 12 the following two sections:

“SECTION 12 1/4. Section 23 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 202, after the word ‘governor’, the following words:- from a list of 3 candidates nominated by the executive board of the Massachusetts Association of Contributory Retirement Systems, Inc. and who shall be a member of the state employees’ retirement system, the teachers’ retirement system or any other retirement system that is vested in the PRIT Fund.

SECTION 12 1/2. Section 91 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘office’, in line 21, the following words:- , for services as executive director of the municipal police training committee pursuant to section 116 of chapter 6.”;

By inserting after section 12B (inserted by Consolidated “D”) the following section:

“SECTION 12C. Chapter 44 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 54 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 54. (a) Trust funds, including cemetery perpetual care funds, unless otherwise provided or directed by the donor of the funds, shall be deposited in: a trust company, co-operative bank or savings bank, if the trust company or bank is organized or exists under the laws of the commonwealth or any other state or may transact business in the commonwealth and has its main office or a branch office in the commonwealth; a national bank, federal savings bank or federal savings and loan

association, if the bank or association may transact business and has its main office or a branch office in the commonwealth; provided, however, that a state-chartered or federally-chartered bank shall be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor or invested by cities and towns in participation units in a combined investment fund under section 38A of chapter 29 or in bonds or notes which are legal investments for savings banks. Cities and towns having such funds in the custody of the treasurer in an aggregate amount in excess of \$250,000 may also invest such funds in securities, other than mortgages or collateral loans, which are legal for the investment of funds of savings banks under the laws of the commonwealth; provided, that not more than 15 per cent of any such trust funds shall be invested in bank stocks and insurance company stocks, nor shall more than 1 1/2 per cent of such funds be invested in the stock of any 1 bank or insurance company.

(b)(1) A city, town or district that accepts this subsection in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 may manage trust funds held in the custody of the treasurer of the city, town or district as a combined investment pool and may invest said funds in accordance with chapter 203C and not in accordance with subsection (a). If any provision of this subsection conflicts with the terms of a bequest, trust or other instrument that expresses the clear intent of the donor, then such funds may be managed and invested only in accordance with the terms of such bequest, trust or other instrument.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall only apply to trust funds and shall not apply to any other money held or controlled by a city, town or district or to any money held or controlled by any other municipal authority, commission or other such entity or fund which is authorized to invest its funds pursuant to this section.

(c) Municipal trust funds subject to this section invested in a chartered, insured financial institution shall only be deposited in accordance with subsection (a).

(d) This section shall not apply to the city of Boston.”;

By inserting after section 29 the following section:

“SECTION 29A. Section 2 of chapter 444 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out subsection (b).”;

By inserting after section 34B (inserted by Consolidated “B”) the following section:

“SECTION 34C. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, pursuant and subject to subsection (d) of section 9 of chapter 372 of the acts of 1984, as amended, the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority may convey to the city of Quincy for park, recreation or open space purposes a certain parcel of land owned by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority in the city of Quincy, consisting of approximately 79,448 square feet or 1.8239 acres. The parcel of land, generally located on Cleverly court, is described in a deed recorded in the Norfolk county registry of deeds as parcel 12 in book 7803 at page 211, and is more particularly shown as Lot 2 on a plan of land entitled ‘Plan of Land in Quincy, Massachusetts’ prepared for Massachusetts Water Resources Authority dated September 30, 2004 and March 23, 2005, as revised, prepared by Bryant Associates, Inc. and signed by Gary John Hamilton, registered professional land surveyor, and on file with the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority. The conveyance in this section shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the Conveyance Agreement dated May 20, 2022, by and between the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority and the city of Quincy.”; and

By inserting after section 45 the following two sections:

“SECTION 45A. Not later than January 1, 2024, the secretary of administration and finance shall promulgate regulations for the implementation of section 3B.

SECTION 45B. Section 3B shall take effect on January 1, 2025.”.

After remarks on the question on adoption of the 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 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 22 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (constitutional officers and state administration and transportation) were adopted.

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 22.

Recess.

At twenty-two minutes before nine o’clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 25), on motion of Ms. Peake of Provincetown (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until the following day at twelve o’clock noon; and at that time, the House was called to order with Mr. Garballey of Arlington in the Chair.

Recess.

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 (at 12:00 o'clock noon).

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

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, and at the request of Representatives Flanagan of Dennis, Cutler of Duxbury, Diggs of Barnstable and Xiarhos of Barnstable, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory Paul A. Funk, Jr., of Duxbury. At 51 years of age, Paul passed away suddenly on April 15, 2023. He is survived by his loving wife Heather, his daughters Molly and Madison, and his son Jack.

Paul A.
Funk, Jr.

Dr. Funk first started teaching in the Everett Public School System where he was also an assistant coach. In 2001, Paul joined Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School and created a program of “Dolphin pride” in the sports he coached. Paul brought a struggling football program to the Super Bowl three times, winning championships in 2011 and 2017. Paul was named ‘New England Patriots Coach of the Year’ in 2017.

He was a proud member of the DY community, and it showed through his dedication to his job and students. Paul could often be found having lunch with students in the cafeteria and attending numerous sporting events, orchestra and band concerts, and theater performances. Paul’s death has left a void in so many loved ones’ hearts. It is hard to imagine our community without him.

The Dennis, Yarmouth, and Duxbury communities send their love and support to the Funk Family.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Ms. Nguyen of Andover as his designee (under Section 89 of Chapter 119 of the General Laws) to the Juvenile Policy and Data Board.

Juvenile
Policy and
Data Board.

Southeast Asian New Year.

During the session, Mr. Mom of Lowell took the Chair, and on behalf of Representatives Wong of Saugus, Chan of Quincy, Schmid of Westport, Howard of Lowell, Nguyen of Andover, and Uytterhoeven of Somerville paid tribute to the members of the Southeast Asian community of the Commonwealth on the occasion of the Southeast Asian New Year. Representative Mom then read House Resolutions (adopted this day) in celebration of the Southeast Asian New Year, which began on April 14.

Southeast Asian
New Year.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, and introduced members of the Nashoba Regional High School Division 3 state champion Boys Hockey Team, accompanied by Athletic Director Tania Rich, Head Coach Matt Biggs, Assistant Coaches Owen Murphy and Dan Glover. The Wolves entered the hockey championship tournament as the 11th seed and won the final game in overtime

Nashoba Regional
High School,—
boys hockey
state champions.

against top-seeded Scituate. It was their 9th overtime game of the season. Team players are from the towns of Bolton, Clinton, Lancaster and Stow. Ms. Kilcoyne of Clinton then took the Chair and offered congratulatory remarks on team's accomplishment. They were the guests of Representatives Hogan of Stow and Kilcoyne and were accompanied by Senators Cronin, Eldridge and Robyn Kennedy.

During the session, Mr. O'Day of West Boylston took the Chair and introduced the state Division 1 championship Worcester North High School boys basketball team, accompanied by Al Pettway (Head Coach), Michael Cardin (Vice Principal and Athletic Liaison), Pat Wetherbee (Assistant Coach), Eric Boss (Assistant Coach), Anna Leto (Manager), and Ambitious Angelo. The team finished the season with a 24-2 record and became the first public school in Worcester to win a Division 1 state championship. They were the guests of the Worcester delegation.

Worcester North
High School,—
boys basketball
state champions.

During the session, Mr. Ashe of Longmeadow took the Chair and introduced the 2022/2023 Division 1 Boys Ice Hockey State Champions of the Pope Francis Preparatory School. The team had an outstanding record of 21-2-4, on their road to becoming the first outright State Champions from Western Massachusetts since 1952.

Pope Francis
Preparatory
School,—
boys hockey
state champions.

Lead by Coach Brian Foley, Assistant Coaches Steen Ashe and Tim Kenney, along with Captain Josh Iby, their season culminated in a thrilling 3-2 win over Xaverian Brothers High School at the TD Garden. The game winning goal, scored by Iby, came with just 26 seconds left in the third period. They were the guests of Representatives Ashe and Puppolo of Springfield.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Speaker Mariano of Quincy) honoring Francis X. Bellotti, Esq. for his great achievements on his one hundredth birthday; and

Francis
Bellotti.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Mom of Lowell and other members of the House) recognizing the cultural and historical significance of Southeast Asian New Year in 2023;

Southeast
Asian New
Year.

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

Recess.

At thirteen minutes after twelve o'clock P.M. (Wednesday, April 26), on motion of Mr. D'Emilia of Bridgewater (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed until five minutes before one o'clock; and at one minute before one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3900, amended), was considered.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston 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 2000-0100 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a new animal control vehicle in the town of Cohasset servicing Cohasset, Hull and Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for water tank improvement and other related costs in the town of Weston; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a mitigation study on the contamination at Beaver dam brook in the city of Framingham; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Mystic River Watershed Association, Inc. for a hydraulic study to model the potential effects of dredging and to identify specific actions needed to protect affected communities, including environmental justice communities, around the Alewife brook in Arlington, Cambridge and Somerville from flooding and other hazards; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen’s Alliance for the modernization and maintenance of sustainable fishing; provided further, that not less than \$240,000 shall be expended for the 8 regional active groundfish sectors; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Buzzards Bay Coalition, Inc. for a coastal water quality and natural resource monitoring program in Buzzards bay and Vineyard sound; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for environmental and emergency planning for the Fore river area located in the city known as the town of Braintree”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “15,547,134” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “16,752,134”;

Consolidated
amendments
(energy and
environmental
affairs and
housing).

In item 2000-0101, in line 21, by inserting after the word “item” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for polyfluoroalkyl substances remediation in the town of Bellingham; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the implementation of a green jobs training program for non-traditional students in the city of Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Boston Harbor Now, Inc. for climate research, planning, programming and community science education related to climate resiliency work with the Stone Living Lab partnership”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,003,414” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,248,414”;

In item 2000-0121 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the construction of the new Damien’s Place food pantry in the town of Wareham”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “25,100,00” [sic];

In item 2200-0100, in line 8, by inserting after the word “Laws” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Brewster Ponds Coalition, Incorporated. for the installation of enhanced phosphorus removal alternative innovative septic systems, not currently available in Massachusetts, to demonstrate the effectiveness of enhanced phosphorus removal technologies described to prevent cyanobacteria blooms and unnatural algae growth polluting ponds on Cape Cod; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for OARS, Inc. for the operation of a water quality monitoring program in the

Sudbury, Assabet and Concord rivers”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “47,558,783” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “47,613,783”;

In item 2250-2000 by adding the following: “; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for polyfluoroalkyl substances remediation in the towns of Burlington and Bedford”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,367,016” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,417,016”;

In item 2300-0100, in line 9, by inserting after the word “costs” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the New England Wildlife Center, Inc. in the town of Weymouth for the care, treatment and maintenance of wildlife”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,289,248” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,389,248”;

In item 2300-0101 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended for the town of Westborough for the restoration efforts of Cedar swamp”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,751,281” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,796,281”;

In item 2310-0300 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Fishing Academy, Inc. of Boston”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,308,352” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,333,352”;

In item 2330-0100, in line 28, by inserting after the word “means” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Center for Coastal Studies, Inc. for the shark ecology program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a boat for the harbor master in the town of Saugus; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for shellfish propagation in Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket counties to be administered jointly by the director of marine fisheries and the aforementioned counties”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “8,435,231” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “8,735,231”;

In item 2511-0100, in line 13, by inserting after the word “Laws” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Greenagers, Inc. teen and young adult environmental programming; provided further, that not less than \$8,000 shall be expended for irrigation of the town-owned Andrews farm in the town of Falmouth; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Land’s Sake, Inc. in the town of Weston to support infrastructure and capital improvements to support the sale and donation of fresh produce; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the mitigation of food insecurity in the city of Everett in an ongoing effort with the planning department through the provision of fresh and local produce to low-to-moderate income families at no cost through existing partnerships with About Fresh, Inc., Everett Community Growers, Inc., the Everett food policy council, local farms and both privately-funded and publicly-funded food pantries; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Coordinated Soil Health program; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to the Boston Public Market Association, Inc. for the operation and programing at the Boston Public Market”, in line 13, by striking out the figures: “750,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “800,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,561,229” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,444,229”;

In item 2511-0105, in line 11, by inserting after the word “poverty” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Rachel’s Table for the transition costs of becoming a non-profit including, but not limited to, website redesign, the hiring of a project manager, moving and storage, an

information technology consultant and filling the hunger gap by delivering food to more than 53 organizations not served by the food bank; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Taunton Area Community Table, Inc., a neighborhood food distribution center, to purchase the building currently being rented by the Taunton Area Community Table, Inc. and to provide resources for ADA renovations of said building; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Food for Free Committee, Incorporated; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Hope Dove Inc. to assist disabled individuals and those living in poverty; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Manna Community Kitchen to combat food insecurity and expand support service for vulnerable populations; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Survival Centers, Inc. for the food pantry program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Merrimack Valley Food Bank, Inc. serving the citizens of the greater Lowell area”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “31,700,001” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “32,125,001”;

In item 2511-0107 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Our Neighbors’ Table, Inc. in the city of Amesbury to provide free groceries to those who are food insecure across the Merrimack Valley; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the emergency assistance fund in the town of Lincoln; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Chelmsford council on aging for senior food security to meet the nutritional needs of elders; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Franklin Food Pantry, Incorporated building project; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Medway Community Farm, Inc. in the town of Medway; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Lower Cape outreach council for a refrigerator truck and food pantry repairs; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Fenway Civic Association, Inc. for the Fenway Cares mutual aid initiative, including administrative costs, for the distribution of fresh food and supplies to food-insecure Fenway residents; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the South Congregational food pantry in Pittsfield for expanded operational capacity and procurement efforts; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the coastal foodshed initiative in the greater New Bedford region to promote and grow the local food access economy and distribution channels for locally grown food; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for GreenRoots, Inc. for initiatives fighting food insecurity in Chelsea; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Stone Soup Café, Inc. to provide low-to no-cost meals to alleviate hunger in the city of Greenfield; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Medfield Food Cupboard, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for further technical development and collaboration between food agencies in the town of Arlington; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for barn improvements at Community Harvest Project, Inc. in Grafton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Braintree Holidays – Friends, Inc. located at the Margin Crispin center in the city known as the town of Braintree; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Growing Places for the expansion of equitable access to healthy food and environmental sustainability through education, collaboration and advocacy; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for food insecurity funding for a partnership with the North Andover farmers market”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “690,000”;

In item 2800-0100 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the Uxbridge youth soccer field project in the town of Uxbridge; provided further, that not less than \$93,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Ell pond gazebo in the city of Melrose; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the restoration and improvement of the Rotary park playground and facility improvements to the Rotary park public baseball fields in the town of Wilmington; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for aquatic invasive species control for the Charles river and the Mystic river; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Middleborough parks department for the reconstruction of the Pierce playground; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Reilly Memorial Rink feasibility study”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “6,630,306” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,188,306”;

In item 2800-0101, in line 7, by inserting after the word “Laws” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the implementation of the North river protection order; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the development and design of upgrades to the Hardy pond outlet weir with automatic controls to improve water quality in the pond and reduce problematic downstream flooding in the city of Waltham”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,936,594” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,086,594”;

In item 2800-0500, in line 9, by striking out the figures: “50,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “100,000”, in line 11, by inserting after the word “beaches” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the cleanup of Pilayella algae on King’s beach and Long beach in the city of Lynn”, in line 12, by striking out the figures: “190,000” and inserting in place thereof the figure: “290,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,205,231” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,405,231”;

In item 2800-0501, in line 12, by inserting after the word “employment” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for beach erosion control, monitoring, refurbishments and related activities at Sterling town beach”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,385,117” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “25,435,117”;

In item 2800-0700 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the removal of the Maple avenue dam in the town of Seekonk; and provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the renovation, restoration or demolition of the reservoir dam in the town of Northborough”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “675,676” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “735,676”;

In item 2810-0100, in line 15, by inserting after the word “removal” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Blue Hills Trailside Museum in the town of Milton; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for necessary maintenance and improvements to LoConte Memorial ice rink in the city of Medford; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the implementation of traffic safety improvements for all road users at the high-crash intersection of Alewife Brook parkway and Broadway in the city of Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements at Forest lake in the city of Methuen; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the Arlington Community Orchard; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Blue Hill Observatory & Science Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall

be expended for Brockton public schools for the renovation of tennis courts into basketball courts at the Davis elementary school park area; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for renovations of open spaces, parks and playgrounds in the Highlands and Acre area of the city of Lowell to equitably contribute to the health, well-being and inclusivity of residents; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for New City community park designs in the city of Easthampton; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for improvements to parking and accessibility at the Leaping Well nature trail in the town of South Hadley; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the construction, renovation and upgrade of a new playground at the Nabnasset elementary school in the town of Westford; provided further, that local youth programs and nonprofits get first preference in scheduling on all playing fields and hockey rinks operated by the department"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "102,172,782" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "103,087,782";

In item 2810-0122 by adding the following: "; provided, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the refurbishment and expansion of the Metacomet park tennis courts in the town of Medfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for upgrades to the Doyle field courts in the city of Leominster; provided further, that not less than \$5,000 shall be expended for Collectively, Recognizing, Empowerment, Within, Incorporated (CREW) of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a soil exploration and minor repairs of Johnson creek dam in the town of Groveland; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for tree replanting in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for The Trustees of Reservations for feasibility, design, permitting and outreach to restore the Damde Meadows salt marsh in Hingham; provided further, not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Friends of Fitchburg Abolitionist park to support the third and final phase of the park development; provided further, not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the rehabilitation of the youth soccer fields at Coolidge park in the city of Fitchburg; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Damon's Point dock replacement project in the town of Marshfield to ensure the public safety of the year-round commercial and recreational dock that serves as an egress location and as staging for medical evacuations from the North river; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Pembroke Watershed Association, Inc. for pond treatment and improvements; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Mount Auburn cemetery in Watertown and Cambridge for a carbon footprint study for death care across the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study at Eagle lake recreation area in the town of Holden; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for improvements, including the purchase and installation of a chair lift for the pool and structural repairs to the concession stand, at Everett Leonard park in the town of Norton; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for youth sports and public park infrastructure projects in the town of Douglas; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for youth sports and public park infrastructure projects in the town of Sutton; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for youth sports and public park infrastructure projects in the town of Webster; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for youth sports and public park infrastructure projects in the town of Uxbridge; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for phase 2 of the rehabilitation and restoration of the Stone building in Hemlock Gorge reservation in the town of Wellesley; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended

for the improvements to the Quinobequin road trail portion of the Charles river reservation, including, but not limited to, the installation of wooden guard rails at the entrance of the trail near the intersection of Quinobequin road and route 9, guide ropes down the embankment at the entrance of the trail and addressing mud areas along the trail; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the connection of phase 2 of the Squannacook river rail trail to phase 4 through the construction of the connecting section of trail in the town of Townsend; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the department of parks, recreation and culture in the city of Newton; provided further, that said \$150,000 shall be equally distributed for Kennard conservation area trail improvements, including boardwalks in wet areas, Kessler conservation area improvements, including a boardwalk and bridge, and Newton Upper Falls greenway for ADA improvements and site furnishings; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to the Riverside park basketball court in the city of Haverhill; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to 12th Avenue park in the city of Haverhill; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for improvements to underutilized areas and green space for recreational use of areas surrounding Cook pond in the city of Fall River; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for an outdoor water recreation area at Farnham park in the city of Peabody; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the North Shore Maritime Center, Inc. for the youth rowing program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for facility upgrades for Lynn Youth Soccer, Incorporated; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the maintenance and operation of Gannon golf course in the city of Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for a study of the Charles river, including, but not limited to, flooding mitigation impacts and fish passage improvements as it relates to potential removal of state-owned dams from Watertown to Natick; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements, preparedness and operations for ferry service in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Friends of Bass River, Inc. for water quality improvements through the restoration of retired cranberry bogs, improved coastal storm resiliency, restoration of a historic fish habitat and passive recreation opportunities; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the funding, implementation, operation and replenishment of community recreation lending library in the Hunt Almont playground in the Mattapan section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Boston 4 Celebrations Foundation, Inc. for the Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular for the fourth of July celebrations on the Charles river; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for accessible playground equipment in the town of Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the construction of an all-persons trail at Mass Audubon Brewster's woods wildlife sanctuary in the town of Concord; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the renovation of parks located on Simon street and Gage street in the city of Beverly; provided further, not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the design and construction of a downtown green space in the town of Dedham; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Tree Eastie Inc. to expand the tree canopy in the East Boston section of the city of Boston through the planting and maintenance of trees; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Boston Harbor Now, Inc. for the administration of reduced cost public ferry service programs for Massachusetts residents to ensure and promote equitable and affordable access to the Boston Harbor

Islands national and state park area; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the funding, implementation, operation and replenishment of community recreation lending library at the East Boston greenway located in the East Boston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the funding, implementation, operation and replenishment of community recreation lending library in Ringer park in the Allston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Courageous Sailing Center for Youth, Inc. for youth programming; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for improvements to Elm park in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for efficiency upgrades for heating systems at the Narragansett regional school district; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for improvements to Farlow park, including the Chaffin house property and the Farlow pond in the city of Newton; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the Kingston recreation department for lunches for campers in the department summer program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the renovation of Gage field, located on Beacon street in the Centerville section of the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$120,000 shall be expended for the closure and demolition of Skip Viglirolo ice rink in the town of Belmont; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the maintenance of the treescape in the town of Belmont; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for the Woburn Youth Hockey Association, Inc. for capital improvements to the O'Brien ice rink; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the design, renovation and maintenance of recreational parks and facilities in the town of Winchester; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Harry McDonough Sailing Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the construction, renovation and maintenance of the Southwick recreation center baseball fields; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the funding, implementation, operation and replenishment of community recreation lending library in Moakley park in the South Boston section of the city of Boston; and provided further; that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the handicap sidewalk accessibility program in the town of Winthrop"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "3,560,000";

In item 7004-0099, in line 76, by inserting after the word "basis" the following: ";; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Maverick Landing Community Services, Inc. for the provision of information, education and assistance on housing rights, eviction and foreclosure issues, including completing and submitting housing assistance applications for tenants and small homeowners, through a housing support station in the East Boston community; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Allston-Brighton Community Development Corporation for the development and implementation of a comprehensive strategy program for incorporating green energy enhancements to deeply affordable housing developments in Allston-Brighton"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "11,408,005" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "11,533,005";

In item 7004-0101, in line 151, by inserting after the word "changes" the following: ";; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for an accessory dwelling unit incentive pilot program in the city of Haverhill to be administered by the city; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be

expended for Horizons for Homeless Children, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “324,051,902” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “324,451,902”;

In item 7004-0102, in line 6, by inserting after the following: “\$25” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the United Way of Pioneer Valley, Inc. on behalf of the Western Massachusetts Network to End Homelessness to facilitate regional coordination across Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire counties to prevent and end homelessness with a housing first approach that centers on racial equity; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for Craig’s Doors - A Home Association, Inc. to fund placements for vulnerable individuals who are experiencing homelessness or to offer transportation vouchers to participants”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “110,752,398” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “110,817,398”;

In item 7004-0107 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for repairs to the Norwell housing authority in the town of Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the ABCD Mobile Homeless Outreach Team; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the NewVue Communities, Inc., a community development corporation in the city of Fitchburg, for the redevelopment and historic preservation of the former B.F. Brown school; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Housing Families Inc. in Malden; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc. for homelessness prevention services; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Housing Families Inc. for the provision of housing-supportive resources to the residents of Revere; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Springfield Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for Northern Bristol County Assistance Collaborative, Inc. for the soft costs and legal fees associated with the building of innovative low-income to middle-income senior housing, with on-site medical services, to address the emergent growth in the senior population being squeezed out of affordable housing due to fixed incomes, rising costs and corporate purchases of manufactured communities; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Watertown housing authority to conduct financial modeling, concept planning and an implementation plan for the redevelopment of Willow Park apartments; provided further, that not less than \$5,000 shall be expended for the Hugh Cargill Trust to provide short-term, emergency assistance to residents in financial need in the town of Concord; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Lower Cape Cod Community Development Corporation; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Friendly House, Inc. in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the South Worcester Neighborhood Improvement Corporation; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Quinsigamond Community Village Center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. to distribute to HEAL Lawrence to support victims of fires or any other disaster in the city of Lawrence and to assist victims with securing rental insurance; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the tenants of Warren Gardens in the Roxbury section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for recreational improvements to the Henry T. Wing housing complex in the town of Sandwich; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Watertown housing authority for basement waterproofing and mold remediation work at Lexington Gardens; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended

for the Fall River housing authority for recreation for Holmes and Bishop Eid apartments; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Housing Assistance Corporation for the development of housing opportunities, including, but not limited to, accessory dwelling units; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Everett Haitian community center to hire a housing assistance staffer in Everett; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Needham housing authority for upgrades to the community room at the Linden and Chambers development; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Community Action Pioneer Valley, Inc. for the creation of a community resilience hub in the city of Northampton”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,705,000”;

In item 7004-9005, in line 25, by inserting after the word “repairs” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Just-A-Start Corporation for the economic mobility hub at Rindge Commons in North Cambridge; provided further, that no employee of a housing authority shall simultaneously be an elected executive officer within the same municipality in which the authority is located; provided further, that housing authorities and nonprofit organizations situated in municipalities that do not comply with the provisions of section 3A of chapter 40A of the General Laws shall continue to qualify for funding from the local capital projects fund”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “102,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “102,050,000”;

In section 2E, in item 1595-6232, in lines 1 and 2, by striking out the following: “For the Clean Energy Investment Fund, established in section 15 of chapter 23J of the General Laws; provided” and inserting in place thereof the following: “For the development of the clean energy industry in the commonwealth; provided, that not less than \$20,000,000 shall be transferred to the Massachusetts Offshore Wind Industry Investment Fund, established in section 9A of chapter 23J of the General Laws, and not less than \$5,000,000 shall be transferred to the Clean Energy Investment Fund, established in section 15 of said chapter 23J; provided further”;

By inserting after section 8A 1/4 (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 8A 1/3. Section 5 of chapter 21C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:

No person shall store hazardous waste in a building or other permanent or temporary structure, vehicle, trailer or outdoor area within a facility that does not have installed a fire suppression system required by the state building code or the state fire code.”; and

By inserting after section 23 the following section:

“SECTION 23A. Section 1C of chapter 130 of the General Laws, inserted by section 52 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021, is hereby amended by striking out, in the second paragraph, the words ‘environment, natural resources and’.”.

By inserting after section 28 the following section:

“SECTION 28 1/2. Section 83C of chapter 169 of the acts of 2008, as most recently amended by section 62 of chapter 179 of the acts of 2022, is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:

(n) If this section is subjected to a legal challenge, the department of public utilities may suspend the applicability of the challenged provision during the pendency of the action until a final resolution, including any appeals, is obtained and shall issue an order and take other actions as are necessary to ensure that the

provisions of this section not subject to the challenge are implemented expeditiously to achieve the public purposes of this section.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the 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. 23](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (energy and environmental affairs and housing) were adopted.

At eighteen minutes after two o'clock P.M. (Wednesday, April 26), on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until four o'clock; and at sixteen minutes before five o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

The House thereupon, on motion of Ms. Hogan of Stow, took a further recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at nineteen minutes after five o'clock the House was called to order by Ms. Hogan.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston 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 0340-0203, in line 8, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the services over sentences program to address the ongoing public health and safety crisis at the intersection and surrounding area of Massachusetts avenue and Melnea Cass boulevard”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “499,950” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,499,950”;

In item 0640-0300, in line 19, by inserting after the word “needs” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the city of Leominster for repairs and upgrades to the Number 6 school house; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the city of Leominster for improvements and updates to the Frances Drake house; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the barn and other building renovations at the Forbes house museum in Milton; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Franklin performing arts company; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Springfield symphony orchestra for revitalizing the performing arts in the greater Springfield area, specifically marketing, youth education and performance opportunities and targeted special events to increase diverse performances reflective of the multiethnic population; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for beyond walls for a public art installation project in Haverhill; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the children’s space at the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art in the city of North Adams; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements at Cogswell Art Space in Haverhill to convert the former Cogswell school into a community art center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Three Saints, Inc., in the city of Lawrence to support community services and promote Italian heritage; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for an artist community assistance program administered by the Allston Village main streets of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to Amplify POC Cape Cod to hire staff for grant and long-term funding applications to promote economic power, increased ownership and wealth-building opportunities in communities of color; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the city known as the town of Barnstable to hire staff for the city’s diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives; provided further, that not less

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than \$50,000 shall be expended to the town of Hudson for downtown wayfinding improvements; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Lowell southeast Asian water festival, through the cultural organizations of Lowell, to promote equity, diversity and inclusion in the cultural life of the people of greater Lowell and beyond; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a grant to the Fort Point arts community; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Boston ballet”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “25,895,000”;

In item 0930-0100, in line 6, by inserting after the word “resources” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for Roca, Inc. to provide case management, trauma-informed supports and advocacy to mothers ages 14 through 24 and their children who are experiencing high levels of victimization, trauma, poverty and instability”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,532,001” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,532,001”;

In item 1599-0026, in line 1, by inserting after the word “improvements” the following: “; provided, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the drilling of a new town well in the town of Plainville; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for water main line upgrades and stormwater drainage system design in the town of Wrentham; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for pedestrian safety pilot projects in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for a new utility vehicle for the department of public works in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the town of Agawam to enhance school building security; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for the Marlborough fire department to replace CAD software, provide technology upgrades, computers, wiring, cable and television screens at all 3 fire stations; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Marlborough police station for the reconstruction of curbing and resurfacing of the parking lot; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for the digitization of municipal records in the town of Wellesley; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for an emergency generator for Saugus town hall; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Billerica council on aging for capital improvements; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the town of Billerica for the Clara Sexton house for structural and site repairs; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the town of Pembroke for local infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the town of Marshfield for local infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the city of Quincy for a hazardous materials emergency response program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the rehabilitation of the veterans parking lot located between Central street, South street, Wall street and Cohasset street in the center of the town of Foxborough; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the city of Westfield for the Little river levee; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the town of Southampton for a new hybrid police cruiser; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to the town of Rehoboth for the remediation, testing and supplies for water systems contaminated by per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances, as well as the installation and maintenance of filtration systems in residents’ homes; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for waterline design and engineering services to mitigate per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination on Eagle drive in the town of Dudley; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the city

of Peabody to provide assistance in planning for the departure of Rousselot Peabody Inc., including, but not limited to, land use planning, water and natural resource impact, job loss, legal representation, financial analysis, assessment of hazardous materials conditions and real estate disposition; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Warwick fire department for funding or reimbursement for facility repair and upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$65,000 shall be expended for the town of Wakefield for repairs of the town's bandstand; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for improvements to the town hall and police station campus in Mendon; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for facilities upgrades at the police station in the town of Charlton, including, but not limited to, physical plant, structural and computer system upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for technology improvements in the town of Burlington to facilitate hybrid public meetings; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a trailer to serve as a temporary fire station for Bourne area firefighters in the town of Bourne; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the exterior restoration of Dedham town hall; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Rowley for a feasibility and space planning study to include ADA compliance for the town hall annex building; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Hamilton for the purchase of a back-up generator for the Hamilton town hall; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Ipswich for technology security; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for preservation work on the Wales old town hall in the town of Wales; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for pedestrian improvements for the Pawtucketville section of the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Andover Baptist church for structural repairs and HVAC work; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the North Brookfield town house; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a first responder wellness program in the town of North Reading; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for an ADA-compliant ramp to improve accessibility of the town hall in the town of Oxford; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the West Bridgewater department of public works for upgrades and maintenance of town property; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Fore river trail to the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Friends of Faxon park in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the town of Andover for improvements to the park near the town offices building; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the town of Somerset to rebuild the main treatment units at the Somerset water treatment plant"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "14,010,600" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "16,405,600";

In item 2000-0101, by striking out the following "provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for polyfluoroalkyl substances remediation in the town of Bellingham" (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the following: "provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to the town of Bellingham for an electronic sign at the public library in Bellingham";

In item 2000-0121, by striking out the figures: "25,100,00" [sic] (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the figures: "25,100,000";

In item 3000-2050 by striking out the figures: "1,873,770" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "2,191,283";

In item 3000-7000 by striking out the figures: “17,523,039” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “17,555,526”;

In item 4510-0110, in line 5, by inserting after the following: “254c(f)(1)” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Lynn Community Health Center for the operation of the recuperative care center”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,012,958” (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,112,958”;

In item 4512-0200, in line 5, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Community Servings, Inc. to provide medically tailored meals to persons battling chronic illnesses and workforce training programs to those recovering from addiction”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “208,949,157” (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the figures: “209,049,157”;

In item 5911-1003, in line 6, by inserting after the word “guardianship” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for Operation House Call at the Arc of Massachusetts to maintain and expand training to medical students and other graduate level health care professionals to work with individuals with autism and other developmental and intellectual disabilities; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Special Olympics Massachusetts, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “91,222,294” (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the figures: “91,322,294”;

In item 7002-0012, in line 11, by inserting after the word “organizations” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Cape Verdean association Cabral leadership and innovation center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for YMCA youth programming in the city of Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Essex National Heritage Commission, Inc. for the future leaders program to employ underserved youth in Essex county”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “31,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “31,100,000”;

In item 7002-1091, in line 5, by inserting after the words “the workforce” the following: “; provided further, that not less \$25,000 shall be expended for costs associated with the expansion of a fire cadet training program at South Shore technical high school in the town of Hanover”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “20,379,819” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “20,404,819”;

In item 7003-0100 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a grant program to St. Mary’s Center for Women and Children, Inc. in Dorchester for workforce development and educational programming for women; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the East Boston Social Centers, Inc. for the development and implementation of ESOL programming in East Boston; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts, Inc.; provided further, that not less \$80,000 shall be expended to support staffing at African Cultural Services, Inc. in Waltham; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Mattapan Technology Learning Center, Inc. for instructors and case managers to provide job training and career placement for technical industries; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Nubian Square Foundation Inc.; and provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Year Up, Inc. to implement workforce development programs that provide job opportunities for young adults”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,656,126” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,436,126”;

In item 7003-0803 by adding the following: “; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the rapid employment program directed by La Colaborativa, Inc. in Chelsea”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “15,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “15,050,000”;

In item 7003-1206 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended to the Leduc Center at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth for transportation costs related to the America Reads and Counts program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,400,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,680,000”;

In item 7002-0010 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Nonprofit Center of the Berkshires Inc. to provide additional resources, support and training to Berkshire nonprofits to strengthen their capacity to serve critical needs in the Berkshire community; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Homeless Prevention Council, Inc. of Cape Cod; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for historic New England to support program exploration, feasibility analysis and concept development; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for MassChallenge Inc. to provide support for entrepreneurial programs; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Plymouth downtown waterfront district to support small businesses; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the Pal Pueblo Inc. community organization that empowers Latinos to be agents of change to build a stronger, more inclusive community; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended for the Beacon Communities Charitable Fund, Inc. for the Tierney Learning Center; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Asian-American Women’s Political Initiative, Inc. for programming needs”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,539,084” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,864,084”;

In item 7002-0025, in line 5, by inserting after the word “MASSCAP” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Gardner Community Action Committee, Inc. to support capital improvements and operations; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Community Action Agency of Somerville, Inc. for unanticipated costs not covered by federal grants and tenant rights education and advocacy”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “7,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,625,000”;

In item 7002-0036 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended in equal parts to JP Centre and South Main streets, Egleston Square Main Street, Inc., Three Squares Main Street JP, Inc. and the Uplift JP initiative for training, resources, operations and events”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,535,000”;

In item 7002-0040, in line 11, by inserting after the word “plans” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a grant program to The People’s Academy Inc. for workforce development; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to International Veterans Care Services Inc. in the city of Lawrence to mitigate food insecurity, provide housing relief and administer other essential services to members of the veteran community within the Merrimack valley; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to ACT Lawrence Inc., a non-profit community development corporation, for community development initiatives and activities, including, but not limited to, affordable

housing, foreclosure prevention, first-time homebuyer education, family financial literacy and business and youth development”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “30,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “30,200,000”;

In item 7004-0104, in line 17, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended by the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, Inc. for the purpose of promotion, resource development and technical assistance related to the creation of permanent supportive housing for persons with disabilities who are experiencing homelessness and other solutions to homelessness”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “8,390,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “8,890,000”;

In item 7004-0108, in line 7, by striking out the figures: “20,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “30,000”; and in lines 7 to 12, inclusive, by striking out the following: “provided further, that so long as they meet the requirements of their housing stabilization plan, a family that received household assistance under this item whose income increases shall not become ineligible for assistance due to exceeding the income limit for the first 12 months from the date their income initially increased” and inserting in place thereof the following: “provided further, the department shall provide household assistance in an amount up to \$15,000, or a higher cap established in line item 7004-0108, for subsequent 12-month periods to eligible families; provided further, that so long as they meet the requirements of their housing stabilization plan, a family that received household assistance under this item whose income increases shall not become ineligible for assistance due to exceeding the income limit”;

In item 7006-0071 by adding the following: “; and provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the city of Chicopee to replace equipment in order to continue to provide public and community access on the televisions of residents”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,307,411” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,332,411”;

In item 7007-0952, in line 9, by inserting after the word “agreements” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Forest Park Zoological Society, Inc. for the expansion of the Kids Go Wild program providing free programming to community partners, year-round daily care of not less than 250 animals and additional educational opportunities for youth and adults across western Massachusetts, including an internship program; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Lupa Game Farm, Inc. in Ludlow”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,700,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,750,000”;

In item 7008-0900, in line 15, by inserting after the word “region” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Pilgrim Hall Museum for architectural design and conservation planning to increase sustainability and protect assets by improving and updating the building envelope; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Germantown neighborhood center in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Quincy Asian Resources, Inc. in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the city of Springfield for the Caribbean festival; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, Inc. for maintenance upgrades of 4 elevators, replacement of a controller, MH3000 microprocessor part of the code update for fire service PH2 stop switch and conversion and interior and exterior energy efficiency improvements necessary for the operation of the facilities; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Wilbraham nature and

cultural council for tourism, marketing and advertising purposes; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the operation of New England Public Media, Inc. youth media lab, training, workplace readiness workshops and internships for in-person and remote instruction sessions to engage middle and high school students in media literacy and the role of fact-based journalism in public media and improvements to the new community engagement and education center; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Museum of Science in the city of Boston to increase sustainability by improving and updating the building envelope; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to The West End Museum, Incorporated to mitigate the adverse effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and to recover from flood impacts; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Waltham Tourism Council, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the historic West Medford Community Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended to the historic Cyrus Dallin Art Museum; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation, Inc. for the Bay State games; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Boston Landmarks Orchestra, Inc. for free public concerts in Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to The Commonwealth Shakespeare Company, Inc. for free programming on the Boston common; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to Revolutionary Spaces, Inc. to address deferred maintenance and make improvements necessary for the operation of the old state house and old south meeting house in Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for a matching grant program to the enrichment center located in Dorchester; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Boch center's folk Americana roots hall of fame in the city of Boston to support the hall of fame's educational mission and local economic development through programming and performances at the hall of fame; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to No Books, No Ball Basketball Program, a non-profit corporation; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Museum of African American History, Incorporated; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Lena Park Community Development Corporation, located in Dorchester; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for strategic marketing to increase visitorship to the Museum of the International Volleyball hall of fame in Holyoke; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the town of Lexington for the operational expenses of planning and coordinating the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, including marketing, advertising, security and public safety measures; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts, Inc. in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Putnam historic district property to be administered by the North Reading Minit and Militia in the town of North Reading; provided further, that the Massachusetts film office shall promote the commonwealth as a leading film and television production state"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "3,184,019" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "6,269,019";

In item 7008-1116 by adding the following: " provided, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for repurposing Broadman street park from a playground to an outdoor area accessible to seniors in the town of Norfolk; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the North End Music and Performing Arts Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for

the Wharf District Council, Inc., for climate resiliency planning; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for trail and other multi-modal path management, including design, engineering, technical assistance, consulting services and land acquisitions in the town of Ashland; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the North End Athletic Association, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the Ellis memorial early education center in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for city park improvements in the city of Framingham; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for supporting transportation services for the disabled, elderly, low income and veterans for Taking People Places, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for repairs to the National Lancers headquarters; provided further, that not less than \$400,000 shall be expended for the North End Waterfront neighborhood health center in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Boston Asian: Youth Essential Service, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for subsidized rideshare and taxi transportation for the GoSudbury! program in the town of Sudbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Cape Cod Cape Verdean Museum and Cultural Center, Inc. in the town of Falmouth; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the South End baseball program in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the moving ahead program at the St. Francis House in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for renovation design and a handicap accessible renovation plan for the junction building in North Falmouth; provided further, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended for the replacement of the Northborough-side 'Welcome to Marlborough' sign; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the position of economic development officer in the town of Hopkinton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the position of economic development officer in the town of Holliston; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for development of the parkway from north main street and Chauncy street in the town of Mansfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Scituate visitor center; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Hull Lifesaving Museum for a full-time maritime director position to operationalize new rowing programs for students, senior citizens and disabled veterans and to build program capacity; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the support of small businesses and economic development in the town of Wellesley; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Top, Inc. radio programming; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the replacement and reconstruction of 2 pedestrian bridges in the upper millyard and downtown business district of the city of Amesbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Partridge Brook park in the city of Salisbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Nazzaro Recreation Center, Inc; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Museum of African American History; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the historic Chevalier theatre in Medford; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for OCA-APAA-NE, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Redd's pond retaining wall and walkways in the town of Marblehead; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Community Music Center of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Chinatown Business Association Inc.; provided further, that

not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the urban league fund; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Chess Angels youth art program in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Stone Soul, Inc. festival; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for the Revere boxing outreach program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Services; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for furnishings for the Duxbury student union association; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the hickory street harambee festival in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for furniture for the Shrewsbury public library; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for a study on extending the Acton town sewer; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for promoting economic development for the Franklin Downtown Partnership, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a design, feasibility and traffic study for a town common or town center in the town of Paxton; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for AHA! Art, history and architecture in the city of New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for cultural educational programming and community services at the Cape Verdean Association of New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Frederick Douglass house in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a training apprenticeship for the New Bedford festival theatre; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for production at Zeiterion Performing Arts Center in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for purchasing equipment and supplies for the Southborough fire department; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a multi-use trail in Blessing of the Bay park in Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the provision of pedestrian crosswalks, signage and safety precautions in the town of Swansea; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for pedestrian walking beacons in the town of Natick; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for cultural development work by Worcester Common Ground, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for The Josiah Quincy School Association in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Chinese Historical Society of New England, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for youth and community development initiatives by the Pleasant Street Neighborhood Network Center, Inc. in Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the technological improvements and the provision of programming and services for older adults by Beacon Hill Village, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for improvements to the kitchen renovation for the Catholic charities teen center; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the New Commonwealth Fund to assist in expanding grant opportunities for Black and Brown-led non-profits across the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Rice Sticks and Tea Asian food pantry in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the DeFillipo playground in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for Freetown Historical Society, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the greater Haverhill chamber of commerce; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Gloucester Marine Genomics Institute Incorporated for a research project to

characterize the impact of offshore wind on economically important species using acoustic telemetry and environmental DNA; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended for Wellspring House, Inc. in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for bacteria testing at Good Harbor beach in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for a police firearms training simulator in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for Brooksby farm in the city of Peabody to establish a revolving fund for the purchase and sale of rain barrels to city residents; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended to offset and pay any and all costs incurred and related to, but not limited to, operational costs and expenses involved with the revitalization of the Ludlow mills industrial complex for Westmass Area Development Corporation; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the design, construction and other costs for electric vehicle parking stations in the town of North Andover; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Outside the Box; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Friends of Reggie Wong park; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. North End; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for staffing at the Waltham chamber of commerce; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the operation of Cradles to Crayons, Inc.'s clothing insecurity relief and essentials distribution service; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the North Quabbin Chamber of Commerce, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for maintenance and repairs for East Bridgewater public library; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for North Attleborough animal shelter; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for the Downtown North Attleborough Collaborative, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for community access television station in the town of Wakefield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for a downtown beautification project in the town of Mansfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to Pellegrini park in the Nonantum neighborhood in Newton; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Arlington Chamber of Commerce; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for staffing at the Haitian Community Partnership, Inc. in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for façade improvements to the William C. O'Malley building in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Responsible Urbanites For Fido, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Casa Maria Housing Corporation in the city of Boston for staff and office upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Phillips and Mellen field in Hopedale; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Soccer Unity Project, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Revere and Son Heritage Trust for the Paul Revere heritage site in the town of Canton; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Marlborough public library; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the operation of programs at the Menino arts center in the Hyde Park section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the rehabilitation of the recreation area known as the Centennial Grove in the town of Essex; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the modernization of the dock square sewer pump in the town of Rockport;

provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the town of Manchester for costs relating to the creation of Cape Ann regional emergency preparedness plans for the towns of Manchester, Essex, Rockport, and the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for Massachusetts Alliance for Economic Development, Inc. for technical assistance to the region and municipalities of the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Fall River Historical Society; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Mutual Aid Eastie for mutual aid programming in the East Boston section of the City of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Neighbors United for a Better East Boston to facilitate civic engagement, community programming and infrastructure maintenance and upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the for Bay Village Neighborhood Association, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for infrastructure improvements at Clark park in Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for procurement and facilitation of an open space and natural resources plan in the town of Danvers; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for The Topsfield Historical Society for the installation of an Americans with Disabilities Act compliant parking lot and sidewalk access to 1710 Gould barn; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the New England Aquarium Corporation in the cities of Boston and Quincy for upgrades and other improvements, including those necessary for the operation of facilities operated by the New England Aquarium Corporation in the cities of Boston and Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Caribbean Integration Community Development, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for Montachusett Veterans' Outreach Center, Inc. for women's supportive housing programs and services; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the restoration of the Golden Hills playground in the town of Saugus; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for upgrades to Pride park in the town of West Boylston to be more accessible to persons with disabilities and compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the expansion of the Asian Community Development Corporation retirement matched savings program for low-income Asian elders; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study of a new community center located in the south side of the city of Framingham; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for web design and infrastructure improvement for the Brimfield antique show through the Chamber of Central Mass South; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for Gloucester Boxing Club, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the repair or replacement of electrical systems in Gloucester city hall in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Hispanic American library in Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the operation of the zoo in forest park in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for FORGE for promotion of local manufacturing and innovation readiness for startups in western Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for assistance to displaced businesses by the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc. in Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for neighborhood beautification and senior activities by the Indian

Orchard Citizens Council, Inc. in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for neighborhood beautification and senior activities by the East Springfield Neighborhood Council, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Greater Lowell Community Foundation, Inc. in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Heath fairgrounds by the Heath Agricultural Society, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Double Edge theatre in the town of Ashfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for The Arlington Historical Society; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for accessibility adaptations to group homes for the Charles river center; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to Metacomet park in Medfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Women's Suffrage Celebration Coalition of Massachusetts, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for recreational activities for at-risk youth for the greater Lawrence boat house; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for expanded community offerings at the West Falmouth library; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for outfitting multipurpose spaces within the facilities of MVY radio on Martha's Vineyard; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for piper road corridor traffic and public safety improvement projects in West Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for expansion of the early education and care center for the West Springfield Boys and Girls Club; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Western Massachusetts Sports Commission; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for sidewalk repairs and improvements in Depot square in the town of Clinton; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for landscaping and community beautification for the Woods Hole Business Association, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for planning and implementing the 300th anniversary celebration in the town of Walpole; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for renovation of the Stoughton train depot building; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Deborah Sampson recreational facility in the town of Sharon; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Parkway little league baseball in the West Roxbury section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for LGBTQ Senior Housing Inc. to facilitate access to welcoming, safe and affordable housing for low-income LGBTQ seniors; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for the design and construction of improvements at Liberty field in the town of Boxborough; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for maintenance and repairs of the little red school house and gazebo in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for the Dighton public library to purchase fixtures, furnishings, equipment and books without censorship; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the town of Swansea to construct an Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant and architectural access board-compliant sidewalk along the north side of Stevens road along with sharrows and signage that is compliant with the federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices between Base Lodge road and Bark street and the installation of a rectangular rapid flashing beacon with Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant and architectural access board-compliant curb ramps and high visibility crosswalk at Ridge lane; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for the town of Swansea to refurbish the Veterans

Memorial park bocce courts; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Friends of Jack Foundation, Inc., for providing healthcare programs and child life specialists in community hospitals; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Adams Presidential Center in Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Sean Joyce athletic fields in the town of Holbrook; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Holbrook Community Action grant; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Pond Plain Improvement Association in the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Idlewell Educational Improvement Association Inc. in the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Ward 2 Civic Association in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Penn's Hill Neighborhood Association, Inc. in the city of Quincy; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Black Economic Council of Massachusetts, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the design and construction of the Tyler Jacoby Lawrence Memorial park at the Norwood Memorial airport; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Friends of Herter Park, Inc. for the maintenance of the outdoor theater in Artesani park with approval from the department of conservation and recreation; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Charles River Watershed Association to engage with Allston-Brighton residents in understanding and reviewing the climate resilience implications of planned development in the Allston-Brighton sections of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for the Let's Row Boston program administered by Community Rowing, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the Addiction Treatment Center of New England, Inc. for the expansion of the three-quarter step unit program; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended for New American Association of Massachusetts, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Boston Athletic Association in the Hyde Park section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a child safety program in the town of Winthrop; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a child safety program in the city of Revere; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for playground, kitchen and storage facility upgrades for community action head start at the Amherst location; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for enhanced resource collection and technology support for the Granby free public library; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for Massachusetts Partnerships for Youth, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the construction of a teen center for the Boys and Girls Club of Chicopee; and provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for waterproofing and sealing the East Bridgewater public library"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "16,800,000";

In item 7066-0000, in line 8, by inserting after the year: "2012" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to Quincy College for student supports"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "4,182,123", (inserted by amendment) and inserting in place thereof the figures: "4,382,123";

In item 8324-0050, by striking out the following: "provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for radio equipment for the town of Tewksbury fire department and additional equipment for Tewksbury fire and police departments"

and inserting in place thereof the following: “provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the fire department in the town of Tewksbury for services provided to the Tewksbury state hospital”;

In section 2F, in item 1596-2402 by adding the words “; provided, that the program is administered by the Massachusetts department of transportation”;

In item 1596-2408 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$700,000 shall be expended for the MBTA for the operation of a ferry service from Lewis Wharf Mall in East Boston to Long Wharf in the North End section of the city of Boston; provided further, that said ferry service shall run from April 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023 and again from April 1, 2024 until October 31 2024; provided further, that the MBTA shall report the number of passengers who utilize said service to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than January 31, 2024; and provided further, that these funds shall be made available until June 30, 2025”;

By inserting after section 8A1/3 (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 8AA. Chapter 23A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 70. (a) The terms defined in paragraph (yy) of section 6 of chapter 64H shall apply to this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(b) The secretary of the executive office of housing and economic development, in consultation with the commissioner of revenue, shall determine qualifications for qualified data centers, to qualify for a sales and use tax exemption pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H.

(c) To apply for the sales and use tax exemption pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H, the owner or operator of a data center shall submit to the secretary of housing and economic development an application on a form prescribed by the commissioner of revenue that shall include:

(i) the name, address and telephone number of the owner or operator;

(ii) the address of the site where the qualified data center is or will be located, including, but not limited to, information sufficient to identify the facility composing the data center, and the expected commercial operations date of each data center building that will be located at the data center facility;

(iii) the anticipated aggregate square feet of the qualified data center for which the sales and use tax exemption is being sought; provided, that in determining whether the facility has the required square footage, the total square footage of the data center facility shall include the space that houses the computer information technology equipment, networking, data processing or data storage, including, but not limited to, servers and routers, and the spaces that support the operation of enterprise information technology equipment, including, but not limited to, office space, meeting space, loading dock space and mechanical and other support facilities.

(iv) the anticipated investment associated with the qualified data center for which the sales and use tax exemption is being sought;

(v) the anticipated number of jobs that the data center will create and maintain within 1 year, 5 years and 10 years of operation after certification; and

(vi) an affirmation, signed by an authorized executive representing the owner or operator, that the data center is expected to satisfy the certification requirements in this section as a qualified data center.

(d)(1) Within 60 days after receiving a completed application, the secretary of housing and economic development shall review the application submitted by the owner or operator of a data center and certify the data center as a certified qualified data center if the data center meets all requirements of this section.

(2) The secretary shall issue a written certification that the data center qualifies for the sales and use tax exemption pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H or provide written reasons for its denial and an opportunity for the applicant to cure any deficiencies.

(3) Failure to approve or deny the application within 60 days after the date the owner or operator submits the application to the secretary shall constitute approval of the qualified data center and the secretary shall issue written certification to the owner or operator within 14 days of such approval.

(4) The certification shall provide the following information related to each data center:

(i) the effective date of the certification;

(ii) the total square footage of the qualified data center;

(iii) the total amount of land costs, construction costs, refurbishment costs and eligible data center equipment;

(iv) the beginning and ending date of the sales and use tax exemption pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H for the first data center building, which shall begin on the effective date of the certification and be valid for the qualification period; and

(v) for a qualified data center that is comprised of more than 1 data center building, the expected commercial operations dates and expected qualification periods for subsequent data center buildings expected to be located at the qualified data center.

(5) The secretary shall send a copy of the certification to the commissioner of revenue.

(e) The effective date of the certification shall be the date on which the application was submitted to the secretary or a prospective date stated in the application that shall not exceed 5 years after the date on which the application was submitted; provided, that the certification shall be valid through the qualification period.

(f) The secretary and commissioner shall review the certification after 10 years.

(g)(1) For the purposes of this subsection, the term “material noncompliance” shall mean the failure of a qualified data center to substantially achieve the investment requirements and minimum number of jobs pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H.

(2) The secretary may revoke the certification of a qualified data center after an investigation by the executive office of housing and economic development, in consultation with the department of revenue, and a written determination that the qualified data center is in material noncompliance with this section, said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H or the certification.

(3) Revocation shall take effect on the first day of the tax year in which the executive office of housing and economic development determines the qualified data center to be in material noncompliance. The commissioner of revenue shall, as of the effective date of the revocation, disallow any credits, exemptions or other tax benefits allowed by the original certification of tax benefits pursuant to said paragraph (yy) of said section 6 of said chapter 64H.

(h) Each qualified data center shall file a report with the secretary and commissioner prior to the end of the tenth year of the qualification period detailing whether it has met the specific investment requirements pursuant to paragraph (yy) of section 6 of chapter 64H.

(i) The secretary, in consultation with the commissioner of revenue, shall promulgate regulations and shall issue instructions or forms necessary for the implementation of this section.”;

By inserting after section 14D (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 14E. Section 6 of chapter 64H of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(yy)(1) Sales of: (A) eligible data center equipment for use in a qualified data center; (B) computer software for use in a qualified data center; (C) electricity for use or consumption in the operation of a qualified data center; or (D) construction costs incurred for the construction, renovation or refurbishment of a qualified data center.

(2) If the secretary revokes the certification of a qualified data center, the commissioner shall, as of the effective date of the revocation, disallow any credits, exemptions or other tax benefits allowed by the original certification of tax benefits pursuant to this paragraph.

(3) If the qualified data center is sold to a new owner prior to the expiration of the exemption, tax benefits pursuant to this paragraph shall remain in effect and apply to a subsequent owner for the remaining duration of the 20-year qualification period.

(4) As used in this paragraph, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Colocation tenant’, a person, partnership, company, corporation or other entity that contracts with or leases from the owner or operator of a qualified data center to use or occupy all or part of a qualified data center.

‘Computer software’, software purchased, leased, utilized or loaded at a qualified data center, including, but not limited to, maintenance, licensing and software customization.

‘Construction costs’, costs of materials, labor, services and equipment purchased or leased to construct a qualified data center facility, including, but not limited to, data center building costs, accessory building costs and building improvement costs, land development and site improvement costs, site utility infrastructure costs, building materials, steel, concrete, gravel, engineering services, heavy equipment, cranes, transportation equipment, excavation costs, storm water system and management costs, access roads, bridges, fencing, lighting, landscaping and other costs to construct the facility.

‘Eligible data center equipment’, computers and equipment supporting computing, networking, data processing or data storage, including, but not limited to, servers and routers; computer servers, routers, connections, chassis, networking equipment, switches, racks, fiber optic and copper cables, trays, conduits and other enabling machinery, equipment and hardware; component parts, replacement parts and upgrades; cooling systems, cooling towers, chillers, mechanical equipment, HVAC equipment, refrigerant piping, fuel piping and storage, adiabatic and free cooling systems, water softeners, air handling units, indoor direct exchange units, fans, ducting, filters and other temperature control infrastructure; power infrastructure for transformation, generation, distribution or management of electricity used for the operations and maintenance of a qualified data center, including, but not limited to, substations, switchyards, transformers, generators, uninterruptible power supplies, backup power generation systems, battery systems, energy efficiency measures, supplies, fuel piping and storage, duct banks, switches, switchboards, testing equipment and related utility infrastructure; monitoring and security equipment; water conservation systems, including, but not limited to, equipment designed to collect, conserve and reuse water; modular data center equipment and preassembled components of any item described in this paragraph, including, but not limited to,

components used in the manufacturing of modular data centers; and any other personal property or equipment that is used or consumed in the operation and maintenance of the qualified data center.

‘Qualification period’, a 20-year period of time beginning on the effective date of the certification by the secretary of the qualified data center for the first data center building, and expiring at the end of the twentieth full calendar year following the calendar year in which the certification became effective; provided, that if the qualified data center is comprised of more than 1 data center building, the qualification period for each subsequent data center building that is constructed at the qualified data center facility shall start when each data center building begins commercial operations, as evidenced by receipt of a certificate of occupancy, and shall continue for a period of 20 full calendar years, expiring at the end of the twentieth full calendar year following the calendar year each respective data center building began commercial operations.

‘Qualified data center’, a facility in the commonwealth that:

(A) is owned or leased by: (i) the operator of the data center facility; or (ii) a person, partnership, company, corporation or other entity under common ownership of the operator of the data center facility;

(B) is comprised of 1 or more data center buildings that consist in the aggregate of not less than 100,000 square feet and that are located on a single parcel, or on contiguous parcels, where the total eligible qualified data center costs of the data center facility are at least \$50,000,000 within a 10-year period from the effective date of the certification by the secretary as a qualified data center;

(C) is constructed or substantially refurbished;

(D) maintains a minimum of 20 jobs per data center building or 100 jobs in the aggregate in the commonwealth; and

(E) is used to house computer information technology equipment, networking, data processing or data storage, including, but not limited to, servers and routers for the storage, management and dissemination of data and information where the facility has the following characteristics: (i) uninterruptible power supplies, generator backup power or both; (ii) sophisticated fire suppression and prevention systems; and (iii) enhanced security. A qualified data center shall be considered to have enhanced security if it has restricted access to the facility to selected personnel, permanent security guards, video camera surveillance, an electronic system requiring pass codes, keycards or biometric scans or similar security features.

‘Qualified data center costs’, expenditures made for the construction, refurbishment, renovation or improvement of a facility to be used as a qualified data center, including, but not limited to, the cost of land, land development and site improvement costs, site utility infrastructure costs, construction costs, qualified data center building costs, accessory building costs and building improvement costs and eligible data center equipment.

‘Secretary’, the secretary of the executive office of housing and economic development.

‘Substantially refurbished’, a rebuild, modification or construction of not less than 100,000 square feet of an existing qualified data center where the total eligible qualified data center costs are not less than \$50,000,000 within a 10-year period from the effective date of the certification by the secretary as a qualified data center, including, but not limited to: (i) installation of computer information technology equipment, networking, data processing or data storage, including servers and routers, environmental control, computer software and energy efficiency improvements; and (ii) building improvements.

(5) The commissioner shall promulgate regulations necessary for the administration of this paragraph.”;

By inserting after section 27A (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 27A 1/2. Section 3 of chapter 175M of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 43 and 44, the words ‘or (ii) a paid family, or medical leave policy of an employer’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— (ii) a paid family or medical leave policy of an employer; or (iii) any accrued sick or vacation pay or other paid leave provided under an employer policy, including, but not limited to, any leave provided under a collective bargaining agreement.”;

By inserting after section 29 the following section:

“SECTION 29 1/2. Line-item 1599-6077 of section 2A of chapter 268 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for increased food pantry access in Somerville’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Somerville Homeless Coalition Incorporated for increased food pantry access in Somerville.”;

By inserting after section 34C (inserted by amendment) the following two sections:

“SECTION 34D. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, grants from the amounts collected pursuant to subsection (a) of section 13T of chapter 23A of the General Laws allocated to regional tourism councils pursuant to clause (ii) of subsection (d) of said section 13T for fiscal year 2024 shall be distributed not later than December 15, 2023.

SECTION 34E. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, grants from the amounts collected pursuant to subsection (b) of section 13T of chapter 23A of the General Laws allocated to regional tourism councils pursuant to clause (ii) of subsection (d) of said section 13T for fiscal year 2023 shall be distributed not later than December 15, 2023.”;

By inserting after section 35 the following section:

“SECTION 35A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the unexpended balance of each appropriation in the Massachusetts management accounting and reporting system with a secretariat code of 01 or 17 is hereby re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 of chapter 126 of the acts of 2022. The sums reappropriated in this section shall be in addition to any amounts available for said purposes.”; and

By inserting after section 48 the following section:

“SECTION 48A. The exemptions authorized in paragraph (yy) of section 6 of chapter 64H of the General Laws shall be effective for costs incurred after the effective date of this act.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the 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 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 24](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (labor and economic development) were adopted.

Subsequently a statement of Ms. Uytterhoeven of Somerville was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that on the previous roll, I was unable to be present in the House Chamber due to official

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 24.

Statement of
Representative
Uytterhoeven of
Somerville.

business in another part of the State House. Had I been present I would have voted in the affirmative.

The Speaker being in the Chair, —

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 25](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 3901, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently a statement of Ms. Uytterhoeven of Somerville was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that on the previous roll, I was unable to be present in the House Chamber due to official business in another part of the State House. Had I been present I would have voted in the affirmative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 25.

Statement of
Representative
Uytterhoeven of
Somerville.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-three minutes after six o'clock P.M. (Wednesday, April 26), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (the Speaker being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, April 27, 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.

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 Aaron Michlewitz for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sarah Kolb, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services; and

Sarah Kolb,—
sick leave.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of John J. Mahoney and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction;

Michael
Grant,—
sick leave.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Under suspension of the rule, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, 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 Senate Bill establishing a process for determining the order of candidates' names on the town of Marblehead's town election ballots (Senate, No. 411) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Marblehead,—
ballots.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Reports of Committees on Proposals Legislative Amendments to the Constitution.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 8) of Liz Miranda, Adam Gomez and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to voting rights,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 8), ought to pass.

Voting
rights,—
felons.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 26) of Erika Uyterhoeven and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to voting rights of certain persons incarcerated in correctional facilities due to felony convictions,— reported, in accordance with a

Id.

provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 26), ought to pass.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 33) of Mindy Domb and Jack Patrick Lewis for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the oaths and affirmations of public office,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 33), ought to pass.

Public offices,—
oaths and
affirmations.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 12) of William N. Brownsberger for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to select boards,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 12), ought to pass.

Select boards.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 13) of Joanne M. Comerford, Susannah M. Whipps, Susan Williams Gifford, Hannah Kane and other members of the General Court for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to agricultural and horticultural lands,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 13), ought to pass.

Agricultural and
horticultural
lands.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 41) of Paul A. Schmid, III and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to agricultural and horticultural lands,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 41), ought to pass.

Id.

The reports were severally read and placed on file, in accordance with the requirements of said rule.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 29) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the right to housing,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 29), ought NOT to pass [Representative Connolly of Cambridge dissenting].

Housing,—
Constitutional
right.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 10) of William N. Brownsberger for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 10), ought NOT to pass.

Governor and
Lt. Governor,—
titles.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 11) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution for term renewal process,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 11), ought NOT to pass.

Judges,—
term renewal.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 30) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and Andres X. Vargas for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the title of the Governor,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 30), ought NOT to pass.

Governor,—
title.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 31) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the title of the Lieutenant-Governor,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 31), ought NOT to pass.

Lieutenant Governor,— title.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 32) of Mindy Domb and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to use of gender in the Constitution of the Commonwealth,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 32), ought NOT to pass.

Constitution,— gender.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 34) of Vanna Howard for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the term of office of judicial officers,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 34), ought NOT to pass.

Judicial officers,— term.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 35) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to prohibiting eminent domain takings,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 35), ought NOT to pass.

Eminent domain.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 36) of Paul McMurtry for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to changing the mandatory age of retirement for judges,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 36), ought NOT to pass.

Judges,— retirement age.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 37) of Orlando Ramos and Carlos González for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to require reappointment of judges every five years,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 37), ought NOT to pass.

Judges,— reappointment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 38) of Susannah M. Whipps, Paul W. Mark and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to a succession plan for a vacancy in the office of Lieutenant-Governor,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 38), ought NOT to pass.

Lieutenant Governor,— vacancy.

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 39) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to a Constitutional right to employable skills training,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 39), ought NOT to pass.

Employable skills training,— Constitutional right.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 14) of Bruce E. Tarr for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to require a supermajority vote for the utilization of rainy day funds,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 14), ought NOT to pass [Senator Fattman and Representative Soter of Bellingham dissenting].

Rainy day funds,— supermajority vote.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 15) of Bruce E. Tarr for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to cap the state income tax,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see Senate, No. 15), ought NOT to pass [Senator Fattman and Representative Soter of Bellingham dissenting].

Income tax,—
cap.

By the same member, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 40) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to ensuring appropriate expenditure of fair share funds received from persons reporting incomes in excess of one million dollars,— reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23, recommending that the amendment proposed by said petition (see House, No. 40), ought NOT to pass [Senator Fattman and Representative Soter of Bellingham dissenting].

Fair share
funds,—
expenditure.

The reports were severally read and placed on file, in accordance with the requirements of said rule.

Under the provisions of Joint Rule 23, the following proposals were placed on file, the time within which the said committees were required to report having expired:

Of the committee on Election Laws, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 23), on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 7) of James B. Eldridge for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to establish an independent redistricting commission;

Redistricting,—
commission.

Of the same committee, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 23), on the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 9) of Paul W. Mark for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to campaign finance reform; and

Campaign
finance
reform.

Of the committee on Health Care Financing, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 23), on the petition (accompanied by proposal, House, No. 27) of Vincent L. Dixon for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to establish a right to health care.

Health care,—
Constitutional
right.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Leicester to continue the employment of Kenneth M. Antanavica (see House, No. 2579) (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 establishing a sick leave bank for Lisa Balentine, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 3779), having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Lisa
Balentine,—
sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jane Racine, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 3771), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading be correctly, was read a third time.

Jane Racine,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of developmental services, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3771, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-nine before twelve o’clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, May 1, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Michael Cole Iannone on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Michael
Iannone.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating James A. Kemp on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

James
Kemp.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Fred Everett Lybrand on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Fred
Lybrand.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vaughn of Wrentham and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Alexander James Munz on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Alexander
Munz.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see Section 1P of Chapter 69 of the General Laws) submitting the eighth annual report of the Safe and Supportive Schools Commission [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, the committee on Education; and the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, as required by said law]; and

Safe and
Supportive
Schools
Commission.

From the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (see item 8000-0000 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its first annual report for fiscal year 2022;

POST
Commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Division of Administrative Law Appeals (under Section 4H of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) for calendar year 2022, was placed on file.

Administrative
Law Appeals.

Petitions.

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 Vitolo of Brookline, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3817) of Tommy Vitolo relative to the portability of alcohol service licenses. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Alcohol
service
licenses.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3818) of Manny Cruz relative to preventing rampant online technological exploitation and criminal trafficking and establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) to examine sentencing for criminal online technological exploitation. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Online
exploitation,—
study.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3819) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others relative to reviving, continuing and further regulating the citizens commission established (under Chapter 322 of the Acts of 2018) concerning a Constitutional amendment to secure government of the people. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Citizens
commission,—
Constitutional
amendment.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Xiarhos of Barnstable presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3816) of Steven George Xiarhos and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) relative to wastewater treatment and disposal in the town of Sandwich; and the same was referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Sandwich,—
wastewater.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Giannino of Revere, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jessica Ann Giannino for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Tanya
Pizzi,—
sick leave.

By Representative Gregoire of Marlborough (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Andrew Limeri relative to software legal agreements.

Software
agreements.

By Representative O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day relative to the mental well-being of new mothers facing criminal charges.

Perinatal,—
crimes.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 478) of James B. Eldridge, Adam Scanlon, Michael J. Barrett, Paul W. Mark and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand the sale of products by farmer breweries,—

Farmer
breweries,—
products.

and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure; and

Of the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1112) of Rebecca L. Rausch, Adam Gomez and James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a bill of rights for people experiencing homelessness,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Children, Families and Person with Disabilities;

Homelessness.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 910) of Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to the financial statement review and financial statement audit thresholds for Massachusetts public charities,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Financial Services;

Public charities,— audits.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1106) of Pavel M. Payano for legislation to specify an electronic system to ensure that sales of certain products containing pseudoephedrine (PSE) do not exceed limits established under federal law,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing; and

Pseudoephedrine,— sales.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 970) of Paul R. Feeney for legislation relative to suicide prevention signage at certain facilities,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery;

Signage,— suicide prevention.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2384) of Cynthia Stone Creem, John J. Lawn, Jr., Ruth B. Balser and Kay Khan (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the appointment of special police officers in the city of Newton, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Newton,— special police.

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 Kristin E. Kassner for an investigation by a special commission relative to the preparation of the built environment for the next economy, including an inventory of infrastructure, buildings, and land use regulations. To the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

Next economy,— commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kristin E. Kassner, Kenneth I. Gordon and Jeffrey Rosario Turco relative to travel mileage rate fees for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and constables. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Sheriffs,— mileage rates.

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

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2534) of Jessica Ann Giannino for legislation to regulate administrative leaves involving events during which

Critical incident leave.

officers discharge firearms,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1657) of Ryan C. Fattman and David Paul Linsky for legislation to designate January as Peace Officer history month,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Peace Officer
history
month.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1727) of Michael F. Rush, Paul McMurtry, Lydia Edwards and Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation relative to the composition of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Transportation.

Department of
Transportation,—
board of
directors.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a process for determining the order of candidates' names on the town of Marblehead's town election ballots (Senate, No. 411), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 2023 (submitted by the Governor under the provisions of Article LXXXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution) relative to creating the executive office of housing and livable communities and to rename the Executive Office of Economic Development (House, No. 43) [the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight had reported, in accordance with a provision of Joint Rule 23A, recommending that said Reorganization Plan Number 1 "ought to be approved" — For majority report, see Senate, No. 2378], was laid aside as moot [the time to act on such Reorganization Plan #1 of 2023 having expired on Sunday, April 30, 2023].

Reorganization
Plan No. 1
of 2023,—
housing
and livable
communities.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3778) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

William
Donahue,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the trial court of the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3778, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Recognition of Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day.

During the Session, Ms. Howard of Lowell took the Chair for the purpose of recognizing the contributions of the Cambodian community of the Commonwealth to Massachusetts and to the United States, on the occasion of Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day. Ms. Howard then read the House Resolutions (adopted this day) commemorating Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day.

Cambodian
Genocide
Remembrance
Day.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, the Division 5 state champion girls indoor track and field team and Division 2 state champion boys swim and dive team from Weston High School. At the invitation of the Chair, the students participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley.

Weston High
School,—
girls indoor
track and boys
swim teams.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Neil Agarwal on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Neil
Agarwal.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Yash Agarwal on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Yash
Agarwal.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Liam V. Gavin on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Liam
Gavin.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Theodore L. Glaeser on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Theodore
Glaeser.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Noah C. Janchar on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Noah
Janchar.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating George S. Sullivan on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

George
Sullivan.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Griffin M. Tanny on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Griffin
Tanny.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Biele of Boston) congratulating Michael Cornell on achieving the rank of Brigadier General;

Michael
Cornell.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Gordon of Bedford and Ciccolo of Lexington) commending the National Association of Professional Employer Organizations for recognizing the week of May 21, 2023 as National Professional Employer Organization Week; and

Professional
employer
organization
week.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Howard of Lowell and other members of the House) commemorating Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day;

Cambodian
Genocide.

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

Order.

The following order (filed by Ms. Domb of Amherst) was adopted:

Ordered, That the House hereby calls for a joint session of the two houses, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the oaths and affirmations of public office (House, No. 33),— with reference to which the committee on the Judiciary has reported that the amendment ought to pass.

Public
offices,—
oaths and
affirmations.

The following order (filed by Mr. Jones of North Reading) was adopted:

Ordered, That the House hereby calls for a joint session of the two houses, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to prohibiting eminent domain takings (House, No. 35),— with reference to which the committee on the Judiciary has reported that the amendment ought NOT to pass.

Eminent
domain,—
prohibition.

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 4(b) of Chapter 258F of the General Laws) submitting the Certification for Victims of Violent Crime and Human Trafficking report for fiscal year 2022;

Violent Crime
and Human
Trafficking.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 1595-1070 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report on payments, investment and assessments of the Safety Net Provider Trust Fund; and

Safety Net
Provider
Trust Fund.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0500 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report with a comparative analysis of the psychiatric inpatient and substance abuse treatment hospital per diem rates as of December, 2022;

Psychiatric
care and drug
abuse,—
per diem
rates.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Office of the Inspector General (under Section 12 of Chapter 12A of the General Laws) for calendar year 2022, was placed on file.

Inspector
General.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cassidy of Brockton and Senator Brady, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3824) of Gerard J. Cassidy, Michael D. Brady and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Brockton be authorized to appoint a commissioner of public health for said city;

Brockton,—
public
health
commissioner.

By Representatives Peisch of Wellesley and Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3827) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Carmine Lawrence Gentile (by vote of the town) relative to the membership of the Housing Commission in the town of Lincoln; and

Lincoln,—
housing
commission.

By Representative Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3825) of William M. Straus (by vote of the town) that the town of Fairhaven be authorized to establish a fee for checkout bags in said town;

Fairhaven,—
checkout
bags fee.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3826) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) that the town of Holliston be authorized to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption in said town. To the committee on Revenue.

Holliston,—
property taxes.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Ana C. Contreras, an employee of the Trial Court.

Ana
Contreras,—
sick leave.

By Representative Capano of Lynn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Peter Capano that the Secretary of Veterans' Services be authorized to create a veterans' benefits and services notice and that certain employers be required to post said notice.

Veterans'
benefits,—
notices.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2385) of Susan L. Moran for legislation relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Dental
hygienists,—
licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2386) of Ryan C. Fattman and Joseph D. McKenna for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Matt Blazes, an employee of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. To the committee on Public Service.

Matt
Blazes,—
sick leave.

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 Jessica Ann Giannino for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. To the committee on Public Service.

Tanya
Pizzi,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) 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. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Framingham,—
land.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill to use more inclusive language for the Lanesborough board of selectmen (House, No. 2029) [Local Approval Received].

Lanesborough,—
selectmen.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend the Williamstown town charter by making all gender references therein gender neutral (House, No. 2030) [Local Approval Received].

Williamstown,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill creating the offices of select board and town manager in the town of Sandisfield (House, No. 2100, changed in section 2, in line 37, by striking out the figures: “40” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “41”) [Local Approval Received].

Sandisfield,—
select board
and town
manager.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 3814, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Sarah Kolb (House, No. 3820).

Sarah Kolb,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3815, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant (House, No. 3821).

Michael
Grant,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a process for determining the order of candidates’ names on the town of Marblehead’s town election ballots (see Senate, No. 411) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, May 8, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) congratulating Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW Post 1027 on its one hundredth anniversary;

VFW Post
1027.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Arciero of Westford) congratulating Everett "Bill" Olsen, Jr., on being named the 2023 Westford Kiwanis Person of the Year; and

Bill
Olsen.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Walsh of Peabody) congratulating Matthew Richards on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Matthew
Richards.

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

Orders.

The following order (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) was adopted:

Ordered, That the House hereby calls for a joint session of the two Houses, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to changing the mandatory age of retirement for judges (see House, No. 36),— with reference to which the committee on the Judiciary has reported that the amendment ought NOT to pass.

Judges,—
mandatory
retirement.

The following order (filed by Mr. Schmid of Westport) was adopted:

Ordered, That the House hereby calls for a joint session of the two Houses, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to agricultural and horticultural lands (see House, No. 41),— with reference to which the committee on Revenue has reported that the amendment ought to pass.

Agricultural
and horticultural
lands.

The following order (filed by Ms. Uyterhoeven of Somerville) was adopted:

Ordered, That the House hereby calls for a joint session of the two Houses, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to voting rights (see House, No. 26),— with reference to which the committee on Election Laws has reported that the amendment ought to pass.

Felons,—
voting.

Petitions.

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 LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3831) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to establish a Commonwealth internet service provider to be known as Commonwealth ISP. To the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity.

Internet
service
provider.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3832) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to changing Mass Health estate recoup for people with disabilities beyond age 55. To the committee on Health Care Financing.

Mass Health,—
estate recoup.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3833) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to technical assistance for municipalities through the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Cities and
towns,—
technical
assistance.

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3834) of Rob Consalvo relative to the operation of off-highway vehicles. To the committee on Transportation.

Off-highway
vehicles.

By Representative Turco of Winthrop, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3835) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco for legislation to include certain members of the National Guard in the definition of veterans. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Veterans,—
definition.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:

Ordered, That, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXXXI) of the Amendments to the Constitution, a joint session of the two Houses be held on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at eleven o'clock A.M., for the purpose of considering proposals for amendments to the Constitution.

Constitutional
convention.

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 Sarah K. Peake relative to accidental disability retirement for William Little, a police officer of the town of Chatham, from the Barnstable County Retirement Association. To the committee on Public Service.

Chatham,—
William
Little.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Sarah K. Peake for legislation to designate a portion of state highway Route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway. To the committee on Transportation.

Harwich,—
Palmer
highway.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Establishing a sick leave bank for Sarah Kolb (House, No. 3820); and

Sarah Kolb.
Michael Grant.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant (House, No. 3821).

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

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Raynham to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 283) [Local Approval Received].

Raynham,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to extend the time for the issuance of alcoholic beverage licenses in the city of Woburn (House, No. 316) [Local Approval Received].

Woburn,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill to amend special legislation to pursue five (5) additional alcohol pouring licenses in Hudson's C-1 Zoning District (House, No. 320) [Local Approval Received].

Hudson,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Berlin to grant up to two additional all alcoholic beverages licenses not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 345) [Local Approval Received].

Berlin,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Rochester to grant an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 393) [Local Approval Received].

Rochester,—
liquor
license.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 250, a 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) [Local Approval Received].

Mansfield,—
liquor
license.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 11, 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.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Mr. Kushmerek of Fitchburg as his designee (under Section 42 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) to the Special Commission to Investigate and Study the Promotion and Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the American Revolution.

250th
American
Revolution
anniversary.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ayers of Quincy and other members of the House) commending the Greater Boston chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals on its recognition of North American Occupational Safety and Health Week and Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day;

Occupational
health and
safety.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Driscoll of Milton, Giannino of Revere and Garcia of Chelsea) honoring Wallace R. Rockwell, Sr., on his one hundredth birthday;

Wallace
Rockwell.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Gentile of Sudbury) commending the Fibromuscular Dysplasia Society of America on recognizing the month of May 2023 as Fibromuscular Dysplasia Awareness Month;

Fibromuscular
Dysplasia
Month.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. LeBoeuf of Worcester and other members of the House) acknowledging May 2023 as Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders Awareness Month;

Disorders,—
awareness
month.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Megan O'Donnell on achieving the Gold Award of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America;

Megan
O'Donnell.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Soter of Bellingham) congratulating the Coniaris family on eighty-two successful years in business at Pete's Bluebird Restaurant in Bellingham;

Coniaris
family.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vieira of Falmouth and Fernandes of Falmouth) commending the Falmouth Community Television Corporation, Inc. on its thirtieth anniversary; and

Falmouth
Community
Television.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vitolo of Brookline) recognizing the thirty-ninth annual "What JFK Means To Me" ceremony at the John F. Kennedy National Historic Site;

JFK
ceremony.

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

Communications.

A communication from the Department of Energy Resources of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (under the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 25A of the General Laws) submitting regulations 225 CMR 24.00 – Municipal Fossil Fuel Free Building Construction and Renovation Demonstration Project, and also establishing data reporting requirements and assessment procedures to measure impacts of fossil fuel free building code requirements (House, No. 3847), was referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Division
of Energy
Resources,—
regulations.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 13L of Chapter 118E the General Laws) submitting the 340B/High-Cost Drugs Impact report; and

Hospitals,—
discount
prescriptions.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 30 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022) submitting an update on the progress towards achieving the goals of the comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination equity plan;

COVID-19
vaccination
equity plan.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3839) of James Arciero (by vote of the town) that the town of Westford be authorized to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premise. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Westford,—
liquor
license.

By Representative Domb of Amherst and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3840) of Mindy Domb and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the town council) that the city known as the town of Amherst be authorized to extend local voting rights for lawful permanent residents residing in said town. To the committee on Election Laws.

Amherst,—
voting
rights.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3841) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to the construction and operation of systems of sewers in the town of Deerfield; and

Deerfield,—
sewers.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3842) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Gosnold to selectboard;

Gosnold,—
selectboard.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3843) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M.

Deerfield,—
police.

Comerford (by vote of the town) that the town of Deerfield be authorized to continue the employment of police department members Michael W. Habel, Robert A Thratcher and Mark Jacques; and

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3844) of Rob Consalvo (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the appointment of Ariel Rodriguez as a police officer in the city of Boston notwithstanding the maximum age requirement.

Boston,—
Ariel
Rodriguez.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Representatives Connolly of Cambridge and Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3845) of Mike Connolly and Erika Uytterhoeven (with the approval of the mayor and the board of aldermen) that the city of Somerville be authorized to establish a real estate transfer fee on certain real estate transactions in said city. To the committee on Revenue.

Somerville,—
real estate
transfer fee.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3846) of Manny Cruz (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Salem be authorized to adopt and enforce local regulations restricting new fossil fuel infrastructure in certain construction projects in said city. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Salem,—
fossil
fuels.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 552) of Patrick M. O'Connor, Jennifer Balinsky Armini, Julian Cyr, Bruce E. Tarr and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to lobstering closure mitigation,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Agriculture; and

Lobstering,—
closure
mitigation.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 530) of Liz Miranda, Vanna Howard and Jacob R. Oliveira for legislation to preserve space for the creative economy,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development;

Creative
economy.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2387) of Bruce E. Tarr, Sally P. Kerans and Jerald A. Parisella (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to appointing the town clerk of the town of Wenham, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Wenham,—
town clerk.

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 suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Ana C. Contreras, an employee of the Trial Court. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Ana
Contreras,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler and Dylan A. Fernandes that the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development be authorized to establish a

Four-day
work week.

four-day work week pilot program. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Tommy Vitolo and Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) that the town of Brookline be authorized to adopt green zoning by-laws and regulations in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Green zoning
by-laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of William M. Straus and others for legislation to provide funding of certain collective bargaining agreements. To the committee on Public Service.

Collective
bargaining.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Tommy Vitolo, Samantha Montañó and Francisco E. Paulino relative to electrical load aggregation programs. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Electrical load
aggregation.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Authorizing the town of Raynham to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 283) [Local Approval Received]; and

Raynham,—
liquor
licenses.

To amend special legislation to pursue five (5) additional alcohol pouring licenses in Hudson's C-1 Zoning District (House, No. 320) [Local Approval Received];

Hudson,—
liquor
licenses.

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

By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 900) of Paul A. Schmid, III that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to release a restriction on certain land in the town of Freetown,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Freetown,—
land.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 3829, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the department of transportation (House, No. 3836).

Tanya Pizzi,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3807) [Local Approval Received].

Wakefield,—
property tax
exemption.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Sarah Kolb, an employee of the Division of Medical Assistance (House, No. 3820) (its title having been changed

Sarah Kolb,—
sick leave.

by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the division of medical assistance, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3820, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3821) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Michael Grant,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of correction, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3821, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, May 15, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Ms. Giannino of Revere, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of State Representative of the 16th Suffolk District William "Bill" G. Reinstein on the 25th anniversary of his passing.

Former
Representative
William G.
"Bill"
Reinstein.

In 1963, Bill Reinstein began his political career at the age of 23 by running for the Revere School Committee. He topped the ticket in his first election. In 1968 he was elected to the Revere City Council. He also served on the Regional Vocational School Committee from 1966 to 1969.

In 1968, Reinstein was first elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives where he served until 1973. He was again elected to the House and served with distinction from 1987 until the time of his passing on May 15, 1998. In 1971, Reinstein ran for Mayor of Revere. He finished first in a four-way primary race and defeated three-term incumbent George Colella 11,356 votes to 9,394 in the general election. Although he served in many elected capacities representing the City of Revere, his heart was in this honorable chamber. His memory still lives on through the stories shared by those who had the honor of serving alongside him. He is survived by his two children, Billy Reinstein and former Representative Kathi-Anne Reinstein.

Change in Membership of the Public Market Commission.

The Speaker announced that Representative Cahill of Lynn had resigned (at his own request) as his designee from the Public Market Commission effective May 10, 2023, and that Representative Schmid of Westport had been appointed as his designee to the commission to fill the vacancy.

Public
Market
Commission.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, students from the Revere High School drama club. Accompanied by former Representative Kathi-Anne Reinstein of Revere, they were the guests of Representatives Giannino of Revere and Turco of Winthrop.

Revere High
School drama
club.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Sena of Acton) congratulating Reverend Edmond M. Derosier on his fiftieth anniversary of ordination as a priest;

Edmond
Derosier.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Soter of Bellingham) congratulating Fire Chief Steven P. Gentile on the occasion of his retirement;

Steven
Gentile.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Sullivan-Almeida of Abington) congratulating Chief John M. Nuttall on the occasion of his retirement from the Abington Fire Department; and

John
Nuttall.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Xiarhos of Barnstable and other members of the House) honoring Johnny “Joey” Jones for his military service and his ongoing advocacy efforts on behalf of veterans and their families;

Johnny
Jones.

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

Communication.

A communication from the State Retiree Benefits Trust (“HST”) Board (see Section 24(f) of Chapter 32A of the General Laws) submitting the approved budget for said board for fiscal year 2024 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on Public Service], was placed on file.

Retiree
benefits trust
board,—
budget.

Annual and Special Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Commission on the Status of Asian American and Pacific Islanders (under Section 68 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) for calendar year 2022; and

Asian Americans
and Islanders.

Of the Division of Insurance (under Section 4A of Chapter 175 of the General Laws) concerning the current state of the homeowners insurance market in the Commonwealth for calendar year 2021 [copies of said report were forwarded to the Attorney General, the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on Financial Services, as required by said law]; and

Homeowners
insurance.

A report of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (under Section 20D of Chapter 12 of the General Laws) on the status of child abuse and neglect cases for fiscal year 2022; and

Child abuse
and neglect.

The final report of the Brain Injury Commission established (under Section 76 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018 and revived and continued by Section 69 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) to identify the gaps in service delivery for Massachusetts residents who exhibit a history of acquired brain injury (ABI);

Brian Injury
Commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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 Arriaga of Chicopee and Senator Payano, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3853) of Shirley B. Arriaga and Pavel M. Payano for legislation to establish an anti-bullying officer pilot program to assist schools experiencing significant bullying incidents. To the committee on Education.

Schools,—
anti-bullying
pilot program.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3854) of Christopher Richard Flanagan that the Department of Environmental Protection provide certain variances to municipalities with comprehensive wastewater management plans. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Wastewater
management
plans.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3855) of Christopher Richard Flanagan that the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities establish and operate a program to provide assistance to seniors and persons with disabilities to make accessibility modifications to primary residences. To the committee on Housing.

Accessibility
modifications.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3856) of Meghan Kilcoyne relative to coercive control occurring between family or household members. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Familial
coercive
control.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3857) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile for legislation to provide retirement incentives in public higher education. To the committee on Public Service.

Higher
education,—
retirement.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3858) of Christopher Richard Flanagan and James C. Arena-DeRosa for legislation to provide tax credits for certain certified rural housing redevelopment projects. To the committee on Revenue.

Rural
housing,—
tax credits.

By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3859) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to clean fuel standards; and

Clean fuel
standards.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3860) of Christopher Richard Flanagan and James C. Arena-DeRosa relative to the cost burdens of certain incentives for statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits.

Greenhouse
gas limits.

Severally to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3861) of Manny Cruz for legislation to establish a junior operator's license fund to be administered by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. To the committee on Transportation.

Junior
operators,—
fund.

Severally sent to the Senate for 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 petition of Susan Williams Gifford and Joseph D. McKenna relative to the maintenance of records on the transfer of firearms, rifles, shotguns, machine guns and ammunition. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Giannino of Revere, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition

Firearms,—
records
maintenance.

(accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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:

Authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3807) [Local Approval Received]; and

Wakefield,—
property taxes.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the department of transportation (House, No. 3836);

Tanya Pizzi,—
sick leave.

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 18, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess and introduced, the Youth Council of the Commission on the Status of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, who were seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of the Asian American Caucus.

Asian Americans
Pacific Islanders
Commission
Youth Council.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Driscoll of Milton and Owens of Watertown) commending all emergency medical services workers in the Commonwealth on their recognition of May 21, 2023 through May 27, 2023 as Emergency Medical Services Week;

Emergency
Medical
Services Week.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Hannah Johnson on achieving the Gold Award from the Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts;

Hannah
Johnson.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Garlick of Needham and Vaughn of Wrentham) congratulating Parker Kilmer on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Parker
Kilmer.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Peter Spivack on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Peter
Spivack.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vaughn of Wrentham) congratulating Jackson Robert Henry on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Jackson
Henry.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vaughn of Wrentham) congratulating Thomas Christopher James Laight on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Thomas
Laight.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vaughn of Wrentham) congratulating Benjamin Simmons on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Benjamin
Simmons.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Office of the Dukes County Registry of Deeds (see Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure for technological improvements from the County Registers Technological Fund [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on Post Audit and Oversight, as required by said law];

Dukes County
Registry
of Deeds.

From the Division of Medical Assistance (see Section 10F of Chapter 118E of the General Laws) submitting a quarterly report for the third quarter of fiscal year 2023 legislative report for the Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP) for the period January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023; and

Children's
Medical
Security Plan.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 15 of Chapter 118I of the General Laws) submitting the annual report of the Health Information Technology Council for calendar year 2022;

Health
Information
Technology
Council.

Severally were placed on file.

Quarterly and Monthly Reports.

The second quarterly report of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (under Section 2 of Chapter 35 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit (SAECK) report for the quarter ending March 31, 2023; and

Sexual Assault
Evidence
Collection Kit.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for April 2023;

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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 Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3866) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to the representation of the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Cosmetology
and barbering,—
board members.

By Representative Mendes of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3867) of Rita A. Mendes, Michelle M. DuBois and Samantha Montañó relative to community college tuition for graduates of Brockton public schools. To the committee on Higher Education.

Brockton,—
Community
college.

By Representative Kerans of Danvers and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3868) of Sally P. Kerans, Joan B. Lovely and others relative to establishing the office of the tenant advocate in the Office of the Attorney General. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Tenant
advocate.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Kushmerek of Fitchburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3864) of Michael P. Kushmerek (with the approval of the mayor and city

Fitchburg,—
compensation.

council) relative to the regular compensation of certain active and retired employees of the city of Fitchburg; and

By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3865) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of West Stockbridge be authorized to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Steven
Traver,—
employment.

Representative Sabadosa of Northampton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa for legislation to regulate the use of helmets for horseback riders; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Horseback
riding,—
helmets.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Susan L. Moran and Tackey Chan for legislation to facilitate restitution against unfinished development to be known as the FRAUD Act, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Unfinished
development,—
restitution.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and, on motion of Ms. Giannino of Revere, the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2389) was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate its action.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Joanne M. Comerford and Natalie M. Blais for legislation to provide a sustainable future for rural schools, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education.

Rural
schools,—
sustainability.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2388) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

May 1, 2023

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
Boston, MA. 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate made the following appointments:

Senator Anne M. Gobi (pursuant to Section 60 of Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2022) to the East-West Passenger Rail Commission.

East-west
rail.

Marilyn Park and Bethany Li (pursuant to Section 68 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the commission on the status of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Asian Americans
and Islanders.

Senator Liz Miranda (pursuant to Section 223 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) to the Panel on Justice-Involved Women.

Meghan Todd and Regina Marshall (pursuant to Section 74 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the commission on the status of Persons with Disabilities.

Senator Paul R. Feeney (pursuant to Section 241 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) to the Rare Disease Advisory Council.

Senator Joan B. Lovely and Senator Liz Miranda (pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Acts of 2010, as most recently amended by Chapter 350 of the Acts of 2016) to the special legislative Ellen Story Commission on Postpartum Depression.

Senator Barry R. Finegold (pursuant to Section 68 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) to the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.

Senator Barry R. Finegold (pursuant to Section 16G of Chapter 6A of the Massachusetts General Laws) to the Economic Development Planning Council.

Senator Patricia D. Jehlen (pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 23H of the General Laws) to the Massachusetts State Workforce Board.

Senator Paul R. Feeney (pursuant to Section 76 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) as co-chair of the Brain Injury Commission.

Senator Edward M. Kennedy (pursuant to Section 132 of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021) to the special commission to investigate and study the promotion and celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the American Revolution.

Senator Paul R. Feeney (pursuant to Section 10B of Chapter 23A of the Massachusetts General Laws) to the Massachusetts Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative.

David Rosenbloom (pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 309 of the Acts of 2020) to the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund advisory board.

Justice
involved women.

Persons with
disabilities.

Rare disease
advisors.

Postpartum
depression.

Gaming
policies.

Economic
development.

Workforce
Board.

Brain
injuries.

American
Revolution,—
anniversary.

Advanced
manufacturing.

Opioid
recovery, etc.

Respectfully,



Clerk of the Senate

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that Joint Rule 7B be suspended on the petition of Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida that the town of East Bridgewater be authorized to exempt uniformed positions within the police department of said town from the civil service law. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Shand of Newburyport, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 7B was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

East
Bridgewater,—
civil service.

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 petition of Christine P. Barber and Samantha Montañó for legislation to establish a protection and advocacy system for investigating abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation of persons with disabilities occurring and advocating for the civil and human rights of such persons. Under of suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Giannino of Revere, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was

Abuse
protection,—
persons with
disabilities.

suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 534) of Jay D. Livingstone, Christine P. Barber and others for legislation to increase access to disposable menstrual products; and

Access,—
menstrual
products.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 604) of Andres X. Vargas and Jack Patrick Lewis relative to routine childhood immunization reports made by schools;

Schools,—
immunization
reporting.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Health.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the House Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 3737), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to provide for a program of housing, community development, economic opportunities, support for local governments, increased innovation and job creation to be issued by the Commonwealth (House, No. 3862). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bonds,—
terms.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Giannino of Revere, the bill was read a second time forthwith. The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy, the bill (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.

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:

To extend the time for the issuance of alcoholic beverage licenses in the city of Woburn (House, No. 316) [Local Approval Received];

Woburn,—
liquor licenses.

To use more inclusive language for the Lanesborough board of selectmen (House, No. 2029) [Local Approval Received]; and

Lanesborough,—
charter.

To amend the Williamstown town charter by making all gender references therein gender neutral (House, No. 2030) [Local Approval Received];

Williamstown,—
charter.

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-seven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, May 22, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3869), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, May 18.

Supplemental
appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Howitt of Seekonk and Barrows of Mansfield) honoring Chef Elizabeth Stentiford of Norton on being named the Tournament Players Club Network's National Employee of the Year;

Elizabeth
Stentiford.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Linsky of Natick) congratulating Charles Berszoner on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Charles
Berszoner.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Linsky of Natick) congratulating Jack Conway on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Jack
Conway.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Madaro of Boston) commending the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health, Inc. on its recognition of May 24, 2023 as Schizophrenia Awareness Day;

Schizophrenia
Awareness
Day.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 217(c) of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report of the Massachusetts Autism Commission for 2022, was placed on file.

Autism
Commission.

Report.

The final report of the Behavioral Health Advisory Commission (under Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2022, as amended by Section 52 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) with its findings and recommendations, was placed on file.

Behavioral
Health Advisory
Commission.

Petition.

Representative Ryan of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3872) of Daniel J. Ryan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to district city council election in the city of Boston; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,—
city council
election.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Hanover to select board (Senate, No. 1302) (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.

Hanover,—
select board.

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 petition of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to public schools' emergency alert systems. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Education. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Public schools,—
emergency
alert systems.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the town of Rochester to grant an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 393) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Rochester,—
liquor
license.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Lanesborough to continue the employment of Daniel Bolognia, Charles Garrity, Peter Pannesco, Peter Oakley, David Rolle, Donald Whalen and Michael Wooliver (House, No. 2435) [Local Approval Received].

Lanesborough,—
employment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Hancock to allow firefighters and police to continue serving past age 65 (House, No. 2437) [Local Approval Received].

Hancock,—
employment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (House, No. 2448) [Local Approval Received].

Conway,—
Randall
Williams.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill exempting the position of police chief in the town of Lancaster from the provisions of the civil service law (House, No. 2571) [Local Approval Received].

Lancaster,—
police chief.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the retirement benefits of the surviving beneficiary of Robert Lawler (House, No. 2649) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,—
Robert
Lawler.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers within said city for paid detail assignments (House, No. 2677) [Local Approval Received].

Haverhill,—
retired police.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill directing the Worcester Regional Retirement System to grant creditable service to Nelson Burlingame (House, No. 3646).

Worcester,—
Nelson
Burlingame.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Kenneth Ouimette (House, No. 3792) [Local Approval Received].

Conway,—
Kenneth
Ouimette.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Raynham to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 283); and

Third
reading
bills.

To amend special legislation to pursue 5 additional alcohol pouring licenses in Hudson's C-1 Zoning District (House, No. 320) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 3836) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Tanya Pizzi,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3836, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 25, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber members of the Tri-County Cheer Team.

Tri-County
Cheer Team.

The Tri-County Cheer Team is the 2023 Winter Massachusetts Game Day State Champions, which was held on March 5th at Shepherd Hill against 13 other teams. As a regional school, these athletes come from all different backgrounds and some have never cheered before 2021. Along with academics, these athletes participate in their shop classes learning their trade and must maintain certain grades to be allowed to participate and compete on the team.

In addition, they are always running youth clinics or volunteering in youth programs to help younger athletes. The team also finished 2nd at the International Cheer competition in Florida held on March 18th and 19th. They were the guests of Mr. Roy of Franklin.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber women from the Distinguished Young Women Program.

Distinguished
Young Women.

The Distinguished Young Women Program is a scholarship program for high school juniors focused on empowering young women to be their best selves through challenging themselves in the areas of scholarship, leadership, talent, public speaking and interview. The Chair (Mr. Garballey) then recognized Aimee Alston, DYW of Massachusetts 2023; Nijara Lijan, DYW of Tri-Valley 2023; Juliet Modena, DYW of Norfolk 2023; and Olivia Wentzell, DYW of Metro West 2023. They were the guests of Mr. Roy of Franklin.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Mr. Williams of Springfield as his designee (under Section 72 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) as Chair of the Commission on the Status of African Americans.

Status of
African
Americans.

Appointment of the Chair of Elder Affairs.

Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, announced that he had appointed Ms. Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose as his designee (under Section 71 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the LGBT Aging Commission.

LGBT Aging
Commission.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Adam Benoit on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Adam
Benoit.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating William Bierden on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

William
Bierden.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Cole Clare on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Cole
Clare.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Benjamin Hallahan on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Benjamin
Hallahan.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Dylan Mullen on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Dylan
Mullen.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Charles Resker on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Charles
Resker.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Soter of Bellingham) congratulating Gerard L. Daigle, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement from the Bellingham Police Department; and

Gerard
Daigle, Jr.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vieira of Falmouth and Fernandes of Falmouth) commending Falmouth Volunteers in Public Schools, Inc. on its fortieth anniversary;

Falmouth
Volunteers in
Public Schools.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 151 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report on the needs of MassHealth enrollees with a diagnosis of sickle cell disease and the adequacy of available covered medications, treatments and health care services; and

Sickle cell
disease.

From the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (see Section 85 of Chapter 179 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report on the advantages and disadvantages of using or participating in regional or multi-state market-based mechanisms, structures, systems or competitive solicitations to facilitate the development of clean energy generation resources;

Clean Energy
Markets Report.

Severally were placed on file.

Quarterly Report.

A quarterly report of the Office of the State Auditor (under item 0710-0200 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its third quarter fiscal year report of the Bureau of Special Investigations from January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023, was placed on file.

Bureau
of Special
Investigations.

Petitions.

The following additional petition (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) was referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3873) of Mike Connolly and Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to the development of mixed income social housing to be administered by the Massachusetts Housing Finance Authority. To the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mixed income
social housing.

Petitions severally were presented and referred, as follows:

By Representative Donaghue of Westborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3874) of Kate Donaghue (by vote of the town) that the town of Southborough be authorized to provide voting rights in municipal elections in said town for residents aged 17 years old. To the committee on Election Laws.

Southborough,—
voting age.

By Representative Flanagan of Dennis and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3875) of Christopher Richard Flanagan and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Brewster be authorized to transfer a certain parcel of land in said town to the conservation commission of said town for conservation and open space purposes. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Brewster,—
land.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3876) of Rodney M. Elliott and Simon Cataldo (by vote of the town) that the town of Chelmsford be authorized to restrict certain motor vehicles from traveling on Ledge Road in said town. To the committee on Transportation.

Chelmsford,—
Ledge Road
restrictions.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred, as follows:

By Representative Khan of Newton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kay Khan relative to pharmacists as healthcare providers.

Pharmacists,—
providers.

By Representative Madaro of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Adrian C. Madaro that a certain parcel of land in the East Boston neighborhood of the city of Boston not be included within the boundaries of any designated port area.

East Boston,—
port area.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Adrian C. Madaro for legislation to establish a Massport climate resiliency trust fund to be funded by a portion of jet fuel excise taxes.

Massport,—
fuel tax.

By Representative Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., and Bud L. Williams relative to real estate tax abatements for certain blind persons.

Blind,—
real estate
taxes.

By Representatives Sena of Acton and McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Danillo A. Sena and Paul McMurtry relative to access to specialty medications.

Specialty
medications,—
access.

By Representative Williams of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bud L. Williams for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Maritza Miranda, an employee of the Department of Children and Families.
Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Maritza
Miranda,—
sick leave.

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 Tackey Chan and Michael D. Brady relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Dental
hygienists,—
licensing.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Tackey Chan and others relative to increasing interest rate deductions. To the committee on Revenue.

Income,—
interest rate.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Jack Patrick Lewis for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the town of Ashland as the Harold Wadhams Gates memorial bridge. To the committee on Transportation.

Ashland,—
bridge.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, the report were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill relative to district city council election in the city of Boston (House, No. 3872) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Boston,—
city council
election.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that 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) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Mansfield,—
liquor license.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

To extend the time for the issuance of alcoholic beverage licenses in the city of Woburn (House, No. 316); and

Authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3807);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

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.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (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.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, June 1, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Giannino of Revere and other members of the House) commending the National Brain Tumor Society Inc. for its recognition of May 2023 as Brain Tumor Awareness Month; and

Brain Tumor
Awareness
Month.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington) commemorating the ninetieth birthday of June M. Jackson of Abington;

June
Jackson.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Health Connector Board of Directors (see section 3(s) of Chapter 176Q of the General Laws) submitting its approved proposal to continue with the process of amending Minimum Creditable Coverage (MCC) regulations (956 CMR 5.00-5.05) protecting access to preventative services for Commonwealth residents, was placed on file.

Minimum
creditable
coverage
regulations.

Petitions.

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 Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3885) of Manny Cruz relative to minimum gratuity while dining. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Wait staff,—
gratuity.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3886) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile relative to the cost of electric vehicle charging services. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Electric
vehicles,—
charging.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3884) of Margaret R. Scarsdale (by vote of the town) relative to merging certain voting precincts in the town of Groton; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Groton,—
voting
precincts.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Gordon of Bedford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kenneth I. Gordon relative to creditable service for certain members of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System.

Teachers,—
creditable
service.

By Representatives Vargas of Haverhill and Hamilton of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Andres X. Vargas and Ryan M. Hamilton relative to expanding licensure opportunities for school counselors.

School
counselors,—
licensure.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3901), came from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2400.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and, on motion of the same member, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Michlewitz, Ferrante of Gloucester and Smola of Warren were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Committee of
conference.

Subsequently notice was received from the Senate that said branch had insisted on its amendment, concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Senators Rodrigues, Friedman and O'Connor had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Id.

A Bill authorizing the city of Somerville to continue the employment of Charles J. Femino as acting chief of police (Senate, No. 2370) (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.

Somerville,—
Charles
Femino.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the bill be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the bill was read a second forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on further motion of the same member, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2393) of John C. Velis for legislation to authorize the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain parcels of land to the city of Westfield. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Westfield,—
land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2394) of Arthur Desloges for legislation to update the citizens advisory panel and strengthening citizen participation on the panel for the decommissioning of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Pilgrim Nuclear
Power Plant,—
advisory panel.

Reports of Committees.

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Brian
Murphy,—
retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of William M. Straus that the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board be directed to grant creditable service to Eileen Mullen for certain service rendered at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School;

Eileen
Mullen,—
retirement.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 House Bill authorizing the town of Berlin to grant up to two additional all alcoholic beverages licenses not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 345) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Berlin,—
liquor
licenses.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Somerville to continue the employment of Charles J. Femino as acting chief of police (see Senate, No. 2370) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Rochester to grant an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 393); and

Third
reading
bills.

To amend the Williamstown town charter by making all gender references therein gender neutral (House, No. 2030);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, June 5, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Members-elect to be Qualified.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Donato of Medford, Garballey of Arlington and Wong of Saugus as a special committee of the House to conduct Representatives-elect John Francis Moran of Boston, member-elect from the Ninth Suffolk District and William F. MacGregor of Boston, member-elect from the Tenth Suffolk District, to the Council Chamber to be qualified at such time as may be convenient to the Governor and Council.

Representatives-
elect John
Francis Moran
of Boston and
MacGregor
of Boston,—
qualification.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, students and teachers from the 4th grade class from the Howe-Manning Elementary School in Middleton. At the invitation of the Chair, the students participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Jones of North Reading.

Middleton,—
Howe-Manning
Elementary
School.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) congratulating Mary Boyd for being recognized as a 2023 Commonwealth Heroine by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women; and

Mary
Boyd.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Vaughn of Wrentham) honoring Principal Linda Balfour upon her retirement from the Norfolk Public Schools;

Linda
Balfour.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 32 of Chapter 158 of the Acts of 2014) submitting a report entitled: Agency Paper Reduction Efforts;

DTA,—
paper reduction.

From the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) and the Massachusetts Cultural Council (see item 1599-2043 of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its Pandemic Recovery Program Report;

Coronavirus,—
grant program.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4401-1000 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: Employment Services Program Report; and

DTA,—
employment
program.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4400-1001 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) Participation Rate Report;

SNAP,—
participation
rate.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Special Reports.

The annual report of the Property and Casualty Initiative, LLC (under Section 3 of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) for fiscal year 2022 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Financial Services, and the committee on Revenue, as required by said law];

Property, etc.
insurance.

Reports

Of the MetroWest Regional Transit Authority (under Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements and supplementary information for fiscal year 2022; and

MetroWest
Regional Transit
Authority.

Of the Massachusetts Life Insurance Community Investment Initiative, LLC (under Section 2(e) of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) submitting its annual report and statement of financial condition for calendar year 2022 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Financial Services, and the committee on Revenue, as required by said law];

Life Insurance
Community
Investment.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives McKenna of Webster and Frost of Auburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3889) of Joseph D. McKenna and Paul K. Frost (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize appointing authority of the Oxford police department to the town manager in the town of Oxford; and

Oxford,—
appointing
authority.

By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3890) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the board of public works in the town of Lee.

Lee,—
board of
works.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation to authorize the establishment of the Manuel F. Correllus State Forest trust fund; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Correllus
State Forest
trust fund.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2383) (on Senate bill No. 2382), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Amelia
Alex,—
sick leave.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, June 8, 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. Cutler of Duxbury, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Mason Allaire, a graduating senior at Duxbury High School and a true credit to his community, who sadly passed away on June 5th of this year.

Mason
Allaire.

Mason was diagnosed with a rare pediatric cancer in June 2022 and showed fortitude and tenacity beyond his years during his year-long fight against the disease. Possessing a strong work ethic and a passion for helping others, Mason devoted significant time this past year putting in work for his community, despite his ongoing battle with his health. A go-getter with a zest for life and learning, Mason loved sports statistics and history, competed on the track team, and was part of the investment club in school. In May, seventy friends were there to support him during his early high school graduation ceremony, a credit to his impact on and adoration from his hometown community. Mason will be dearly missed by his family, friends, community, and all who knew him.

Special Communications.

The following communications, together with returns of votes and schedules therein referred to, were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and, there being no objection, were placed on file, to wit:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133

June 7, 2023.

To the Honorable House:

I have the honor to lay before you the returns of votes cast at the special election held in this Commonwealth on the thirtieth day of May, 2023, for Representative in the General Court, Ninth Suffolk District, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for.

Returns of votes
for Representative
in the Ninth
Suffolk District.

These returns have been duly canvassed by the Governor and Council, and are now transmitted for examination by the House of Representatives, as required by the Constitution.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133

June 7, 2023.

To the Honorable House:

I have the honor to lay before you the returns of votes cast at the special election held in this Commonwealth on the thirtieth day of May, 2023, for Representative in the General Court, Tenth Suffolk District, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for.

Returns of
votes for
Representative
in the Tenth
Suffolk District.

These returns have been duly canvassed by the Governor and Council, and are now transmitted for examination by the House of Representatives, as required by the Constitution.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Members Qualified.

The Speaker announced that the special committee of the House appointed at the preceding sitting, relative to the qualification of Representatives-elect John Francis Moran of Boston, member-elect from the Ninth Suffolk District and William F. MacGregor of Boston, member-elect from the Tenth Suffolk District, had completed the assignment, and that Representatives Moran and MacGregor had, on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, taken and subscribed the necessary oaths of office, and were now duly qualified as members of the House.

Representatives
John Francis
Moran and
William F.
MacGregor,—
qualification.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, the 2023 Division 1 State Hockey Champion Shrewsbury Colonials girl's ice hockey team, who were accompanied by their coaches. The team beat out top-seeded St. Mary's after a season of hard work, perseverance, and dedication. The members of the Shrewsbury girl's hockey team include 16 players from Shrewsbury High School, 7 players from Westborough High School, 1 player from Wachusett Regional High School, and 1 player from Milford High School. The Chair, on behalf of the members present, stated that they were delighted to honor them and offered congratulations on this incredible

Shrewsbury
Colonials
girl's ice
hockey team.

accomplishment! They were the guests of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury and were accompanied by Senator Moore.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Gail Ryan as his designee (under Section 26 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2020) to the Rare Disease Advisory Council.

Rare
diseases.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Maximilien A. Coisman on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Maximilien
Coisman.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Scott J. Crutchfield on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Scott
Crutchfield.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Howitt of Seekonk and Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Lieutenant Joseph A. Martin on his retirement from the Swansea Police Department;

Joseph
Martin.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Office of the Comptroller (see Section 12(c) of Chapter 7A of the General Laws) submitting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, was placed on file.

Comptroller.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women (under Section 66 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2023, was placed on file.

Status of
Women.

Petitions.

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 Whipps of Athol, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3893) of Susannah M. Whipps, Mathew J. Muratore and F. Jay Barrows relative to eliminating residency requirements for fortune tellers. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Fortune
tellers.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3894) of Manny Cruz for legislation to establish a municipal education fund to be administered by the commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. To the committee on Education.	Municipal education fund.
By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3895) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to authorizing redivision of merger lots in municipalities adopting NetZero code. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.	NetZero code.
By Representative Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3896) of James Arciero relative to mobile amusement equipment restraints; and	Amusement equipment.
By Representative Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3897) of Mindy Domb that the Department of State Police be authorized to establish a voluntary assault weapon buyback program.	Assault weapons,—buyback.
Severally to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.	
By Representative Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3898) of Jack Patrick Lewis relative to creditable service for retirement purposes for certain employees who served in more than one retirement group. To the committee on Public Service.	Retirement,—creditable service.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.	
Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:	
By Representative Philips of Sharon and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3899) of Edward R. Philips (by vote of the town) that the town of Sharon be authorized to grant local voting rights for permanent resident aliens in said town. To the committee on Election Laws.	Sharon,—voting rights.
By Representatives Donaghue of Westborough and Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3902) of Kate Donaghue, Meghan Kilcoyne and Robyn K. Kennedy (by vote of the town) that the town of Northborough be authorized to change the name of the board of selectmen in said town to select board;	Northborough,—select board.
By the same members, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3903) of Kate Donaghue, Meghan Kilcoyne and Robyn K. Kennedy (by vote of the town) that the town of Northborough be authorized to amend the charter of said town;	Northborough,—town charter.
By Representative Gentile of Sudbury and Senator Eldridge, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3904) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Sudbury be authorized to establish a fee for retail establishment checkout bags in said town; and	Sudbury,—checkout bag fee.
By Representative Philips of Sharon and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3905) of Edward R. Philips (by vote of the town) that the town of Sharon be authorized to increase the membership of the select board in aid town.	Sharon,—select board.
Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.	
By Representative Kane of Shrewsbury and Senator Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3906) of Hannah Kane and Michael O. Moore (by vote of the town) that the town of Shrewsbury be authorized to grant abatement of certain real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy. To the committee on Revenue.	Shrewsbury,—Christopher Roy.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.	
Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:	

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rob Consalvo that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to erect a bench in the Hyde Park neighborhood of the city of Boston in honor of Rita Walsh.

Boston,—
Rita Walsh
bench.

By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian relative to assisted living facilities.

Assisted living
facilities.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, 3547), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2375.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Straus, Murray of Milford and Howitt of Seekonk were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Committee of
Conference.

Subsequently notice was received from the Senate that said branch had insisted on its amendment, concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Senators Crighton, Mark and O'Connor had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Id.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2398) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation relative to the well-being of new mothers and infants. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Defendants,—
perinatal
issues.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2399) of Nick Collins for legislation relative to pension parity. To the committee on Public Service.

Pension
parity.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2401) of Joanne M. Comerford and Susannah M. Whipps for legislation to provide veteran annuity benefits to Raymond Steele. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Raymond
Steele,—
annuity.

A report of the committee on Transportation, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2294) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to promote motor vehicle safety,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary,— accepted by the Senate was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Habitual
traffic
offenders.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

June 7, 2023

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
Boston, MA. 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader of the Senate made the following commission appointment:

•Senator Patrick M. O'Connor (pursuant to Section 76 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) to the Brain Injury Commission.

Brain Injury
Commission.

Respectfully,



Clerk of the Senate

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 petition of Andres X. Vargas and Ryan M. Hamilton relative to expanding licensure opportunities for school counselors. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

School
counselors,—
licensing.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2383), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Amelia Alex,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Berlin to grant up to two additional all alcoholic beverages licenses not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 345), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill creating the offices of select board and town manager in the town of Sandisfield (House, No. 2100, changed), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Sandisfield,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3907), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, June 12, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Representative Blais of Deerfield as his designee (under Section 66 of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) to the Rural Policy Advisory Commission.

Rural Policy
Advisory
Commission.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Garballey of Arlington and Rogers of Cambridge) commending the Arlington Friends of the Drama, Inc. on its one hundredth anniversary;

Arlington
Friends of
the Drama.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Rogers of Cambridge) congratulating Fran Yuan on her retirement as co-Chair of the Belmont LGBTQ+ Alliance; and

Fran
Yuan.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Williams of Springfield and Rogers of Cambridge) commending the Massachusetts Sickle Cell Association for its recognition of June 19, 2023 as "World Sickle Cell Day" in Massachusetts;

World Sickle
Cell Day.

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

Petitions.

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 Hamilton of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3912) of Ryan M. Hamilton relative to automated external defibrillators in sporting facilities and stadiums. To the committee on Public Health.

Automated
external
defibrillators.

By Representative Williams of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3913) of Bud L. Williams for legislation to protect Black women and girls in the Commonwealth. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland

Black women
and girls.

Security.

By Representative Murray of Milford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3914) of Brian W. Murray that the Secretary of the Commonwealth create and maintain a municipal public legal notice website to be available for viewing and searching by the general public. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Public legal
notice website.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Muratore of Plymouth and Senator Moran, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3909) of Mathew J. Muratore, Susan L. Moran and Kathleen R. LaNatra (by vote of the town) relative to the facilities improvement fund in the town of Plymouth. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Plymouth,—
facilities
improvement
fund.

By Representative McMurtry of Dedham and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3910) of Paul McMurtry and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer in the town of Dedham. To the committee on Public Service.

Dedham,—
police
appointments.

By Representatives Scarsdale of Pepperell and Kushmerek of Fitchburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3911) of Margaret R. Scarsdale and Michael P. Kushmerek (by vote of the town) that the town of Lunenburg be authorized to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption in said town. To the committee on Revenue.

Lunenburg,—
property tax
exemption.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2396) of Barry R. Finegold (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt the town of Tewksbury from the provisions of the civil service law with regard to the recruitment and hiring of full-time permanent police officers, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Tewksbury,—
civil service

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 petition of Kate Lipper-Garabedian relative to assisted living facilities. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Elder Affairs. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Assisted living
facilities.

By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 189) of Kay Khan, Antonio F. D. Cabral and others for legislation to establish a Massachusetts children's cabinet,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Children's
cabinet.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Financial Services, asking

Property

to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1162) of Christopher J. Worrell and others relative to property foreclosures,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Housing.

foreclosures.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 3315, a Bill improving rail service on the Fairmount commuter rail line (House, No. 3908). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Fairmount
commuter
rail line.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to provide for a program of housing, community development, economic opportunities, support for local governments, increased innovation and job creation to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House, No. 3862), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Bonds,—
terms.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and Senate to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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.

Communications

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.

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.	Boards of registrars of voters.
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.	Boat wrap recycling.
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.	PANDAS/PANS,—screening.
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	Lineage-based reparations,—study.
By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3922) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian relative to preventing false confessions.	Preventing false confessions.
Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.	
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.	MBTA,—zoning ordinances.
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.	Automated external defibrillators.
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.	State retirees,—work hours.
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.	Veteran disability benefits.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.	

Paper from the Senate.

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:	Wakefield,—senior citizen property tax.
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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.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, June 20, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Arciero of Westford) congratulating Carole Kennedy of Westford on her retirement after many years of dedicated service to health care, her community, and the students of the Westford Public Schools;

Carole
Kennedy.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Arciero of Westford) congratulating Emily Teller of Westford on her being named a 2023 Commonwealth Heroine by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women; and

Emily
Teller.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Muratore of Plymouth and LaNatra of Kingston) congratulating the Plymouth Public Library on the thirty-fourth anniversary of its literacy program;

Plymouth
Public
Library.

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

Monthly Report.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for May 2023, was placed on file.

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3934) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) that the affordable housing trust of the town of Orleans be authorized to provide for the creation and preservation of attainable housing. To the committee on Housing.

Orleans,—
affordable
housing trust.

By Representative Cabral of New Bedford and Senator Montigny, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3935) of Antonio F.D. Cabral and Mark C. Montigny (with the approval of mayor and city council) that the city of New Bedford

New Bedford,—
easement.

be authorized to grant a utility easement to the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill to improve the Commonwealth's competitiveness, affordability, and equity (House, No. 3770), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2406.

Tax relief
and policy.

Under suspension of the Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and, on motion of the same member, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Michlewitz, Cusack of Braintree and Soter of Bellingham were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Committee of
Conference.

Subsequently notice was received from the Senate that said branch had insisted on its amendment, concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Senators Rodrigues, Moran and Tarr had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Id.

Report of the committee on Financial Services, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 626) of Lydia Edwards, Steven Owens, Joanne M. Comerford, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the General Court for legislation for a right of first refusal for foreclosed property (Foreclosure TOPA),— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Housing,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Foreclosed
property.

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 petition of James J. O'Day relative to the mental well-being of new mothers facing criminal charges. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Perinatal,—
crimes.

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

The Senate Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Hanover to select board (Senate, No. 1302) [Local Approval Received]; and

Hanover,—
select board.

House bills

Exempting the position of police chief in the town of Lancaster from the provisions of the civil service law (House, No. 2571) [Local Approval Received];

Lancaster,—
police chief.

Relative to the retirement benefits of the surviving beneficiary of Robert Lawler (House, No. 2649) [Local Approval Received];

Boston,—
Robert Lawler.

Authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers within said city for paid detail assignments (House, No. 2677) [Local Approval Received]; and

Haverhill,—
retired police.

Directing the Worcester Regional Retirement System to grant creditable service to Nelson Burlingame (House, No. 3646);

Worcester,—
Nelson
Burlingame.

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.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to creditable service for Abby Levin, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (House, No. 3888). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Abby Levin,—
creditable
service.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 2555) [Local Approval Received].

Leominster,—
police officers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wrentham to exempt the position of Deputy Fire Chief from civil service (House, No. 3720) [Local Approval Received].

Wrentham,—
civil service.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill directing the city of Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis (House, No. 3732) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,—
Wendy
Pierre-Louis.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2557, a Bill authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Maynard (House, No. 3930) [Local Approval Received].

Maynard,—
special police.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3730, a Bill authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Freetown (House, No. 3931) [Local Approval Received].

Freetown,—
special police.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2383), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

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

Next
sitting.

At a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, June 22, 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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (House, No. 3936), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Tuesday, June 20.

State funds,—
emergency
expenditures.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, Girl Scout Troop 70359 from Swampscott and Nahant. At the invitation of the Chair, the students participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Ms. Armini of Marblehead.

Swampscott
and Nahant,—
Girl Scout
Troop 70359.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Barrows of Mansfield, Philips of Sharon and Scanlon of North Attleborough) congratulating Boy Scout Troop 17 of the town of Mansfield on its one hundredth anniversary, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mansfield,—
Boy Scout
Troop 17.

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

Petitions.

The following additional petition (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) was referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Representative Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3941) of Mike Connolly and Bud L. Williams for legislation to authorize

Housing,—

supplemental financing of housing first programs, state public housing renovations, and other housing programs and to make related changes in certain laws. To the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

supplemental
financing.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Galvin of Canton and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3937) of William C. Galvin and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) that the town of Canton be authorized to grant easements of certain land of said town situated in the town of Stoughton for highway purposes. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Canton,—
easements.

By Representative Whipps of Athol and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3938) of Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell, III, as fire chief of said town notwithstanding the maximum age requirement. To the committee on Public Service.

Northfield,—
Floyd
Dunnell.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Ferguson of Holden, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Anastasios
Milonopoulos,—
sick leave.

By Representative Garlick of Needham and Senator Rausch, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Denise C. Garlick and Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Thomas
Hartley,—
sick leave.

By Representative McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry that the State Retirement Board provide a lifetime monthly allowance to Katherine M. McGuinness, the surviving spouse of former state police officer James T. McGuinness.

Katherine
McGuinness,—
surviving
spouse.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2407) of Patrick M. O'Connor and Joan Meschino (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the provisions of Chapter 381 of the Acts of 2020 to continue the town of Hingham senior means-tested property tax exemption, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Revenue.

Hingham,—
property tax
exemption.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maritza Miranda, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3933). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Maritza
Miranda,—
sick leave.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (see Senate, No. 2383), having been

Amelia
Alex,—
sick leave.

certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 5 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David Benway, an employee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy (see House, No. 3739, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

David
Benway,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) 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 Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3807), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Wakefield,—
property tax
exemption.

The House Bill 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 as firefighters (House, No. 2435) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (House, No. 2448), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Conway,—
Randall
Williams.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 1, in line 7, by inserting after the word “purposes” the following: “and, upon retirement, Randall Williams shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that which he would have been entitled had he retired at age 65”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 2448, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Wakefield to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (see House, No. 3807, amended); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the town of Mansfield to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3828);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-two minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, June 26, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Whipps of Athol and Blais of Deerfield) congratulating Dean Cycon on his retirement as owner of Dean's Beans, Inc. after thirty years of dedicated service; and

Dean
Cycon.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Zlotnik of Gardner and other members of the House) commending the Polish-American Veterans of Massachusetts, Inc. on serving the communities of the Commonwealth for seventy-five years;

Polish-
American
Veterans.

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

Petitions.

Representative Day of Stoneham presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael S. Day for legislation to further regulate firearms; and the same was referred, under Joint Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Firearms.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 Reyes of Lawrence, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3942) of Estela A. Reyes relative to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program countable income. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Supplemental
Nutrition
Assistance
Program.

By Representative Ashe of Longmeadow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3943) of Brian M. Ashe relative to the language readiness of deaf, deafblind, and hard-of-hearing children entering kindergarten; and

Children,—
language
readiness.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3944) of Manny Cruz relative to school site councils and district parent advisory councils;

School site and
parent advisory
councils.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Representative Holmes of Boston and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3945) of Russell E. Holmes and Liz Miranda relative to sentencing for felony murder. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Felony
murder.

By Representative Arriaga of Chicopee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3946) of Shirley B. Arriaga relative to regulating medical imaging and radiation therapy. To the committee on Public Health.

Medical imaging
and radiation
therapy.

By Representative Cruz of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3947) of Manny Cruz for legislation to establish a separate fund to be known as the bilingual education trust fund in support of bilingual educators and dual language certification incentives. To the committee on Revenue.

Bilingual
education
trust fund.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3948) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Michelle M. DuBois relative to state and municipal contracts for the purchase and installation of artificial turf fields; and

Artificial turf
fields,—
contracts.

By Representative Holmes of Boston and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3949) of Russell E. Holmes and Liz Miranda for legislation to transfer jurisdiction of the Department of Correction and the Parole Board from the Executive Office of Public Safety to the Executive Office of Health and Human Services;

Correction
department
and Parole
Board.

Severally to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3950) of Michelle L. Ciccolo relative to establishing a residential property assessed clean energy (R-PACE) program. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Homes,—
assessed clean
energy program.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3951) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of Richmond be authorized to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Richmond,—
Steven
Traver.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Berthiaume of Spencer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., relative to veteran motor vehicle plate distinctions by the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Veterans'
motor vehicle
plates.

By Representative Hawkins of Attleboro, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James K. Hawkins and others for legislation to encourage the improvement of free libraries and library systems.

Free libraries
and library
systems.

By Representative Ryan of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Ryan relative to the distribution of federal pandemic funds received by executive offices, state agencies, state authorities or quasi-state authorities and constitutional offices.

Federal
pandemic
funds,—
distribution.

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

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor, a Bill making certain appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (printed in House, No. 3936) [Total Appropriation: \$6,660,000,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

State funds,—
emergency
expenditure.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (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.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maritza Miranda, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3933), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Maritza
Miranda,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill making certain appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (see House bill printed in House, No. 3936), 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 Hancock to allow firefighters and the police chief to continue serving past age 65 (House, No. 2437) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Hancock,—
retirement.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 1 by adding the following sentence: “Upon retirement, such firefighters and police chief shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that which they would have been entitled had they retired at the age of 65.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 2437, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Kenneth Ouimette (House, No. 3792), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Conway,—
Kenneth
Ouimette.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 1, in line 7, by inserting after the word “purposes” the

following: “and, upon retirement, Kenneth Ouimette shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that which he would have been entitled had he retired at age 65”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3792, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three minutes before twelve o’clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, June 29, 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.

Changes in House Standing Committees.

The Speaker announced the following changes in House standing committees:

That Representative Flanagan of Dennis had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight and that Representative MacGregor of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy;

Changes in
House standing
committees.

That Representative Donaghue of Westborough had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and that Representative John Francis Moran of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy; and

That Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Operations, Facilities and Security and that Representative MacGregor of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy.

Changes in Joint Standing Committees.

The Speaker announced the following changes in joint standing committees:

That Representative Reyes of Lawrence had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets and that Representative John Francis Moran of Boston has been appointed to the 10th position on said committee to fill the vacancy;

Changes in
joint standing
committees.

That Representative Shand of Newburyport had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities and that Representative John Francis Moran of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy;

That Representative Philips of Sharon had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses and that Representative MacGregor of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy;

That Representative Kerans of Danvers had been relieved of duty (at their own request) from the committee on Election Laws and that Representative John Francis Moran of Boston has been appointed to the 9th position on said committee to fill the vacancy;

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Matthew Robert Richard on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Matthew
Richard.

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

Annual Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Division of Banks (under Section 13 of Chapter 167 of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2022; and

Division
of Banks.

Of the Executive Office of Technology Services and Security (under Section 13 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) on data collection and reporting in the criminal justice system;

Criminal
justice data
collection.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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 DuBois of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3953) of Michelle M. DuBois and Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., for legislation to establish a publicly owned and administered trust fund for receipt of reasonable mortgage payments; and

Mortgages,—
public fund.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3954) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to shared appreciation mortgage loans.

Mortgage
loans.

Severally to the committee on Financial Services.

By Representative Holmes of Boston and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3955) of Russell E. Holmes, Liz Miranda and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for legislation to provide for second look review of the sentences of certain incarcerated persons;

Incarcerated
persons,—
sentence
review.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3956) of Russell E. Holmes, Liz Miranda and others for legislation to authorize an independent correctional oversight office to facilitate the recommendations of the Special Legislative Commission on Structural Racism in Correctional Facilities of the Commonwealth; and

Correctional
facilities,—
oversight
office.

By Representative Holmes of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3957) of Russell E. Holmes relative to compensation for erroneous felony convictions.

Erroneous
felony
convictions.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3958) of Russell E. Holmes relative to parking with auction dealer license plates. To the committee on Transportation.

Auction
dealer
license plates.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Carey of Easthampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3959) of Daniel R. Carey and John C. Velis (with the approval of the city council) for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Easthampton. To the committee on Election Laws.

Easthampton,—
city charter.

By Representative Saunders of Belchertown and Senator Oliveira, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3960) of Aaron L. Saunders and Jacob R. Oliveira (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish the position of town manager in the town of Belchertown. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Belchertown,—
town
manager.

By Representatives Smola of Warren and Berthiaume of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3961) of Todd M. Smola and Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (by vote of the town) relative to exempting Eric Robert Esteves from the maximum age requirements for police officers in the town of Ware. To the committee on Public Service.

Ware,—
Eric Robert
Esteves.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barrows of Mansfield (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Julie Mejia relative to health insurance coverage for diabetic products.

Diabetic
products.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rodney M. Elliott for legislation to authorize school districts to provide portable airway clearance devices on-site at school facilities where instructions are provided.

Airway
clearance
devices.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3821, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding the following sentence: "The employee must exhaust all accrued leave time before accessing time from the sick leave bank.". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Michael
Grant,—
sick leave.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2411) of John F. Keenan and Robert Joseph Jaruse for legislation relative to lot rent abatement for veterans. To the committee on Revenue.

Veterans,—
abatements.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2412) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to authorize the city of New Bedford to grant a utility easement to the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

New
Bedford,—
easement.

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 Rob Consalvo that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to erect a bench in the Hyde Park neighborhood of the city of Boston in honor of Rita Walsh. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Boston,—
Rita Walsh
bench.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Denise C. Garlick and Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the Department of Correction. To the committee on Public Service.

Thomas
Hartley,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Joan Meschino and others for legislation to promote the development of clean energy. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Clean
energy.

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

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill relative to genetic counselors (House, No. 274).

Genetic
counselors.

By the same member, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill establishing a dentist diversion program (House, No. 300).

Dentist
diversion.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 2385 and 2392 and House, No. 3880, a Bill relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure (House, No. 3880).

Dental
hygienists,—
licensure.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill relative to regulating the septic industry (House, No. 330).

Septic
industry,—
regulation.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill clarifying the existing pipefitting exemption (House, No. 388).

Pipefitting
exemption.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill creating a maximum allowable check-cashing rate (House, No. 344).

Check
cashing,—
fees.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3715, a Bill authorizing the city of Northampton to grant seven additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3952) [Local Approval Received].

Northampton,—
liquor
licenses.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a joint petition, a Bill validating the annual town meeting for the town of Blandford (House, No. 661) [Local Approval Received].

Blandford,—
town meeting.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Lancaster (House, No. 3578) [Local Approval Received].

Lancaster,—
election.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JULY 3, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 3, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Duffy of Holyoke) congratulating Ethel Judge on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday; and

Ethel
Judge.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Lombardo of Billerica) congratulating Paul Holmes on his one hundredth birthday;

Paul
Holmes.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 131Q of Chapter 140 of the General Laws) submitting the Crime Gun annual report of the Department of the Massachusetts State Police for calendar year 2022;

Crime guns,—
recovery.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 131Q of Chapter 140 of the General Laws) submitting a report on the recovery of crime guns in the Commonwealth during calendar year 2022; and

Id.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4403-2000 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting notification for a one-time additional payment to children in Transitional Assistance to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC) households;

TAFDC,—
payment.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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 Holmes of Boston and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3962) of Russell E. Holmes and Liz Miranda for legislation to provide equitable sentencing for felony and joint venture murder. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Sentencing,—
murder.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3963) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Mike Connolly and Vanna Howard relative to zoning and the alleviation of the housing emergency. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Housing,—
zoning.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Robertson of Tewksbury presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3964) of David Allen Robertson (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt Joanne Ricardelli from the maximum age requirement for appointment as a firefighter in the town of Wilmington; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Wilmington,—
Joanne
Ricardelli.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan relative to certain ticket transactions.

Ticket
transactions.

By Representative Ryan of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Ryan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to improve and modernize planning and community development in the city of Boston.

Boston,—
community
development.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill providing for the retirement of Greg Heath, a former firefighter of the city of Westfield (Senate, No. 2369) (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.

Westfield,—
Greg Heath.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Michael F. Rush for legislation relative to motor vehicle distributors, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Transportation.

Motor
vehicle
distributors.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2413) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Transportation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the city of Northampton to grant seven additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3952) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Northampton,—
liquor licenses.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Revere to pay a certain sum

Revere,—
George
Rotondo.

of money to the estate of George J. Rotondo, Jr. (House, No. 2055) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the school committee of the city of Revere (House, No. 2058) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 2081) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Hull to lease certain property and to extend leases on certain property to promote economic development and the more effective use of town property (House, No. 2083) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Middleborough (House, No. 2092) [Local Approval Received].

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2910) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to [sic] Yarmouth tourism funding change (House, No. 3796) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant abatement of real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy (House, No. 3906) [Local Approval Received].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Revere,—
school
committee.

Dedham,—
charter.

Hull,—
property
leases.

Middleborough,—
charter.

Watertown,—
property taxes.

Yarmouth,—
tourism fund.

Shrewsbury,—
Christopher
Roy.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At five minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, July 6, 2023.

Met at six minutes after 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, the Women Warriors of Cabo Verde and Guinea-Bissau. Ana Maria Cabral, widow of Bissau-Guinean revolutionary Amilcar Cabral, then addressed the House briefly. The Women Warriors of Cabo Verde and Guinea-Bissau and Ana Maria Cabral were the guests of Representative Cabral of New Bedford and the Portuguese American Legislative Caucus.

The Women
Warriors of
Cabo Verde and
Guinea-Bissau.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representative Wong of Saugus) reaffirming friendship between Massachusetts and Taiwan, support a United States-Taiwan bilateral trade agreement and Taiwan's international participation, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Taiwan.

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.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 30 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022) submitting an update on the progress towards achieving the goals of the comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination equity plan; and

COVID-19,—
vaccination
equity plan.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its quarterly MassHealth Pharmacy Pipeline Report;

MassHealth
Pharmacy
Pipeline.

Severally were placed on file.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had appointed Representative DeCoste of Norwell to the special legislative commission established (under Section 107 of

Commission
on Civil

Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020, as amended by Section 72 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) to study and examine the Civil Service Law.

Service Law.

Petitions.

An additional petition (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o'clock P.M., on Friday, January 20, 2023) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to classifying cheerleading as a school sport and providing for student participation in cheerleading, was referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, to the committee Education. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cheerleading,—
classification.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3968) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to grant an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Chatham,—
liquor
license.

By Representative Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3969) of Christine P. Barber (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission of said city.

Somerville,—
licensing
commission.

By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3970) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Bruce E. Tarr and Sally P. Kerans (by vote of the town) relative to amending the charter of the town of Middleton.

Middleton,—
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3971) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to establish two special revenue accounts to support the development of attainable housing in said town and the administration and operation of the Chatham elementary school. To the committee on Revenue.

Chatham,—
revenue
accounts.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others for legislation to establish coordinated management guidelines for public forest lands.

Public
forests.

By Representative Hogan of Stow and Senator Robyn K. Kennedy, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Hogan and Robyn K. Kennedy that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land in the town of Bolton to said town for general municipal purposes.

Bolton,—
land.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Meghan Kilcoyne that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles be authorized to establish distinctive license plates for Army combat veterans.

Army combat
veterans,—
license plate.

By Representative Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to retiree work hours and pay limits.

Retirees,—
pay limits.

By Representative Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., for legislation to establish an income tax credit for zero-emission and hybrid mobile machinery.

Zero-emission
tax credit.

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

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 Daniel J. Ryan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to improve and modernize planning and community development in the city of Boston. To the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses.

Boston,—
community
development.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Tackey Chan relative to certain ticket transactions. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Ticket
transactions.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kay Khan relative to pharmacists as healthcare providers. To the committee on Financial Services.

Pharmacists.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Department of Correction. To the committee on Public Service.

Anastasios
Milonopoulos,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Daniel J. Ryan relative to the distribution of federal pandemic funds received by executive offices, state agencies, state authorities or quasi-state authorities and constitutional offices. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Pandemic
funds.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 2555) [Local Approval Received]; and

Leominster,—
police.

Authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant abatement of real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy (House, No. 3906) [Local Approval Received];

Shrewsbury,—
Christopher
Roy.

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. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the department of corrections [sic] (House, No. 3966). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Thomas
Hartley,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3821, amended) (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn), was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its amendment.

Michael
Grant,—
sick leave.

The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and the bill was returned to the Senate for its action.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers within said city for paid detail assignments (House, No. 2677) (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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Ms. Decker of Cambridge then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Sandra Graham, a member of the House from Cambridge from 1977 to 1988, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at twenty-one 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 Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 10, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that (under Section 214 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws, as inserted by Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2003) he had reappointed Mr. González of Springfield to the Selection Committee for the Madeline Amy Sweeney Award for Civilian Bravery and had appointed Ms. Barber of Somerville to said committee to replace Mr. Day of Stoneham.

Madeline Amy
Sweeney Award
for Civilian
Bravery.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Smola of Warren) congratulating Richard and Deborah Smola on their fiftieth wedding anniversary on August 4, 2023, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Richard and
Deborah
Smola.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Sena of Acton and Cataldo of Concord, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3973) of Danillo A. Sena and Simon Cataldo (by vote of the town) that the town of Acton be authorized to grant legal voting rights in municipal elections to town residents aged 16 and 17 years old; and

Acton,—
voting
age.

By the same members, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3974) of Danillo A. Sena and Simon Cataldo (by vote of the town) relative to ranked choice voting in the town of Acton.

Acton,—
ranked
choice.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative McMurtry of Dedham presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry for legislation to establish a local option penalty on certain utility pole installation projects; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Utility
poles,—
installation.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1281) of Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend section 5 of chapter 270 of the Acts of 1985, as amended, to authorize delegation by general by-law of all select board licensing authority,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Brookline,—
licensing
authority.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1289) of Julian Cyr for legislation relative to installing solar energy systems in historic districts,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Solar
energy,—
installation.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of John F. Keenan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jason Barone-Cichocki, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Jason Barone-
Cichocki,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2414) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

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 Daniel J. Hunt relative to the assistant clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Suffolk County,—
clerks.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation to expand customer access to a modern grid. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Modern grid,—
access.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., relative to requiring immunizations against preventable diseases for school admittance; and

School
immunizations.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 582) of Michael J. Soter and others relative to the protection of medical exemptions for immunizations for school attendance;

Id.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Health.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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:

Authorizing the city of Revere to pay a certain sum of money to the estate of George J. Rotondo, Jr. (House, No. 2055) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to the school committee of the city of Revere (House, No. 2058) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2910) [Local Approval Received]; and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the department of corrections [sic] (House, No. 3966);

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

Revere,—
George Rotondo.

Revere,—
committee.

Watertown,—
property taxes.

Thomas
Hartley,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Hanover to select board (Senate, No. 1302), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Recess.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at one minute before one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Puppolo of Springfield then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Rudy Chmura, a member of the House from Springfield from 1969 to 1982, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at one minute after one o'clock P.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, July 13, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., 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 Prayer.

During the session, at the request of Representatives Uytterhoeven of Somerville, Cassidy of Brockton and Sousa of Framingham (the Speaker being in the Chair), the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Officer Tiffany Bodinizzo who served at MCI-Framingham, and tragically passed away on July 5th, 2023. She was only 36 years old.

Tiffany
Bodinizzo.

Officer Bodinizzo was not your average officer in the Department of Correction. She always took new staff under her wing and would help them learn their jobs the correct way. She was someone who was willing to offer her assistance to anyone in need whether on the job or off. Officer Bodinizzo always performed her job with grace and dignity and was a role model to the individuals under her care. She managed to stay positive in an environment that can be difficult even when working double shifts. Officer Bodinizzo always knew how to bring out the best in others and could make anyone laugh and smile even on their worst day. She will not be forgotten by her brothers and sisters in the Department of Correction or the individuals under her care.

Statement Concerning Representative Capano of Lynn.

A statement of Mr. Michael J. Moran of Boston concerning Mr. Capano of Lynn was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Mr. Capano of Lynn, is unable to be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to a rare, preplanned, and important family matter that required his presence. His missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Mr. Capano
of Lynn.

Statement Concerning Representative Rogers of Norwood.

A statement of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley concerning Mr. Rogers of Norwood was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Mr. Rogers of Norwood, was called away from today's formal

Statement
concerning
Mr. Rogers
of Norwood.

session due to official business elsewhere. Had he been present he would have voted in the following manner:

Roll Call #26 on the Adoption of Consolidated Amendment “A” to H3982 – NO;
and

Roll Call #27 on the Engrossment of H3982 – NO.

His missing of the roll calls today is entirely due to the reason stated.

Distinguished Guest of the House.

During the session, the Speaker took the Chair and introduced Hsiao Bi-khim, Taiwanese Representative to the United States. Speaker Mariano then read resolutions previously adopted by the House reaffirming the friendship between Massachusetts and Taiwan, support for a United States-Taiwan bilateral trade agreement and Taiwan’s international participation. Ambassador Hsiao Bi-khim then addressed the House.

Ambassador
Hsiao Bi-khim.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Richmond J. Tripp on his one hundredth birthday;

Richmond
Tripp.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Roselyn Joy Murphy on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Roselyn
Murphy.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McMurtry of Dedham) in recognition of Louis Jay Woolf upon his retirement; and

Louis
Woolf.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating Irene Mary Kenney on celebrating her one hundredth birthday and wishing her much happiness in the days to come;

Irene
Kenney.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Massachusetts Technical Rescue Coordinating Council (see Section 2DDDDD of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2023;

Technical
rescue
council.

From the Department of Public Health (see Section 2J of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting the Public Health Grant Trust Fund Report 2022; and

Health Grant
Trust Fund.

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see item 1599-2051 of Section 2A of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021) providing a status report update regarding immediate Covid-19 recovery needs for the first quarter of calendar year 2023;

COVID-19,—
recovery
needs.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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

By Representatives Domb of Amherst and Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3993) of Mindy Domb, Andres X. Vargas and others relative to farm and school partnerships in school meals;

School meals.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3990) of Marcus S. Vaughn for legislation to establish a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the creation of a state-wide licensing board to license, prosecute and hold accountable club sports facilities;

Club sports.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Cutler of Pembroke and LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3983) of Josh S. Cutler, Kathleen R. LaNatra and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) for legislation to further regulate the recall of elected officials in the town of Pembroke. To the committee on Election Laws.

Pembroke,—
recall
elections.

By Representatives Cutler of Pembroke and DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3984) of Josh S. Cutler, David F. DeCoste and Michael D. Brady (by vote of the town) for legislation to enhance enforcement in building and permitting compliance in the town Hanson;

Hanson,—
building
compliance.

By Representative Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3985) of Kimberly N. Ferguson (by vote of the town) that the town of Rutland be authorized to establish an appointed town clerk in said town; and

Rutland,—
town clerk.

By Representatives Soter of Bellingham and McKenna of Webster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3986) of Michael J. Soter and Joseph D. McKenna (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen to select board in the town of Uxbridge.

Uxbridge,—
select board.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Balser of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3987) of Ruth B. Balser, Cynthia Stone Creem and Kay Khan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to retired fire fighters in the city of Newton;

Newton,—
retired
fire fighters.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3988) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of Charlemont be authorized to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear; and

Charlemont,—
Dennis
Annear.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3989) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of Rowe be authorized to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear.

Rowe,—
Dennis
Annear.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Schmid of Westport presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul A. Schmid, III relative to failed septic systems; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Failed septic
systems.

Paper from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 465) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation relative to indigenous representation on the Martha's Vineyard Commission,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Martha's
Vineyard
Commission,—
indigenous
representation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the town of Hull to lease certain property and to extend leases on certain property to promote economic development and the more effective use of town property (House, No. 2083) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Hull,—
land.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Stanley of Waltham, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House No. 20 and on a part of House, No. 16, a Bill clarifying and normalizing non-public school service purchases (House, No. 3977).

Non-public
school service
purchases.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2479, a Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (House, No. 3978).

Judicial
retirement law.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Ana C. Contreras (House, No. 3848).

Ana Contreras,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Thomas Harmon to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3655).

Thomas
Harmon,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing John R. Stowe, Jr. to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3656).

John
Stowe,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Wayne A. Ellis to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3657).

Wayne
Ellis,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wendell and the town of New Salem to continue the employment of Joseph J. Cuneo (House, No. 3813) [Local Approval Received].

New Salem
and Wendell,—
Joseph Cuneo.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3651, a Bill authorizing Cynthia Falzone to purchase creditable service from the Norfolk County Retirement Board (House, No. 3979) [Local Approval Received].

Cynthia
Falzone,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3976, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Correction (House, No. 3981).

Anastasios
Milonopoulos,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 3821, amended) having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Michael Grant,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 18 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Hanover to select board (see Senate, No. 1302) (which originated in the Senate); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the town of Berlin to grant up to 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 345) (which originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Exempting the position of police chief in the town of Lancaster from the provisions of the civil service law (House, No. 2571); and

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3966) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At thirteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at twenty-seven minutes after three o'clock, the House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 3869, reported, in part, a Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3982) [Total appropriation: \$692,950,563.00] Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Supplemental
appropriations.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Peake of Provincetown, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under suspension of the rules, on further 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.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House moved to amend it in section 2, in item 4590-0950, by striking out the following: “4590-0950” and inserting in place thereof the following: “4590-0915”;

Consolidated
amendments.

By inserting after section 2A the following six sections:—

SECTION 2AA. Paragraph (5) of subsection (q) of section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as amended by sections 218 to 220, inclusive, of chapter 7 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “The total amount of credits that may be authorized by EOHLC in a calendar year pursuant to this subsection and section 38BB of chapter 63 shall not exceed \$10,000,000 and” and inserting in place thereof the following 3 sentences:— EOHLC may authorize up to \$30,000,000 in credits annually under this subsection and section 38BB of chapter 63. In addition, EOHLC may authorize annually (i) any portion of the annual cap on credits not authorized by EOHLC in the preceding calendar years under this subsection or said section 38BB of said chapter 63; and (ii) any credits under this subsection or said section 38BB of said chapter 63 returned to EOHLC by a certified housing development project. The total amount of credits authorized during a year.

SECTION 2BB. Said paragraph (5) of said subsection (q) of said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the words “chapter 63;” the following word:— and.

SECTION 2CC. Said paragraph (5) of said subsection (q) of said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “Any portion of the \$10,000,000 annual cap not awarded by the EOHLC in a calendar year shall not be applied to awards in a subsequent year.”

SECTION 2DD. Subdivision (5) of section 38BB of chapter 63, as amended by sections 231 and 232 of chapter 7 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “The total amount of credits that may be authorized by EOHLC in a calendar year under this section and subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62 shall not exceed \$10,000,000 and” and inserting in place thereof the following 3 sentences:— EOHLC may authorize up to \$30,000,000 in credits annually under this section and subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62. In addition, EOHLC may authorize annually (i) any portion of the annual cap on credits not authorized by EOHLC in the preceding calendar years under this section or said subsection (q) of said section (6) of said chapter 62; and (ii) any credits under this section or said subsection (q) of said section (6) of said chapter 62 returned to EOHLC by a certified housing development project. The total amount of credits authorized during a year.

SECTION 2EE. Said subdivision (5) of said section 38BB of said chapter 63, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the words “chapter 62;” the following word:— and.

SECTION 2FF. Said subdivision (5) of said section 38BB of said chapter 63, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “Any portion of the \$10,000,000 annual cap not awarded by EOHLC in a calendar year shall not be applied to awards in a subsequent year.”;

By inserting after section 21 the following section:

“SECTION 21A. Sections 46, 48, 61, 63 and 124A of chapter 287 of the acts of 2014, as most recently amended by section 26 of chapter 99 of the acts of 2018, are hereby repealed.”;

By inserting after section 22 the following two sections:

“SECTION 22A. Item 1599-0026 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021, as most recently amended by section 171 of chapter 268 of the acts of 2022, is hereby further amended by striking out the words ‘June 30, 2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— June 30, 2024.

SECTION 22B. Item 1599-2051 of section 2A of chapter 102 of the acts of 2021, as amended by section 45 of chapter 2 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by striking out the words ‘June 30, 2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— June 30, 2027.”;

By inserting after section 23 the following two sections:

“SECTION 23A. Item 7008-1116 of section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the words ‘Outside the Box’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 23B. Item 8000-0313 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the figure ‘2020’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 24 the following section:

“SECTION 24A. Subsection (c) of section 19 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘June 1, 2023’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— June 30, 2024.”;

In section 26, in line 223, by striking out the word “calendar” and inserting in place thereof the word “school”; and

By adding the following two sections:

“SECTION 29. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in calendar year 2023, the executive office of housing and livable communities may authorize up to \$57,000,000 in credits under subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62 of the General Laws and section 38BB of chapter 63 of the General Laws. Any portion of this amount that is not authorized in calendar year 2023 shall be added to the amount the executive office of housing and livable communities may authorize in subsequent years under said subsection (q) of said section (6) of said chapter 62 and said section 38BB of said chapter 63.

SECTION 30. Sections 2AA to 2FF, inclusive, shall apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the 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 152 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 26](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments were adopted.

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 26.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yea and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 27](#) in Supplement.]

[Ms. Sullivan-Almeida of Abington answered “Present” in response to her name.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 3994, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 27.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Donato of Medford,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-nine minutes after five o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (the Speaker being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 17, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petitions.

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

Unused utility
corridors,—
taxation.

Representative Ciccolo of Lexington presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4000) of Michelle L. Ciccolo and Walter F. Timilty for legislation to establish a local option municipal excise tax on certain unused utility corridors. To the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3996) of David Paul Linsky (by vote of the town) for legislation to further regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of clubs or veterans' organizations in the town of Natick; and

Natick,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Peisch of Wellesley and Senator Barrett, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4001) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Weston be authorized to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages at a food store in said town.

Weston,—
liquor
license.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Representative Garlick of Needham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3997) of Denise C. Garlick (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the charter of the town of Needham. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Needham,—
charter.

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3998) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) that the town of Holliston be authorized to continue the employment of Mark Dellicker as deputy fire chief of said town notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and

Holliston,—
Mark
Dellicker.

By Representative Garlick of Needham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3999) of Denise C. Garlick (by vote of the town) that town of Needham be authorized to exempt all positions in the fire department of said town from certain provisions of the civil service law.

Needham,—
civil service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Murphy of Weymouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Murphy for legislation to protect seniors and adults with disabilities from financial exploitation.

Financial
exploitation
prevention.

By Representative Saunders of Belchertown and Senator Oliveira, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron L. Saunders, Jacob R. Oliveira and Todd M. Smola for legislation to designate a certain bridge on state Route 9 between the towns of Belchertown and Ware as the Kenneth J. Iwasinski memorial bridge.

Belchertown
and Ware,—
Iwasinski
bridge.

By Representative Saunders of Belchertown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron L. Saunders and others for legislation to further regulate access to certain library materials.

Library
materials,—
access.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to the definition of beverage under the “bottle bill”, so-called.

Beverages,—
definition.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to a sales tax exemption for certain apparel products for children.

Children’s
apparel.

By Representative Zlotnik of Gardner and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jonathan D. Zlotnik for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kimberly Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Kimberly
Riggins,—
sick leave.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing the town of Scituate to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (Senate, No. 2424) (on Senate bill No. 1710) [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.

Scituate,—
special police.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2420) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wellfleet to acquire year-round housing occupancy restrictions. To the committee on Housing.

Wellfleet,—
housing
restrictions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2418) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the prevailing wage in the town of Wellfleet. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Wellfleet,—
prevailing
wage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2422) of Michael D. Brady, Gerard J. Cassidy and Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida (by vote of the town) for legislation to change the board of selectmen in the town of East Bridgewater to a select board;

East
Bridgewater,—
select board.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2415) of Brendan P. Crighton and Jennifer Balinsky Armini (by vote of the town) for legislation to change the elected term for select board members from 1 year to 3 years in the town of Marblehead;

Marblehead,—
select board.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2417) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Nantucket to convey for roadway and any other purposes certain parcels of land within the roadway known as Ames Avenue, and shown as lots 35-38 (inclusive) in block 31 on land court plan no. 2408-m filed with the Nantucket registry district of the land court situated in the town of Nantucket held for conservation or recreational purposes to be conveyed for roadway and/or any purposes; and

Nantucket,—
land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2423) of John C. Velis and Kelly W. Pease (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Westfield;

Westfield,—
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2419) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wellfleet to establish a real estate transfer fee; and

Wellfleet,—
transfer fee.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2421) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to expand the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet;

Wellfleet,—
exemption.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

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 Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., for legislation to establish an income tax credit for zero-emission and hybrid mobile machinery. To the committee on Revenue.

Zero-emission
tax credit.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James K. Hawkins and others for legislation to encourage the improvement of free libraries and library systems. To the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Free libraries
and library
systems.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

The Senate Bill providing for the retirement of Greg Heath, a former firefighter of the city of Westfield (Senate, No. 2369) [Local Approval Received]; and

Westfield,—
Greg Heath.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Wrentham to exempt the position of deputy fire chief from civil service (House, No. 3720) [Local Approval Received];

Wrentham,—
civil service.

Directing the city of Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis (House, No. 3732) [Local Approval Received];

Boston,—
Wendy
Pierre-Louis.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Ana C. Contreras (House, No. 3848);

Ana Contreras.

Authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Maynard (House, No. 3930) [Local Approval Received];

Maynard,—
special police.

Authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Freetown (House, No. 3931) [Local Approval Received]; and

Freetown,—
special police.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Correction (House, No. 3981);

Anastasios
Milonopoulos.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1 year or multiple year contract to audit (House, No. 2045) [Local Approval Received].

Pittsfield,—
contract.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Auburn Water District clerk and treasurer (House, No. 2048).

Auburn,—
water district.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Board of Health in the town of Reading (House, No. 2072) [Local Approval Received].

Reading,—
board of
health.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing representative town meetings (House, No. 2089) [Local Approval Received].

Milford,—
town meetings.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill increasing the number of members for the select board of the town of Lakeville (House, No. 2093) [Local Approval Received].

Lakeville,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the town of Monson treasurer-collector position (House, No. 3716) [Local Approval Received].

Monson,—
treasurer-
collector.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the act establishing a charter for the town of Wrentham (House, No. 3717) [Local Approval Received].

Wrentham,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill approving the Townsend special act charter (House, No. 3728) [Local Approval Received].

Townsend,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the town of Avon's by-laws (House, No. 3746, changed in line 1 by striking out the following: "sections 21 and 40" and inserting in place thereof the following: "section 21 of chapter 40") [Local Approval Received].

Avon,—
by-laws.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the home rule charter of the city of Beverly (House, No. 3747) [Local Approval Received].

Beverly,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the board of selectmen in the town of Westport (House, No. 3751) [Local Approval Received].

Westport,—
selectmen.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the appointment of a commissioner of health and human services in the city of Brockton (House, No. 3824) [Local Approval Received].

Brockton,—
appointment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill amending the membership of the housing commission in the town of Lincoln (House, No. 3827) [Local Approval Received].

Lincoln,—
housing
commission.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Gosnold to selectboard (House, No. 3842) [Local Approval Received].

Gosnold,—
selectboard.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3729, a Bill permitting the town of Wakefield to convey an easement to the Wakefield Municipal Gas & Light Department (House, No. 3995) [Local Approval Received].

Wakefield,—
easement.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant abatement of real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy (House, No. 3906), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, July 20, 2023.

Met at eleven o'clock A.M. (notwithstanding the Order adopted at the previous sitting requiring the House to meet at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, July 19, 2023), 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.

Communication from the Speaker.

The following communication from the Speaker of the House was spread upon the records of the House, to wit:

July 20, 2023.

The Honorable Steven T. James, *Clerk*
Massachusetts House of Representatives
State House—Room 145
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Please note in the Journal of the House that, notwithstanding the Order adopted on Monday, July 17, 2023 requiring the House to meet at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, I cancelled said session under the authority granted me by House Rule 44. I did so in light of the State House being closed on July 19th due to an electrical fire in the basement of the State House.

Cancelled
session due to
electrical fire.

As such, I informed all Members of the House that the Informal Session scheduled for Wednesday July 19, 2023 would convene instead on Thursday July 20, 2023 at 11:00 AM.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,
RONALD MARIANO
Speaker of the House.

Communications.

Communications

From the Secretary for Administration and Finance (see Section 81 of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021) submitting a quarterly report relative to ensuring that coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund monies received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, 42 U.S.C. 802, comply with applicable federal law, including statutes, regulations, and sub-regulatory guidance; and

ARPA funds.

From the Department of Public Utilities (see Section 193 of Chapter 164 of the Acts of 1997) submitting a report on the installations of cogeneration, fuel cell, renewable energy, and on-site generation facilities for calendar year 2022;

Renewable energy installations.

Severally were placed on file.

Monthly Report.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for June 2023, was placed on file.

Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.

Petitions.

Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4003) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) that the town of Sunderland be authorized to continue the employment of fire department member Scott Smith; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Sunderland,—
Scott Smith.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of John Barrett, III relative to establishing the Greylock Glen land commission comprised of certain parcels of land acquired by the Commonwealth for general recreation purposes in the town of Adams.

Adams,—
Greylock
Glen land.

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark that the State Retirement Board be directed to credit Paul Lemelin, an employee of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments, with certain creditable service for retirement purposes.

Paul
Lemelin,—
retirement.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael S. Day and Michelle L. Ciccolo that the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority shall convey to the town of Winchester certain land in said town for the purpose of facilitating a transit-oriented development including affordable housing.

Winchester,—
land.

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

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Jonathan D. Zlotnik for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kimberly Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction. To the committee on Public Service.

Kimberly
Riggins,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Paul McMurtry for legislation to establish a local option penalty on certain utility pole installation projects. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Utility poles,—
installation.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Aaron L. Saunders, Jacob R. Oliveira and Todd M. Smola for legislation to designate a certain bridge on state Route 9 between the towns of Belchertown and Ware as the Kenneth J. Iwasinski memorial bridge. To the committee on Transportation.

Belchertown
and Ware,—
Iwasinski
bridge.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Relative to the Board of Health in the town of Reading (House, No. 2072) [Local Approval Received];

Reading,—
health board.

Relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 2081) [Local Approval Received]; and

Dedham,—
charter.

Amending the act establishing a charter for the town of Wrentham (House, No. 3717) [Local Approval Received];

Wrentham,—
charter.

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

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill relative to gender identity on Massachusetts identification (House, No. 3368).

Identification,—
gender.

By the same member, for the same committee, under the provisions of Joint Rule 3A, a Committee Bill relative to transit safety (House, No. 4002).

Transit
safety.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Donahue, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see House, No. 3778, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

William
Donahue,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing the city of Revere to pay a certain sum of money to the estate of George J. Rotondo, Jr. (House, No. 2055);

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Maritza Miranda, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3933); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3981) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Joel S. Greenberg, a member of the House from Pittsfield from 1965 to 1970; and the motion prevailed.

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

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MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 24, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Distinguished Guests.

Mr. Chan of Quincy then took the Chair and introduced Jaehui Kim, Consul General of the Republic of Korea; and Giho Lee, Consul in the Office of the Consul General of the Republic of Korea, who were seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of Mr. Chan and the entire Asian-American & Pacific Islander Caucus.

Jaehui Kim
and Giho Lee.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Xiarhos of Barnstable and other members of the House) expressing the gratitude and appreciation for the valiant service of first responders at the State House on July, 18, 2023, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

First
responders.

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

Quarterly Report.

A quarterly report of the Sheriff's Department of Plymouth County (under Section 84 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the aggregate data on the population of the Plymouth County Correctional Facility for the second quarter of calendar year 2023, was placed on file.

Plymouth County
Correctional
Facility.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4009) of David F. DeCoste and John F. Keenan (by vote of the town) relative to extending the date for issuance of certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Hanover. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Hanover,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4010) of David F. DeCoste and John F. Keenan (by vote of the town) that the board of

Rockland,—

selectmen of the town of Rockland be authorized to serve as cemetery commissioners for said town;

cemetery
commissioners.

By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4011) of Kathleen R. LaNatra (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Kingston; and

Kingston,—
treasurer-
collector.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4012) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Eastham be authorized to convey a conservation restriction on a certain parcel of land to the Eastham Conservation Foundation, Inc.;

Eastham,—
land.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Gifford of Wareham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Susan Williams Gifford that the Teachers' Retirement Board be directed to grant Thomas Brian Donnelly one year of creditable service and recalculate his superannuation retirement allowance.

Thomas
Donnelly,—
retirement.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to repealing certain fiscal stability procedures of the Chesterfield-Goshen Regional School District.

Chesterfield-
Goshen Regional
School District.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Bruce E. Tarr, Patrick M. O'Connor and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to promote public payroll transparency, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Public
payroll,—
transparency.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2427) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark that the State Retirement Board be directed to credit Paul Lemelin, an employee of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments, with certain creditable service for retirement purposes. To the committee on Public Service.

Paul
Lemelin,—
retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Peter Capano that the Secretary of Veterans' Services be authorized to create a veterans' benefits and services notice and that certain employers be required to post said notice. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Veterans'
benefits,—
notices.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1 year or multiple year contract to audit (House, No. 2045) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to the town of Monson treasurer-collector position (House, No. 3716) [Local Approval Received];

Amending the town of Avon's by-laws (House, No. 3746, changed) [Local Approval Received]; and

Permitting the town of Wakefield to convey an easement to the Wakefield Municipal Gas & Light Department (House, No. 3995) [Local Approval Received];

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

Pittsfield,—
contract.

Monson,—
position.

Avon,—
by-laws.

Wakefield,—
easement.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Wrentham to exempt the position of deputy fire chief from the civil service law (House, No. 3720) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Ana C. Contreras, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3848) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Ana
Contreras,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the trial court of the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3848, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at eight minutes before two o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, July 26, 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.

Communication.

A communication from the Department of Environmental Protection (see Section 3 of Chapter 21I of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for calendar year 2021 relative to the Toxics Use Reduction Program, was placed on file.

Toxic Use
Reduction
Program.

Petitions.

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 Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4015) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark for an investigation and study by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services of payment models, uniform assessment and nonpublic emergency ambulance assessed charges set for nonpublic ambulance service. To the committee on Public Health.

Ambulance
charges.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4016) of Michelle L. Ciccolo for legislation to provide preferential tax rates to certain public benefit corporations; and

Public benefit
corporations.

By Representatives Duffy of Holyoke and Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4017) of Patricia A. Duffy and Mindy Domb for legislation to establish a public higher education facilities modernization and reconstruction trust fund with certain dedicated sales tax revenue.

Higher
education
trust fund.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4018) of Michelle L. Ciccolo relative to transportation resiliency planning. To the committee on Transportation.

Transportation,—
planning.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Berthiaume of Spencer presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4014) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (by vote of the town) that the town of North Brookfield be authorized to continue the employment of Chief Joseph Holway and Captain David Martin of the fire department of said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

North
Brookfield,—
Joseph Holway
and David
Martin.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families.

Jody
Ricketson,—
sick leave.

By Representative Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to multi-family zoning in MBTA communities.

Multi-family
zoning.

By Representative O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Paul Verdini, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Paul
Verdini,—
sick leave

By Representative Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David T. Vieira for legislation to designate a certain bridge on state Route 28 in the town of Falmouth as the Kevin P. Quinn memorial bridge.

Falmouth,—
Quinn bridge.

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

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2375) of the House Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3547), reported, a bill with the same title (House, No. 4013) [Total Appropriation: \$375,000,000.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

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 petition of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to repealing certain fiscal stability procedures of the Chesterfield-Goshen Regional School District. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Education. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Chesterfield-
Goshen
Regional
School
District.

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:

Creating a maximum allowable check-cashing rate (House, No. 344);

Check cashing.

Validating the annual town meeting for the town of Blandford (House, No. 661) [Local Approval Received]; and

Blandford,—
town meeting.

Validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Lancaster (House, No. 3578) [Local Approval Received];

Lancaster,—
town election.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bills were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill exempting Joanne Ricardelli from the maximum age requirements for firefighters in the town of Wilmington (House, No. 3964) [Local Approval Received].

Wilmington,—
Joanne
Ricardelli.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Kimberly Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4006).

Kimberly
Riggins,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the board of health in the town of Reading (House, No. 2072); and
Relative to the retirement benefits of the surviving beneficiary of Robert Lawler

(House, No. 2649);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, July 27, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tributes.

During the session, Ms. Garlick of Needham took the Chair, and, at her request, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Needham resident Edward de Lemos.

Edward
de Lemos.

At the age of 88 Ed de Lemos died having lived a full life and loving his wife Carol, 4 daughters and 10 grandchildren. A resident of Needham for more than five decades, he was an integral part of the community. In leadership, the Needham Historical Society, in reverence and joy as a tenor in St. Joseph's choir for more than 40 years, and in active participation in community organizations and civic events. Ed was a man of keen intellect, with well-informed and passionate opinions and considerable skills in debate. Ed cared deeply about the past, present, and future issues and concerns that impacted his family, community, country, and world. Through his thoughts, words and actions, Ed worked for a better world every day.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, and at the request of Speaker Mariano of Quincy, and Representatives Michael J. Moran of Boston, Ultrino of Malden, Donato of Medford and Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, the members, guests, and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Joanne Croken.

State House
Ranger Joanne
Croken.

For the past 30 years, Joanne served as a State House Ranger and was an integral part of our State House Community. Joanne's outgoing personality and warm receptiveness proved contagious for every legislator, staff member, or visitor who walked through the State House doors. Her willingness to always lend a helping hand and her kindness will be truly missed by this body. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Joanne's family during this difficult time.

Message from the Governor.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

Subsequent to the noon recess,— A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (House, No. 4022), was filed in the office of the Clerk during today's sitting.

State funds,—
emergency
expenditures.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for said committee, reported on the forgoing message, a Bill making certain appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (printed in House, No. 4022) [Total Appropriations: \$6,000,000,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported recommending that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the Ms. Peake of Provincetown, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further 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; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence

Statement Concerning Representative Nguyen of Andover.

A statement of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley concerning Ms. Nguyen of Andover was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Ms. Nguyen of Andover, was called away from formal session today due to official business elsewhere. Had she been present for today's votes she would have voted in the following manner:

Roll Call #28 and Roll Call #29 on the Adoption and Enactment, respectively, of Conference Committee Report H.4013, An Act financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges – YES

Her missing of today's roll calls was due entirely due to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Ms. Nguyen
of Andover.

Report.

A report of the Inspector General of the Commonwealth (under Section 196 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting a review of the MBTA's In-Station Customer Service Contract with Block by Block, was placed on file.

MBTA,—
management
contracts.

Petitions.

Representatives Finn of West Springfield and Boldyga of Southwick presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4023) of Michael J. Finn and Nicholas A. Boldyga (by vote of the town) that the city known as the town of Agawam be authorized to change the timing of preliminary elections in said town to eight weeks preceding regular elections; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Agawam,—
preliminary
elections.

Representative Driscoll of Milton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., and Walter F. Timilty (with the approval of the town council) relative to the preparation of bilingual ballots in English and Haitian Creole for state elections in the city known as the town of Randolph; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Randolph,—
bilingual
ballots.

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 J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Paul Verdini, an employee of the Department of Correction. To the committee on Public Service.

Paul Verdini,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to the definition of beverage under the "bottle bill", so-called. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Bottle bill,—
beverages.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Garlick of Needham, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Kimberly Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4006), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Kimberly
Riggins,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Garlick of Needham, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Rochester to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 393) (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.

Recess.

At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at nine minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2375) of the House Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3547),— recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4013),— be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, the bill was considered forthwith.

After debate on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 28 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently a statement of Mr. Mom of Lowell was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that on the previous roll call I was absent from the House Chamber on official business in my district. Had I been present I would have voted in the affirmative.

Conference committee report accepted,—yea and nay No. 28.

Statement of Mr. Mom of Lowell.

Recess.

There being no objection, at seven minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess, subject to the call of the Chair; and at seventeen minutes before three o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 4013), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Municipal roads and bridges.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 42 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

Bill enacted (state loan),—yea and nay No. 29.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a “loan” bill as defined by Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 29 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Recess.

There being no objection, at nineteen minutes after three o'clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess, subject to the call of the Chair; and at seventeen minutes after four o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Garballey of Arlington in the Chair.

Recess.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill making certain appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 before final action on the General Appropriations Bill (see House bill printed in House, No.

Bill enacted.

4022) (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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Ms. Ferguson of Holden then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at eleven minutes before five o'clock P.M. (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 31, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tributes.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess; and, at the request of Representatives Walsh of Peabody and Kerans of Danvers, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Officer Henry Breckenridge, a member of the Peabody Police Department since 2016.

Henry
Breckenridge.

Well-respected and highly regarded by his fellow officers, Officer Breckenridge was a marvelous ambassador for the Peabody Police Department. His love of community was evident in his volunteerism and active participation with Peabody's children.

Officer Breckenridge enjoyed reading to students at the West Elementary School, volunteering for the Special Olympics, coaching baseball and football at the high school level, and interacting with children and their pets while on patrol. The heartwarming stories being shared from across our city for Officer Breckenridge is an acknowledgment of his impact on the Peabody community.

Epitomizing what it means to protect and serve, Officer Breckenridge played an exemplary role model for aspiring youth.

Officer Breckenridge passed away, at forty years old, on July 19th from complications from surgery.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess; and, at the request of Representatives Ramos of Springfield and Saunders of Belchertown, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Rudolph J. Chmura, a longtime resident of Springfield and Wilbraham then Nashua, New Hampshire, who passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Friday, June 30, 2023. He was 91 years old. Rudy, as he was best known by all who loved him, was born on March 21, 1932, in Indian Orchard, MA, the son of John Chmura and Apolonia (Maziarz) Chmura.

Rudolph
Chmura.

Rudy's childhood was spent working at the family bakery and farm with his brothers where he learned a strong work ethic that would accompany him throughout his lifetime. He graduated from Technical High School in 1949.

He joined the Army and was stationed in Korea during the Korean War.

Rudy was a co-owner of Chmura's Bakery until 1988. In addition, Rudy was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 1969 and served seven consecutive terms. Rudy further served on several House committees, appointed by

Speaker Thomas McGee, including as House Chair of the joint committee on Post Audit and Oversight from 1979-1981.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess; and, at the request of Representative Decker of Cambridge, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of former Representative Saundra Graham, a lifelong Cambridge resident and public servant, who died on June 23 at the age of 81. Representative Graham served in the Legislature from 1977 to 1988, inclusive, and was the first Black woman elected to the Cambridge City Council and the third Black woman to be elected to the Legislature.

Saundra
Graham.

As a founding member of the small but mighty Legislative Black Caucus in the 1970s and 1980s, Representative Graham always raised her voice to share her perspective and issues facing Black constituents across the Commonwealth. Among the highlights of her tenure in the Legislature, she successfully advocated for more Black judges, secured more federal and state funds for investments in African American communities, and called on the Governor and Attorney General to provide extra personnel to help solve a series of murders of Black women in Boston in 1979.

Saundra Graham was brave, bold, spoke truth to justice, and was profoundly ahead of the times as an elected official.

Distinguished Guest.

During the Session, the Speaker declared a brief recess, and introduced the Honorable Joseph Jama Ole Lenku, Governor of Kajiado County in Kenya. He was the guest of Mr. Mom of Lowell.

Governor
Joseph Jama
Ole Lenku.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Haddad of Somerset, Fiola of Fall River, Howitt of Seekonk, Silvia of Fall River and Schmid of Westport) commending the one hundredth anniversary of WSAR; and

WSAR
radio station.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vieira of Falmouth and Fernandes of Falmouth) recognizing the one hundredth anniversary of the Falmouth Commodores;

Falmouth
Commodores.

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

Additional Petitions.

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 Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4029) of Mike Connolly relative to the estate tax. To the committee on Revenue.

Estate
tax.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4030) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to public comments and open meeting law. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Open
meeting
law.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Kearney of Scituate, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4025) of Patrick Joseph Kearney and Josh S. Cutler (by vote of the town) that the town of Marshfield be authorized to grant three additional liquor licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises and three additional licenses for alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Marshfield,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Garballey of Arlington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4026) of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the town manager act for the town of Arlington relative to the appointment of the town manager; and

Arlington,—
town
manager.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4027) of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers (by vote of the town) for legislation to allow print free digital legal notices for the town of Arlington.

Arlington,—
digital legal
notices.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Garballey of Arlington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4028) of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers (by vote of the town) that the town of Arlington be exempt from certain provisions of the civil service law relative to the recruitment and hiring of full time permanent police officers. To the committee on Public Service.

Arlington,—
police
officers.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Garballey of Arlington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers for legislation to repeal the prohibition of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority from locating a facility within a certain distance of the Arlington Catholic High School.

Arlington,—
MBTA
facility
prohibition.

By Representative Owens of Watertown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Steven Owens and others (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Cambridge be authorized to install automated road safety camera systems as a means of promoting traffic safety in said city.

Cambridge,—
traffic
cameras.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Bills

To provide identification to youth and adults experiencing homelessness (Senate, No. 2251) (on a petition); and

Homelessness,—
identification.

Relative to gender identity on Massachusetts identification (Senate, No. 2429) (on Senate bill No. 2425);

Identification,—
gender identity.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

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 Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others for legislation to establish coordinated management guidelines for public forest lands. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Public forests,—
management.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Michael S. Day and Michelle L. Ciccolo that the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority shall convey to the town of Winchester certain land in said town for the purpose of facilitating a transit-oriented development including affordable housing; and

Winchester,—
MBTA land.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of David T. Vieira for legislation to designate a certain bridge on state Route 28 in the town of Falmouth as the Kevin P. Quinn memorial bridge;

Falmouth,—
Quinn
bridge.

Severally to the committee on Transportation.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Robertson of Tewksbury, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

To amend the charter of the town of Middleborough (House, No. 2092) [Local Approval Received];

Middleborough,—
charter.

Relative to the home rule charter of the city of Beverly (House, No. 3747) [Local Approval Received];

Beverly,—
charter.

Relative to [sic] Yarmouth tourism funding change (House, No. 3796) [Local Approval Received];

Yarmouth,—
tourism fund.

Amending the membership of the housing commission in the town of Lincoln (House, No. 3827) [Local Approval Received]; and

Lincoln,—
commission.

Authorizing Cynthia Falzone to purchase creditable service from the Norfolk County Retirement Board (House, No. 3979);

Cynthia
Falzone.

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

By Mr. Schmid of Westport, for the committee on Agriculture, on Senate, No. 41 and House, No. 87, a Bill promoting equity in agriculture (House, No. 87). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Agriculture,—
equity.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a joint petition, a Bill ensuring equitable representation in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3003).

Equitable
representation.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to promote diversity on public boards and commissions (House, No. 3095).

Boards and
commissions.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill prohibiting license revocation for student loan default (House, No. 3045). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Student loans,—
default.

Recess.

At eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at a quarter before two o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Jody
Ricketson,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2431) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2400) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3901), reported, in part, a bill with the same title (House, No. 4040) [Total Appropriation: \$56,256,441,587.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Conference
committee
report accepted,—
yea and nay
No. 30.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the report was considered forthwith.

After debate on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 30](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill exempting Joanne Ricardelli from the maximum age requirements for firefighters in the town of Wilmington (House, No. 3964) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Wilmington,—
Joanne
Ricardelli.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Recess.

There being no objection,— At a quarter after two o'clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at sixteen minutes after three o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 4040), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 23 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage. Pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted (the Speaker having taken the Chair), Mr. Jones of North Reading moved that Rule 40 be suspended.

After debate on the motion to suspend Rule 40, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 25 members voted in the affirmative and 132 in the negative.

Motion to
suspend Rule
40 negatived,—
yea and nay
No. 31.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 31](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the motion to suspend Rule 40 was negatived.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 156 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 32.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 32](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Recess.

There being no objection,— At fourteen minutes before four o'clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-nine minutes before six o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Recess.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (Senate, No. 2428) (on Senate bill No. 2426), passed to be engrossed by the Senate was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Supplemental
appropriations.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for said committee, then reported, in part, on the foregoing bill, a Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4033). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time forthwith; and it was passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by said committee to read: "An Act extending live horse racing and simulcasting in the Commonwealth.". Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the evening recess having terminated, Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,— the bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2432. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Subsequently the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston then moved that the House concur with the Senate in its amendment with further amendments by striking out all after the enacting clause (inserted by amendment by the Senate) and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4034; by striking out the emergency preamble (as changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) and inserting in place thereof the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purposes, which are forthwith to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2023 and to make certain changes in law, each of which is immediately necessary to carry out those appropriations or to accomplish other important public purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."; and by striking out the title (as changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects.".

The further amendments were adopted. The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendment, as amended. The bill (House, No. 4033, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the further amendments.

Recess.

There being no objection,— At three minutes after six o'clock P.M., the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-

Recess.

four minutes before nine o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 4033, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Supplemental
appropriations.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at seven minutes before ten o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023.

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Thursday, August 3, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, naval officers from over 50 countries in a United States Navy program class of 2024 at the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. They were the guests of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett.

Naval War
College.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) celebrating the one hundred and fortieth Bolton Fair and honoring the commitment of the Fair's organizers, sponsors, exhibitors and volunteers;

Bolton
Fair.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Decker of Cambridge) congratulating and celebrating Augustina DeFalco Coppola on the grand occasion of her one hundredth birthday; and

Augustina
Coppola.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Pignatelli of Lenox) commending the Sheffield Historical Society, Inc. on recognizing the two hundred forty-second anniversary of the Brom and Bett v. Ashley decision;

Sheffield
Historical
Society.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Registry of Motor Vehicles (see Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws and Section 2D of Chapter 90 of the General Laws) relating to establishing fees for temporary vehicle registration for out-of-state residents; and

Temporary
vehicle
registrations.

From the Insurance Fraud Bureau (see Section 1(k) of Chapter 338 of the Acts of 1990, as most recently amended by Section 5 of Chapter 279 of the Acts of 2002) submitting a semi-annual report containing its 2023 report on e-focus fraud [copies

Insurance
Fraud
Bureau.

of said report had been forwarded to the committees on Financial Services and Labor and Workforce Development, by the bureau];

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4035) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Greenfield be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said city. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Greenfield,—
liquor
license.

By Representative Barrows of Mansfield and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4039) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Norton;

Norton,—
investments.

By Representative DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4036) of David F. DeCoste and John F. Keenan (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen to select board in the town of Rockland;

Rockland,—
select board.

By Representative Meschino of Hull and Senator O'Connor, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4037) of Joan Meschino and Patrick M. O'Connor (by vote of the town) relative to the transfer of certain parcels of land in the town of Cohasset for general municipal purposes and for telecommunications leases and easements;

Cohasset,—
land.

By Representative Peisch of Wellesley and Senator Creem, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4042) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) relative to the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Wellesley; and

Wellesley,—
community
housing.

By Representative Saunders of Belchertown and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4038) of Aaron L. Saunders and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to the membership of the planning board in the town of Shutesbury;

Shutesbury,—
planning
board.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham and Senator Rausch, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4041) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) that the town of Wrentham be authorized to continue the employment of police chief William McGrath, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement. To the committee on Public Service.

Wrentham,—
William
McGrath.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James Arciero and Peter Barbella relative to local taxes based on personal or business income instead of local real property taxes.

Local taxes.

By Representative DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David F. DeCoste, Patrick M. O'Connor and Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to designate a certain bridge spanning the North River in the towns of Marshfield and Norwell as the Lt. David S. Cutler memorial bridge.

Cutler
memorial
bridge.

By Representative Muratore of Plymouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mathew J. Muratore and others for legislation to authorize insurance coverage for prosthetic devices and orthotic devices.

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

Insurance
coverage,—
prosthetics.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a designation of a state protection and advocacy system, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Protection
and advocacy
system.

The House then concurred with the Senate in suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill (Senate, No. 2434) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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 petition of William J. Driscoll, Jr., and Walter F. Timilty (with the approval of the town council) relative to the preparation of bilingual ballots in English and Haitian Creole for state elections in the city known as the town of Randolph. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Randolph,—
multilingual
ballots.

By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 179) of Kenneth I. Gordon and others relative to large family child care homes,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Large family
child care
homes.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the town of Wendell and the town of New Salem to continue the employment of Joseph J. Cuneo (House, No. 3813) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Wendell and
New Salem,—
Joseph Cuneo.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, for the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity, on Senate, No. 33 and House, No. 64, a Bill establishing a commission on automated decision-making by government in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4024). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Government,—
automated
decisions.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paul Verdini (House, No. 4031). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Paul
Verdini,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill amending the town of Avon's by-laws (House, No. 3746, changed), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Thomas C. Wojtkowski, a member of the House from Pittsfield from 1955 to 1972, inclusive, and Assistant to the Counsel to the House of Representatives from 1987 to 1996, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

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

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MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, August 7, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4045) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Hopkinton to acquire certain land in the town of Milford by eminent domain for the repair and maintenance of the Lake Maspenock dam. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Hopkinton,—
Milford
land.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4046) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Nantucket be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land situated in said town held for park purposes to the Nantucket Conservation Foundation, Inc. for open space, recreational, and conservation purposes; and

Nantucket,—
land
transfer.

By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4047) of Patricia A. Haddad (by vote of the town) that the town of Swansea be authorized to establish a trust to administer a length of service award program for volunteer firefighters of the fire department of said town;

Swansea,—
volunteer
firefighters.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Doherty of Taunton and Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carol A. Doherty and Patricia A. Haddad for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the welfare and best interest considerations of children in care and protection cases.

Children,—
best interests.

By Representatives Blais of Deerfield and Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Natalie M. Blais relative to the rate of vacation time for certain employees of the Commonwealth who are veterans and buyback creditable service.

Veterans,—
vacation
time.

By Representative Livingstone of Boston and Senator Edwards, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jay D. Livingstone and Lydia Edwards relative to designating the Greatest Neighborhood Park, in the West End neighborhood of the city of Boston, as the Jim Campano park.

Boston,—
park.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing the town of Provincetown to continue the employment of Michael Trovato (Senate, No. 1642) (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.

Provincetown,—
Michael
Trovato.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that Joint Rule 7B be suspended on the petition of Marjorie C. Decker for legislation to authorize the city of Cambridge to impose a real estate transfer fee. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 7B was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cambridge,—
real estate
transfer fee.

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 petition of Marjorie C. Decker and Russell E. Holmes relative to insurance coverage to expand access to mental health services. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Financial Services. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mental health
services,—
access.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the House Bill prohibiting license revocation for student loan default (House, No. 3045),— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Ways and Means. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Student loans,—
license
revocation.

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:

Authorizing Thomas Harmon to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3655);

Thomas
Harmon.

Authorizing John R. Stowe, Jr. to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3656);

John
Stowe.

Authorizing Wayne A. Ellis to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3657); and

Wayne
Ellis.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Paul Verdini (House, No. 4031);

Paul Verdini.

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

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a joint petition, a Bill to designate the Route 9 highway bridge between Belchertown and Ware as the Kenneth J. Iwasinski Memorial Bridge (House, No. 4008). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Belchertown
and Ware,—
Iwasinski
bridge.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 3966), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Thomas
Hartley,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the town of Monson treasurer-collector position (House, No. 3716);
and

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Kimberly Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4006);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nineteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 10, 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.

Message from the Governor — Disapprovals and Recommendations of Amendments in General Appropriation Bill.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor returning with her disapproval of a certain section and certain items, and reductions of certain items contained in section 2, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, board, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements [see House, No. 4040] (for message, see House, No. 4055), filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, August 9, was read.

General
Appropriation
Bill,—
disapprovals and
amendments.

So much of the message as relates to the disapprovals and reductions were referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

So much of the message as relates to the sections returned with recommendations of amendments were referred, as follows:

Sections 8 and 101 — Printed as House, No. 4050;

Section 15 — Printed as House, No. 4051;

Sections 50, 85 and 111 — Printed as House, No. 4052;

Section 57 — Printed as House, No. 4053; and

Section 87 — Printed as House, No. 4054.

Severally, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Jones of North Reading and Haggerty of Woburn) congratulating Geoffrey “Geoff” Beckwith on his retirement as Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, Inc.;

Geoff
Beckwith.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Arciero of Westford) congratulating James Antonelli of Westford on his retirement from the Westford Public Schools after many years of dedicated service;

James
Antonelli.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Biele of Boston) in recognition of Yolanda Cerullo on her one hundredth birthday; and

Yolanda
Cerullo.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Vieira of Falmouth and Fernandes of Falmouth) congratulating the Falmouth Rod & Gun Club, Inc. on its ninetieth anniversary;

Falmouth
Rod & Gun
Club.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 2 of Chapter 18 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Photo Requirements Exemptions; and

Transitional
assistance,—
EBT photos.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 2 of Chapter 18 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children - Eligible Noncitizen Status Clients [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on House Ways and Means and the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, as required by said law];

Transitional
assistance,—
noncitizen
families.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Hogan of Stow and Senator Robyn K. Kennedy presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4056) of Kate Hogan and Robyn K. Kennedy (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish the position of appointed town clerk in the town of Bolton; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bolton,—
town clerk.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad relative to directing the State Retirement Board to grant creditable service to Cheryl A. Bednarik, a member of the University of Massachusetts retirement system.

Cheryl
Bednarik,—
retirement.

By Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Margaret R. Scarsdale relative to authorizing Thomas Struthers to purchase creditable service from the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board.

Thomas
Struthers,—
retirement.

By Representative Turco of Winthrop, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco relative to stores offering digital coupons.

Digital
coupons.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco for legislation to allow temporary door-locking devices in public buildings and schools.

Public
buildings,—
door-locking.

By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Erika Uytterhoeven relative to establishing minimum salaries for teachers and education support professionals.

Educators,—
minimum pay.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2433) (on Senate, No. 2431), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Jody
Ricketson,—
sick leave.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2435) of Julian Cyr, Kip A. Diggs and Steven George Xiarhos (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the city known as the town of Barnstable to change the use of a portion of land within Mother's Park, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Barnstable,—
land.

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 resolve) of Carol A. Doherty and Patricia A. Haddad for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the welfare and best interest considerations of children in care and protection cases. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Children,—
best interests.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Natalie M. Blais relative to the rate of vacation time for certain employees of the Commonwealth who are veterans and buyback creditable service. To the committee on Public Service.

Veterans,—
creditable
service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Scituate to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (Senate, No. 2424) [Local Approval Received]; and
House bills

Scituate,—
special police.

Increasing the number of members for the select board of the town of Lakeville (House, No. 2093) [Local Approval Received];

Lakeville,—
select board.

Relative to the board of selectmen in the town of Westport (House, No. 3751) [Local Approval Received]; and

Westport,—
select board.

Changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Gosnold to selectboard (House, No. 3842) [Local Approval Received];

Gosnold,—
selectboard.

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

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 3938, a Bill authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell, III (House, No. 4048) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Northfield,—
Floyd
Dunnell.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 2081); and

Authorizing the city of Northampton to grant 7 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3952) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, August 14, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (House, No. 4057), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, August 10.

Transportation,—
bonding terms.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Joint Rule 1F, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditure and State Assets. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions.

Representative Vaughn of Wrentham and Senator Rausch presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4059) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) that the town of Wrentham be authorized to remove certain positions of the fire department of said town from the civil service law; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Wrentham,—
civil service.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Philips of Sharon, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Edward R. Philips relative to banking accessibility.

Banks,—
locations.

By Representative Roy of Franklin, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey N. Roy that the Executive Office of Education establish an adult workforce diploma program to assist certain adults in obtaining high school diplomas and developing employability and career technical skills.

Adult
workforce,—
program.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing the town of Rutland to increase the membership of the town's board of selectmen (Senate, No. 2371) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Rutland,—
selectmen.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2437) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the regulation of nutrient management and fertilizer in the town of Nantucket. To the committee on Agriculture.

Nantucket,—
nutrient
management.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2436) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the Nantucket Sewer Act; and

Nantucket,—
sewer act.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2438) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the charter for the town of Nantucket;

Nantucket,—
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A petition of Eliza Coady Perez, Susan Perkins and Ann Marie Faust for legislation to improve student and staff attendance and performance by ensuring CO2 monitoring in schools throughout the Commonwealth, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education.

Schools,—
CO2
monitoring.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2440) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

A petition of Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation relative to the conveyance of a certain parcel of land in the city of Fall River, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Fall River,—
land.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and, on motion of Mr. Silvia of Fall River, the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2439) was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate its action.

Reports of a Committee.

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

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2433); and

Jody
Ricketson.

House bills

Relative to the Auburn Water District clerk and treasurer (House, No. 2048);

Auburn.
Milford,—
town meetings.

Establishing representative town meetings (House, No. 2089) [Local Approval Received];

Approving the Townsend special act charter (House, No. 3728) [Local Approval Received]; and

Townsend,—
charter.

Relative to the appointment of a commissioner of health and human services in the city of Brockton (House, No. 3824) [Local Approval Received];

Brockton,—
commissioner.

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

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Lanesborough to the select board (see House, No. 2029) (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.

House bills

Validating the annual town meeting for the town of Blandford (House, No. 661);

Validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Lancaster (House, No. 3578);

Exempting Joanne Ricardelli from the maximum age requirements for firefighters in the town of Wilmington (House, No. 3964); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Paul Verdini, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4031) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 17, 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 Ms. Sabadosa of Northampton, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of nurse and community leader Kirsten Kowalski, who passed away on June 27. Kirsten was the beloved co-founder and service director of Seven Sisters Midwifery in Northampton, the only midwife-owned and operated independent birth center in Western Massachusetts. She devoted her life to making healthcare more kind, respectful, and accessible for all.

Kirsten
Kowalski.

After years of working as a birth doula and apprenticing to become a home birth midwife, Kirsten attended Yale University to become a nurse midwife and women's health nurse practitioner. In 2020, Kirsten opened the Seven Sisters Birth Center in Northampton. Under her careful, passionate leadership, the Center created unprecedented access to out-of-hospital birth. She and her team made transformative, supportive care available to people from all walks of life and paved the way for more birth centers in the Commonwealth. Indeed, Seven Sisters Birth Center played a key role in the legislature-created Commission on Racial Inequities in Maternal Health, which filed its report in July of 2022.

Kirsten was also a respected national midwifery leader, guiding grantmaking and advocating for racial equity and birth justice on the board of the Foundation for the Advancement of Midwifery and co-founding the Birth Future Foundation. Colleagues remark that she was generous with her time and expertise to support other midwives and inform policy. Kirsten always said that her love for midwifery came from a place of endless delight in the strength of mothers and birthing people, and it showed in each day of her work.

Quarterly Reports.

Quarterly reports

Of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund through July, 2023; and containing projections for estimated contributions, benefit payments, and Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund balances for the five-year outlook period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027; and

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

Of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (under Section 2 of Chapter 35 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit (SAECK) report for the quarter ending June 30, 2023;
Severally were placed on file.

Sexual assault
evidence
collection kits.

Paper from the Senate.

The petition of Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation relative to the conveyance of a certain parcel of land in the city of Fall River, came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had non-concurred with the House in its reference to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government; and insisted on its reference to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Fall River,—
land.

On motion of Ms. Fiola of Fall River, the House then receded from its reference; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2439) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill to designate the Route 9 highway bridge between Belchertown and Ware as the Kenneth J. Iwasinski memorial bridge (House, No. 4008), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Belchertown
and Ware,—
Iwasinski
bridge.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Tanya Pizzi, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (see House, No. 3836, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Tanya Pizzi,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant abatement of real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy (see House, No. 3906) (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 amending the act establishing a charter for the town of Wrentham (House, No. 3717), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Wrentham,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4061), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill permitting the town of Wakefield to convey an easement to the Wakefield Municipal Gas & Light Department (House, No. 3995), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Wakefield,—
gas and light
department.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4062), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, August 21, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Cabral of New Bedford) recognizing the Azorean Refugee Act on the occasion of its 65th anniversary, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Azorean
Refugee
Act.

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

Petition.

Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4064) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) that the town of Bernardston be authorized to continue the employment of Peter Shedd as fire chief of said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bernardston,—
Peter Shedd.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2441) of Bruce E. Tarr, Sally P. Kerans and Kristin E. Kassner (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Topsfield, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Topsfield,—
alcoholic
beverage
sales.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Provincetown to continue the employment of Michael Trovato (Senate, No. 1642) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Provincetown,—
Michael
Trovato.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Kimberley Riggins, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 4006), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Kimberley
Riggins,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) 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 Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2433), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of a commissioner of health and human services in the city of Brockton (House, No. 3824), 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.

Id.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 24, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representative Shand of Newburyport, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Sarah Bodge, a remarkable civic leader, who passed away June 21, 2023, at the age of 87.

Sarah Bodge.

Born in 1936, Sarah Bodge was a former member of the Newburyport Redevelopment Authority and trailblazing black female entrepreneur who helped revitalize Newburyport's downtown shopping district.

Bodge was also the minority adviser at Governor's Academy. She served on the boards of Anna Jaques Hospital, the Newburyport Five Cent Savings Bank, the Newburyport Chamber of Commerce, the Newburyport YWCA, and Harbor Schools, Inc. In 1982, she co-founded the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center and in 2021, she spearheaded the creation of a new food pantry at the Salisbury Senior Center. The First Essex district honors her legacy of leadership and civic engagement.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Honan of Boston) congratulating Thomas Grilk on the joyous and happy occasion of his retirement from the Boston Athletic Association, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Thomas
Grilk.

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

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 Julie Mejia relative to health insurance coverage for diabetic products. To the committee on Financial Services.

Diabetic
products.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to multi-family zoning in MBTA communities. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Multi-family
zoning.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to retiree work hours and pay limits. To the Public Service.

Retirees
work limits.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Kristin E. Kassner, Bruce E. Tarr and others for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate April 5 as Okur-Chung Neurodevelopmental Syndrome awareness day. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Okur-Chung
Neurodevelop-
mental
syndrome.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cataldo of Concord, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 House Bill authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell, III (House, No. 4048), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Northfield,—
Floyd
Dunnell, III.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jody Ricketson, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (see Senate, No. 2433), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Jody
Ricketson,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill providing for certain retirement benefits for the surviving beneficiary of Robert Lawler (see House, No. 2649) (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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Manfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, August 28, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating the actions taken at the Princeton annual town meeting (House, No. 4067), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, August 24.

Princeton,—
town meeting.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Communications.

Communications

From the Rural Policy Advisory Commission (see Section 66 of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitting the annual report for fiscal year 2023 [a copy of said communication was forwarded to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, as required by said law];

Rural Policy
Advisory
Commission.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2YYYY of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting a detailed accounting of all monies transferred, credited, or deposited into the Substance Use Disorder Federal Reinvestment Trust Fund (SUD Trust Fund);

Substance
Use Disorder
Fund.

From the Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office (see Section 47 of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting a report on its fiscal year 2023 expenditures for drug rehabilitation, drug education and other anti-drug or neighborhood crime watch programs;

Cape and
Islands,—
drug programs.

From the Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office (see Section 47 of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting a report on its fiscal year 2023 expenditures for motor vehicle forfeiture funds; and

Cape and
Islands,—
forfeitures.

From the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office (see Section 47 of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting a report on its fiscal year 2023 expenditures for drug rehabilitation, drug education and other anti-drug or neighborhood crime watch programs;

Plymouth
County,—
drug programs
report.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

A report of the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office (under Section 24W of Chapter 90 of the General Laws) relative to the distribution of funds from the Operating Under the Influence Deterrent Trust Fund for fiscal year 2023; and

Plymouth
County,—
OUI Trust Fund.

Quarterly reports

Of the Office of the State Auditor (under item 0710-0200 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its fourth quarter fiscal year report of the Bureau of Special Investigations from April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023; and

Bureau of
Special
Investigations.

Of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under item 1790-3009 of Section 2 of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 2020) submitting its seventh quarterly report relative to the comprehensive modernization and transformation for the deployment of an online delivery system for unemployment insurance compensation benefits;

Labor and
Workforce
Development,—
online benefits
delivery system.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

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 Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 44) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to the use of Department of Conservation and Recreation land for emergency service access in the town of Cummington. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Cummington,—
land.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 45) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Liz Miranda and Erika Uyterhoeven for legislation to provide sentencing parity in criminal law. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Criminal
law,—
sentencing.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 46) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to an Americans with Disabilities paratransit program. To the committee on Transportation.

ADA
paratransit
program.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4071) of Rob Consalvo (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Luigi D'Addieco; and

Boston,—
Luigi
D'Addieco.

By Representatives Whipps of Athol and Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4072) of Susannah M. Whipps and Natalie M. Blais (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Greenfield be authorized to exempt the positions of police chief and fire chief in said town from the civil service law.

Greenfield,—
civil service
law.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Nantucket be authorized to issue pension obligation bonds or notes.

Nantucket,—
pension bonds.

By Representative Garry of Dracut, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) 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.

By Representative Khan of Newton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kay Khan relative to mental health awareness at public higher education institutions.

Mental health
awareness.

By Representative Straus of Mattapoissett, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William M. Straus relative to the optional retirement program for certain employees of public higher education institutions.

Optional
retirement
program.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn for legislation to provide for certain sales and use tax exemptions for certain items for infants and children.

Tax
exemptions.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of John C. Velis, Daniel R. Carey and Jacob R. Oliveira for legislation to ensure transparent ticket pricing, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Ticket
resales,—
pricing.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2442) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the town of Rutland to increase the membership of the town's board of selectmen (Senate, No. 2371) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Rutland,—
select board.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor, a Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 4057) [Bond Issue: General Obligation Bonds: \$225,000,000.00]. Read and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Transportation
bonds,—
terms.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Lanesborough to continue the employment of Daniel Bolognia, Charles Garrity, Peter Pannesco, Peter Oakley, David Rolle, Donald Whalen and Michael Wooliver as firefighters (see House, No. 2435); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the town of Hancock to continue the employment of firefighters and the police chief (see House, No. 2437, amended);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Gosnold to selectboard (House, No. 3842), 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.

Gosnold,—
selectboard.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 31, 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.

Appointments of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had made the following appointments:

That Representative Ferguson of Holden had been appointed, as his designee (under Section 3A of Chapter 15D of the General Laws), to the State Advisory Council on Early Education and Care.

Early Education
and Care.

That Representative Pease of Westfield had been appointed, as his designee (under Section 79 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018), to the Early Education and Care Workforce Council.

Id.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Galvin of Canton) congratulating Mark Matanes on the occasion of his retirement as State Commissioner of the Eastern Massachusetts Babe Ruth Leagues, Inc.; and

Mark
Matanes.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Linsky of Natick) congratulating Diane Packer on the occasion of her retirement as Town Clerk of Natick;

Diane
Packer.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Annual Report.

A report of the Department of Agricultural Resources (under Section 5A of Chapter 132B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on pesticide use for fiscal year 2022, was placed on file.

Agricultural
Resources.

Additional Petition.

An additional petition (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o'clock P.M., on Friday, January 20, 2023) was referred, under Rule 24, as follows:

Representative DuBois of Brockton presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4078) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to creating a Chapter 62F calculations study group of fiscal harms caused by excluding new local tax revenue from "allowable state tax revenue" calculations and other such calculations. To the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

State tax
revenue.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4073) of John Barrett, III (by vote of the town) that the town of Williamstown be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Williamstown,—
liquor license.

By Representative Uytterhoeven of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4074) of Erika Uytterhoeven (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to establish a program to provide certain tenants and entities the right to purchase the residential property in which the tenants reside when that residential property is being offered for sale. To the committee on Housing.

Somerville,—
right to
purchase.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4075) of Michael S. Day (by vote of the town) that the town of Stoneham be authorized to change the terms of the elected office of moderator for said town;

Stoneham,—
town
moderator.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4077) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Nantucket be authorized to transfer a certain parcel of conservation land to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank; and

Nantucket,—
land.

By Representative Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4076) of Jay D. Livingstone (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to increase the size of the Historic Beacon Hill District.

Beacon Hill
historic
district.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the county of Nantucket be authorized to convey certain parcels of land to the town of Nantucket.

Nantucket,—
land.

By Representative Finn of West Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Finn for legislation to improve municipal equity within the emergency assistance shelter program.

Emergency
shelter
program.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Michael F. Rush and William F. MacGregor for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Erin Keel, an employee of the Executive Office of

Erin Keel,—
sick leave.

Health and Human Services, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2443) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

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 Jeffrey N. Roy that the Executive Office of Education establish an adult workforce diploma program to assist certain adults in obtaining high school diplomas and developing employability and career technical skills. To the committee on Education.

Adult workforce
diploma
program.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of William M. Straus relative to the optional retirement program for certain employees of public higher education institutions. To the committee on Public Service.

College
workers,—
retirement.

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

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill validating the annual town meeting for the town of Blandford (see House, No. 661) (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 relative to the board of selectmen in the town of Westport (House, No. 3751), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

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.

At six 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.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Hogan of Stow and Muradian of Grafton) congratulating State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey on his retirement; and

Peter
Ostroskey.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Meschino of Hull) commending the Veterans Suicide Awareness and Remembrance Flag Corporation for its recognition of September 22, 2023 as Veteran Suicide Awareness and Remembrance Day;

Veterans
suicide
awareness.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Boldyga of Southwick and Senator Mark, a joint 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.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Comerford, a joint 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,—
Forbes
Library.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Schmid of Westport, a 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. To the committee on Public Service.

Acushnet,—
call deputy
fire chief.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill merging certain voting precincts in the town of Groton (House, No. 3884) [Local Approval Received].

Groton,—
voting
precincts.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill changing the timing of preliminary elections in the city known as the town of Agawam to eight weeks preceding regular elections (House, No. 4023) [Local Approval Received].

Agawam,—
preliminary
elections.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported, in each instance, that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill providing for the annual election of members of the Spencer East Brookfield Regional School Committee (printed as Senate, No. 421).

Spencer East
Brookfield
school district.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Arlington to offer early voting in town elections (House, No. 685) [Local Approval Received].

Arlington,—
early voting.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for recall elections in the town of Conway (House, No. 3575) [Local Approval Received].

Conway,—
recall
elections.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the Auburn Water District clerk and treasurer (House, No. 2048); and Authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Freetown (House, No. 3931);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 7, 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.

During the session, Representative Peisch of Wellesley took the Chair and at her request, the members, guests, and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect of the life and memory of Richard S. McGhee, Jr., a longtime Wellesley resident who passed away on July 29th at the age of 92.

Richard S.
McGhee, Jr.

Richard McGee was a lifelong champion of diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts, leading to his co-founding of "World of Wellesley". He served honorably as a Staff Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War and was active in the civil rights movement, bringing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to Detroit in 1963. Mr. McGhee served as a consultant to several state and federal organizations on DEI efforts as well, including the United States departments of labor and defense, the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, and the Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Mr. McGhee is survived by his wife Charlotte, his two children Kim and Sean, and his stepchildren Netta and Barnett Davis.

The House of Representatives honors his legacy of civil rights leadership and efforts to make our community a more tolerant, welcoming place for all.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Representative Cataldo of Concord as his designee (under Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) to the Restorative Justice Advisory Committee.

Restorative
justice.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Pignatelli of Lenox and Domb of Amherst) recognizing September 18th through September 24th of 2023 as National Diaper Need Awareness Week in Massachusetts, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Diaper need
awareness.

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

Petitions.

Representative Armini of Marblehead and Senator Crighton presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4086) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and Brendan P. Crighton (by vote of the town) that the town of Swampscott be authorized to amend the charter of said town to change the board of selectmen to a select board; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Swampscott,—
select board.

Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) 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; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Matthew
McRae,—
sick leave.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James Arciero and others for legislation to authorize municipalities to provide residential exemptions to senior citizens.

Seniors,—
tax exemptions.

By Representative Cataldo of Concord, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Simon Cataldo relative to the retirement classification of Kurt Babick, an employee of the Acton-Boxborough Regional School District.

Kurt Babick,—
retirement.

By Representatives Fernandes of Falmouth and Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes, Kip A. Diggs and others relative to establishing year-round daily commuter rail service to Cape Cod.

Cape Cod,—
commuter
rail service.

By Representative González of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carlos González for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance.

Jaer
Martinez,—
sick leave.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazes, an employee of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office (Senate, No. 2386) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mathew
Blazes,—
sick leave.

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 petition 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. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the report was considered

Paul
O'Brien,—
sick leave.

forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 4057), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bonds,—
terms.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently 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; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (House, No. 3978), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4082). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Judicial
retirement.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill (House, No. 4082) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently 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; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing the town of Arlington to offer early voting in town elections (House, No. 685) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Arlington,—
early voting.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, for the committee Environment and Natural Resources, on Senate, No. 487 and House, No. 825, a Bill relative to pesticides (House, No. 825). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Pesticides.

Emergency Measure.

The 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 Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Bonds,—
terms.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and Senate to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The 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 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.

House bills

Relative to at-large town meeting members in the town of Milford (House, No. 2089) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To amend the charter of the town of Middleborough (House, No. 2092); and

Authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 2555);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at twelve o'clock noon.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at twelve o'clock noon, in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, September 11, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at twelve o'clock noon, in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communication.

A communication from the Massachusetts Capital Resource Company (see Section 12 of Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) submitting its annual report describing the formation and current status of said company [a copy of said report was forwarded to the Speaker of the House, as required by said law], was placed on file.

Massachusetts
Capital
Resource
Company.

Petitions.

Representative Vaughn of Wrentham and Senator Rausch presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4089) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) that the town of Wrentham be authorized to grant seven additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Wrentham,—
liquor
licenses.

Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida that the Boston Retirement Board be authorized to retire Brian C. McPherson, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Brian
McPherson,—
retirement.

Paper from the Senate.

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, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Granby,—
recall
elections.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr for legislation to authorize the establishment of the Manuel F. Correllus State Forest trust fund. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Correllus
State Forest
trust fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Simon Cataldo relative to the retirement classification of Kurt Babick, an employee of the Acton-Boxborough Regional School District. To the committee on Public Service.

Kurt
Babick,—
retirement.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cataldo of Concord, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazes, an employee of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office (Senate, No. 2386), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Mathew
Blazes,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Cataldo of Concord, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Donahue of Worcester, for the committee on Cannabis Policy, on Senate, No. 50 and House, No. 119, a Bill further defining eligibility for medical use marijuana (House, No. 4087). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Medical use
marijuana,—
eligibility.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paul O'Brien, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4083).

Paul
O'Brien,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 4084, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew McRae (House, No. 4085).

Matthew
McRae,—
sick leave.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Scituate to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (Senate, No. 2424), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

House bills

Relative to Yarmouth tourism funding change (House, No. 3796); and

Authorizing the town of Wendell and the town of New Salem to continue the employment of Joseph J. Cuneo (House, No. 3813);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At six minutes after twelve o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Graton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 14, 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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4090), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, September 13.

Supplemental
appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representative Murphy of Weymouth) celebrating the three hundredth anniversary of Old South Union Church in Weymouth;

Old South
Union Church.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Cataldo of Concord and Gentile of Sudbury) congratulating the Concord Free Public Library Corporation on its one hundred fiftieth anniversary; and

Concord Free
Public Library.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Keefe of Worcester) commending Elizabeth Matos for twenty-two years of dedicated service to the Commonwealth;

Elizabeth
Matos.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Division of Occupational Licensure (see Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws and sections 181 and 283 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws) relating to establishing fees for appraisal management companies and correcting appraiser license fees;

Appraiser
licensing
fees.

From the Department of Public Health (see Section 2 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting a report summarizing the birth data and statistics for calendar year 2021; and

Birth
statistics
and data.

From the Department of Children and Families (see item 4000-0051 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the program evaluation report of the Massachusetts Family Resource Center Network for calendar year 2022; Severally were placed on file.

Family
resource
centers.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4091) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) relative to candidates for elected office in the town of Provincetown. To the committee on Election Laws.

Provincetown,—
candidates.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4092) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) relative to year-round housing occupancy restriction in the town of Provincetown. To the committee on Housing.

Provincetown,—
housing.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Durant of Spencer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Peter J. Durant and others relative to eligibility for the emergency housing assistance program.

Emergency
housing,—
eligibility.

By Representative Mom of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rady Mom and Rodney M. Elliott that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land to the city of Lowell.

Lowell,—
land.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1424) of Mark C. Montigny, Jack Patrick Lewis, John F. Keenan, Vanna Howard and other members of the General Court for legislation to promote humane cosmetics and other household products by limiting the use of animal testing,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Animals,—
testing.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation relative to the University of Massachusetts and a certain easement located in the city of Lowell, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Lowell,—
land.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2445) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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 petition of Mathew J. Muratore and others for legislation to authorize insurance coverage for prosthetic devices and orthotic devices. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Howard of Lowell, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Financial Services. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Prosthetic
and orthotic
devices,—
coverage.

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:

Providing for recall elections in the town of Conway (House, No. 3575) [Local Approval Received];

Conway,—
recall elections.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Paul O'Brien, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4083); and

Paul O'Brien,—
sick leave.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew McRae (House, No. 4085);

Matthew McRae.

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.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Scituate to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (see Senate, No. 2424) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

House bills

Authorizing Wayne A. Ellis to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3657);

Third
reading
bills.

Approving the Townsend special act charter (House, No. 3728);

Merging certain voting precincts in the town of Groton (House, No. 3884);

Authorizing Cynthia Falzone to purchase creditable service from the Norfolk county retirement board (House, No. 3979); and

Changing the timing of preliminary elections in the city known as the town of Agawam to eight weeks preceding regular elections (House, No. 4023);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the home rule charter of the city of Beverly (House, No. 3747), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Beverly,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4093), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, September 18, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Garlick of Needham) congratulating Matthew L. Ringel on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Matthew
Ringel.

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

Petitions.

The following additional petition (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) was referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Representative Driscoll of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4098) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., relative to the protection of the public health through the regulation of indoor air quality within public buildings. To the committee on Public Health. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Public
buildings,—
air quality.

Representative Shand of Newburyport and Senator Finegold presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4097) of Dawne Shand and Barry R. Finegold (by vote of the town) that the town of Merrimac be authorized to increase the number of select board members in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Merrimac,—
select board.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Owens of Watertown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marjorie C. Decker and Steven Owens that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Cambridge to said city for school and other municipal purposes.

Cambridge,—
land.

By Representative DeCoste of Norwell (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert Montgomery Thomas and others relative to the flag and seal of the Commonwealth.

State flag
and seal.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to the responsible use of certain advanced robotic technologies.

Robotic
technologies.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2446) of Jacob R. Oliveira for legislation to authorize voluntary contributions to the Massachusetts Fire Fighters Academy Trust Fund. To the committee on Revenue.

Fire Fighters
Academy Trust
Fund.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2447) of Jacob R. Oliveira and Aaron L. Saunders for legislation to protect against attempts to ban, remove, or restrict library access to materials. To the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Library,—
materials
access.

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 joint petition of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers for legislation to repeal the prohibition of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority from locating a facility within a certain distance of the Arlington Catholic High School. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Arlington,—
MBTA
facility
prohibition.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill providing for the annual election of members of the Spencer East Brookfield Regional School Committee (printed as Senate, No. 421), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Spencer East
Brookfield
Regional School
committee.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Monson (see House, No. 3716) (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 Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazes, an employee of the Worcester county sheriff's office (Senate, No. 2386), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Mathew
Blazis,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Walsh of Peabody, moved to amend it by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Worcester county sheriff's office shall establish a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazis, an employee of the office. Any employee of the office may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Mathew Blazis. If Mathew Blazis terminates employment with the office or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the office."; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazis, an employee of Worcester county sheriff's office."

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2386, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At five minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 21, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, a delegation from Ireland. Mr. Garballey then turned the gavel over to Mr. Murphy of Weymouth who offered welcoming remarks to the delegation.

Delegation
from Ireland.

The attendees from Cork County included Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr Frank Flynn and Mary Flynn, Tim Lucey, Chief Executive Cork County Council, Cllr Danny Collins, Cllr Patrick Gerard Murphy and Coleman Sullivan, Cllr Caroline Cronin, Cllr Anthony Barry, Cllr Alan Coleman, Cllr Michael Hegarty, Cllr Joe Carroll, Mairead Lucey, Senior Executive Officer Cork County Council, Lisa O'Reardon, Communication Officer Cork County Council, Rose Carroll, Tourism Officer Cork County Council and Mary Hickey, Senior Staff Officer Cork County Council.

The attendees from Kerry County included Mayor of County Kerry Councilor Jim Finucane and Sheila Finucane, Chair of Kenmare Municipal District Councilor Norma Moriarty, Councilor Martin Grade, Councilor Patrick Connor Scarteen, Chief Executive Kerry County Council Moira Murrell and Director of Economic and Community Development Kerry County Council Niamh O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance were Kelly Sullivan, granddaughter of Albert Sullivan, the youngest of the 5 Sullivan brothers. The five brothers were World War II sailor brothers of Irish American descent from Waterloo, Iowa, who were serving together on the light cruiser USS Juneau, were all killed in action during and shortly after its sinking around November 13, 1942 and Patrick Teahan, cousin of Governor Maura Healey.

They were the guests of Speaker Mariano and Representatives Michael J. Moran of Boston and Murphy of Weymouth.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and introduced Natalie O'Meara from County Cork, Ireland. She was the guest of Representatives McGonagle of Everett, Giannino of Revere, and Kilcoyne of Clinton.

Natalie
O'Meara.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Capano of Lynn) congratulating the Nahant Village Church on its two hundredth anniversary;

Nahant
Village Church.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Somerset Musictown Festival in celebrating fifty years;

Somerset,—
festival.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McKenna of Webster) congratulating the Sutton Historical Society, Inc. on the two hundredth anniversary of the construction of the General Rufus Putnam Building in the town of Sutton; and

Sutton,—
Rufus Putnam
Building.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Williams of Springfield, Fluker Oakley of Boston, Worrell of Boston, Rogers of Cambridge and Holmes of Boston) commending the Massachusetts Sickle Cell Association for recognizing September 2023 as Sickle Cell Awareness Month;

Sickle Cell
Awareness
Month.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Danielle W. Gregoire relative to a sales tax exemption for certain disabled veterans with purple heart license plates.

Veterans,—
sales tax
exemption.

By Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf, James J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anthony Fannoh, Jr., an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

Anthony
Fannoh,—
sick leave.

By Representative Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to eligibility for the emergency housing assistance program.

Emergency
housing.

By Representative McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry relative to survivor benefits for the spouses of retired state troopers.

State police,—
spouses.

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

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 Andrew Limeri relative to software legal agreements; and

Software legal
agreements.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to the responsible use of certain advanced robotic technologies;

Advanced
robotics.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

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

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mathew Blazis, an employee of the Worcester county sheriff's office (see Senate, No. 2386, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Mathew
Blazis,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) 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 Senate Bill authorizing the town of Provincetown to continue the employment of Michael Trovato (Senate, No. 1642), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

House bills

Relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2910);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Paul O'Brien, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4083); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew McRae, an employee of the department of state police (House, No. 4085) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Hull to lease certain property and to extend leases on certain property to promote economic development and the more effective use of town property (House, No. 2083), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Hull,—
economic
development.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4099), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill to designate the state highway Route 9 bridge between Belchertown and Ware as the Kenneth J. Iwasinski Memorial Bridge (House, No. 4008) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by the said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Belchertown
and Ware,—
bridge.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Pebody moved to amend it by striking out section 3; and by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to designate forthwith a bridge in the towns of Belchertown and Ware, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4008, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Provincetown to continue the employment of Michael Trovato (see Senate, No. 1642) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-three minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, September 25, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petition.

Representative Lombardo of Billerica presented (by request) a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kelly Calascibetta relative to metal detectors in public schools and municipal buildings; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Metal
detectors,—
regulate.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill changing the timing of preliminary elections in the city known as the town of Agawam to 8 weeks preceding regular elections (House, No. 4023) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 2, in line 20, striking out the following: “in the year 2025” and inserting in place thereof the following: “beginning in the year 2025, but not otherwise”; in section 3, in line 22, striking out the figures: “60” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “35”; and adding the following section:

Agawam,—
elections.

“SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.”.

The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Said committee then reported that the amendments were correctly drawn; and they were adopted, 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 Carlos González for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance. To the committee on Public Service.

Jaer Martinez,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Danielle W. Gregoire relative to a sales tax exemption for certain disabled veterans with purple heart license plates. To the committee on Revenue.

Disabled
veterans,—
sales tax.

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

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the following bills ought to pass:

Promoting equity in agriculture (House, No. 87); and

Establishing a commission on automated decision-making by government in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4024);

Severally referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Agriculture.
Automated
decisions.

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on Senate, Nos. 1181 and 1191 and House, Nos. 1849 and 1940, a Bill relative to salary range transparency (House, No. 4100). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Salary range
transparency.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Hopkinton (House, No. 2018) [Local Approval Received].

Hopkinton,—
investments.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a department of public works in the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 2052) [Local Approval Received].

Tyngsborough,—
public works.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Mashpee to convey certain town owned conservation land to Jacques and Rosalie Fresco (House, No. 2118) [Local Approval Received].

Mashpee,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill providing for an increase in the membership of the select board in the town of Sterling (House, No. 3727) [Local Approval Received].

Sterling,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the act authorizing the town of Deerfield to construct and operate systems of sewers (House, No. 3841) [Local Approval Received].

Deerfield,—
sewers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill creating the appointed positions of town treasurer and tax collector in the town of Westwood (House, No. 3879) [Local Approval Received].

Westwood,—
treasurer and
tax collector.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the board of works in the town of Lee (House, No. 3890) [Local Approval Received].

Lee,—
board of
works.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the select board of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3902) [Local Approval Received].

Northborough,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill amending the charter of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3903) [Local Approval Received].

Northborough,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill expanding the Select Board of the town of Sharon (House, No. 3905, changed in section 3, in line 16, by striking out the words “effective date of this act in the Town of Sharon” and inserting in place thereof the following: “acceptance of this act by the voters of the Town of Sharon pursuant to section 2”) [Local Approval Received].

Sharon,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the town of Plymouth’s Facilities Improvement Fund (House, No. 3909) [Local Approval Received].

Plymouth,—
fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing the position of town Manager in the town of Belchertown (House, No. 3960) [Local Approval Received].

Belchertown,—
town manager.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill to designate a certain bridge in the town of Lexington in honor of Henry N. “Hank” Manz (House, No. 3286).

Lexington,—
Manz
bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Leominster as the Captain Ross A. Reynolds memorial bridge (House, No. 3334).

Leominster,—
Reynolds
bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 2232 and House, No. 3337, a Bill designating historic routes (House, No. 3337).

Historic
routes.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Deborah R. Cochran memorial bridge (House, No. 3382).

Dedham,—
Cochran
bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 2292 and House, No. 3383, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Kelly A. Timilty memorial bridge (House, No. 3383).

Dedham,—
Timilty
bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating a portion of state highway Route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway (House, No. 3838).

Harwich,—
Rogers
highway.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Merging certain voting precincts in the town of Groton (see House, No. 3884);

Changing the timing of preliminary elections in the city known as the town of Agawam to 8 weeks preceding regular elections (see House, No. 4023, amended); and

Bills
enacted.

Amending the home rule charter of the city of Beverly (see House, No. 4093); (Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bill

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1 year or multiple year contract to audit (House, No. 2045);

Authorizing Thomas Harmon to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3655); and

Authorizing John R. Stowe, Jr. to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3656);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Wednesday, September 27, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tributes.

During the session the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) declared a brief recess; and at the request of Representatives Day of Stoneham and Jones of North Reading, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of former state Representative Sherman Whipple Saltmarsh, Jr., of Winchester, who passed away peacefully on September 21, 2023. "Whip," as he was called by his many friends and constituents, was a pillar of the community who embodied the very highest ideals of American public service.

Sherman
Whipple
Saltmarsh, Jr.

Whip enlisted and served honorably in the United States Navy and is a Korean War Veteran. From 1974 to 1989, Whip selflessly represented the people of Winchester and Stoneham in this chamber as an exemplary State Representative. Whip was especially proud of his Alma Mater Boston College and remained a fierce Eagle and lifelong superfan. While at the Heights, Whip played for the varsity hockey team, participating in the very first Boston Bean Pot tournament. Whip was inducted into the Boston College Athletic Hall of Fame as well as the Winchester High School Hall of Fame for his prowess and accomplishments in ice hockey.

He was married to the love of his life, Ruby, for 33 years. Whip is survived by his four step-children, six grandchildren and a huge contingent of admirers. Whip was a living legend in Winchester, at Boston College, in the State House and beyond.

We pause now in a moment of silent tribute to his memory.

During the session the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess; and at the request of Representatives Lombardo of Billerica, Rogers of Cambridge, Garballey of Arlington, and Hamilton of Methuen, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Charles H. Lyons who passed on September 25th. Charlie passed peacefully at home surrounded by his wife Leanne, his children, and sister Peggy.

Charles
H. Lyons.

Charlie served as superintendent of Shawsheen Valley Technical High School in Billerica for nearly 29 years. Under his leadership, Shawsheen became one of the best vocational technical schools in the country.

At the age of 18, Charlie was elected to the Arlington School Committee. He was then elected and served as an Arlington selectman from 1981 to 2005. He is the only selectman ever elected to serve as president of the National League of Cities, the nation's oldest organization representing cities and towns throughout the United States.

Charlie truly made a positive and lasting impact on the Massachusetts vocational technical system and on the lives of countless students. He will be sorely missed and may he rest in peace.

Statement Concerning Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell.

A statement of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley concerning Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MADAM SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell, had to leave today's session, subsequent to roll call number 49, due to official business in her district. If she had been present, she would have voted in the affirmative in each instance on roll call numbers 50 to 57, inclusive. Her missing of roll calls today was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Ms. Scarsdale
of Pepperell.

Distinguished Guest of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, and there being no objection, introduced Marek Magierowski, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the United States of America. Ambassador Magierowski then addressed the House. He was the guest of Representative Kushmerek of Fitchburg.

Polish
Ambassador.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Cutler of Duxbury and other members of the House) recognizing October 4, 2023 as National Energy Efficiency Day in the Commonwealth; and

Energy
Efficiency
Day.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Soter of Bellingham) congratulating Lieutenant Kevin Ranieri on the occasion of his retirement;

Kevin
Ranieri.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Petition.

Representative Holmes of Boston presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Russell E. Holmes for legislation to require automated external defibrillators at sporting events; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Sports,—
defibrillators.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Charlton (Senate, No. 2416) (on Senate, No. 1653) [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.

Charlton,—
special police.

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 Michael S. Day that a certain overpass over state Route 28 in the town of Stoneham be designated as the State Trooper Tamar A. Bucci memorial bridge; and

Stoneham,—
Bucci bridge.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of David F. DeCoste, Patrick M. O'Connor and Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to designate a certain bridge spanning the North River in the towns of Marshfield and Norwell as the Lt. David S. Cutler memorial bridge;

Marshfield
and Norwell,—
Cutler bridge.

Severally to the committee on Transportation.

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

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill authorizing a 90-day supply of medically necessary testosterone therapy medication (House, No. 2194).

Testosterone
therapy.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1436 and House, No. 2247, a Bill relative to safe patient handling and mobility in certain health facilities (House, No. 2247).

Patients,—
safe handling.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to increase access to blood donation (House, No. 3611).

Blood
donations.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 515 and House, No. 3622, a Bill relative to protecting public health and reducing health care costs (House, No. 3622).

Health
impacts.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to clinical laboratories (House, No. 3628).

Clinical
laboratories.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1384 and House, No. 3629, a Bill relative to the prescription monitoring program (House, No. 3629).

Prescription
monitoring.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Recess.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at twenty-three minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2406) of the House Bill to improve the Commonwealth's competitiveness, affordability, and equity (House, No. 3770), reported, in part, a bill

State tax
competitiveness,
affordability,
and equity.

with the same title (House, No. 4104). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported, that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of said rule, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the report was considered forthwith.

After debate on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 155 members voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 33](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Conference
committee
report
accepted,—
yea and nay
No. 33.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4055), returning with her disapproval of certain items and sections and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4040), reported, in part, that parts of certain items stand (as passed by the General Court). Severally referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported, in each instance, that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the matters were considered forthwith, as follows:

Item 1231-1000 (contained in section 2) (sewer rate relief funding), which had been disapproved by the Governor, then was considered.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 34](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 1231-1000 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Sewer rate
relief funding
item 1231-1000
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 34.

Item 3000-1042 (contained in section 2) (center-based child care rate increase), which had been disapproved by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 35](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 3000-1042 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Center-based
child care
rate increase
item 3000-1042
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 35.

Item 3000-5000 (contained in section 2) (grants to Head Start programs), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$17,500,000 to \$16,500,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 36](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 3000-5000 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 3000-7052 (contained in section 2) (parent-child plus program), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$4,250,000 to \$4,000,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 131 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 37](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 3000-7052 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4405-2000 (contained in section 2) (state supplement to supplemental security income), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$209,700,528 to \$202,700,528.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 38](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4405-2000 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4513-1027 (contained in section 2) (Samaritans, Inc. suicide prevention Services), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$1,800,000 to \$400,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 39](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4513-1027 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4590-0915 (contained in section 2) (public health hospitals), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$194,767,937 to \$194,067,937.

Grants to Head
Start programs
item 3000-5000
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 36.

Parent-child
plus program
item 3000-7052
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 37.

State supplement
to supplemental
security income
item 4405-2000
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 38.

Samaritan, Inc.
suicide prevention
services
item 4513-1027
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 39.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 40](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4590-0915 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4590-0925 (contained in section 2) (prostate cancer research), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$1,250,000 to \$1,000,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 41](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4590-0925 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7003-1206 (contained in section 2) (Massachusetts Service Alliance), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$2,280,000 to \$1,400,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 130 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 42](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7003-1206 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Subsequently a statement of Mr. Xiarhos of Barnstable was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that on the previous roll call it was my intention to vote in the affirmative. However, I now find that, for some inexplicable reason, I was recorded in the negative.

Item 7004-0104 (contained in section 2) (home and healthy for good program), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$8,890,000 to \$6,390,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 43](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7004-0104 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7004-3036 (contained in section 2) (housing services and counseling), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$10,474,000 to \$9,700,000.

Public health
hospitals
item 4590-0915
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 40.

Prostate cancer
research
item 4590-0925
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 41.

Massachusetts
Service Alliance
item 7003-1206
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 42.

Statement of
Mr. Xiarhos
of Barnstable.

Home and
healthy for
good program
item 7004-0104
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 43.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 44](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7004-3036 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7006-0011 (contained in section 2) (loan originator administration and consumer counseling), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$3,050,000 to \$1,550,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 45](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7006-0011 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7006-0071 (contained in section 2) (Department of Telecommunications and Cable), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$3,332,411 to \$3,307,411.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 46](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7006-0071 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7007-0150 (contained in section 2) (regional economic development grants), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$2,000,000 to \$1,500,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 47](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7007-0150 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7035-0035 (contained in section 2) (advanced placement math and science programs), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$3,392,809 to \$3,292,809.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter

Housing services
and counseling
item 7004-3036
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 44.

Loan originator
administration
and consumer
counseling
item 7006-0011
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 45.

Department of
Telecommunica-
tions and Cable
item 7006-0071
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 46.

Regional
economic
development
grants
item 7007-0150
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 47.

Advanced
placement

I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 48 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7035-0035 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 8000-0655 (contained in section 2) (pre- and post-release services grant program), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$7,000,000 to \$6,000,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 130 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 49 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 8000-0655 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 8000-1127 (contained in section 2) (nonprofit security grant pilot program), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$4,000,000 to \$1,500,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 130 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 50 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 8000-1127 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 1595-0115 (contained in section 2) (civics education trust fund), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$2,500,000 to \$1,500,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 51 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 1595-0115 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4510-0811 (contained in section 2) (children's advocacy centers), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$5,000,000 to \$4,050,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 52 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 4510-0811 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

math and science
programs
item 7035-0035
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 48.

Pre- and post-
release services
grant program
item 8000-0655
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 49.

Nonprofit
security grant
pilot program
item 8000-1127
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 50.

Civics education
trust fund
item 1595-0115
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 51.

Children's
advocacy centers
item 4510-0811
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 52.

Item 4512-2022 (contained in section 2) (grants to local boards of health), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$15,050,000 to \$10,061,320.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 53](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4512-2022 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4800-0200 (contained in section 2) (family resource centers), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$33,800,000 to \$27,807,519.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 54](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4800-0200 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7002-2022 (contained in section 2) (community foundation grants), which had been disapproved by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 55](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7002-2022 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7002-0025 (contained in section 2) (community action agency operating and outreach), which had been disapproved by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 56](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7002-0025 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7004-0102 (contained in section 2) (homeless individuals shelters), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$110,792,398 to \$110,752,398.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 130 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

Grants to local
boards of health
item 4512-2022
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 53.

Family
resource centers
item 4800-0200
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 54.

Community
foundation grants
item 7002-2022
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 55.

Community
action agency
operating and
outreach
item 7002-0025
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 56.

Homeless
individuals
shelters
item 7004-0102
stands,—

[See [Yea and Nay No. 57](#) in Supplement.]

yea and nay
No. 57.

Therefore item 7004-0102 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair, —

The engrossed Bill relative to requiring the Highway Division of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to establish a department and licensure process to oversee quarries producing concrete aggregate (see House, No. 4050), being a printed copy of Sections 8 and 101 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 (see House, No. 4040), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment C of House, No. 4055), was considered.

Quarries,—
oversight.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Chapter 6C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:—

Section 79. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Aggregate’, granular materials such as gravel, sand and crushed rock that may be used individually or are combined for a particular purpose.

‘Certified professional geologist’, a professional geologist certified by the American Institute of Professional Geologists.

‘Concrete aggregate’, natural sand, natural gravel or crushed aggregate products produced from ledge rock.

‘Licensed professional geologist’, a professional geologist certified by: (i) examination through the National Association of State Boards of Geology; or (ii) a state’s licensing authority that follows the national standards of the National Association of State Boards of Geology’s licensing program or its equivalent.

(b) Any person seeking to mine, expand, excavate or otherwise operate a quarry, sand and gravel operation or any other aggregate source for the purpose of producing concrete aggregate for sale or use in foundations, structural elements or infrastructure, including, but not limited to, roadways and bridges, shall submit to the department and the state geologist an application for a license to conduct such activity.

Each license application shall consist of: (i) a description of the geographic location of the aggregate source; (ii) an operations plan, including, but not limited to, mining, processing, storage and quality control methods; (iii) a geological source report, consistent with subsection (c); and (iv) the results of aggregate testing for the presence of pyrite and pyrrhotite, consistent with subsection (d). Each license application shall be accompanied by a fee as established by the department. Fees received by the department under this section shall be used to implement this section; provided, however, that any surplus fee receipts shall be deposited into the General Fund.

(c) An applicant under this section shall prepare a geological source report as required under subsection (b). Such report shall be prepared by a certified professional geologist, licensed professional geologist or an equivalent acceptable to

the state geologist in a form and manner prescribed by the department, developed in consultation with the state geologist, a representative nominated by the Massachusetts Aggregate & Asphalt Pavement Association, Inc. and a representative nominated by the Massachusetts Concrete & Aggregate Producers Association, Inc., and shall include, but shall not be limited to: (i) a description of the characteristics of the aggregate to be excavated at the aggregate source location; (ii) a description of the products to be produced at such location; and (iii) a copy of the results of an inspection of face material and geologic log analysis, which shall be conducted not more than 60 days prior to the date of the report. A geological source report prepared under this subsection shall be valid for a period of 1 year from the date of preparation.

(d) Aggregate testing to identify the presence of pyrite and pyrrhotite required under subsection (b) shall include, but shall not be limited to, a total sulfur test to measure total sulfur content in a representative sample. Aggregate testing shall be performed by an accredited laboratory in accordance with applicable standards established by American Society of Testing and Materials International or alternate standards to be determined by the department in consultation with the state geologist.

(e) The secretary or a designee, in consultation with the state geologist, shall review each license application submitted pursuant to this section and notify each applicant whether the license has been approved and any applicable conditions of operation. If the application is denied, the notification shall include the reason for denial. A license granted under this section shall be valid for 1 year from the date of approval; provided, however, that a license may be renewed after it expires. The department shall state the aggregate testing requirements established under subsection (d) in the license application; provided, however, that the state geologist may request additional testing or information during the review of a license application. The department may modify testing requirements and application criteria at its discretion.

The department may issue a license valid for more than 1 year to an applicant that has submitted geological source reports and been approved for a license for 5 consecutive years; provided, however, that the licensee shall be required to submit annual geologic source reports as a condition for receiving such license.

(f) A person owning or operating an aggregate source, subject to licensure pursuant to this section, shall maintain all records relevant to such licensure and operation, including, but not limited to, a record of sale for all aggregate, for not less than 30 years.

(g) A person owning or operating a concrete production facility for the purpose of producing concrete for sale or use in foundations, structural elements or infrastructure, including, but not limited to, roadways and bridges, and who is in receipt of aggregate material from a source licensed pursuant to this section, shall maintain a record of the aggregate used in individual concrete batches for not less than 30 years.

(h) The department, in consultation with the state geologist, shall maintain all data collected under this section.

(i) Nothing in this section shall affect the operations of quarries producing aggregate for purposes other than those described in subsection (b).

(j) The department, in consultation with the state geologist, shall promulgate regulations to implement this section.

SECTION 2. Section 79 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, inserted by section 1, shall take effect on July 1, 2024; provided, however, that entities licensed to operate a quarry or sand and gravel operation in the commonwealth before the effective date of this act that are affected by said section 79 of said chapter 6C shall meet the requirements of said section 79 of said chapter 6C not later than July 1, 2024; and

provided further, that any work conducted by such an entity prior to July 1, 2024 shall comply with existing regulations.”.

The report was accepted.

The amendment recommended by the Governor then was adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

The engrossed Bill providing for unlimited free phone calls to incarcerated individuals (see House, No. 4052), being a printed copy of Sections 50, 85 and 111 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 (see House, No. 4040), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment E of House, No. 4055), was considered.

Incarcerated
individuals,—
phone calls.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Chapter 127 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 87 the following section:—

Section 87A. (a) For the purposes of this section, the terms ‘state correctional facility’, ‘state prison’ and ‘county correctional facility’ shall have the same meanings as those terms are defined in section 1 of chapter 125.

(b) The department of correction and sheriffs shall provide any person committed to a state correctional facility, state prison or county correctional facility, including a jail or house of correction, with voice communication services, including phone calls, free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication; provided, however, that voice communication services shall be maximized to the extent possible and no facility shall offer access to voice communication services less than were offered and available at such facilities on December 1, 2023; provided further, that the department of correction and sheriffs shall ensure adequate infrastructure for voice communication services; and provided further, that nothing in this section shall prohibit in-person contact visits.

(c) The department of correction and sheriffs may supplement voice communication services with other communication services, including, but not limited to, video and electronic communication services; provided, however, that other communication services shall not replace voice communication services; and provided further, that other communication services shall be provided free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication.

SECTION 2. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no voice communication services contract in force on the effective date of this act shall be affected by section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 1; provided, however, that voice communication services shall be free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication beginning on December 1, 2023; provided further, that other communication services offered pursuant to said section 87A of said chapter 127, including, but not limited to, video and electronic communication services, shall be offered free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication beginning on December 1, 2023.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, upon the expiration of any contract for voice communication services, the department of correction and the sheriffs shall seek to maximize purchasing power and consolidate contracts to the extent feasible; provided, that not later than January 1, 2024, the

department of correction and the sheriffs shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on the judiciary on the status of any communication services contracts and plans to consolidate contracts to maximize purchasing power for voice communication services.

(c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any financial incentive received in connection with a voice communication services or other communication services contract, including, but not limited to, a commission, shall revert to the General Fund.

SECTION 3. Section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 1, shall take effect December 1, 2023.”; and the report was accepted.

The amendment recommended by the Governor then was rejected.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston then moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following three sections:

“SECTION 1. Chapter 127 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 87 the following section:

Section 87A. (a) For the purposes of this section, the terms ‘state correctional facility’, ‘state prison’ and ‘county correctional facility’ shall have the same meanings as those terms are defined in section 1 of chapter 125.

(b) The department of correction and sheriffs shall provide any person committed to a state correctional facility, state prison or county correctional facility, including a jail or house of correction, with voice communication services, including phone calls, free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication; provided, however, that voice communication services shall be maximized to the extent possible and no facility shall offer access to voice communication services less than were offered and available at such facilities on July 1, 2023; provided further, that the department of correction and sheriffs shall ensure adequate infrastructure for voice communication services; and provided further, that nothing in this section shall prohibit in-person contact visits.

(c) The department of correction and sheriffs may supplement voice communication services with other communication services, including, but not limited to, video and electronic communication services; provided, however, that other communication services shall not replace voice communication services; and provided further, that other communication services shall be provided free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication.

SECTION 2. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no voice communication services contract in force on the effective date of this act shall be affected by section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 1; provided, however, that voice communication services shall be free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication beginning on December 1, 2023; provided further, that other communication services offered pursuant to said section 87A of said chapter 127, including, but not limited to, video and electronic communication services, shall be offered free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication beginning on December 1, 2023.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, upon the expiration of any contract for voice communication services, the department of correction and the sheriffs shall seek to maximize purchasing power and consolidate contracts to the extent feasible; provided, that not later than January 1, 2024, the department of correction and the sheriffs shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on the judiciary on the status

of any communication services contracts and plans to consolidate contracts to maximize purchasing power for voice communication services.

(c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any financial incentive received in connection with a voice communication services or other communication services contract, including, but not limited to, a commission, shall revert to the General Fund.

SECTION 3. Section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 1, shall take effect on December 1, 2023.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (see House, No. 4052, amended) then was sent to the Senate for its action.

The engrossed Bill relative to the paid family and medical leave program (see House, No. 4053), being a printed copy of Section 57 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 (see House, No. 4040), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment F of House, No. 4055), was considered.

Paid family
and medical
leave program.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Section 3 of chapter 175M of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 43 and 44, the words ‘or (ii) a paid family, or medical leave policy of an employer’ and inserting in place thereof the following words: (ii) a paid family or medical leave policy of an employer; or (iii) any accrued sick or vacation pay or other paid leave provided under an employer policy, including, but not limited to, any leave provided under a collective bargaining agreement.

SECTION 2. Section 1 shall take effect 180 days after the passage of this act; provided, however, section 1 shall apply to all claims eligible under section 3 of chapter 175M of the General Laws filed for leave taken on or after July 1, 2023.”; and by striking out the emergency preamble.

The report was accepted; and the amendment recommended by the Governor then was rejected.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston then moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Section 3 of chapter 175M of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 43 and 44, the words ‘or (ii) a paid family, or medical leave policy of an employer’ and inserting in place thereof the following words: (ii) a paid family or medical leave policy of an employer; or (iii) any accrued sick or vacation pay or other paid leave provided under an employer policy, including, but not limited to, any leave provided under a collective bargaining agreement.

SECTION 2. Section 1 shall take effect for claims filed on or after November 1, 2023.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (see House, No. 4053, amended) then was sent to the Senate for its action.

The engrossed Bill relative to the rate of payment for certain MassHealth ground ambulance services (see House, No. 4054), being a printed copy of Section 87 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2024 (see House, No. 4040), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with

MassHealth,—
ambulance
services.

recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment G of House, No. 4055), was considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary and subject to federal approval, 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.”.

The report was accepted.

The amendment recommended by the Governor then was adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representatives Day of Stoneham and Jones of North Reading move that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Sherman W. Saltmarsh, Jr., a member of the House from Winchester from 1975 to 1988; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at sixteen minutes after five o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 28, 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.

Appointment of the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Representative Mendes of Brockton as his designee (under Section 73 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the Commission on the Status of Latinos and Latinas.

Latinos and
Latinas.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston) commending the Massachusetts Sickie Cell Association, Inc. for recognizing September 2023 as National Sickie Cell Awareness Month, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Sickie Cell
Awareness
Month.

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.

Petition.

Representative Vaughn of Wrentham presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn for legislation to provide school districts with an option to opt out of the free school lunch; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Schools,—
lunches.

Communication.

A communication from the Division of Medical Assistance (see Section 10F of Chapter 118E of the General Laws) submitting a quarterly report for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023 legislative report for the Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP) for the period April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023, was placed on file.

Children's
Medical
Security Plan.

Monthly Report.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for August 2023, was placed on file.

Unemployment
Insurance
Trust Fund.

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 petition of James M. Murphy for legislation to protect seniors and adults with disabilities from financial exploitation. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Financial Services. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Financial
exploitation,—
elderly and
disabilities.

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:

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Deborah R. Cochran memorial bridge (House, No. 3382);

Dedham,—
bridge.

Designating a portion of state highway Route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway (House, No. 3838); and

Harwich,—
bridge.

Creating the appointed positions of town treasurer and tax collector in the town of Westwood (House, No. 3879) [Local Approval Received];

Westwood,—
employees.

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.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Providing for the annual election of members of the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School Committee (printed as Senate, No. 421) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Third
reading
bills.

Providing for recall elections in the town of Conway (House, No. 3575);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at five minutes before one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Garballey in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew McRae, an employee of the Department of State Police (see House, No. 4085), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was

Matthew
McRae,—
sick leave.

considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble. A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Wendell and the town of New Salem to continue the employment of Joseph J. Cuneo (see House, No. 3813); and

Bills
enacted.

To improve the Commonwealth's competitiveness, affordability, and equity (see House, No. 4104);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

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

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, October 2, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Jones of North Reading) commending the AADC Family Network in acknowledging October 23, 2023 as AADC Deficiency Awareness Day in Massachusetts;

AADC
Deficiency
Awareness Day.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Cataldo of Concord and Gentile of Sudbury) commending the Concord–Nanae Network on its twenty-fifth anniversary of sister city relations;

Concord–Nanae
Network.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Consalvo of Boston) commending United Ostomy Associations of America, Inc. for its recognition of October 7, 2023 as Ostomy Awareness Day in the Commonwealth;

Ostomy
Awareness
Day.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Hawkins of Attleboro and Scanlon of North Attleborough) commending the Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative on the occasion of serving its one millionth meal to those in need through the Food N' Friends Program; and

Attleboro
Area Interfaith
Collaborative.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Owens of Watertown and Lawn of Watertown) commending the Watertown Community Foundation, Inc. for twenty years of dedicated service to the city of Watertown;

Watertown
Community
Foundation.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Communications

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

MassHealth,—
delivery system
platform.

From the University of Massachusetts Medical School (see Section 43(f) of Chapter 75 of the General Laws) submitting a report of the activities of the MassBiologics Laboratories for fiscal year 2023; and

MassBiologics
Laboratories.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 138 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report from the Department of Public Health entitled: “An Examination of Opioid-Related Overdose Deaths among Massachusetts Residents: 2019-2020”;

Opioid-related
overdoses.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Special Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation (under Section 10 of Chapter 221A of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2023; and

Legal
Assistance
Corporation.

Of the Massachusetts Port Authority (under item 6720-1340 of Section 2C of Chapter 219 of the Acts of 2016) submitting the annual report for fiscal year 2023 on improvements at the Paul W. Conley Terminal [copies of the report were forwarded to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, as required by said law]; and

MassPort,—
Conley
Terminal.

A report of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (under Section 15 of Chapter 239 of the General Laws, as added by Section 64 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process cases relative to permanent rental protections;

Permanent
rental
protections.

Severally were placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2451) of Cynthia Stone Creem, Liz Miranda and Estela A. Reyes for legislation to further regulate professional and occupational licensing. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Licensing,—
regulations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2450) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation relative to forfeiture reform. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Forfeiture,—
reforms.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2452) of Jacob R. Oliveira and Brian M. Ashe for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Rene Perez, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services. To the committee on Public Service.

Rene Perez,—
sick leave.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the county of Nantucket be authorized to convey certain parcels of land to the town of Nantucket. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Nantucket,—
land.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Russell E. Holmes for legislation to require automated external defibrillators at sporting events. To the committee on Public Health.

Sports,—
defibrillators.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Nantucket be authorized to issue pension obligation bonds or notes. To the committee on Public Service.

Nantucket,—
bonds.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Kelly A. Timilty memorial bridge (House, No. 3383);

Dedham,—
bridge.

Amending the act authorizing the town of Deerfield to construct and operate systems of sewers (House, No. 3841) [Local Approval Received]; and

Deerfield,—
sewers.

Amending the board of works in the town of Lee (House, No. 3890) [Local Approval Received];

Lee,—
board.

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

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paul O'Brien, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4083), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Paul
O'Brien,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) 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 Senate Bill authorizing the town of Rutland to increase the membership of the town's board of selectmen (Senate, No. 2371), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Rutland,—
selectmen.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out section 3.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2371, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Soter of Bellingham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, October 4, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and at the request of Mr. Carey of Easthampton, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of William A. Carey, III of Chesterfield who passed away September 22, 2023 at the age of 59.

William A.
Carey, III of
Chesterfield.

Bill dedicated himself to his work as a Fleet Technician with the Massachusetts State Police for 36 years. He was incredibly proud of his work. His reliability and incredible work ethic garnered respect from colleagues across the state.

Bill is survived by his wife Lori, daughter Meaghan, son John, parents Bill and Judy, his loving sisters, extended family members, and countless friends. In eternal rest, he joins his brother Sean Carey who passed away in April of this year.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Vitolo of Brookline, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4112) of Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize ranked choice voting in the town of Brookline. To the committee on Election Laws.

Brookline,—
ranked choice
voting.

By Representative Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4113) of Kate Hogan (by vote of the town) for legislation to further regulate special police officers in the town of Hudson. To the committee on Public Service.

Hudson,—
special
police.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cahill of Lynn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel Cahill (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Lynn be authorized to use certain park land in said town for school purposes.

Lynn,—
land.

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rodney M. Elliott and James Arciero that the Division of Animal Health be authorized to regulate the preservation of existing pet cemeteries.

Pet
cemeteries.

By Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brandy Fluker Oakley and Andrea Joy Campbell (Attorney General) for legislation to establish a trust fund to promote environmental justice in the Office of the Attorney General.

Environmental
justice
trust fund.

By Representative Galvin of Canton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William C. Galvin for legislation to further regulate the sale and possession of certain vape pens.

Vape pens,—
regulation.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (House, No. 4082), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

Judicial
retirement.

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to clarify forthwith the application of judicial retirement law, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Subsequently said committee reported that the amendment was correctly drawn; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

A report of the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 921) of Joanne M. Comerford, Mindy Domb, Thomas M. Stanley, James B. Eldridge and others for legislation to protect equity for homeowners facing foreclosure,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Revenue,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Homeowners,—
foreclosure.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2448) of Cynthia Stone Creem, Ruth B. Balser, Kay Khan and John J. Lawn, Jr. (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Newton to prohibit the application of second generation anti-coagulant rodenticides within its borders, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Newton,—
rodenticides.

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 petition of Dylan A. Fernandes, Kip A. Diggs and others relative to establishing year-round daily commuter rail service to Cape Cod. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Fernandes of Falmouth, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cape Cod,—
commuter
rail service.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2627) of Jerald A. Parisella relative to veterans' retirement system buybacks; and

Veterans'
buybacks.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No 2662) of Alan Silvia, Paul A. Schmid, III and Michelle M. DuBois relative to retirement buyback for veterans;

Id.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, on House, Nos. 2181 and 2277, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Health to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to unborn victims of Down Syndrome and the health of mothers and born alive fetuses after the second trimester (House, No. 4111). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Unborn with
Down Syndrome
and health of
mothers and born
alive fetuses,—
study.

Subsequently, Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1334 and House, No. 2204, a Bill relative to accelerating improvements to the local and regional public health system to address disparities in the delivery of public health services (House, No. 4101). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Public health,—
disparities.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the release of a restriction on certain parcels of land in Freetown (House, No. 900).

Freetown,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the reorientation of the parcel of land occupied by Riverside Boat Club of Cambridge (House, No. 3006).

Cambridge,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to allow the city of Medford to transfer conservation land (House, No. 3036).

Medford,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the release of a certain sewer easement in the town of Norfolk (House, No. 3125).

Norfolk,—
easement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain portion of the Gardner Heritage State Park to the city of Gardner (House, No. 3133).

Gardner,—
land.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 4105, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 4110). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Jaer Martinez,—
sick leave.

Recess.

At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until half past one o'clock P.M.; and at two minutes before two o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the Bill relative to salary range transparency (House, No. 4100), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4109). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Salary range
transparency.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith. The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Cutler; and on the roll call 148 members voted in the affirmative and 8 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 58.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 58](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Providing for the appointment of a commissioner of public health in the city of Brockton (see House, No. 3824); and

Bills
enacted.

Exempting Joanne Ricardelli from the maximum age requirement for firefighters in the town of Wilmington (see House, No. 3964);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

The engrossed Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (see House, No. 4082, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Judicial
retirement.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 17 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Jones of North Reading then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at five minutes after three o'clock P.M. (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 5, 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 Representatives Garballey of Arlington, Hamilton of Methuen, Rogers of Cambridge, Lombardo of Billerica, and Gordon of Bedford the members, staff, and guests of the House of Representatives stood for a moment of silence in respect to the memory of Charles Lyons.

Charles
Lyons.

Charles Lyons of Methuen, formerly of Arlington, passed away surrounded by his loving family after a courageous battle with Glioblastoma.

Charlie was elected to office as a young man in 1972 where he was the first 18-year-old in the country elected to a town or city position. He served the citizens of Arlington as an elected official for 33 years and went on to serve at the national level as president of the National League of Cities. As the Superintendent Emeritus of Shawsheen Valley Technical High School for 28 years, Charlie dedicated himself to advancing vocational education in the state of Massachusetts. He loved spending time with family and friends, golfing, traveling, and watching the Boston Red Sox. Beloved husband of Leanne (Marciano) Lyons. Loving father of Christine Lyons of Londonderry, NH, Lisa (Lyons) Tully and her husband Ryan of Beverly, and Michael Lyons and his wife Jennifer of Medford.

Charles is survived by 5 loving siblings and cherished 'Grandpa' to Emily, Jack, Nolan, Caroline, and Norah. Charlie was known by many as a close friend and by thousands as a mentor. He will be deeply missed.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington) congratulating Deputy Fire Chief Alfred Cunningham on his retirement from the Whitman Fire Department, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Alfred
Cunningham.

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.

Communications

From the Northwestern District Attorney's Office (see Section 24W(e) of Chapter 90 of the General Laws) submitting a report on OUI Deterrent Trust Fund (Melanie's Law);

Northwestern,—
OUI Deterrent
Trust Fund.

From the Middlesex District Attorney's Office (see Section 47 of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting a report on its fiscal year 2023 expenditures for drug rehabilitation, drug education and other anti-drug or neighborhood crime watch programs; and

Middlesex,—
forfeiture
expenditures.

From the Office of Medicaid (see Section 6 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws) on the previous year's activities of the Medical Care Advisory Committee, including the agendas, materials and mailing list for MCAC meetings in calendar year 2023;

Medical
Care Advisory
Committee.

Severally were placed on file.

Petition.

Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Comerford presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4114) of Natalie M. Blais and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) that the town of Leverett be authorized to provide for local voting rights for certain lawful permanent residents residing in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Leverett,—
voting
rights.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Nick Collins for legislation relative to the employment of persons with disabilities, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Persons with
disabilities,—
employment.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2456) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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 Paul McMurtry relative to survivor benefits for the spouses of retired state troopers;

State troopers,—
benefits.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Paul McMurtry that the State Retirement Board provide a lifetime monthly allowance to Katherine M. McGuinness, the surviving spouse of former state police officer James T. McGuinness;

Katherine
McGuinness,—
retirement.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Rady Mom and Rodney M. Elliott that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land to the city of Lowell. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Lowell,—
land.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Soter of Bellingham, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Leominster as the Captain Ross A. Reynolds memorial bridge (House, No. 3334);

Leominster,—
bridge.

Bill relative to the town of Plymouth's Facilities Improvement Fund (House, No. 3909) [Local Approval Received]; and

Plymouth,—
fund.

Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 4110);

Jaer Martinez,—
sick leave.

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

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill increasing the number of members for the select board of the town of Lakeville (House, No. 2093), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Lakeville,—
select board.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 2, in line 4, by striking out the word "ballot" and inserting in place thereof the words "annual town".

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 2093, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Soter of Bellingham (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.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, October 10, 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.

Statement Concerning Representative Pignatelli of Lenox.

A statement of Mr. Michael J. Moran of Boston concerning Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Representative Pignatelli of Lenox, was unable to be present in the House Chamber for the sitting of Wednesday, October 4. If he had been present, he would have voted in the affirmative on roll call No. 58 on the question on passing to be engrossed House bill No. 4109, An Act relative to salary range transparency. His missing of roll call No. 58 was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Mr. Pignatelli
of Lenox.

Statement Concerning Representative Vaughn of Wrentham.

A statement of Ms. Ferguson of Holden concerning Mr. Vaughn of Wrentham was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, was unable to be present in the House Chamber for the sitting of Wednesday, October 4, due to unexpected travel delays that interfered with his timely return to the Commonwealth. If he had been present, he would have voted in the affirmative on roll call No. 58 on the question on passing to be engrossed House bill No. 4109, An Act relative to salary range transparency. His missing of roll call 58 No. was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Mr. Vaughn
of Wrentham.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Kassner of Hamilton) congratulating Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello on her retirement as Council of Aging Director for the town of Georgetown, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Colleen
Ranshaw-
Fiorello.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Berkshire District Attorney's Office (see Section 24W(e) of Chapter 90 of the General Laws) submitting a report on the Operating Under the Influence Deterrent Trust Fund (Melanie's Law);

Berkshire,—
OUI Deterrent
Trust Fund.

From the Berkshire District Attorney's Office (see Section 47(d) of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting a report on its fiscal year 2022 law enforcement trust funds for drug rehabilitation, drug education and neighborhood crime watch programs;

Berkshire,—
forfeiture
expenditures.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 117 of Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020, as amended by Section 167 of Chapter 268 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report of the Community Policing and Behavioral Health Advisory Council concerning the creation of a crisis response and continuity of care system; and

Community
Policing and
Behavioral
Health Advisory
Council.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022, as amended by Section 178 of Chapter 268 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report entitled; "Massachusetts 911 Call Study: Assessing the Potential to Divert Behavioral Health Calls to Alternative Responses";

Behavioral
Health,—
911 Call
Study report.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Hamilton of Methuen presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4122) of Ryan M. Hamilton and Francisco E. Paulino (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the mayor of the city of Methuen be authorized to appoint police cadets to the police department of said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Methuen,—
police cadets.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cruz of Salem and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Manny Cruz and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Salem be authorized to employ automated enforcement of speed limit violations in designated school zones within said city.

Salem,—
speed limits.

By Representative Giannino of Revere, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jessica Ann Giannino and others relative to pediatric cancer research.

Pediatric
cancer.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1750) of John C. Velis, Steven George Xiarhos, Sal N. DiDomenico and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation relative to veterans' buyback, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Veterans,—
retirement.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2454) of Barry R. Finegold, Bruce E. Tarr, Tram T. Nguyen and Adrienne Pusateri Ramos (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish a special purpose revolving fund in the town of North Andover. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

North
Andover,—
fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2453) of John F. Keenan and David F. DeCoste (by vote of the town) [sic] exempt all uniformed positions in the fire department in the town of Rockland from the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.

Rockland,—
civil service.

Reports of Committees.

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:

Designating historic routes (House, No. 3337);

Relative to the select board of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3902) [Local Approval Received]; and

Expanding the select board of the town of Sharon (House, No. 3905, changed) [Local Approval Received];

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

Historic routes.
Northborough,—
select board.

Sharon,—
select board.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, Nos. 1012, 1077, 1097 and 1139 and House, Nos. 1542, 1547, 1745 and 3856, a Bill to prevent abuse and exploitation (House, No. 4115). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Abuse and
exploitation,—
prevention.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill relative to requiring the Highway Division of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to establish a department and licensure process to oversee quarries producing concrete aggregate (see House, No. 4050, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) (which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Quarries,—
oversight.

Bill
re-enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to the rate of payment for certain MassHealth ground ambulance services (see House, No. 4054, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

MassHealth,—
ambulance
services.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) (which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
re-enacted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill clarifying the application of judicial retirement law (see House, No. 4082, amended) (which originated in the House), 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 sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Deborah R. Cochran memorial bridge (House, No. 3382), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at a quarter before eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at a quarter before eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at a quarter before 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 Prayer.

At the request of Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representatives Balser of Newton, Jones of North Reading and Howitt of Seekonk, the members, guests, and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the lives lost during this weekend's terrorist attack in Israel. We join people from across Massachusetts and around the world in standing with Israeli citizens and our Jewish neighbors against the ongoing violence. We also reflect on the rising antisemitism here in the Commonwealth and recommit ourselves to standing against hatred and bigotry. We pray for those killed and the safe return of those in harm's way.

Israeli citizens
and Jewish
neighbors.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Arciero of Westford) congratulating the Graniteville Pride Committee on the twenty-fifth anniversary of its annual spaghetti supper for the Graniteville section of the town of Westford; and

Graniteville
Pride
Committee.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Muradian of Grafton) congratulating John Bucyk on the occasion of being named the 200 Foundation's 2023 Honoree of the Year;

John
Bucyk.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Paul R. Feeney and William Francis Galvin for legislation to protect seniors and adults with disabilities from financial exploitation, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Elder Affairs.

Financial
exploitation,—
elderly and
disabilities.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2460) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Elder Affairs.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to retirement benefits for Mary Donna Nodurf (House, No. 2428).

Mary Donna
Nodurf.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to retirement benefits for Rebecca J. Vanderstelt (House, No. 2436).

Rebecca
Vanderstelt.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the State Retirement Board to grant creditable service to James Wright (House, No. 2633).

James
Wright,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to creditable service for Robert Iantosca, an employee of the Department of Revenue (House, No. 2635).

Robert
Iantosca,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill granting creditable service to Cheryl DiLisio, an employee of Nahant public schools (House, No. 3639, changed in line 3 by striking out the figures: “1.7” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1.04”).

Cheryl
DiLisio,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System to grant credible service to Kellie Martin (House, No. 3812).

Kellie
Martin,—
retirement.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Jacob M. White to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3641).

Jacob
White,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Gregory S. Shopshire to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3642).

Gregory
Shopshire,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Matthew K. Sonnabend to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3643).

Matthew
Sonnabend,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Jeffrey H. Jackson to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3644).

Jeffrey
Jackson,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Holly Thyng to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3652).

Holly Thyng,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Christopher Arrigo to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3653)

Christopher
Arrigo,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Adrian Peters to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3654).

Adrian
Peters,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Ariel Rodriguez (House, No. 3844) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,—
Ariel
Rodriguez.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer for the town of Dedham (House, No. 3910) [Local Approval Received].

Dedham,—
police
appointments.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill exempting Eric Robert Esteves from the maximum age requirements for police officers in the town of Ware (House, No. 3961) [Local Approval Received].

Ware,—
Eric Robert
Esteves.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill providing for unlimited free phone calls to incarcerated individuals (see House, No. 4052, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Incarcerated
individuals,—
phone calls.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill relative to the paid family and medical leave program (see House, No. 4053, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Family and
medical
leave program.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Joint Session of the Two Houses to Consider Specific Amendments to the Constitution.

At two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., the two branches met in

Joint session.

JOINT SESSION

and were called to order by the Honorable Cynthia Stone Creem, having been appointed by the President, to perform the duties of the Chair.

Without action on the matters duly and constitutionally assigned for consideration, on motion of Mr. Vitolo of Brookline, at three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., the joint session was recessed until twelve o'clock noon, on Wednesday, April 10, 2023; and the Senate withdrew from the House Chamber under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 12, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representatives Williams of Springfield, Puppolo of Springfield, González of Springfield, Ramos of Springfield and Ashe of Longmeadow, the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Sally Marie (McTaggart) Markey of Springfield who passed away on September 28, 2023, at the age of 82.

Sally
Markey.

A nurse, educator, and tremendously engaged citizen, Sally lived by the Irish saying that strangers are merely friends one has not yet met. She pursued what we now call social justice, which she would classify as just doing the right thing. In the 1970s her home was an emergency placement spot for emotionally troubled teenagers through the Downey Side Program. Teaching by example, imparting daily lessons that the world is full of beauty and grace, Sally served without fanfare as a backbone member of varied organizations such as Pax Christi, the Pioneer Valley Project, East Forest Park Civic Association, and the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee.

She was a mother of seven, grandmother of 17, and cherished friend to hundreds of people from all walks of life who were touched by her generosity and kindness. She is survived by her children, Patrick and his wife Jennifer of Springfield, Kevin and his wife Ann Hallock of Northampton, Joseph and his wife Bernadette of Hopkinton, Maureen and her husband Michael Evans of Portland, Oregon, Eileen and her husband Jarrett Murphy of the Bronx, Sean and his wife Camille of Newton, and Brian and his wife Camille of New Orleans.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had re-appointed Dr. Danna Mauch as his designee (under Section 219 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) to the Commission on Community Behavioral Health Prevention and Promotion.

Community
behavioral
health.

Petition.

Representative Orrall of Lakeville and Senator Rodrigues presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4125) of Norman J. Orrall and Michael J. Rodrigues (by vote of the town) relative to establishing recall methods for elected

Lakeville,—
recall
elections.

officials in the town of Lakeville; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2910), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2461. Referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Watertown,—
property taxes.

A report of the committee on Elder Affairs, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2460) of Paul R. Feeney and William Francis Galvin, for legislation to protect seniors and adults with disabilities from financial exploitation,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Financial Services,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Financial
exploitation,—
elderly and
disabilities.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2463) of Paul W. Mark for legislation relative to the disability law insomuch as relates to call and volunteer firefighters and EMTs; and

Volunteer
firefighters,—
disability.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2464) of Paul W. Mark for legislation to authorize the continued employment of Jerry Shampang as an environmental police officer in the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs;

Jerry
Shampang,—
employment.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

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 Daniel Cahill (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Lynn be authorized to use certain park land in said town for school purposes. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Lynn,—
land.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James Arciero and others for legislation to authorize municipalities to provide residential exemptions to senior citizens. To the committee on Revenue.

Senior citizens,—
exemptions.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Marjorie C. Decker and Steven Owens that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Cambridge to said city for school and other municipal purposes. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Cambridge,—
land.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Establishing a department of public works in the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 2052) [Local Approval Received];

To designate a certain bridge in the town of Lexington in honor of Henry N. “Hank” Manz (House, No. 3286); and

Amending the charter of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3903) [Local Approval Received]

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.

Tyngsborough,—
public works.

Lexington,—
Manz bridge.

Northborough,—
charter.

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1934) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Sally P. Kerans for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to employer-supported child care benefits,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Child care,—
benefits.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 4107, a Bill designating a certain overpass in the town of Stoneham as the State Trooper Tamar A. Bucci Memorial Bridge (House, No. 4123). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Stoneham,—
Bucci bridge.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill relative to the paid family and medical leave program (see House, No. 4053, amended) (which originated in the House), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
re-enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Creating the appointed positions of town treasurer and tax collector in the town of Westwood (House, No. 3879); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 4110);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, October 16, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communications.

Communications

From the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds (see Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure for technological improvements from the County Registers Technological Fund [copies of the report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on Post Audit and Oversight, as required by said law];

Plymouth
County Registry
of Deeds.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2KKKKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the MassHealth Nonpublic Ambulance Service Reimbursement Trust Fund report;

MassHealth,—
ambulance
services.

From the Northwestern District Attorney's Office (see Section 24W(e) of Chapter 90 and Section 47(d) of Chapter 94C of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2023 reports relative to motor vehicle forfeiture funds and drug rehabilitation, drug education and other anti-drug and neighborhood crime watch programs; and

Northwestern
District
Attorney's
Office.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Chapter 309 of the Acts of 2020) on the activity, revenue and expenditures to and from the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund for fiscal year 2023;

Opioid Recovery
and Remediation
Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Khan of Newton presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4126) of Kay Khan and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Newton be authorized to lease the Warren Junior High School for a term of years not exceeding 99 years; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Newton,—
Warren Junior
High School.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler and Matthew NeJame for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate October 2 as learning disability screening day.

Learning
disability
screening day.

By Representative Day of Stoneham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael S. Day for legislation to further regulate firearms.

Firearms.

By Representative Fiola of Fall River and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues that the boat ramp at Bicentennial Park in the city of Fall River be designated as the State Representative Manuel Raposa Jr. boat ramp.

Fall River,—
Raposa
boat ramp.

By Representative Hamilton of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ryan M. Hamilton, Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Sally P. Kerans relative to personal financial literacy in schools.

Financial
literacy,—
schools.

By Representatives Xiarhos of Barnstable and Durant of Spencer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Steven George Xiarhos, Peter J. Durant and others relative to reimbursing cities, towns, and regional school districts for the costs of providing supportive services to migrants.

Supportive
services,—
reimbursements.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2459) of Bruce E. Tarr and Ann-Margaret Ferrante (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to changing the terms board of selectmen and selectmen to the term select board in the town of Rockport, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Rockport,—
charter.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2470) of Edward J. Kennedy, Vanna Howard, Rodney M. Elliott and Rady Mom for legislation to increase housing production in the city of Lowell. To the committee on Housing.

Lowell,—
housing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2469) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to define agritourism. To the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Agritourism.

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 Kay Khan relative to mental health awareness at public higher education institutions. To the committee on Higher Education.

Mental health,—
higher education.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Brandy Fluker Oakley and Andrea Joy Campbell (Attorney General) for legislation to establish a trust fund to promote environmental justice in the Office of the Attorney General. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Environmental
justice,—
fund.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Bill authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Hopkinton (House, No. 2018) [Local Approval Received];

Hopkinton,—
investments.

Bill authorizing the town of Mashpee to convey certain town owned conservation land to Jacques and Rosalie Fresco (House, No. 2118) [Local Approval Received]; and	Mashpee,— land.
Bill providing for an increase in the membership of the select board in the town of Sterling (House, No. 3727) [Local Approval Received];	Sterling,— select board.
Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.	
By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Hull to issue pension obligation bonds or notes (House, No. 2084) [Local Approval Received].	Hull,— bonds.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to wastewater in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2095) [Local Approval Received].	Provincetown,— wastewater.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to wastewater treatment and disposal in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2096) [Local Approval Received].	Id.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to establishing the Eastham community fund in the town of Eastham (House, No. 2097) [Local Approval Received].	Eastham,— fund.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to care, custody, and control and uses of Wing Island (House, No. 3875) [Local Approval Received].	Brewster,— Wing Island.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Canton to grant temporary and permanent easements of certain land of the town situated in the town of Stoughton for highway purposes (House, No. 3937) [Local Approval Received].	Canton and Stoughton,— land.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Somerville to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission (House, No. 3969) [Local Approval Received].	Somerville,— licensing commission.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill further amending the charter of the town of Middleton (House, No. 3970, changed in section 53, in line 156, by striking out the figures: “45” and inserting in place thereof the figure: “4”, in line 158 and also line 161, by striking out the word “Select”, in line 160, by striking out the figures: “56” and inserting in place thereof the figure: “5”; and in line 166, by striking out the following: “theirhis” and inserting in place thereof the word “their”) [Local Approval Received].	Middleton,— charter.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the select board of the town of Uxbridge (House, No. 3986) [Local Approval Received].	Uxbridge,— select board.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Board of Selectmen of the town of Rockland to serve as cemetery commissioners for the town of Rockland (House, No. 4010) [Local Approval Received].	Rockland,— cemetery commissioners.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Kingston (House, No. 4011) [Local Approval Received].	Kingston,— treasurer- collector.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the town manager act of Arlington relative to the appointment of the town manager (House, No. 4026) [Local Approval Received].	Arlington,— town manager.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the charter of the town of Rockland (House, No. 4036) [Local Approval Received].	Rockland,— charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the planning board in the town of Shutesbury (House, No. 4038) [Local Approval Received].

Shutesbury,—
planning
board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Norton (House, No. 4039) [Local Approval Received].

Norton,—
investments.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor, a Bill validating the actions taken at the Princeton annual town meeting (printed in House, No. 4067).

Princeton,—
town
meeting.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill increasing the membership of the select board of the town of Lakeville (see House, No. 2093, amended) (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 designating a portion of state highway Route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway (House, No. 3838), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, October 18, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Holmes of Boston) honoring Reverend Dr. Conley Hughes, Jr. for his thirty-five years as pastor of Concord Baptist Church of Boston and forty-five years as a pastor in Massachusetts, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Conley
Hughes.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jason Barone-Cichocki, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 2414) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Jason Barone-
Cichocki,—
sick leave.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the bill be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2467) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) for legislation to change the name and membership of the Nantucket Planning and Economic Development Commission. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Nantucket,—
planning
commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2465) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the expansion of the residential tax exemption in the town of Provincetown; and

Provincetown,—
residential tax
exemption.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2466) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Provincetown to impose a 0.5% real estate transfer fee.

Provincetown,—
transfer fee.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

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 petition of Jessica Ann Giannino and others relative to pediatric cancer research. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Health. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Pediatrics,—
cancer
research.

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:

Authorizing the town of Canton to grant temporary and permanent easements of certain land of the town situated in the town of Stoughton for highway purposes (House, No. 3937) [Local Approval Received]; and

Canton,—
land.

Validating the actions taken at the Princeton annual town meeting (printed in House, No. 4067);

Princeton,—
town meeting.

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

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a joint petition, a Bill investigating the economic impact of certain Massachusetts laws (House, No. 263). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Laws,—
economic
impact.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill relative to the registration of veterinarians (House, No. 267).

Veterinarians,—
registration.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to debt collection licensure (House, No. 268).

Debt collection
licensure.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to partial payment (House, No. 288).

Residential
contracting.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 207 and House, No. 332, a Bill regulating the practice and licensure of veterinary technicians (House, No. 332).

Veterinary
technicians,—
licensure.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering exams (House, No. 334).

Cosmetology and
barbering exams.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the licensure of swimming pool builders and service contractors (House, No. 356).

Swimming
pool builders.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 266, a Bill relative to the direct wine shipper license (House, No. 4130).

Direct wine
shippers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 392, a Bill making corrective changes to Chapter 112 of the General Laws (House, No. 4133).

Federal
appraisers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 399, a Bill relative to the registration of irrigation contractors (House, No. 4134).

Irrigation
contractors.

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on House, No. 1853, a Bill relative to the Department of Unemployment Assistance Advisory Council (House, No. 4136).

Unemployment,—
advisory
council.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1834, a Bill to protect the collective bargaining rights of certain administrative employees (House, No. 4137).

Collective bargaining.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill updating real estate appraiser record retention requirements (House, No. 336).

Real estate appraisers,—records.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 181 and House, No. 369, a Bill relative to acceptance of certain types of identification to purchase alcohol in Massachusetts (House, No. 4131).

Alcohol purchasing,—identification.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 383, a Bill allowing electronic delivery receipts for certain bulk sale customers (House, No. 4132).

Bulk sales,—electronic receipts.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Reading to dissolve its Affordable Housing Trust Fund (House, No. 1341) [Local Approval Received].

Reading,—housing trust fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1365) [Local Approval Received].

Chatham,—community preservation funds.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a housing trust fund in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1366) [Local Approval Received].

Chatham,—housing trust fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill reorganizing the Lexington Housing Assistance Board, Inc. (House, No. 3775) [Local Approval Received].

Lexington,—housing board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority (House, No. 3810).

Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill amending the Tourism Revenue Preservation Fund in the town of Yarmouth (see House, No. 3796) (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 Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (House, No. 2910), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Watertown,—property tax classifications.

Recess.

At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at seven minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Message from Her Excellency the Governor.

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to the Affordable Homes Act (House, No. 4138), was filed this day in the office of the Clerk.

Affordable homes.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petition.

Representative Cabral of New Bedford presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Corinne Senna, an employee of the Trial Court; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Corinne Senna,—
sick leave.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 4090, reported, in part, a Bill modernizing firearm laws (House, No. 4135) [Representatives Smola of Warren, D'Emilia of Bridgewater, Muratore of Plymouth, Berthiaume of Spencer, McKenna of Webster, Pease of Westfield, Sullivan-Almeida of Abington and Xiarhos of Barnstable, dissenting]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Firearms.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Mr. Jones of North Reading then raised a point of order that the bill was improperly before the House for the reason that the bill did not contain a fiscal note from the committee on Ways and Means, as required by House Rule 33.

Point of order.

In answer to the point of order the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) stated that it was not in the province of the Chair to inquire into the internal workings of the committee. Therefore, the Chair ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

Mr. Jones thereupon appealed the decision of the Chair; and the appeal was seconded by Mr. Vieira of Falmouth.

The question was then put "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?".

After debate on the appeal from the decision of the Chair, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 27 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 59](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the decision of the Chair was sustained.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the bill was then read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently (the Speaker being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Kearney of Scituate moved to amend it in section 47, in line 1300, by striking out the figure: “4” and inserting in place thereof the figure: “5”; and in line 1443 by inserting the following:

“SECTION 126B(f). Any and all members of the active and reserve military services will be exempt from live firearms training.”.

The amendments were rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the bill in section 57, in line 1910, by inserting after the word “section.” the following two sentences: “If the respondent is deemed to be homicidal by the mental health service provider that respondent will be forced into an emergency dangerousness hearing with the district attorney’s office. If the respondent is deemed to be suicidal that respondent will be required to undergo a seventy-two hour psychiatric evaluation.”. The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Kearney then moved to amend the bill in section 48, in line 1515, by inserting after the word “guard,” the words “space force, commissioned corps of the United States public health service, national oceanic and atmospheric officer corp”; and the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Kearney of Scituate then moved to amend the bill in section 45, in lines 967 to 971, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following two paragraphs:

“(a)(1) A long gun permit shall entitle the holder to purchase, transfer, possess and carry common long guns, and the ammunition therefor. A long gun permit shall not entitle a holder to transfer, possess or carry any other firearm including any large capacity firearm, semiautomatic rifle or semiautomatic shotgun except under the direct supervision of a holder of a license to carry firearms at an incorporated shooting club or a licensed shooting range.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) or section 128B to the contrary, if a person satisfies all other requirements of this section and is 18 years of age or older residing within the jurisdiction of the licensing authority and who is either: (i) an active member of the United States army, navy, marine corps, air force, space force, commissioned corps of the United States public health service, or national oceanic and atmospheric officer corp; (ii) a member of the Massachusetts national guard; or (iii) a veteran as defined in section 7 of chapter 4, then a long gun permit shall entitle such a holder to transfer, purchase and possess semiautomatic rifles that cannot accept a detachable magazine that holds more than 5 rounds of ammunition and semiautomatic shotguns that cannot hold more than 5 rounds of ammunition in a fixed or detachable magazine for use only at an incorporated shooting club or licensed shooting range.”.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Markey of Dartmouth then moved to amend the bill in section 92, in line 2361, by inserting after the word “Whoever,” the following: “with the exception of a

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law enforcement officer certified pursuant to chapter 6E; or a security guard in performance of the security guard's duties"; and in lines 2385 to 2393, inclusive, by striking out paragraphs contained in those lines"; and the amendments were rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the bill in section 92, in lines 2376 to 2382, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines. The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Markey then moved to amend the bill in section 58, in lines 1851 and 1852 and also in line 1856, by striking out the words "a preponderance of the" and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "clear and convincing". The amendments were rejected.

Mr. Markey of Dartmouth then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:—

SECTION 136. Subsection A of section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 26, the word "crime" and inserting in place thereof the following words:— crime, unless otherwise proscribed by the following paragraph.

Said subsection A of section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the third paragraph the following paragraph:—

The general court further finds that within the commonwealth there has been an increase in violence, with and without weapons, that has taken the lives of many. Such acts are not the product of highly organized and disciplined groups. Rather, these acts are conducted by small, undisciplined groups of individuals with loose affiliation who use modern technology to plan, perform and conceal these violent acts. However, the general court finds that curtailing and eliminating such violent acts, and holding these groups and individuals responsible for such acts, requires the use of modern electronic surveillance devices. Therefore, the general court finds that the use of such devices by law enforcement officials, as it relates to investigations of violent offenses, must be conducted under strict judicial supervision and without the need to prove that a highly organized and disciplined group committed such violent acts.

Subsection B of section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 65, the words "designated offense" and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offense.

Said subsection B of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 72, the words "narcotic or harmful drug" and inserting in place thereof the following words:— narcotic, harmful drug or firearm.

Said subsection B of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after paragraph 7, the following paragraph:—

The term "designated violent offense" shall include the following violent offenses in connection with violent crime as described in the preamble: sections one, thirteen, fifteen, fifteen A, sixteen, eighteen A, eighteen B, eighteen C, of chapter two hundred and sixty five of the general laws.

Subsection E of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 254 and 258, the words "designated offense" and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offense or designated violent offense.

Said subsection E of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraph 3, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

For purposes of a designated organized crime offense, the applicant shall make a showing that normal investigative procedures have been tried and have failed or

reasonably appear unlikely to succeed if tried. Such requirement shall not be deemed required for purposes of a designated violent offense.

Subsection F of section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 273, 277 and 279, the words “designated offense” and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offense or designated violent offense.

Subsection I of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 367, the words “designated offense” and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offense or designated violent offense.

Subsection N of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 501-502, the words “designated offense” and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offense or designated violent offense.

Subsection R of Section 99 of Chapter 272, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 587, the words “designated offenses” and inserting in place thereof the following words:— designated organized crime offenses or designated violent offenses.

The amendments were rejected.

Mr. Cusack of Braintree then moved to amend the bill in section 92, in lines 2389 to 2393, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“(5) This subsection shall not apply to an active law enforcement officer, as defined in section 1 of chapter 6E, while in performance of their official duties or to a security guard employed at the prohibited area while at the location of their employment and during the course of their employment. Clauses (i) to (iii), inclusive, of paragraph 2 shall not apply to an active law enforcement officer, acting in their personal capacity, while carrying a firearm provided by the officer’s employing law enforcement agency. Clause (iii) of paragraph 2 shall not apply to firearms authorized by a secondary school, college or university, with prior written notice to the department of state police, to be possessed or stored on school grounds. Nothing in this paragraph shall limit the authority of any municipality, county or department, division, commission, board, agency or court of the commonwealth to adopt policies further restricting the possession of firearms in areas under their control.”.

After remarks on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 60](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cahill of Lynn then moved to amend the bill by inserting after section 11 the following section:—

SECTION 11A. Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following 2 sections:—

Section 83. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

“Community violence”, intentional acts of interpersonal violence committed in public areas by individuals who are not family members or intimate partners of the victim.

“Community violence prevention and intervention services”, evidence-based, trauma-informed, supportive and non-psychotherapeutic services provided by a certified violence prevention professional within or outside of a clinical setting, for

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the purpose of promoting improved health outcomes and positive behavioral change, preventing injury recidivism and reducing the likelihood that an individual who is a victim of community violence will commit or promote community violence. “Community violence prevention services”, shall include, but shall not be limited to, the provision of peer support and counseling, mentorship, conflict mediation, crisis intervention, targeted case management, referrals to a certified violence prevention professional, licensed health care professionals or social services providers, patient education or screening services to victims of community violence.

“Interpersonal violence”, the intentional use of physical force or power against other persons by an individual or small group of individuals.

“Prevention professional”, shall have the same meaning as described by the National Uniform Claim Committee , or its successor, pursuant to NUCC Code Number 405300000X.

“Certified violence prevention professional”, a prevention professional certified pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) of this section.

(b)(1) The secretary of health and human services shall amend the Medicaid state plan to make community violence prevention services available, subject to federal law and approval, to any Medicaid beneficiary who has: (A)(i) received medical treatment for an injury sustained as a result of an act of community violence; or (ii) been referred by local or state police as being at risk for engagement in community violence or a victim of community violence; and (B) been referred by a certified or licensed health care provider or social services provider to receive community violence prevention services from a certified violence prevention professional, after such provider determines such beneficiary to be at an elevated risk of a violent injury or retaliation resulting from a subsequent act of community violence.

(2) The secretary of health and human services shall seek any federal approvals necessary to implement this section, including, but not limited to, state plan amendments or federal waivers by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This subsection shall be implemented only to the extent that federal financial participation is available, and any necessary federal approvals have been obtained.

(3) The provisions of this subsection shall be implemented only to the extent permitted by federal law.

(c) Any prevention professional seeking certification as a certified violence prevention professional shall complete: (i) not less than 6 months of full-time equivalent experience in providing community violence prevention services, (ii) complete a training and certification program for certified violence prevention professionals, approved pursuant to subsection (d), maintain such certification and complete any other requirements as established by the executive office.

(d)(1) The executive office shall approve at least 1 training and certification program for certified violence prevention professionals. Such program shall include:

(i) not less than 35 hours of initial training, collectively addressing all of the following:

(A) The profound effects of trauma and violence and the basis of trauma-informed care;

(B) national best practices regarding community violence prevention and intervention strategies, including, but not limited to, methods to support long term behavioral change, conflict mediation, retaliation prevention related to community violence;

(C) case management and advocacy practices; and

(D) patient privacy and the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as amended, (HIPAA).

(ii) not less than 6 hours of continuing education every 2 years.

(e) Any entity that employs or contracts with a certified violence prevention professional to provide community violence prevention services shall:

(i) maintain documentation that each certified violence prevention professional has met all of the conditions described in subsections (c) and (d); and

(ii) Ensure that each certified violence prevention professional is providing community violence prevention services in compliance with any applicable standards of care, rules, regulations and state and federal law.

(f) No person, unless certified as a violence prevention professional pursuant to this section, may use the title “certified violence prevention professional” or make use of any title, words, letters, abbreviations or insignia indicating or implying that they are a certified violence prevention professional.

(g) Nothing in this section shall alter the scope of practice for any health care professional.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gentile of Sudbury then moved to amend the bill in section 49, in lines 1620, 1621 and 1622 by striking out the following: “2 members appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Gun Owners Action League, Inc. and 1 of whom shall be a police chief selected from a list of four chiefs provided by the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association Incorporated” and inserting in place thereof the following: “1 member appointed by the governor, who shall be a member of the Gun Owners Action League, Inc.; 1 member appointed by the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association Incorporated, who shall be a police chief”; and the amendment was rejected.

Ms. Decker of Cambridge then moved to amend the bill in section 126, in line 2598, by inserting after the word “funded,” the words “, the impact of services provided to survivors of victims of homicide in fostering healing and breaking the generational cycle of violence”. The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Schmid of Westport then moved to amend the bill in section 48, in lines 1476 and 1477, by striking out the words “non large capacity”; and the amendment was adopted.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

Mr. Markey of Dartmouth then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 136. There is hereby established on the books of the Commonwealth a separate fund known as the Large Cities Gun Violence Prevention Trust Fund. Said trust fund shall consist of monies paid to the Commonwealth through all fines imposed for all criminal and civil violations pursuant to Chapters 140 and 269, and licensing fees imposed pursuant to chapter 140. The funds shall be spent on social, educational, and public health programs designed to prevent and diminish gun violence in cities with populations over 50,000 people. The Secretary of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security shall be the trustee of the fund.

The Secretary shall report annually, on or before December 31, 2024, to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on public safety and homeland security, and the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on public health on the revenue and expenditure activity within the trust fund.”.

After remarks the amendment was rejected.

Representatives Soter of Bellingham and Muradian of Grafton then moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

“SECTION 1: Said chapter 131, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out section 62 and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

Section 62. A person, with a percentage, by weight, of alcohol in their blood of eight one hundredths or greater, or while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, or of marihuana, narcotic drugs, depressant or stimulant substances, all as defined in section 1 of chapter 94C, or who intentionally smells or inhales the fumes of any substance having the property of releasing toxic vapors in violation of section 18 of chapter 270, shall not hunt or carry a firearm, bow and arrow or other weapon while engaged in hunting or target shooting. A violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 ½ years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2: Said section 121 of said chapter 140, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of “Machine gun” and inserting in place thereof the following 4 definitions:—

‘Machine gun’, a firearm, loaded or unloaded, which may automatically discharge more than 1 shot by a continuous activation of the trigger, whether originally manufactured as such or modified by automatic conversion, including through the use of an automatic part; provided, that ‘machine gun’ shall include a submachine gun.

‘Manufacture’, to fabricate, make, form, produce or construct, by manual labor or by machinery, a firearm; provided, however, that ‘manufacture’ shall not include firearm reassembly, firearm repair or the making or fitting of special barrels, stocks or trigger mechanisms to firearms.

‘Nonresident’, a person who is temporarily in the commonwealth but legally resides in another state or territory of the United States.

‘Permanently embedded’, applied in such a way that cannot be easily or readily removed without destroying the part to which it is applied.

SECTION 3: Said section 121 of said chapter 140, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of ‘Trigger crank’ and inserting in place thereof the following 3 definitions:—

‘Trigger modifier’, any modification that repeatedly activates the trigger of a firearm, including, but not limited to, trigger cranks, binary triggers and hellfire triggers.

‘Undetectable firearm’, (i) a firearm that after the removal of grips, stocks and magazines, is not detectable by walk-through metal detectors calibrated and operated to detect the security exemplar as defined in 18 U.S.C. Section 922(p)(2)(C); or (ii) a major component of a firearm as defined in 18 U.S.C. Section 922(p)(2)(B) that, when inspected by detection devices commonly used at secure public buildings and transit stations, does not generate an image that accurately depicts the shape of the component.

‘Untraceable firearm’, a firearm that has not been serialized or a firearm whose serial or other identification number has been removed, defaced, altered, obliterated or mutilated in any manner.

SECTION 4: Said chapter 140 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out section 122B and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

122B. (a) The department of criminal justice information services in collaboration with the executive office of public safety and security and the executive

office of technology services and security, shall collect, assemble, and publish data and other information relating to the use of firearms in the commonwealth.

(b) State and local agencies, including but not limited to the department of the state police, licensing authorities, all district attorney offices within the commonwealth, and other criminal justice agencies as defined in section 167 of chapter 6, shall provide timely access to information requested by the department of criminal justice information services pursuant to this section.

(c) The department of criminal justice information services shall make non-personally identifying data accessible to the general public through the publication of an online dashboard updated at least quarterly. This dashboard shall include but shall not be limited to:

(1) the following aggregate data on the issuance of firearm licenses and permits pursuant to sections 124 to 124B, inclusive, of chapter 140:

- (i) the age, gender, and municipality of applicants for a license to carry;
- (ii) the age, gender, and municipality of individuals whose applications for a license to carry were denied;
- (iii) the age, gender, and municipality of applicants for a long gun permit; and
- (iv) the age, gender, and municipality of individuals whose applications for a long gun permit were denied; and

(2) the following aggregate data on firearm-related violence, including but not limited to firearm-involved crimes and attempted or completed suicides using firearms:

- (i) the type of firearm-involved violence (e.g., attempted or completed suicide, homicide, accidental shooting, other firearm-involved crime);
- (ii) the age, and gender of the firearm user;
- (iii) the age, and gender of any victims of firearm-involved violence;
- (iv) the geographic location of the firearm-involved violence;
- (v) the firearms license status of the firearm user;
- (vi) whether the firearm user, at the time of the incident, would be considered a prohibited person as described in section 123 of;
- (vii) whether the firearm user was arrested as a result of the incident;
- (viii) whether the firearm user was charged with a mandatory minimum and the disposition of the charge;
- (ix) the disposition of any prosecution;
- (x) whether the firearm was used in connection with known gang activity, a domestic dispute, or police interaction;
- (xi) the make, model, manufacturer, and state or country of origin of the involved firearm;
- (xii) the origin, source and secondary market of the involved firearm, including whether it was purchased from a licensed dealer or private seller;
- (xiii) whether the involved firearm was lost, stolen or otherwise illegally obtained; and
- (xiv) whether the involved firearm was untraceable or a privately made firearm, including the manner in which it was produced.

(d) the department of criminal justice information services, in coordination with the executive office of public safety and security, shall promulgate rules and regulations to ensure prompt collection, exchange, and publication the firearm licensing information under this section."

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

Mr. Kearney of Scituate then moved to amend the bill in section 92, in line 2370, by inserting after the word “thereof;” the words [A]“and, exempting any and all state-owned public land currently available for hunting;”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, Mr. Puppolo of Springfield moved to amend it by striking out the text of said amendment [at “A”] and inserting in place thereof the following:— ; provided, however, that any state-owned public land available to the public for hunting shall not be a “prohibited area”.

After remarks the further amendment was adopted, thus precluding a vote on the pending amendment.

Mrs. Sullivan-Almeida of Abington then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 136. Section 58A of said chapter 276, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking from subsection (1) provided, however, that the commonwealth may not move for an order of detention under this section based on possession of a large capacity feeding device without simultaneous possession of a large capacity weapon; or arrested and charged with a violation of section 10G of said chapter 269.

And replacing it with ‘The commonwealth may move, based on dangerousness, for an order of pretrial detention or release on conditions when a person has been charged with violation of section 131N of chapter 140 or subsection (a), (b), (c), (d), (h), (j) or (m) of section 10 or section 11C of chapter 269;’.”

After debate on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 26 members voted in the affirmative and 133 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 61](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Holmes of Boston then moved to amend the bill, in section 86, in line 2334, by inserting before the word “bump” the words “automatic part,”; and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Frost of Auburn then moved to amend the bill section 58, in line 1907, by inserting after the word “jurisdiction.” the following sentence: “Any respondent against whom an extreme risk protection order has been issued, and who has been ordered to surrender all firearms, shall be required to undergo a mandatory psychological evaluation.”. The amendment was rejected.

Mrs. LaNatra of Kingston then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:—

SECTION 136. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 118 the following section:—

Section 119. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:—

“Critical incident”, a traumatic event that may cause powerful emotional reactions in people involved or exposed to the event, including: (i) line of duty death or life-threatening injury of an officer; (ii) suicide of an officer; (iii) multiple casualty incidents or disasters; (iv) significant stressful incidents involving children; (v) incidents involving life-threatening injuries or death of a family member or significant other of an officer; (vi) an officer-involved injury or death, as defined in section 1 of chapter 6E; and (vii) any other significant incident that elicits a strong emotional response by the involved officers, at the discretion of the head of the law enforcement agency.

“Law enforcement agency” or “agency”, as defined in section 1 of chapter 6E.

“Law enforcement officer” or “officer”, as defined in section 1 of chapter 6E.

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 61.

“Telehealth”, as defined in section 30 of chapter 32A.

(b) Each law enforcement agency shall, in collaboration with the municipal police training committee established pursuant to section 116, develop and maintain a policy or program for supporting law enforcement officers who have been involved in a critical incident. The policy or program may include a peripheral law enforcement officer present at the scene of reports an impact or request supportive services.

(c) The policy or program shall include:

(1) Pre-incident preparation, including training and education about both normal and problematic post-traumatic reactions commonly associated with critical incidents;

(2) Protocols to ensure an involved officer’s physical and psychological safety at the scene and following the critical incident;

(3) The provision of post-critical incident services to an involved officer, and the ability to extend the post-critical incident services to an officer’s family and significant others when warranted;

(4) Guidelines for temporary leave or appropriate duty reassignment as agreed upon by an involved officer and the agency to allow an involved officer to receive services and manage the impact of the incident on an involved officer and an involved officer’s family and significant others; and

(5) Guidelines and procedures for an officer’s return to duty, including ongoing support and services available to an involved officer. The guidelines and procedures may include, to the extent possible given the law enforcement agency’s size and resources:

(i) A reintegration plan that considers having an officer return to the scene of the critical incident if necessary, participation in additional firearm training and participation in a graduated re-entry with a partner; and

(ii) Ongoing supportive mental health services, including confidential follow-up by a qualified mental health professional, either in person or through telehealth services.

(d) The policy or program may include, to the extent possible given the law enforcement agency’s size and resources:

(1) At least 1 confidential post-critical incident intervention with a qualified mental health professional in a timely manner following the incident, including through telehealth services;

(2) Ongoing confidential mental health services from a qualified mental health professional as needed, including through telehealth services; and

(3) Some form of peer support, including agency peer support or online or telehealth peer support.

(e) Not less than biennially, each law enforcement agency shall complete a review of the policy or program required pursuant to this section and revise the policy or program, as necessary.

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The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Gentile of Sudbury then moved to amend the bill in section 45, in lines 986 and 987, by striking out the text contained in those lines; and inserting in place thereof

the following sentence: “(d) A firearms safety certificate shall be required with first license or permit applications unless otherwise exempted.”; and in section 47, in line 1309, by inserting after the word “No” the word “initial”. The amendments were rejected.

The same member then moved to amend the bill by striking out sections 39, 88 and 131;

In section 40, in line 563 to 568, inclusive, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines;

In section 44, in lines 898 and 899, by striking out the following: “and shall report such delivery or surrender to the electronic firearms registration system created pursuant to section 122”, and in lines 950 to 962, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines; and

In section 45, in lines 988 to 992, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines, in lines 1026 to 1029, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines;

In section 46, in lines 1145, 1146 and 1147, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines, in lines 1159 to 1162, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines; and by striking out Section 125A (d);

In section 47, in line 1378, by striking out the word “, registration”; and

In section 48, in lines 1600 to 1612, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines.

The amendments were rejected.

Mr. Gentile then moved to amend the bill in section 45, in line 1020, by inserting after the figures: “126.” the following sentence: “Law enforcement officers are exempt from this requirement.”. The amendment was rejected.

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

After debate on the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Day of Stoneham; and on the roll call 120 members voted in the affirmative and 38 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 62.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 62 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 4139, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill relative to property tax classifications in the city of Watertown (see House, No. 2910, amended) (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 Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twelve minutes before six o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (the Speaker being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 19, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, 6th grade students from Saint Joseph School in Medford. They were the guests of Representatives Garballey and Donato of Medford.

Medford,—
Saint Joseph
School.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Garlick of Needham) congratulating Deborah V.H. Abraham on her retirement from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Deborah
Abraham.

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

Communications.

A communication from the Department of Energy Resources (see Section 10 of Chapter 25B of the General Laws) of the effectiveness of energy efficiency in the Commonwealth [a copy of the report was forwarded to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, as required by said law], was sent to the Senate for its information.

Energy
efficiency.

Communications

From the Department of Unemployment Assistance (see Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the October Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Annual Outlook Report containing updated projections for estimated contributions, benefit payments, and Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund balances for the five-year Outlook Period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027; and

Unemployment
Insurance Trust
Fund.

From the Executive Office of the Trial Court (under Section 15 of Chapter 239 of the General Laws, as added by Section 64 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023)

Permanent
rental
protections.

submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process cases relative to permanent rental protections.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford and Senator Cronin, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4140) of James Arciero and John J. Cronin (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the conservation commission of the town of Westford to transfer certain easements to the select board of said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Westford,—
easements.

By Representatives Stanley of Waltham and Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4141) of Thomas M. Stanley, John J. Lawn, Jr., and Michael J. Barrett (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Waltham be authorized to appoint special police officers to serve until the age of 70. To the committee on Public Service.

Waltham,—
special
police.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Kushmerek of Fitchburg presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael P. Kushmerek relative to veterans' benefits; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Veterans'
benefits.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Michael O. Moore for legislation to ensure the responsible use of advanced robotic technologies, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Advanced
robotic
technologies.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2483) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Judiciary.

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 Jeffrey Rosario Turco relative to stores offering digital coupons. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Digital
coupons.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco for legislation to allow temporary door-locking devices in public buildings and schools. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Public
buildings,—
door locks.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, 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 House Bill establishing the position of town manager in the town of

Belchertown,—
town manager.

Belchertown (House, No. 3960) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Leominster as the Captain Ross A. Reynolds memorial bridge (House, No. 3334), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Leominster,—
Reynolds
bridge.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out section 3; and by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to designate forthwith a certain bridge in the town of Leominster, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3334, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven 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 Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, October 23, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2WWW of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the MassHealth Non-Acute Care Hospital Reimbursement Trust Fund report for fiscal year 2023;

MassHealth,—
hospital
reimbursements.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2WWW of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the MassHealth Non-Acute Care Hospital Reimbursement Trust Fund report for fiscal year 2022;

Id.

From the Berkshire Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its financial statements and supplementary information for fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023;

Berkshire
Transit
Authority.

From the Berkshire Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements, supplementary information, and a schedule of expenditures of federal awards and OMB uniform guidance auditors' reports for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; and

Id.

From the Worcester Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its basic financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023;

Worcester
Regional
Transit
Authority.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

An annual report of the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission (under Section 4 of Chapter 94G of the General Laws) submitting its sixth annual activities report; and

Cannabis
Control
Commission.

A quarterly report of the Sheriff's Department of Plymouth County (under Section 40 of Chapter 126 of the General Laws) submitting the aggregate data on the population of the Plymouth County Correctional Facility for the third quarter of calendar year 2023;

Plymouth
County
Correctional
Facility.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Jones of North Reading and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) relative to accidental disability retirement benefits for Thomas Romeo, a retired police officer of the town of North Reading.

Thomas
Romeo,—
retirement
benefits.

By Representative McKenna of Webster and Senator Fattman, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joseph D. McKenna and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kelly Wheeler, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services.

Kelly
Wheeler,—
sick leave.

By Representative Turco of Winthrop, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco for legislation to authorize schools and students participating in certain athletic programs to seek arbitration to review athletic programs eligibility decisions.

Athletic
programs,—
arbitration.

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

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 2081), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2455.

Dedham,—
charter.

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, that Joint Rule 7B be suspended on the petition of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr relative to authorizing the town of Nantucket to impose a real estate transfer fee for affordable and workforce housing. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 7B was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Nantucket,—
transfer fee.

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 petition of Michael P. Kushmerek relative to veterans' benefits. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Veterans,—
benefits.

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

The Senate Bill authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Charlton (Senate, No. 2416) [Local Approval Received]; and

Charlton,—
special police.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Hull to issue pension obligation bonds or notes (House, No. 2084) [Local Approval Received];

Hull,—
bonds.

Dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority (House, No. 3810); and

Northampton
Housing
Authority.

Further amending the charter of the town of Middleton (House, No. 3970, changed) [Local Approval Received];

Middleton,—
charter.

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

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Corinne Senna (House, No. 4144). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Corinne
Senna,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the select board of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3902);

Relative to the town of Plymouth's Facilities Improvement Fund (House, No. 3909); and

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Maynard (House, No. 3930);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 26, 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 Representatives Domb of Amherst and Williams of Springfield, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Dr. Demetria “Dee” Shabazz, who sadly passed away on September 11, 2023 at the age of 56 years.”

Dr. Demetria
“Dee” Shabazz.

A registrar in the town of Amherst and co-chair of the town’s Community Safety and Social Justice Committee, Dr. Shabazz was born in Texas, and her accomplished journey took her from Texas to Alabama, Oklahoma, and finally, to Amherst, Massachusetts. Along the way she earned her Bachelors, Masters, and PhD degrees.

The beloved wife of Amilcar Shabazz for 31 years, and the mother of Amilcar II and Ursa, Dee led a life filled with teaching, community engagement, and commitment and activism for social justice. In Massachusetts she educated students at UMass Amherst, Westfield University, Bay Path University, and Cambridge College. She was a storyteller, and her work as an oral historian propelled her to lead Amherst Media as its President for many years where she founded the Climate Justice Youth Summer Program.

Locally, she was also a champion to improve student access to voting, ensuring the survival of community access television and community-based programming, and providing opportunities for young people to learn and engage in their own self-expression. She will be missed deeply by her family and the wider community.

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 Hamilton-Wenham Girls Tennis Team and their coaches. The Chair (Mr. Garballey) then congratulated the team and coaches on winning their second straight Division 4 MIAA State Championship. They were the guests of Representatives Kassner of Hamilton, Kerans of Danvers and Parisella of Beverly.

Hamilton-
Wenham
Girls Tennis
Team.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Haggerty of Woburn and Jones of North Reading) congratulating the Rotary Club of Reading on its one hundredth anniversary; and

Reading
Rotary Club.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Rogers of Cambridge) commending Mary White for her thirty-five years of dedicated service to the Commonwealth;

Mary
White.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Massachusetts Technology Development Corporation (Mass Ventures) (see Section 6 of Chapter 40G of the General Laws) submitting financial statements for fiscal year 2023;

MassVentures.

From the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its financial statements and supplementary information for fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023;

Pioneer Valley
Transit
Authority.

From the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements, supplementary information, and a schedule of expenditures of federal awards and OMB uniform guidance auditors' reports for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; and

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0641 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting a report regarding quality improvement rate add-on payments to nursing facilities for the purpose of permissible direct care costs;

Nursing
facilities,—
direct care
costs.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Disabled Persons Protection Commission (under Section 15(f) of Chapter 19C of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2023 Summary of the Abuser Registry, was placed on file.

Disabled Persons
Protection
Commission.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Jones of North Reading and Senator Crighton, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4146) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Brendan P. Crighton (by vote of the town) that the town of Lynnfield be authorized to continue the employment of Glenn Davis, the fire chief of said town;

Lynnfield,—
Glenn Davis.

By Representative Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4147) of Andres X. Vargas (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that Brandon Fredette be authorized to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement;

Haverhill,—
Brandon
Fredette.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4148) of Andres X. Vargas (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that Brian Dacey

Haverhill,—
Brian
Dacey.

be authorized to take the civil service examination for the position of police officer in the city of Haverhill, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4149) of Andres X. Vargas (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that Derek Clark be authorized to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Haverhill,—
Derek Clark.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to salary range transparency (House, No. 4109), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2484.

Salary range
transparency.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendments; and, on motion of Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Cutler, Fluker Oakley of Boston and Kane of Shrewsbury were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Conference
committee.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2490) of Thomas Chiocca for legislation relative to retirement benefits for Thomas Chiocca. To the committee on Public Service.

Thomas
Chiocca,—
retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2488) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to update and decrease a carbon emissions limit that achieves at least net zero statewide greenhouse gas emissions. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Carbon
emissions
limit.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2489) of John J. Cronin for legislation relative to modernizing Chapter 115. To the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Veterans'
benefits.

Reports of Committees.

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:

Authorizing the town of Reading to dissolve its Affordable Housing Trust Fund (House, No. 1341) [Local Approval Received];

Reading,—
housing fund.

Authorizing Holly Thyng to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3652);

Holly Thyng,—
retirement.

Relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer for the town of Dedham (House, No. 3910) [Local Approval Received];

Dedham,—
police.

Exempting Eric Robert Esteves from the maximum age requirements for police officers in the town of Ware (House, No. 3961) [Local Approval Received]; and

Ware,—
Eric Esteves.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Corinne Senna (House, No. 4144);

Corinne Senna,—
sick leave.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1308) of Liz Miranda for legislation relative to zoning ordinances or by-laws in MBTA communities;

MBTA,—
zoning.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2028) of Christine P. Barber and others for legislation to remove zoning barriers to help create affordable housing;

Housing,—
zoning.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2034) of Daniel Cahill relative to increasing affordable and public housing options for multi-family zoning as-of-right in MBTA communities;

MBTA,—
zoning.

Of the 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;

Id.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3940) of James K. Hawkins relative to zoning ordinances in MBTA communities; and

Id.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3963) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Mike Connolly and Vanna Howard relative to zoning and the alleviation of the housing emergency;

Housing,—
zoning.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Housing.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2038) of Simon Cataldo and Carmine Lawrence Gentile (by vote of the town) for legislation to prohibit the expansion of fossil fuel infrastructure for new construction in the town of Concord; and

Concord,—
fossil fuel
infrastructure.

Of the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3850) of Tommy Vitolo and Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) that the town of Brookline be authorized to adopt green zoning by-laws and regulations in said town;

Brookline,—
green zoning.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill creating the offices of select board and town manager in the town of Sandisfield (see House, No. 3907) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to 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.

House bills

Establishing a department of public works in the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 2052); and

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell III (House, No. 4048) (its title having been changed by the committee on the Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Kelly A. Timilty memorial bridge (House, No. 3383), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Dedham,—
Timilty
bridge.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in lines 1, 2 and 3 by striking out the sentence contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: “The Massachusetts Department of Transportation Bridge number D05018 on Cedar street in the town of Dedham, shall be designated and known as the Honorable Kelly A. Timilty Memorial Bridge in recognition of Kelly A. Timilty.”; and by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith for the naming of a certain bridge in the town of Dedham, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3383, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-four minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, October 30, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Mr. Biele of Boston, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Edmund T. Powers, Jr. of South Boston. A lifelong resident of South Boston.

Edmund T.
Powers, Jr.

Ed served his country honorably with the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and, after returning home, supported his fellow veterans in his neighborhood and across the Commonwealth as a member of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post 561.

Following his retirement, Ed volunteered as a crossing guard, taking care of countless children and families on their way to and from school over the years.

Ed was a beloved husband, son and brother. He is survived by his three children, Edmund T. Powers III, Christopher Powers and Shawn Powers; and his grandchildren, Thomas, Joshua, and Emma.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Day of Stoneham and other members of the House) recognizing November 1, 2023 as the first day of Epilepsy Awareness Month in the Commonwealth; and

Epilepsy
awareness
month.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Sabadosa of Northampton) commending Resolve New England, Inc. for recognizing October 2023 as National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month;

Resolve New
England, Inc.

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

Petitions.

Representative Straus of Mattapoisett and Senator Montigny presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4156) of William M. Straus and Mark C.

Mattapoisett,—
conservation
commission.

Montigny (by vote of the town) relative to providing for alternate members of the Mattapoissett conservation commission in the town of Mattapoissett; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Paul W. Mark that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Pittsfield to the Diocese of Springfield.

Pittsfield,—
land.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr relative to disclosure and regulation of campaign expenditures and contributions for certain town meeting articles.

Town
meetings,—
expenditures.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to salary range transparency (House, No. 4109), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had insisted on its amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2484) (in which the House had non-concurred).

Salary range
transparency.

The bill bore the further endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Senators Jehlen, Feeney and O'Connor had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of
conference.

Bills

Enabling pharmacists to prescribe, dispense and administer PrEP (Senate, No. 2480) (on Senate bill No. 1353); and

PrEP,—
pharmacists.

To increase access to disposable menstrual products (Senate, No. 2491) (on Senate bill No. 2481);

Menstrual
products,—
availability.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2485) of Barry R. Finegold and Tram T. Nguyen (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Tewksbury to lease the Trahan Elementary School for a term of years not exceeding 99 years; and

Tewksbury,—
Trahan
Elementary
School.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2487) of Ryan C. Fattman, Peter J. Durant and Paul K. Frost (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize changing the name of board of selectmen to select board and the title of selectmen to select board member in the town of Charlton;

Charlton,—
select board.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

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 joint petition of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) relative to accidental disability retirement benefits for Thomas Romeo, a retired police officer of the town of North Reading. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

North Reading,—
Thomas Romeo.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on Senate, No. 2380 and House, No. 3741, a Bill authorizing additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in Boston (House, No. 3741) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,—
liquor
licenses.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was referred, by the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

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:

Authorizing Jeffrey H. Jackson to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3644);

Jeffrey
Jackson.

Authorizing Christopher Arrigo to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3653);

Christopher
Arrigo.

Authorizing Adrian Peters to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3654); and

Adrian
Peters.

Amending the town manager act of Arlington relative to the appointment of the town manager (House, No. 4026) [Local Approval Received];

Arlington,—
town manager.

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

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on Senate, Nos. 738, 739, 780 and 791 and House, Nos. 1166, 1216, 1218 and 3929, that the Bill to improve quality and oversight of long-term care (House, No. 3929), ought to pass [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Long
term
care.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Bill relative to accelerating improvements to the local and regional public health system to address disparities in the delivery of public health services (House, No. 4101), ought to pass [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Public
health
services.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on a petition, a Bill to provide rapid whole genome sequencing (House, No. 1197) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Genome
sequencing.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 756 and House, No. 1202, a Bill to preserve special needs trusts for disabled seniors (House, No. 1202) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Disabled
seniors.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 800 and House, No. 1229, a Bill relative to the fair treatment of life estates in MassHealth eligibility (House, No. 1229) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

MassHealth eligibility.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on Senate, No. 1153 and House, No. 1912, a Bill protecting the right to time off for voting (House, No. 4153) [Representatives Wong of Saugus and Soter of Bellingham dissenting].

Voting,—
time off.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill relative to gender identity on Massachusetts identification (House, No. 3017).

Identification,—
gender.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill requiring menstrual products in all state buildings (House, No. 3018).

Menstrual
products.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing gender-neutral bathrooms (House, No. 3019).

Gender-neutral
bathrooms.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to public access to historical records (House, No. 3033).

Historical
records.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to language access and inclusion (House, No. 3084).

Language,—
inclusion.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill banning hostile architecture targeting unhoused individuals (House, No. 3005).

Hostile
architecture.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill making October 25th Dwarfism awareness day in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3044).

Dwarfism
awareness.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 3085 and 3087, a Bill relative to educational collaboratives (House, No. 3085).

Educational
collaboratives.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating September as PCOS awareness month (House, No. 3090).

PCOS
month.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to restricted vital records (House, No. 3092).

Vital
records.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill prohibiting state and municipal contracts for the purchase and installation of artificial turf fields (House, No. 3948) [Representative Elliott of Lowell dissenting].

Artificial
turf,—
prohibition.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jason Barone-Cichocki, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 2414), 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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

House bills

Providing for an increase in the membership of the select board in the town of Sterling (House, No. 3727); and

Third
reading
bills.

Validating the actions taken at the Princeton annual town meeting (printed in House, No. 4067);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, November 2, 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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating the results of the annual election held in the town of Deerfield on May 2, 2022 (House, No. 4157), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, November 1.

Deerfield,—
election.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Lombardo of Billerica) recognizing Julie Greene's induction into the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Billerica's Hall of Fame, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Julie
Greene.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 219 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report of the Community Behavioral Health Promotion and Prevention Commission for 2022 and 2023;

Behavioral
health.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 6A of Chapter 124 of the General Laws) submitting the Correctional Building Inventory Report for calendar years 2018-2022;

Correctional
Building
Inventory.

From the Middlesex County Restoration Center Commission (see Section 225 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting its Year Five Findings and Recommendations report; and

Middlesex
County,—
commission.

From the Secretary of the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities submitting a letter to the chairs of the Senate and House committees on

Housing and
Livable
Communities,—

Ways and Means, the Senate and House chairs of the Joint Committee on Children, Families, and Persons with Disabilities, and the Senate and House clerks transmitting emergency regulations, and a Declaration on Emergency Assistance Family Shelter; Severally were placed on file.

Family Shelter
Declaration.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4158) of John Barrett, III (by vote of the town) relative to trainings for employees of the town of Lanesborough; and

Lanesborough,—
employee
trainings.

By Representative Straus of Mattapoisett and Senator Montigny, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4159) of William M. Straus and Mark C. Montigny (by vote of the town) relative to providing for an alternate member of the finance committee in the town of Mattapoisett;

Mattapoisett,—
finance
committee.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Ashe of Longmeadow and Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian M. Ashe, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., and Jacob R. Oliveira relative to entrance fee refund provisions in continuing care agreements and written residency agreements.

Care and
residency
agreements.

By Representative Ferguson of Holden, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kimberly N. Ferguson that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Rutland.

Rutland,—
land.

By Representative Higgins of Leominster, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Natalie M. Higgins and others relative to essential services in hospitals.

Hospital
services.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Patrick M. O'Connor, Hannah Kane, Marc R. Pacheco, Ryan C. Fattman and other members of the General Court for legislation to improve pediatric cancer research, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Health.

Pediatric
cancer.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2496) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues that the boat ramp at Bicentennial Park in the city of Fall River be designated as the State Representative Manuel Raposa Jr. Boat Ramp. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Fall River,—
boat ramp.

Petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf, James J. O'Day and Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anthony Fannoh, Jr., an employee of the Department of Mental Health. To the committee on Public Service.

Anthony
Fannoh,—
sick leave.

Petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Steven Owens and others (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Cambridge be authorized to install automated road safety camera systems as a means of promoting traffic safety in said city. To the committee on Transportation.

Cambridge,—
traffic
safety.

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

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 227) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation to establish the Massachusetts Information Privacy and Security Act,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Information
privacy and
security.

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:

Authorizing Gregory S. Shopshire to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3642);

Gregory
Shopshire.

Authorizing Matthew K. Sonnabend to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3643);

Matthew
Sonnabend.

Directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Ariel Rodriguez (House, No. 3844) [Local Approval Received]; and

Boston,—
Ariel
Rodriguez.

Relative to acceptance of certain types of identification to purchase alcohol in Massachusetts (House, No. 4131);

Alcohol,—
purchasing.

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

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to grant easements to the town of Natick for the reconstruction of North Main Street (Route 27) (House, No. 3081, changed in section 1, in line 8, by striking out the following: “3 of 5”; in section 3, in line 31, by striking out the following: “4 of 5”; and in section 5, in line 53, by striking out the following: “5 of 5”). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Natick,—
land.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jason Barone-Cichocki, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (see Senate, No. 2414), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Jason
Barone-
Cichocki,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) 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 Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 2081), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Dedham,—
charter.

House bills

Authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Hopkinton (House, No. 2018);

Amending the charter of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3903); and

Establishing the position of town manager in the town of Belchertown (House, No. 3960);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill to designate a certain bridge in the town of Lexington in honor of Henry N. “Hank” Manz (House, No. 3286), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Lexington,—
Manz bridge.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4160), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Corinne Senna, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4144) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Corinne
Senna,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the trial court of the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4144, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, November 6, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation to rename the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, Massability, to reflect the self-determination and limitless possibilities of people with disabilities (House, No. 4161), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, November 2.

Rehabilitation
commission,—
rename.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Communications.

Communications

From the Office of the Comptroller providing an updated status on the filing of the 2023 Statutory Basis Financial Report, which has been delayed pending passage of the supplemental appropriation bill; and

Statutory Basis
Financial
Report.

From the Civil Service Unit of the Human Resources Division (see Section 25 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws) submitting notification of recent Police Promotional Series eligible list maintenance;

Police
promotional
eligibility list.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

A report of the Committee for Public Counsel Services (under Section 17 of Chapter 211D of the General Laws, as added by Section 61 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its Title IV-E report; and

Public Counsel
Services,—
Title IV-E.

An annual report of the Department of Youth Services (under Section 16 of Chapter 123A of the General Laws) relative to sexually dangerous persons in the custody of the department during fiscal year 2023 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on the Judiciary as required by said law]; and

Sexually
dangerous
persons.

A quarterly report of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under item 1790-3009 of Section 2 of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 2020) submitting its eighth quarterly report relative to the comprehensive modernization and

Labor and
Workforce
Development,—
online benefit
delivery.

transformation for the deployment of an online delivery system for unemployment insurance compensation benefits;

Severally were placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill changing the board of selectmen of the town of Avon to a select board (House, No. 3746, changed) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2494. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Avon,—
select board.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2493) of Ryan C. Fattman and Joseph D. McKenna (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Sutton to grant real property abatements to certain military personnel, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Revenue.

Sutton,—
active duty
military.

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 joint petition of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr relative to disclosure and regulation of campaign expenditures and contributions for certain town meeting articles. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Campaigns,—
expenditures and
contributions.

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:

Relative to establishing the Eastham community fund in the town of Eastham (House, No. 2097) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to restricted vital records (House, No. 3092);

Authorizing Jacob M. White to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3641); and

Designating a certain overpass in the town of Stoneham as the State Trooper Tamar A. Bucci memorial bridge (House, No. 4123);

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

Eastham,—
community fund.

Vital records.

Jacob White,—
retirement.

Stoneham,—
Bucci bridge.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill advancing renewable heating solutions for the Commonwealth (House, No. 2938).

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate Nos. 1815, 1882, 1900, 1929, 1931, 1932, 1962, 2411 and House, Nos. 2692, 2706, 2815, 2819, 2822, 2912, 2924, 2929 and 2954, a Bill relative to property tax relief for 100% disabled veterans (House, No. 4162).

Renewable
heating.

Disabled
veterans,—
tax relief.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Charlemont to establish a tax on commercial recreation services (House, No. 2713) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the town of Blandford volunteer fire department (House, No. 2716).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Norwell to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 2765) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Lincoln to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption program (House, No. 2810) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill expanding the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet (House, No. 2914) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for payments in lieu of taxes by the South Essex sewerage district in the city of Salem (House, No. 3733) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Truro to establish a program to reduce property tax liability in exchange for volunteer services for persons with disabilities (House, No. 3735) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Holliston to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3826) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Lunenburg to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3911) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing attainable housing and Chatham elementary school special revenue accounts for the town of Chatham (House, No. 3971) [Local Approval Received].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Charlemont,—
taxes.

Blandford,—
fire department.

Norwell,—
senior tax
exemption.

Lincoln,—
senior tax
exemption.

Wellfleet,—
property
exemption.

Salem,—
sewerage
payments.

Truro,—
volunteer
tax benefits.

Holliston,—
senior tax
exemption.

Lunenburg,—
senior tax
exemption.

Chatham,—
revenue
accounts.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (see House, No. 2081, amended) (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 dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority (House, No. 3810), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill further amending the charter of the town of Middleton (House, No. 3970, changed), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Middleton,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 53, in line 158 and also in line 161, by striking out the words “Board of Selectmen”, in each instance, and inserting in place thereof the words “Select Board”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3970, changed and amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Wednesday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At seven minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o’clock A.M.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, November 8, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Peake of Provincetown) congratulating Irene Myers Daitch on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Irene Myers
Daitch.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Jones of North Reading and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4169) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) that the town of North Reading be authorized to use a portion of conservation land for public way purposes; and

North
Reading,—
land.

By Representative Philips of Sharon and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4170) of Edward R. Philips and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) that the town of Sharon be authorized to change the use of a certain parcel of land in said town acquired for outdoor recreational purposes to a use for general municipal purposes;

Sharon,—
land.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cataldo of Concord, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Simon Cataldo relative to retirement benefits for licensed electricians employed at regional school districts.

Electricians,—
benefits.

By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark relative to expense reimbursements for Mass Wildlife board members.

Mass
Wildlife,—
reimbursements.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcus S. Vaughn relative to food truck licensure.

Food trucks,—
licensure.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill regulating certain insurance benefits for elected officials of the town of Blackstone (Senate, No. 1296) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received] [Representative Dubois of Brockton, of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Blackstone,—
insurance.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2497) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Provincetown to grant 5 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Provincetown,—
liquor
licenses.

A petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Lydia Edwards, Steven Owens and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to the Condominium Owners' Rights Act (CORA), came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Housing.

Condominiums,—
rights.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2498) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Housing.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Paul W. Mark that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Pittsfield to the Diocese of Springfield. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Pittsfield,—
land.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Jay D. Livingstone and Lydia Edwards relative to designating the Greatest Neighborhood Park, in the West End neighborhood of the city of Boston, as the Jim Campano park. To the committee on Transportation.

Boston,—
Campano
park.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Livingstone of Boston, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill providing for payments in lieu of taxes by the South Essex sewerage district in the city of Salem (House, No. 3733) [Local Approval Received],— and recommending the same be recommitted to the committee on Revenue. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Salem,—
sewerage
district.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to creditable service for Abby Levin, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (House, No. 3888), ought to pass with an amendment

Abby Levin,—
creditable
service.

substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4168). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith. The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Gordon of Bedford, 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 to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out section 2 and by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide for certain retirement benefits, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4168, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, asking to be discharged from further consideration:

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1282) of Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline marijuana mitigation stabilization fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cannabis Policy.

Brookline,—
marijuana
fund.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1284) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the establishment of a betterment loan program for the funding of electrification initiatives in the town of Brookline; and

Brookline,—
electrification
initiatives.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1285) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Brookline to amend its community choice aggregation plan;

Brookline,—
aggregation
plan.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony Fannoh, Jr. an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 4165). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Anthony
Fannoh,—
sick leave.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Gosnold to selectboard (see House, No. 3842) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage,

Bill
enacted.

was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Recess.

At a quarter before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at half past one o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill providing for unlimited free phone calls to incarcerated individuals (see House, No. 4052) (which originated in the House), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was put upon its final passage.

Incarcerated individuals,—
phone calls.

On the question on passing the bill to be re-enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays at the request of Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 26 in the negative.

Bill re-enacted,—
yea and nay
No. 63.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 63](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed Bill — Land Taking.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to convey an easement to the Wakefield Municipal Gas and Light Department (see House, No. 4062) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Wakefield,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 64.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 64](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 4090, reported, in part, a Bill making appropriations for fiscal year 2023 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4167) [Total Appropriation: \$2,745,808,564.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Supplemental appropriations.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

At twenty-three minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty minutes before five o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Frost of Auburn moved suspension of Rule 33A; and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Frost and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"SECTION 96. The first paragraph of section 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws, as amended by section 120 of chapter 7 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by adding the following sentence:— Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the emergency housing assistance program established herein shall be available only to residents of the commonwealth who have resided within the commonwealth for no less than a year, provided however that this provision shall not apply to a victim of domestic violence or a person whose living situation has been affected by a fire or other natural disaster that occurred in Massachusetts.

The department shall require applicants to provide proof of residency for a period of no less than a year. The department may require applicants to submit documentation including, but not limited to, federal and state issued identification documents, mail, financial statements, and bills to meet the requirements of this section.

This section shall apply to applications submitted for the emergency housing assistance program on or after the effective date of this act."

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 Mr. Frost of Auburn; and on the roll call 28 members voted in the affirmative and 128 in the negative.

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 65.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 65](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Durant of Spencer and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"SECTION X. The first paragraph of section 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws, as amended by section 120 of chapter 7 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by adding the following sentence:— Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the emergency housing assistance program established herein shall be available only to residents of the commonwealth who have resided within the commonwealth for more than 3 consecutive years."

Mr. O'Day of West Boylston thereupon raised a point of order that the amendment offered by the gentleman from Spencer was improperly before the House for the reason that it would require that housing assistance be provided for persons who have resided in the Commonwealth for more than 3 consecutive years. Since the House has already refused to restrict housing assistance for one year, the amendment exceeds the refusal that the House previous voted against.

Point of
order.

In answer to the point of order, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) stated that since the House had, in fact, at this reading, already refused to restrict housing

assistance for one year, the amendment exceeds the refusal period that the House previous voted against.

Therefore the Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken; and the amendment was laid aside accordingly.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill in section 2, in item 1599-2302, by striking out the figures: “10,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,000,000”; and

By striking out item 1599-4449;

In section 2A, in item 1599-0514, in line 95, by striking out the word “new”; and in line 104, by striking out words “including, but not limited to, shelter, food and other services” and inserting in place thereof the words “delineated by municipality, including, but not limited to, shelter, food, education and other services”;

By inserting after item 1599-2301 the following item:

“1599-4449 For a reserve to meet the costs of salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the collective bargaining agreement between the Board of Higher Education and the Massachusetts Community College Council.....\$26,233,522”;

By inserting after item 4400-1031 the following item:

“4400-1032 For supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits for persons that satisfy all eligibility requirements of the program except requirements related to immigration status; provided, that to be eligible for benefits under this item individuals shall reside in the commonwealth under the color of law or are humanitarian paroles, as defined by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.....\$6,000,000”;

By inserting after section 4 the following section:

“SECTION 4A. Section 17 of chapter 37 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

The sheriffs of the counties of Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Nantucket, Norfolk, Plymouth and Suffolk and the former counties of Berkshire, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex and Worcester shall each receive a salary of \$195,000.”;

In section 71, in line 745, by striking out the following: “32A” and inserting in place thereof following: “23A”;

And moves to further amend the bill, in section 72, in line 750, by striking out the figures: “10,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “12,000,000”;

In section 74, in line 758, by striking out the figures: “258,002,361” and inserting in place thereof the following figures: “311,912,357”;

By inserting after section 74 the following two sections:

“SECTION 74A. Item 4000-0300 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘inclusion for children’ the following words:— ; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the establishment of a career pathway program to support certified nurses’ aides, home health aides, homemakers and other entry-level workers in long-term care facilities to become licensed practical nurses.

SECTION 74B. Said item 4000-0300 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘\$141,994,304’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— \$142,994,304.”;

By inserting after section 76 the following seven sections:

“SECTION 76A Notwithstanding section 28 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state primary in 2024 shall be held on Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

SECTION 76B. Notwithstanding section 3 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, a person whose name is not printed on the September 3, 2024 state primary ballot as a candidate for an office, but who receives sufficient votes to nominate the person for the office, shall file in the office of the state secretary a written acceptance of the nomination and a receipt from the state ethics commission verifying that a statement of financial interest has been filed pursuant to chapter 268B of the General Laws not later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 5, 2024.

SECTION 76C. Notwithstanding sections 11, 13 and 53A of chapter 53 of the General Laws and section 5 of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, objections to and withdrawals from nominations made at the September 3, 2024 state primary shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 12:00 P.M. on Friday, September 6, 2024.

SECTION 76D. Notwithstanding section 14 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, any vacancies from the September 3, 2024 state primary caused by death, withdrawal or ineligibility under section 76C shall be filled by an executive committee, determined by the state party committee of the same political party who made the original nomination.

SECTION 76E. Notwithstanding section 15 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, when a nomination is made to fill a vacancy caused by the death, withdrawal or ineligibility of a candidate from the September 3, 2024 state primary, the certificate of nomination shall be on a form prescribed by the state secretary, signed by the executive committee appointed by the state committee of the same political party as provided for in section 76D and filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday, September 9, 2024.

SECTION 76F. Notwithstanding section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, a petition for a recount of the September 3, 2024 state primary shall be filed with the appropriate local election officials not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 6, 2024 and all recounts shall be completed and notice of the results shall be sent to the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 14, 2024.

Petitions for districtwide and statewide recounts of the September 3, 2024 state primary shall be submitted to the appropriate local election officials for certification not later than 12:00 P.M. on Friday, September 6, 2024 and local election officials shall complete certification not later than 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. Thereafter, certified petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not later than 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. If the state secretary determines that the contest is eligible for a statewide or districtwide recount, the state secretary shall notify the local election officials who shall complete the recount and shall notify the state secretary of the results of the recount not later than 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 14, 2024.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, a board of registrars must only provide 2 days' notice of the date, time and location of the recount to each candidate for the office for which the recount has been petitioned. Electronic notice shall be sufficient.

SECTION 76G. Notwithstanding sections 8 to 10, inclusive, of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state ballot law commission shall notify candidates of any objections filed to nominations at the

September 3, 2024 state primary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 6, 2024. Notice of the commission hearings shall be given by telephone and electronic mail. Hearings on objections shall be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 and decisions shall be rendered not later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday, September 16, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 80 the following two sections:

“SECTION 80A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, local election officials shall transmit absentee ballots to voters covered under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. section 20302 et seq., whose applications were received at least 45 days before the November 5, 2024 state election, not later than Saturday, September 21, 2024.

SECTION 80B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state secretary may add or change any dates relating to the nominations made at the September 3, 2024 state primary that the state secretary considers necessary for the orderly administration of the November 5, 2024 state election by providing notice of the change to the state parties and any affected person, by filing notice with the state secretary’s rules and regulations division, by posting on the state secretary’s website and by whatever other means the state secretary considers appropriate.”; and

In section 91, in line 1053, by striking out the word “NAGE”, and inserting in place thereof the word “NCEU”; and in lines 1066, 1067 and 1068, by striking out the following: “and (89) the agreement between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Coalition of Public Safety, Unit 5” and inserting in place thereof the following:

“(89) the agreement between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Coalition of Public Safety, Unit 5;

(90) the agreement between the board of higher education and the Massachusetts Teachers Association/National Education Association Associated Professional Administrators, Unit APA;

(91) the agreement between the board of higher education and the Massachusetts Teachers’ Association/National Education State College Faculty, Unit MSC; and

(92) the agreement between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc., Unit 4A.”.

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 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 66](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments were adopted.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by inserting after section 38 the following three sections:

“SECTION 38A. Item 8200-0200 of said section 2 of said chapter 24 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘2023’, as appearing in section 209 of said chapter 268, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— 2024.

SECTION 38B. Item 1595-6368 of section 2E of said chapter 24 is hereby amended by striking out the figure ‘2023’, as appearing in section 215 of said chapter 268, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— 2024.

SECTION 38C. Said item 1595-6368 of said section 2E of said chapter 24 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘2023’, as appearing in section 216 of said chapter 268, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— 2024.”;

By inserting after section 39 the following section:

“SECTION 39A. Item 7010-0015 of said section 2A of said chapter 102, as amended by section 224 of chapter 268 of the acts of 2022, is hereby further amended

Consolidated
amendments
adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 66.

by striking out the words ‘provided further, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended for upgrades to an outdoor patio area for classes to be held at the Millville elementary school in the town of Millville’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— provided further, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended for improvements for the Blackstone-Millville regional school district.”;

By inserting after section 41 the following two sections:

“SECTION 41A. Item 1599-0026 of section 2 of chapter 126 of the acts of 2022, as amended by section 229 of chapter 268 of the acts of 2022, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘Douglas’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 41B. Said item 1599-0026 of said section 2 of said chapter 126, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘Plainville’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

In section 42, in line 640, by striking out the following: “of section 2 of chapter 126 of the acts of 2022” and inserting in place thereof the following: “said section 2 of said chapter 126”;

By inserting after section 43 the following section:

“SECTION 43A. Said item 2000-0100 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘year’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 44 the following section:

“SECTION 44A. Item 2800-0700 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘dam’, the second time it appears, the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 45 the following section:

“SECTION 45A. Said item 2810-0122 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘Farms’, the first time it appears, the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 50 the following three sections:

“SECTION 50A. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘Plymouth Massachusetts’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 50B. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘bus shelter’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 50C. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘and information technology infrastructure’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 60 the following three sections:

“SECTION 60A. Item 7010-1192 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the words ‘North Reading’, the first time it appears, the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 60B. Said item 7010-1192 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘Westfield High School’, the second time it appears, the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until December 31, 2024.

SECTION 60C. Said item 7010-1192 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words ‘East Bridgewater’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 64 the following two sections:

“SECTION 64A. Said item 8000-0313 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘Franklin’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 64B. Said item 8000-0313 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby further amended by striking out the words ‘provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Westport Police Department for the purchase, installation and training of an emergency vehicle preemption system’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Westport Police Department for information technology infrastructure upgrades, including, but not limited to, public record digitization and cloud storage and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 65 the following two sections:

“SECTION 65A. Item 8324-0050 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘Rehoboth’, the second time it appears, the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.

SECTION 65B. Item 9110-9002 of said section 2 of said chapter 126 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘Norton’ the following words:— and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2024.”;

By inserting after section 74 the following two sections:

“SECTION 74 1/2. Item 2330-0100 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘means’ the following words:— ; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Gloucester Marine Genomics Institute Incorporated for a research project to characterize the impact of offshore wind on economically important species using acoustic telemetry and environmental DNA.

SECTION 74 3/4. Said Item 2330-0100 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘\$9,310,231’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— \$9,660,231.”;

By inserting after section 74B (inserted by amendment) the following nine sections:

“SECTION 74C. Item 4512-0205 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by striking out the words ‘provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for One Life at a Time, Inc., located in the city known as the town of Braintree, for the facilitation of access to sober living programs and job training services for people in recovery and associated operational costs’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for One Life at a Time, Inc., located in the city known as the town of Braintree, for the facilitation of access to sober living programs and job training services for people in recovery and associated operational costs.

SECTION 74D. Said item 4512-0205 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘\$5,295,000’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— \$5,395,000.

SECTION 74E. Item 4590-1507 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘safety’ the following words:— ; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to assist in programming efforts for the Southcoast LGBTQ Network, Inc. in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$60,000 shall be expended for the town of Milford to provide programs, services or renovations at the Milford Youth Center; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for capital improvements to the former state armory building in the city of North Adams for the benefit of the Northern Berkshire Youth Basketball program; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended

for the Sueños Basketball, Inc. summer league to support the recreational, social and health benefits the league provides to low-income youth in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Day Dreaming Organization Inc to support baseball programming and youth mentoring in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to expand programming opportunities at the Adams Community Youth Center in the town of Adams; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to expand afterschool programs at the Williamstown Youth Center, Inc.

SECTION 74F. Item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by inserting after the words ‘American Revolution’ the following words:— ; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 of said \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the town of Lexington for the operational expenses of planning and coordinating the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, including marketing, advertising, security and public safety measures; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for First Night in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for St. Anthony’s Shrine Foundation’s Franciscan Food Center;.

SECTION 74G. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the words ‘provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Gloucester Marine Genomics Institute Incorporated for a research project to characterize the impact of offshore wind on economically important species using acoustic telemetry and environmental DNA;’.

SECTION 74H. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the words ‘Boston Athletic Association’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— Boston Athletic Academy.

SECTION 74I. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure ‘\$28,522,000’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— \$28,647,000.

SECTION 74J. Item 8324-0050 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by striking out the figure ‘\$3,316,700’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— \$5,066,700.

SECTION 74K. Item 9110-1630 of said section 2 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘placements’ the following words:— ; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to Coastline Elderly Services, Inc. for its community mainstream program.”.

Under suspension of Rule 33F, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the amendments were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 133 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 67](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 4171, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o’clock A.M.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 67.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Jones of North Reading then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at one minute after six o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, November 9, 2023.

Met at twenty-five minutes before twelve o'clock noon, 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, cadets from the United States Military Academy at West Point. They were the guests of the Speaker.

U.S. Military
Academy,—
cadets.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Garballey of Arlington and Rogers of Cambridge) congratulating Bob Sprague on his retirement as the editor of the local newspaper *YourArlington* and recognizing his decades of service to the town of Arlington, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Bob
Sprague.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, 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.

Communications.

Communications

From the Department of Telecommunications and Cable (see Section 6 of Chapter 25C of the General Laws) submitting the annual report for said department for fiscal year 2023;

Telecommunica-
tions and
Cable.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see item 8100-1004 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the second quarterly report of the Massachusetts State Police Crime Lab for fiscal year 2023; and

State Police
Crime Lab.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see item 8900-0001 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the second quarterly data report of the Massachusetts Department of Correction for fiscal year 2023;

Department of
Correction,—
data.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4176) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) that the town of Holliston be authorized to convert one license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises to a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Holliston,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Muratore of Plymouth and Senator Moran, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4177) of Mathew J. Muratore and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) relative to retirement benefits for certain employees of the harbormaster division of the police department of the town of Plymouth. To the committee on Public Service.

Plymouth,—
Harbormaster
employee
benefits.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that Joint Rule 7B be suspended on the petition of Simon Cataldo and James Arciero relative to exempting the position of deputy fire chief of the town of Chelmsford from the provisions of the civil service law. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 7B was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Chelmsford,—
civil service
exemption.

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 petition of Natalie M. Blais relative to establishing a state disaster relief fund for emergency management. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Emergency Preparedness and Management. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Disaster
relief fund.

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:

Authorizing the city of Somerville to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission (House, No. 3969) [Local Approval Received];

Somerville,—
licensing.

Relative to the select board of the town of Uxbridge (House, No. 3986) [Local Approval Received];

Uxbridge.

Allowing electronic delivery receipts for certain bulk sale customers (House, No. 4132); and

Bulk sale
customers.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony Fannoh, Jr. an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 4165);

Anthony
Fannoh,—
sick leave.

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

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing Christopher Arrigo to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3653); and

Exempting Eric Robert Esteves from the maximum age requirements for police officers in the town of Ware (House, No. 3961);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

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

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, November 13, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor recommending legislation honoring, empowering, and recognizing our servicemembers and veterans (House, No. 4172), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, November 9.

Veterans,—
benefits.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Kenneth J. Calder on his retirement from the Weston Department of Works; and

Kenneth
Calder.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Kane of Shrewsbury) commemorating the three hundredth anniversary of the First Congregational Church of Shrewsbury;

Shrewsbury,—
church.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of the same member, 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 severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Decker of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to annual lists and manufacturing corporations.

Lists and
corporations.

By Representative Turco of Winthrop, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to release certain land use restrictions in the city of Revere.

Revere,—
land.

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

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Westport to select board (House, No. 3751) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2486. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Westport,—
select board.

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 petition of Erika Uytterhoeven relative to establishing minimum salaries for teachers and education support professionals. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Education. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Education,—
minimum
salaries.

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:

Relative to wastewater in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2095) [Local Approval Received];

Provincetown,—
wastewater.

Relative to wastewater treatment and disposal in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2096) [Local Approval Received];

Id.

Relative to care, custody, and control and uses of Wing Island (House, No. 3875) [Local Approval Received];

Brewster,—
Wing Island.

Authorizing the Board of Selectmen of the town of Rockland to serve as cemetery commissioners for the town of Rockland (House, No. 4010) [Local Approval Received];

Rockland,—
cemetery
commissioners.

Providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Kingston (House, No. 4011) [Local Approval Received];

Kingston,—
appointment.

Relative to the charter of the town of Rockland (House, No. 4036) [Local Approval Received];

Rockland,—
charter.

Relative to the planning board in the town of Shutesbury (House, No. 4038) [Local Approval Received]; and

Shutesbury,—
board.

Authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Norton (House, No. 4039) [Local Approval Received];

Norton,—
investments.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to changing the board of selectmen in the town of Foxborough (House, No. 3724) [Local Approval Received].

Foxborough,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the charter of the city of Greenfield (House, No. 3725, changed in section 24, in lines 301 and 302, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: “(c) A Principal Assessor shall be a full-time employee of the city, hired by the Mayor and pursuant to the provisions of

Greenfield,—
charter.

Charter section 6-3, the Department of Municipal Finances.”) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill in the town of Hanson local licenses and permits; denial, revocation or suspension for failure to comply with conditions of approval (House, No. 3984) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing an appointed town clerk in the town of Rutland (House, No. 3985) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend the Needham charter (House, No. 3997) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Eastham, acting by and through its board of selectmen, to convey a conservation restriction on a certain parcel of land to the Eastham conservation foundation, inc [sic] (House, No. 4012) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to certain parcels of land in the town of Cohasset (House, No. 4037) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Wellesley (House, No. 4042) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to establishing a trust to administer a length of service award program for the Swansea Fire Department (House, No. 4047) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Bolton (House, No. 4056) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the office of town clerk and town treasurer in the town known as Southwick (House, No. 4079) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the special act charter of the city of Northampton (House, No. 4080) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the charter of the town of Swampscott (House, No. 4086) [Local Approval Received].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Hanson,—
building
compliance.

Rutland,—
town clerk.

Needham,—
charter.

Eastham,—
land.

Cohasset,—
land.

Wellesley,—
community
housing.

Swansea,—
volunteer
firefighters.

Bolton,—
town clerk.

Southwick,—
town clerk
and treasurer.

Northampton,—
Forbes
Library.

Swampscott,—
select board.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jaer J. Martinez, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (see House, No. 4110), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Jaer
Martinez,—
sick leave.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Corinne Senna, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4144, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Corinne
Senna,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing Adrian Peters to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3654); and

Relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer for the town of Dedham (House, No. 3910);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Hull to issue pension obligation bonds or notes (House, No. 2084), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Hull,—
pension
bonds.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 1, in line 14, by inserting after the word “or” the words “notes. Except as otherwise provided in this act, such bonds or notes shall be subject to”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 2084, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of longtime Foxborough resident John "Jack" Authelet, who passed away on September 18th, 2023, at the age of 90.

John "Jack"
Authelet.

Mr. Authelet was a highly respected historian for the Town of Foxborough who served on both the Foxborough Historical Commission and the Foxborough Historical Society. Additionally, Mr. Authelet served 18 years as an editor for The *Foxboro Reporter*. Through his work as a journalist, Mr. Authelet received various career awards, including the Yankee Quill and Horace Greeley awards as well as being named in the New England Press Association's Hall of Fame.

Mr. Authelet will be greatly missed. His passing is a great loss for Foxborough, and he will be deeply missed by the community, by his brother Emil, his daughters Lynne Sarikas, Jayne Siteman, Mary Lou DeCosta and Laurie Risler — and their spouses — his 8 grandchildren (Leslie, Eric, Jonathan, Elliot, Elaine, John, Christopher and Jennifer) and his 10 great grandchildren, whom he loved dearly.

Statement Concerning Representative Pignatelli of Lenox.

A statement of Mr. Michael J. Moran of Boston concerning Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Representative Pignatelli of Lenox, was unable to be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to personal family business. If he had been present for the vote on the question on passing to be engrossed the House Bill to improve quality and oversight of long-term care, he would have voted in the affirmative. His missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Mr. Pignatelli
of Lenox.

Statement of Representative Rogers of Norwood.

A statement of Mr. Rogers of Norwood was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that for the session held Wednesday, November 8, 2023, I was called away from formal

Statement of
Mr. Rogers
of Norwood.

session due to official business elsewhere. Had I been present I would have voted in the following manner:

Roll Call No. 66 on the Adoption of Consolidated Amendment “A” to H4167 – YES. My missing of roll calls that day was due entirely to the reason stated.

Guest of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and recognized Andrew Rebello, principal and assistant superintendent of Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School in Fall River, who was recently awarded the Milken Educator Award. The Milken Educator Awards, known as the Oscar for Educators, targets professionals for their already impressive achievement and, more significantly, for the promise of what they will accomplish in the future. He is only one of only two Massachusetts recipients. Only 75 awards have been awarded in the entire country this year. This recognition comes with a \$25,000 award and powerful mentorship from across the U.S. His Milken Educator Award is testimony of his work ethic, dedication, and love of Diman. Principal Rebello was the guest of Representatives Fiola of Fall River, Schmid of Westport, Silvia of Fall River, Haddad of Somerset and Howitt of Seekonk.

Andrew
Rebello.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring John Garland Schuler and Edwina Browne Woodman on the occasion of their retirement from the Kiwanis Board of Directors after decades of service, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

John Schuler
and Edwin
Woodman.

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

Petitions.

A petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 9) of James Arciero that the town of Littleton be authorized to provide drinking water to the inhabitants of the town of Boxborough, was transmitted to the State Secretary under Chapter 3 of the General Laws.

Littleton,—
drinking water.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Garcia of Chelsea and Senator DiDomenico, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4184) of Judith A. Garcia, Sal N. DiDomenico and Daniel J. Ryan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Chelsea be authorized to amend the charter of said city; and

Chelsea,—
charter.

By Representative Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4185) of David T. Vieira and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) that the town of Mashpee be authorized to lease certain land in said town to the Boys and Girls Club of Cape Cod, Inc.;

Mashpee,—
land.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Capano of Lynn presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Peter Capano for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kevin Rogers, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Kevin
Rogers,—
sick leave.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill authorizing the conveyance of a certain parcel of land in the city of Fall River (Senate, No. 2503) (on Senate bill No. 2439), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Fall River,—
land.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for said committee, reported that the foregoing bill ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be schedule for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the bill (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, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill providing for the retirement of Walter L. Guertin, a member of the fire department in the city of Attleboro (Senate, No. 1677) (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.

Attleboro,—
Walter Guertin.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2500) of Ryan C. Fattman and Brian M. Ashe (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town moderator of the town of Monson to act as an election officer in certain elections. To the committee on Election Laws.

Monson,—
election
officer.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2501) of Michael F. Rush, John H. Rogers, Paul McMurtry, Edward R. Philips and others (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the date set by the charter of the town of Walpole for the annual town election. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Walpole,—
town election.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2506) of Joanne M. Comerford, Natalie M. Blais, Rebecca L. Rausch, John J. Cronin and other members of the General Court for legislation to create a state disaster relief fund for emergency management. To the committee on Emergency Preparedness and Management.

State disaster
relief fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2507) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation relative to commuter rail pedestrian safety. To the committee on Transportation.

Commuter rail,—
pedestrian safety.

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 Jeffrey Rosario Turco that the Department of Conservation and Recreation be authorized to release certain land use restrictions in the city of Revere. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Revere,—
land.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Kate Hogan and Robyn K. Kennedy that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land in the town of Bolton to said town for general municipal purposes. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Bolton,—
land.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of North Reading to use a portion of conservation land for public way purposes (House, No. 4169) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

North
Reading,—
land.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

“SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the town of North Reading may transfer the care, custody, management and control of a certain portion of its land at 168 Chestnut street having an area of 533 sq. ft. and depicted as ‘Permanent Slope Easement Town of North Reading Area’ on a plan entitled ‘North Reading Chestnut Street Over the Ipswich River Article 97 Plan,’ from its conservation commission for conservation purposes, to its select board for general municipal purposes, including for the purpose of repairing and maintaining a highway bridge and drainage facilities serving the adjacent public way. The land is identified on the town’s assessors maps as Parcel ID No. 213/036.0-0000-0061.0, and was part of the lands taken by the town to enhance the Ipswich River Watershed and other municipal purposes pursuant to an order of taking recorded with the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds in Book 11626, Page 364.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4169, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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:

Authorizing the town of Lincoln to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption program (House, No. 2810) [Local Approval Received];

Lincoln,—
exemption.

Relative to certain parcels of land in the town of Cohasset (House, No. 4037) [Local Approval Received]; and

Cohasset,—
land.

Amending the charter of the town of Swampscott (House, No. 4086) [Local Approval Received];

Swampscott,—
select board.

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

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Auburn Water District (House, No. 2049, changed in section 1, in line 2, by inserting after the word “contrary” the following: “; but subject to section 16 of chapter 30B of the general laws”). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Auburn
Water
District.

Recess.

At seventeen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o’clock P.M; and at fourteen minutes after one o’clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the Bill to improve quality and oversight of long-term care (House, No. 3929), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4178). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Long term
care.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Moran of Lawrence moved to amend it by inserting after section 5 the following section:

“SECTION 5A. Said chapter 111 is hereby further amended by inserting after section 72W, the following section:—

Section 72W½. (a) For the purposes of this section the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

‘Certified medication aide,’ an employee of a long-term care facility that satisfies eligibility criteria established by the department and that has successfully completed the required training and competency testing developed by the department to administer medications to residents of long-term care facilities.

‘Medication’, any non-narcotic, prescription or non-prescription drug that may be administered via oral, sublingual, buccal, inhalation, spray on oral mucosa, topical, nasal, ocular, or otic route.

(b) The department shall create a program for the certification, training and oversight of certified medication aides who shall be authorized to administer

medications to residents of long-term care facilities. Certified medication aides shall be supervised by a licensed practical nurse, a licensed registered nurse, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse or a licensed physician, and shall be evaluated by their supervisor regularly, but not less than once every 6 months.

(c) The department, in consultation with the board of registration in nursing, shall develop and approve training curricula, competency evaluation procedures and standards for qualifications of applicants for certification; provided, that such standards shall include the completion of not less than 60 hours of training on the proper administration of medication.

(d) The department shall establish regulations that include (i) provisions for continuing education requirements, (ii) requirements for re-certification on a biennial basis, and (iii) fees for the issuance of certifications.

(e) The department shall allow for the creation of apprenticeship programs for resident care assistants and certified nurses' aides to become certified medication aides.

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize certified medication aides to engage in prescriptive practice.

(g) The department shall promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.”

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by adding the following:

“(h) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the provisions of subsections (a) through (g) shall not take effect until such time as the task force established in subsection (i) has submitted its report.

(i) There shall be a task force to study and propose recommendations to ensure the safe administration of medication to residents of long-term care facilities. The task force shall examine the following, including but not limited to:

(1) safety and workforce data in states that allow unlicensed individuals to administer medication in long term care facilities in other states, including but not limited to (A) the total number of individuals in other states authorized to administer medication without a license, broken down by job type; (B) the total number of medication occurrence reports, defined as any medication occurrence that is followed by medical intervention, illness, injury, or death, that occur in each state; (C) the total number of medication errors, broken down by job type and by state; and (D) a description of the training required to administer medication without a license in other states; and (E) professions allowed to administer medication without a license in other states;

(2) best practices on accountability measures, including but not limited to who supervises the unlicensed individual; whether the supervisor needs to be physically present; what education is provided to licensed individuals to supervise unlicensed individuals administering medication; who delegates the administration of medication; who decides what medication to be administered by an unlicensed individuals in a facility; who is held accountable in the case of mistakes, the individual, the supervisor, or the facility; when should medication errors be reported; and what follow-up and accountability measures may be needed;

(3) Protocols for emergencies arising from the administration of medication by unlicensed individuals that require the attention of a licensed health care professional;

(4) training requirements, including but not limited to if training requires clinical time and how training in this position can contribute toward an LPN;

(5) barriers to people of color becoming LPNs;

(6) best practices on communication among care teams;

(7) patient acuity criteria; and
(8) types of non-narcotic medications, including but not limited to psychotropics, that may not be appropriate for administration by an unlicensed individual.

(j) The task force shall consist of:

1. Secretary of EOHHS or a designee, who shall serve as chair;
2. DPH Commissioner or a designee (Bureau of Healthcare Quality and Safety)
3. Secretary of Elder Affairs or a designee
4. Assistant secretary for MassHealth or a designee
5. Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts, Inc.,
6. EOHHS Secretary
7. EOLWD Secretary (on 2020 task force)
8. Mass. Senior Care Association
9. 1199 SEIU
10. Mass. Senior Action Council (on 2020 task force)
11. RN/LPN appointed by Governor
12. A nursing home operator appointed by the governor
13. The co-chairs of the Elder Affairs or a designee
14. Chair/executive director of the Board of Registration in Nursing

(k) Not later than July 31, 2024, the task force shall submit its report, including its recommendations or any proposed legislation necessary to carry out its recommendations, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committees on health care financing, and the joint committee on elder affairs.”.

Pending the question on adoption of the further amendment, Ms. Garlick of Needham asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), having determined that a quorum was not in attendance, then directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to secure the presence of a quorum.

Quorum.

Subsequently a roll call was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a quorum; and on the roll call (the Speaker being in the Chair) 153 members were recorded as being in attendance.

Quorum,—
yea and nay
No. 68.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 68](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore a quorum was present.

After debate (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair) the further amendment was rejected.

After remarks the pending amendment was adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, at half past five o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call; and at twenty-four minutes before six o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recesses.

The House then took a further recess, on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, until half past six o'clock P.M.; and at six minutes before seven o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Mr. O'Day of West Boylston then moved to amend the bill by inserting after section 13 the following section:

“SECTION 13A. (a) There shall be a task force to evaluate the governance and regulatory structure of rest homes in the commonwealth. The task force shall include, but shall not be limited to, an examination of the following: (i) the licensing, regulatory, and reporting structure for rest homes; (ii) an inventory of licensed rest homes and licensed rest home beds; (iii) the location and service areas of existing rest homes; (iv) a review of rest home closures since 2015; (v) a review of the

recommendations implemented from the nursing facility task force report issued pursuant to section 91 of chapter 41 of the acts of 2019; (vi) the feasibility of receiving federal reimbursement for rest home expenses; and (vii) a review of the current rate structure for rest homes compared to the actual cost of care to residents.

(b) The task force shall consist of the secretary of health and human services, or their designee, who shall serve as chair; the secretary of elder affairs, or their designee; the commissioner of public health, or their designee; the assistant secretary for MassHealth, or their designee; the commissioner of the department of mental health, or their designee; the commissioner of the department of transitional assistance, or their designee; the chairs of the joint committee on elder affairs, or their designees; 1 person to be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; 1 person to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and 5 members to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a representative from the Massachusetts Association of Residential Care Homes, Inc., 1 of whom shall be a representative of LeadingAge Massachusetts, Inc., 1 of whom shall be a representative of Massachusetts Senior Action Council, Inc., 1 of whom shall have direct care giver experience, and 1 of whom shall have experience in health care administration and finance.

(c) The task force shall submit a report of its findings, including any recommendations or proposed legislation necessary to carry out its recommendations, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and to the house and senate committees on ways and means, not later than April 1, 2025.”.

The amendment was adopted.

There being no objection,— Mr. Driscoll of Milton then moved to amend the bill in section 12, in lines 640, 641 and 642, by striking out the following: “and (xii) the adequacy of state resources and infrastructure to place complex case discharges in appropriate post-acute care settings.” and inserting in place thereof the following: “(xii) opportunities to expand coverage and reimbursement for services delivered by mobile integrated health programs certified by the department of public health and by participating providers in the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services acute hospital care at home program; (xiii) alternative transportation options for patients being discharged and transferred to post-acute care facilities or home health agencies; and (xiv) the adequacy of state resources and infrastructure to place complex case discharges in appropriate post-acute care settings, including, but not limited to, patients with dementia diagnoses, geriatric patients with psychiatric diagnoses, patients with behavioral health diagnoses, patients with substance use disorder diagnoses, justice-involved patients, and patients who have been unable to find an appropriate placement for post-acute care for 6 months or longer.”. The amendment was adopted.

Representative Kerans of Danvers and Howard of Lowell then moved to amend the bill in section 6, in line 463, by inserting after the word “officials” the words “, including the chief executive officer or the chief administrative officer of the municipality in which the facility is located,”; and the amendment was adopted.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays at the request of Mr. Stanley of Waltham; and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 69](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 4193, published as amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 69.

Engrossed Bill — Land Taking.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the conveyance of a certain parcel of land in the city of Fall River (see Senate, No. 2503) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Fall River,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 70.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 70 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Raynham to grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 283); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell III (see House, No. 4048);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to wastewater in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2095);

Relative to wastewater treatment and disposal in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 2096); and

Third
reading
bills.

Amending the membership of the Housing Commission in the town of Lincoln (House, No. 3827);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Mashpee to convey certain town owned conservation land to Jacques and Rosalie Fresco (House, No. 2118), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Mashpee,—
Jacques and
Rosalie Fresco.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4186), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At twenty-one minutes after seven o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at eighteen minutes before one o'clock A.M. (Thursday, November 16) the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4171), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2505.

Supplemental appropriations.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and, on further motion of the same member, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Michlewitz, Ferrante of Gloucester and Smola of Warren were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Committee of conference.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At seventeen minutes before one o'clock A.M. (Thursday, November 16), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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Monday, November 20, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) declared a brief recess; and at the request of Representative Lombardo of Billerica, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Cosmo Cavicchio, Jr.

Cosmo
Cavicchio, Jr.

A loving father, grandfather, and beloved husband of Norma Cavicchio of 54 years, Cosmo passed away on Wednesday, November 8th.

Cos was known in Billerica as an active community member, representing his neighbors in town meeting for over 35 years, he served on the school committee, finance committee and as the assistant town moderator. Cosmo was also a long-time board member of the Billerica Boys and Girls Club and served as president for two years. Cosmo also proudly served our nation as a member of the Army National Guard.

The town of Billerica will forever be grateful to Cosmo for the positive impact he made on the community. May he rest in peace.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Mary Ann Cluggish on her lifelong dedication to the Commonwealth's libraries and the town of Wellesley; and

Mary Ann
Cluggish.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Pignatelli of Lenox) recognizing coach Fred Lafave for his outstanding coaching career at Lenox High;

Fred
Lafave.

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

Petitions.

Representative Scarsdale of Pepperell and Senator Cronin presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4194) of Margaret R. Scarsdale and John J. Cronin (by vote of the town) relative to the charter in the town of Groton; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Groton,—
charter.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cataldo of Concord, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Simon Cataldo for legislation to regulate hunting on certain property owned by the Department of Correction in the town of Concord.

Concord,—
hunting.

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services be authorized to establish a program to promote, incentivize and support the development and deployment of eligible therapies among veterans and first responders.

Veterans
and first
responders.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4171), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had insisted on its amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2505) (in which the House had non-concurred).

Supplemental
appropriations.

The bill bore the further endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Senators Rodrigues, Friedman and O'Connor had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of
conference.

A Bill relative to pharmaceutical access, costs and transparency (Senate, No. 2520) (on Senate Bill No. 2499, amended) [Estimated cost: More than \$100,000.00], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Pharmaceutical
access, etc.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2521) of Adam Gomez and Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell, for legislation to establish the Environmental Justice Trust Fund. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Environmental
justice trust
fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2522) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation relative to the creditable service of former employees of the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency. To the committee on Public Service.

Finance
agency,—
Retirement.

A report of the committee on Revenue, recommending that the report of the Massachusetts Capital Resource Company (under the provisions of Section 20 of Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) submitting its forty-sixth annual report (Senate, No. 22), be placed on file,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Capital
Resource
Company.

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 petition of Brian M. Ashe, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., and Jacob R. Oliveira relative to entrance fee refund provisions in continuing care agreements and written residency agreements. Under of suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. LeBoeuf of Worcester, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Elder Affairs. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Entrance
fee refunds.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor, a Bill validating the results of the annual election held in the town of Deerfield on May 2, 2022 (printed in House, No. 4157). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Deerfield,—
election.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. LeBoeuf of Worcester, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on further motion of the same member, the bill (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.

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:

Updating real estate appraiser record retention requirements (House, No. 336);

Appraisers.
Chatham,—
funds.

Facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1365) [Local Approval Received];

Establishing a housing trust fund in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1366) [Local Approval Received];

Chatham,—
trust fund.

Authorizing the town of Charlemont to establish a tax on commercial recreation services (House, No. 2713) [Local Approval Received];

Charlemont,—
taxes.

Making October 25th Dwarfism awareness day in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3044);

Dwarfism
awareness.

Amending the charter of the city of Greenfield (House, No. 3725, changed) [Local Approval Received];

Greenfield,—
charter.

Reorganizing the Lexington Housing Assistance Board, Inc. (House, No. 3775) [Local Approval Received];

Lexington,—
board.

Facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Wellesley (House, No. 4042) [Local Approval Received]; and

Wellesley,—
community
housing.

Relative to establishing a trust to administer a length of service award program for the Swansea Fire Department (House, No. 4047) [Local Approval Received];

Swansea,—
volunteer
firefighters.

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

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill to establish a Massachusetts children's cabinet (House, No. 189). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Children's
cabinet,—
establishment.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill relative to reprecincting (House, No. 708).

Reprecincting.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill authorizing project labor agreements (House, No. 3012).

Labor
agreements,—
projects.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the 401(k) CORE program (House, No. 3031).

401(k) CORE
program.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a petition, a Bill extending the date for issuance of certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in Hanover (House, No. 4009) [Local Approval Received].

Hanover,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3740, a Bill authorizing the licensing authority of the town of Natick to establish minimum seating capacity for granting licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages or wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4187) [Local Approval Received].

Natick,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3839, a Bill authorizing the town of Westford to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4188) [Local Approval Received].

Westford,—
liquor
license.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3968, a Bill granting an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Chatham (House, No. 4189) [Local Approval Received].

Chatham,—
liquor
license.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4001, a Bill authorizing the town of Weston to grant an additional license for the sale of wines at a food store (House, No. 4190) [Local Approval Received].

Weston,—
liquor
license.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4035, a Bill authorizing the city of Greenfield to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4191) [Local Approval Received].

Greenfield,—
liquor
license.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4073, a Bill authorizing the town of Williamstown to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4192) [Local Approval Received].

Williamstown,—
liquor
license.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill amending the charter of the city of Easthampton (House, No. 3959) [Local Approval Received].

Easthampton,—
charter.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill changing the board of selectmen of the town of Avon to a select board (House, No. 3746, changed), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Avon,—
select board.

The House Bill designating a certain overpass in the town of Stoneham as the State Trooper Tamar A. Bucci memorial bridge (House, No. 4123), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Stoneham,—
Bucci bridge.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in line 1 by striking out the following: "SECTION 1."; and by striking out section 2.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4123, amended) then was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-one minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, November 22, 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.

Annual and Monthly Reports.

An annual report of the State 911 Department (under Section 18B(j) of Chapter 6A and Section 35JJ of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) for the calendar year 2022, and the Grant Expenditure Report by community for fiscal years 2021 and 2022 [copies were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Public Safety and Homeland Security, as required by said law];

State 911
Department
report.

Monthly reports

Of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (under Section 15 of Chapter 239 of the General Laws, as added by Section 64 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process cases relative to permanent rental protections; and

Trial Court,—
rental
protections.

Of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for October 2023;

Unemployment
Insurance Trust
Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1-year or multiple-year contract for an audit of the books and accounts of the city (House, No. 2045) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, in line 11, by striking out the words “its award” and inserting in place thereof the words “the year that is subject to the audit”. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Pittsfield,—
audits.

A Bill authorizing the town of Wales to establish a department of public works (Senate, No. 1297, amended in section 3, in lines 22 to 27, inclusive, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines) (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.

Wales,—
public works.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2519) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the Wareham town charter. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Wareham,—
road
commissioners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2508) of Bruce E. Tarr and Kristin E. Kassner (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to real property tax deferrals in the town of Hamilton. To the committee on Revenue.

Hamilton,—
tax deferrals.

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 Ryan M. Hamilton, Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Sally P. Kerans relative to personal financial literacy in schools. To the committee on Education.

Schools,—
personal
finances.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Simon Cataldo for legislation to regulate hunting on certain property owned by the Department of Correction in the town of Concord. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Concord,—
hunting.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, 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 House Bill designating September as PCOS awareness month (House, No. 3090), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

PCOS
month.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the State Board of Retirement to grant creditable service to Paul Lemelin (House, No. 4020). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Paul Lemelin,—
creditable
service.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to the maximum age requirement for police officers for the city of Methuen (House, No. 2548) [Local Approval Received].

Methuen
police,—
maximum age.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill exempting the police chief of the town of Wrentham from the civil service law (House, No. 2678) [Local Approval Received].

Wrentham,—
civil service.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill exempting the Deputy Police Chief of the town of Wrentham from the civil service law (House, No. 2679) [Local Approval Received].

Id.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to civil service positions in the Department of Public Works of the city of Northampton (House, No. 3719) [Local Approval Received].

Northampton,—
civil service.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Charlemont to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear (House, No. 3988) [Local Approval Received].

Charlemont,—
Dennis
Annear.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Rowe to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear (House, No. 3989) [Local Approval Received].

Rowe,—
Dennis
Annear.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Holliston to continue the employment of Mark Dellicker as deputy fire chief until a maximum age of 70 (House, No. 3998) [Local Approval Received].

Holliston,—
Mark
Dellicker.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Sunderland to continue the employment of fire department member Scott Smith (House, No. 4003) [Local Approval Received].

Sunderland,—
Scott Smith.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Increasing the membership of the board of health in the town of Reading (see House, No. 2072);

Bills
enacted.

Changing the board of selectmen of the town of Avon to a select board (see House, No. 3746, changed and amended); and

Authorizing the city of Northampton to grant 7 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3952);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to establishing the Eastham community fund in the town of Eastham (House, No. 2097);

Third
reading
bills.

Providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Kingston (House, No. 4011); and

Relative to the planning board in the town of Shutesbury (House, No. 4038);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Representative Nguyen of Andover then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Susan C. Tucker, a member of the House from Andover from 1983 to 1990, inclusive, and a member of the Senate from 1999 to 2010, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

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

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, November 27, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4201) of Antonio F. D. Cabral, Mark C. Montigny and Christopher Hendricks (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of New Bedford be authorized to employ a non-resident as the administrative assistant to the board of assessors of said city; and

New
Bedford,—
residency.

By Representatives Donaghue of Westborough and Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4202) of Kate Donaghue and Hannah Kane (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the charter of the town of Westborough.

Westborough,—
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Elliott of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to eligibility for veteran license plates.

Veterans,—
license plates.

By Representative Murray of Milford (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Harold S. Rhodes for legislation to further regulate town meeting notices.

Town meeting
notices.

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

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (House, No. 2448, amended) [Local Approval Received], came from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2513. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Conway,—
Randall
Williams.

Reports of Committees.

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:

Banning hostile architecture targeting unhoused individuals (House, No. 3005);

Unhoused.

Relative to educational collaboratives (House, No. 3085);	Collaboratives.
Prohibiting state and municipal contracts for the purchase and installation of artificial turf fields (House, No. 3948);	Artificial turf fields.
Amending the charter of the city of Easthampton (House, No. 3959) [Local Approval Received]; and	Eastham,—charter.
Amending the special act charter of the city of Northampton (House, No. 4080) [Local Approval Received];	Northampton,—charter.
Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Kerans of Danvers, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.	
By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill to recall elected officials in the town of Manchester-by-the-Sea (printed as Senate, No. 440) [Local Approval Received].	Manchester-by-the-Sea,—recall elections.
By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill exempting the [sic] certain individual from the age restrictions for police officers (House, No. 4041) [Local Approval Received].	Wrentham,—William McGrath.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Bernardston to continue the employment of fire chief Peter Shedd (House, No. 4064) [Local Approval Received].	Bernardston,—Peter Shedd.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the continued employment of Glenn Davis, the fire chief of the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 4146) [Local Approval Received].	Lynnfield,—Glenn Davis.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Brandon Fredette to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4147) [Local Approval Received].	Haverhill,—Brandon Fredette.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Brian Dacey to take the civil service examination for the position of police officer in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4148) [Local Approval Received].	Haverhill,—Brian Dacey.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Derek Clark to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4149) [Local Approval Received].	Haverhill,—Derek Clark.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3928, a Bill authorizing the town of Chesterfield to continue the employment of reserve special police officer Greg Smith (House, No. 4195) [Local Approval Received].	Chesterfield,—Greg Smith.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3865, a Bill authorizing the town of West Stockbridge to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4196) [Local Approval Received].	West Stockbridge,—Steven Traver.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3951, a Bill authorizing the town of Richmond to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4197) [Local Approval Received].	Richmond,—Steven Traver.
Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.	

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Deerfield on May 2, 2022 (see House bill printed in House, No. 4157) (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 (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to be the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill amending the charter of the town of Northborough (see House, No. 3903) (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.

Id.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing Jacob M. White to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board (House, No. 3641);

Authorizing Matthew K. Sonnabend to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board (House, No. 3643);

Relative to care, custody, and control and uses of Wing Island (House, No. 3875); and

Relative to certain parcels of land in the town of Cohasset (House, No. 4037);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Recess.

There being no objection, at twenty-two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at one minute before three o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, November 29, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resignation of Representative Durant of Spencer.

The following communication was read; and spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

November 28, 2023.

The Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
The Massachusetts State House, Room 145
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I would like to take this opportunity to first, thank you for your work and guidance over the years in your service to the Commonwealth as Clerk of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. I, like many of my colleagues in the House have careers that span multiple Speakers and changing leaders, but you are the glue that holds the House together and I am truly appreciative for you and your office.

Resignation of
Mr. Durant
of Spencer.

With my recent election to the Massachusetts Senate, I am hereby resigning from the House of Representatives effective upon my swearing in as the new Senator of the Worcester and Hampshire District. It has been my great honor to serve the 6th Worcester District as State Representative for the past 12 years. I will carry many great memories from the district and the people who call the district home. I leave them, I hope, with the feeling that my time in the office was positive for them and their communities.

I look forward with great excitement to my new role as Senator and the opportunity to serve the people who call the Worcester and Hampshire District home.

Sincerely yours,
PETER J. DURANT
*State Representative
6th Worcester District.*

Petitions.

Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4203) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) relative to town elections in the town of Hopkinton; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Hopkinton,—
elections.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Hunt of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Hunt relative to access to motor vehicle data by owners or designees of said data.

Motor vehicle
data access.

By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., for legislation to establish a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study the feasibility of joining the counseling compact.

Counseling
compact,—
study.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Michael O. Moore for legislation to allow temporary door-locking devices in public buildings, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Public
buildings,—
door locks.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2514) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to the school committee of the city of Revere (House, No. 2058);

Facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Wellesley (House, No. 4042); and

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony Fannoh, Jr. an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 4165);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill expanding the select board of the town of Sharon (House, No. 3905, changed), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Sharon,—
select board.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town of Sharon at the next annual town election occurring not less than 90 days after the effective date of this act in the form of the following question:

“Shall an act passed by the General Court entitled ‘An Act expanding the select board of the town of Sharon’ be accepted?”

Below the question shall appear a summary of the act prepared by town counsel and approved by the select board. If a majority of the votes cast to the question is in the affirmative, sections 1 and 3 of this act shall take effect in the town of Sharon, but not otherwise.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3905, changed and amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At fourteen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, November 30, 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.

Recess.

At one minute after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at one minute before six o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Recess.

Motion to Suspend Rule 24(2).

Representative Jones of North Reading moved that Rule 24(2) be suspended so that he might offer, from the floor, the following order:

Formal
sessions,—
continuation.

Ordered, That That, notwithstanding Joint Rule 12A, the House and Senate shall meet in formal sessions subsequent to the third Wednesday in November in the current year to consider any reports of committees of conference and any subsequent legislative action on the following bill:

House bill No. 4204, An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects.

The motion to suspend Rule 24(2) was negatived; and the order was referred, under said rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2505) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4171), reported, in part, a bill with the same title (House, No. 4204) [Total Appropriation: \$3,097,295,925.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, the question being on acceptance of the report.

Supplemental
appropriations.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston then moved suspension of the rules so that the report might be considered forthwith; and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Frost of Auburn then asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Donato) determined that a quorum was not in attendance, and, since a quorum was not present, the previous vote (on suspension of the rules) must be declared void.

Under House Rule 82, the Chair (Mr. Donato), at three minutes after six o'clock P.M., declared an adjournment of the House, until the next day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Friday, December 1, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers (House, No. 2677), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with amendments in section 1, in line 15, by inserting after the word "officer." the following sentence: "A detail police officer appointed pursuant to this act shall comply with all requirements of chapter 6E of the General Laws and section 96B of chapter 41 of the General Laws, including: (i) maintaining certification and good standing with the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; and (ii) complying with all annual in-service and other training requirements mandated by the municipal police training committee."; and in lines 37 and 38 by striking out the sentence contained in those lines. The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Haverhill,—
retired police
officers.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2515) of Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Easton to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Revenue.

Easton,—
property
taxes.

Recess.

At two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-seven minutes after one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Quorum.

Mr. Frost of Auburn thereupon asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Donato), having determined that a quorum was not in attendance, at twenty-seven minutes after one o'clock, under House Rule 82, declared an adjournment of the House, until the next day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

Quorum.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Saturday, December 2, 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.

Quorum.

Mr. Frost of Auburn thereupon asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Garballey), having determined that a quorum was not in attendance, at twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., under House Rule 82, declared an adjournment of the House, until Monday next at ten o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

Quorum.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, December 4, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at ten o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communications.

Communications

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 34 of Chapter 22C of the General Laws) submitting its Hate Crimes in Massachusetts report for fiscal year 2022;

Hate
crimes.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see item 8900-0001 of Section 2 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the fourth quarterly data report of the Department of Correction for calendar year 2022; and

Incarcerated
persons.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 2 of Chapter 170 of the Acts of 2004) submitting its annual report examining data reported by Massachusetts law enforcement agencies with approved electronic control weapons training programs for calendar year 2021;

Electronic
control
weapons data.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Reports.

Annual reports

Of the State 911 Department (under Section 18B(j) of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) for the calendar year 2022; and the Grant Expenditure Report (under Section 35JJ of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) by community for fiscal years 2021 and 2022 [copies of the report were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Public Safety and Homeland Security, as required by said law]; and

State 911
and grant
expenditure
reports.

Of the Department of Early Education and Care (under Sections 3(g), 4, 5, 10 and 13(d) of Chapter 15D of the General Laws) submitting its annual legislative report for calendar year 2022 [a copy was forwarded to the committee on Education, as required by said law];

Early
Education
and Care.

Severally were placed on file.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2516) of Michael D. Brady and Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida (by vote of the town) for legislation to validate the results of the annual election held in the town of Whitman on May 20, 2023, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Whitman,—
election
results.

Recesses.

At one minute after ten o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until half past eleven o'clock; and at twenty-four minutes before twelve o'clock noon the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recesses.

The House thereupon took a further recess, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, subject to the call of the Chair; and at seventeen minutes before twelve o'clock noon the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Quorum.

Mr. Frost of Auburn then asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present; and a count showed that 116 members were in attendance.

Quorum.

Orders of the Day.

The report, in part, of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2505) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4171) recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4204), was accepted, by a vote of 105 to 14.

Supplemental appropriations.

Mr. Garballey of Arlington then moved that this vote be reconsidered; and, under Rule 54, the motion to reconsider was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting.

Order.

Mr. Mariano of Quincy offered the following order:—

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet forthwith for a second legislative day.

The order was adopted.

Next sitting.

At thirteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on further motion of Mr. Mariano (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair) the House adjourned to meet forthwith for a second legislative day, in an Informal Session.

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SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY.

Met according to adjournment, in an Informal Session, 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).

Orders of the Day.

The motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, that the vote be reconsidered by which the House, at the preceding sitting, accepted the report, in part, of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2505) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4171) recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4204), was negatived.

Supplemental appropriations.

Recess.

At twelve minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty minutes after four o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 4204), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Supplemental appropriations.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 16 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to creditable service for Abby Levin, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (see House, No. 4168, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Abby Levin,—retirement.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 23 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Exempting the position of deputy fire chief in the town of Wrentham from the civil service law (see House, No. 3720); and

Bills enacted.

Changing the town of Plymouth's 1820 Courthouse Fund to the Facilities Improvement Fund (see House, No. 3909);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-six minutes before five o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, December 7, 2023.

Met at seven minutes after 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, the Division 2 MIAA cross country champions from Danvers High School. They were the guests of Ms. Kerans of Danvers.

Danvers High
School cross
country team.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Willoughby T. Bonnette on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

Willoughby
Bonnette.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring William P. Goggin on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America;

William
Goggin.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Garballey of Arlington, Rogers of Cambridge, John Francis Moran of Boston, Fluker Oakley of Boston and Livingstone of Boston) congratulating Toni Lynn Washington "Boston's Queen of the Blues and Soul" on her eighty-seventh birthday;

Toni Lynn
Washington.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating the Massachusetts Bay Division Unit of the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps as ranked the number one unit in 2022 and duly awarded the John J. Bergen Award; and

United States
Naval Sea
Cadet Corps.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Turco of Winthrop) honoring Sandra Goldstein Pellegrino for twenty-plus years of service and dedication to Temple Tifereth Israel and to the community of Winthrop;

Sandra
Goldstein
Pellegrino.

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

Communication.

A communication from Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) (see Section 27 of Chapter 498 of the Acts of 1993) submitting the Devens annual report for fiscal year 2023, was placed on file.

Devens.

Annual and Special Reports.

An annual report of the Economic Empowerment Trust Fund (under Section 35QQ of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2022; and

Economic
Empowerment.

Reports

Of the Executive Office of Economic Development (under Section 16G of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Governor's Economic Development Planning Council comprehensive economic development policy and strategic plan for the implementation of policy within the first year of taking office; and

Economic
Development
Planning
Council.

Of the Special Commission relative to the Seal and Motto of the Commonwealth (established under Chapter 2 of the Resolves of 2020 and revived and continued by Section 46 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its final report on the Commission's findings;

Seal and Motto
Commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Order.

The following order (filed by Speaker Mariano of Quincy) was referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Ordered, That the precept to be issued by the Speaker, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, appointing a time for the election to fill the vacancy existing in the office of Representative in the General Court from the Sixth Worcester District shall designate Tuesday, March 5, 2024, as the time ordered by the House of Representatives for said election.

Sixth Worcester
Representative
District,—
time for election
to fill vacancy.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kerans of Danvers, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted

Petition.

Representative Cahill of Lynn and Senator Lovely presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel Cahill and Joan B. Lovely for legislation to further regulate insurance claims; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Insurance
claims.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill establishing a senior property tax deferral program in the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 2517) (on Senate bill No. 2368) [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.

Taunton,—
senior property
tax deferrals.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation relative to dark money in local government, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Election Laws.

Campaigns,—
expenditures,
contributions.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2511) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

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 Rodney M. Elliott and James Arciero that the Division of Animal Health be authorized to regulate the preservation of existing pet cemeteries. To the committee on Agriculture.

Petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rodney M. Elliott for legislation to authorize school districts to provide portable airway clearance devices on-site at school facilities where instructions are provided. To the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Simon Cataldo relative to retirement benefits for licensed electricians employed at regional school districts; and

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Joseph D. McKenna and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kelly Wheeler, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler and Matthew NeJame for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate October 2 as learning disability screening day. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Rodney M. Elliott relative to eligibility for veteran license plates. To the committee on Transportation.

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

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4019) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to repealing certain fiscal stability procedures of the Chesterfield-Goshen Regional School District,—and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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:

Relative to the town of Blandford volunteer fire department (House, No. 2716);

Authorizing the town of Norwell to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 2765) [Local Approval Received];

Expanding the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet (House, No. 2914) [Local Approval Received].

Authorizing the town of Truro to establish a program to reduce property tax liability in exchange for volunteer services for persons with disabilities (House, No. 3735) [Local Approval Received];

Pet
cemeteries,—
regulations.

Schools,—
airway
clearance.

Schools,—
electricians.

Kelly
Wheeler,—
sick leave.

Learning
disability
screening day.

Veterans,—
license plates.

Chesterfield-
Goshen Regional
School District.

Blandford.
Norwell,—
exemption.

Wellfleet,—
exemption.

Truro,—
volunteer
tax benefits.

Authorizing the town of Holliston to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3826) [Local Approval Received];

Holliston,—
exemption.

Authorizing the town of Lunenburg to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3911) [Local Approval Received];

Lunenburg,—
exemption.

Establishing attainable housing and Chatham elementary school special revenue accounts for the town of Chatham (House, No. 3971) [Local Approval Received];

Chatham,—
accounts.

Authorizing the town of West Stockbridge to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4196) [Local Approval Received];

West
Stockbridge.

Authorizing the town of Richmond to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4197) [Local Approval Received];

Richmond,—
Steven Traver.

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

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1-year or multiple-year contract for an audit of the books and accounts of the city (House, No. 2045), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Pittsfield,—
audit
contract.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (House, No. 2448, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Conway,—
Randall
Williams.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Westport to select board (House, No. 3751), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Westport,—
select board.

House bills

Reorganizing the Lexington Housing Assistance Board, Inc. (House, No. 3775);
Amending the town manager act of Arlington relative to the appointment of the town manager (House, No. 4026); and

Third
reading
bills.

Amending the charter of the town of Swampscott (House, No. 4086);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Reading to dissolve its Affordable Housing Trust Fund (House, No. 1341), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Reading,—
housing
trust fund.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in lines 1 to 13, inclusive, by striking out the text contained in those lines.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 1341, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill amending the board of public works in the town of Lee (House, No. 3890) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Lee,—
public
works.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it in section 1, in line 18, by striking out the words “such abolition” and inserting in place thereof the words “the abolition of any prior boards, departments and offices previously abolished”; and in line 41 by inserting after the word “departments” the word “previously”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3890, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Somerville to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission (House, No. 3969), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Somerville,—
licensing
commission.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4205), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, December 11, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representatives Stanley of Waltham and Lawn of Watertown, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silence in honor of Waltham Police Officer Paul Tracey.

Waltham
Police Officer
Paul Tracey.

Officer Tracy died in the line of duty on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023. He was a 28-year veteran of the Waltham Police Department. During his tenure, he is credited with saving two lives and mentoring the youth of Waltham.

Officer Tracey is survived by his wife, Waltham Police Officer Kristen Tracey, and their two children, Danika and Tyler.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced the AYC Massachusetts State Cheer Team Champions, UIO Small and UIO Large, from the city of Waltham. At the invitation of the Chair (Mr. Donato) the Cheer Team members participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Stanley of Waltham.

Waltham,—
cheer teams.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Barbara Stevens on her one hundredth birthday;

Barbara
Stevens.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Galvin of Canton) congratulating Duncan A. MacLeod on his one hundredth birthday; and

Duncan
MacLeod.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Roy of Franklin) congratulating and honoring William “Ken” Norman on his years of appointed volunteer service to the town of Franklin;

Ken
Norman.

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

Petitions.

Representative Worrell of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4212) of Christopher J. Worrell (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to appoint Terrance Joseph Williams a police officer in said city notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,—
Terrance
Williams.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Hamilton of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ryan M. Hamilton for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sheri Panas, an employee of the Department of Unemployment Assistance.

Sheri Panas,—
sick leave.

By Representative Jones of North Reading (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Steve Bugli for legislation to further regulate the sale of certain Chapter 40B properties purchased before the year 2010.

Chapter 40B
properties,—
sale.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Meghan Kilcoyne for legislation to establish distinctive license plates for certain Army combat veterans.

Army combat
veterans,—
license plate.

By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kathleen R. LaNatra for legislation to further regulate limitations on wrongful death actions.

Wrongful
death
actions.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Rene Perez, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (Senate, No. 2452) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Rene Perez,—
sick leave
bank.

A report of the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 313) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation relative to supporting survivors of child sexual abuse, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary,—accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Child sexual
abuse,—
survivor
support.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2510) of Susan L. Moran and Steven George Xiarhos (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Sandwich 5 additional liquor licenses. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Sandwich,—
liquor
licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2523) of Ryan C. Fattman (by vote of the town) relative to the town charter for the town of Southbridge. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Southbridge,—
charter.

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 Dylan A. Fernandes that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services be authorized to establish a program to promote, incentivize and support the development and deployment of eligible therapies among veterans and first responders. To the committee on Public Health.

Veterans and responders,—therapies.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Margaret R. Scarsdale relative to authorizing Thomas Struthers to purchase creditable service from the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board. To the committee on Public Service.

Thomas Struthers,—retirement.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Relative to changing the board of selectmen in the town of Foxborough (House, No. 3724) [Local Approval Received];

Foxborough,—select board.

[sic] In the town of Hanson local licenses and permits; denial, revocation or suspension for failure to comply with conditions of approval (House, No. 3984) [Local Approval Received];

Hanson,—building compliance.

Establishing an appointed town clerk in the town of Rutland (House, No. 3985) [Local Approval Received];

Rutland,—town clerk.

To amend the Needham charter (House, No. 3997) [Local Approval Received];

Needham.

Authorizing the town of Eastham, acting by and through its board of selectmen, to convey a conservation restriction on a certain parcel of land to the Eastham conservation foundation, inc [sic] (House, No. 4012) [Local Approval Received];

Eastham,—land.

Establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Bolton (House, No. 4056) [Local Approval Received];

Bolton,—town clerk.

Relative to the office of town clerk and town treasurer in the town known as Southwick (House, No. 4079) [Local Approval Received]; and

Southwick,—appointments.

Authorizing the continued employment of Glenn Davis, the fire chief of the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 4146) [Local Approval Received];

Lynnfield,—Glenn Davis.

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

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill relative to creditable service for Abby Levin, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (see House, No. 4168, amended) (which originated in the House), 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 sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to award a 1-year or multiple-year contract for an audit of the books and accounts of the city (see House, No. 2045, amended);

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randall Williams (see House, No. 2448, amended); and

Changing the name of the board of selectmen of the town of Westport to select board (see House, No. 3751, amended);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1365);

Establishing a housing trust fund in the town of Chatham (House, No. 1366);

Amending the charter of the city of Greenfield (House, No. 3725, changed);

Directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Ariel Rodriguez (House, No. 3844); and

Relative to establishing a trust to administer a length of service award program for the Swansea Fire Department (House, No. 4047);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, December 14, 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 Representatives Garballey of Arlington, Armini of Marblehead, Howard of Lowell, Michlewitz of Boston, Blais of Deerfield, Elliott of Lowell, Mom of Lowell, Hamilton of Methuen, Zlotnik of Gardner, and Garry of Dracut the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Dean Joseph Bergeron who passed away on December 9th. He is survived by his three sons, Michael, Matthew, and Don, and his dearest friend, his caretaker, Jose.

Dean Joseph
Bergeron.

In 1965 Dean received a teaching appointment at Lowell State College-the future South Campus of UMass Lowell-where he taught history and political science for more than 40 years. Over that time he was deeply involved in the peace movement and the creation of a Franciscan community called Bethany House that provided hospice care for AIDS patients in the late 1980s. In 1984, Dean started the initiative that he is best known for and the one for which he was most proud- Lowell's Model United Nations program. Dean Bergeron dedicated his life to the intellectual, spiritual, and personal growth of young people.

Statement of Representative Nguyen of Andover.

A statement of Ms. Nguyen of Andover was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was called away from the House Chamber during the sitting of September 27, 2023, during consideration of line-item veto overrides for the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget, due to a family emergency. If I had been present, I would have voted yea on roll call numbers 37 to 57, inclusive. My missing of roll calls was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Ms. Nguyen
of Andover.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Day of Stoneham) congratulating Jeffrey A. Locke on his retirement as Chief Justice of the Trial Court; and

Jeffrey
Locke.

Resolutions (filed by Representative McGonagle of Everett) congratulating Elizabeth Veronica McNeil on her one hundredth birthday;

Elizabeth
McNeil.

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

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Department of Mental Health (under Section 9 of Chapter 321 of the Acts of 2008) relative to the Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Council for calendar year 2023, was placed on file.

Economic
Development
Planning Council.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cusack of Braintree and Senator Timilty, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4214) of Mark J. Cusack, Walter F. Timilty and John F. Keenan (by vote of the town) that the city known as the town of Braintree be authorized to provide for the retirement of William R. Cushing Jr., a police officer in said city;

Braintree,—
William
Cushing Jr.

By Representative Smola of Warren and Senator Oliveira, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4215) of Todd M. Smola and Jacob R. Oliveira (by vote of the town) that the town of Warren be authorized to continue the employment of Steven Perkins, a member of the fire department of said town; and

Warren,—
Steven Perkins.

By Representative Vaughn of Wrentham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4216) of Marcus S. Vaughn (by vote of the town) that the town of Plainville be authorized to appoint retired police officers as special police officers in said town.

Plainville,—
special
police.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James C. Arena-DeRosa for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Tahari Johnson, an employee of the Trial Court.

Tahari
Johnson,—
sick leave.

By Representative Donato of Medford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato relative to regulation of organ transplant vehicles by the Department of Public Health.

Organ
transplant
vehicles.

By Representative Frost of Auburn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul K. Frost and Ryan C. Fattman that the Worcester County Retirement Board be authorized to credit Curtis Meskus, a member of the Worcester regional retirement system, with creditable service for certain active duty service.

Curtis
Meskus,—
creditable
service.

By Representative Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard M. Haggerty relative to charter school expansion.

Charter school
expansion.

By Representative John Francis Moran of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John Francis Moran relative to the right of students to freedom of expression in public schools.

Public school
Students,—
rights.

By Representative Roy of Franklin, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey N. Roy relative to electric grid enhancement technologies.
Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Electric grid technologies.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill changing the position of town clerk in the town of Wenham from an elected position to an appointed position (Senate, No. 2524) (on Senate bill No. 2387) [Local Approval Received] (Representative DuBois of Brockton, of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, dissenting), passed to be engrossed by the Senate was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Wenham,—
town clerk.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Pavel M. Payano and Estela A. Reyes for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Seila Chhav, an employee of the Trial Court, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Seila Chhav,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2525) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate:—

December 11, 2023

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
Boston, MA. 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader of the Senate made the following changes/appointments to the various Senate standing committees and Joint standing committees:

SENATE COMMITTEES.

Ways and Means — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Bruce E. Tarr of First Essex and Middlesex.

Senate
standing
committees.

Juvenile and Emerging Adult Justice — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Bruce E. Tarr of First Essex and Middlesex.

Personnel and Administration — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Patrick M. O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk.

Post Audit and Oversight — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Patrick M. O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk.

JOINT COMMITTEES.

Community Development and Small Businesses — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Patrick M. O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk.

Joint
standing
committees.

Economic Development and Emerging Technology — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Patrick M. O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk.

Public Health — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Patrick M. O'Connor of First Plymouth and Norfolk.

Cannabis Policy — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Ryan C. Fattman of Worcester and Hampden.

Elder Affairs — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Ryan C. Fattman of Worcester and Hampden.

Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Ryan C. Fattman of Worcester and Hampden.

Municipalities and Regional Government — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Bruce E. Tarr of First Essex and Middlesex.

State Administration and Regulatory Oversight — Senator Peter J. Durant of Worcester and Hampshire to replace Senator Bruce E. Tarr of First Essex and Middlesex.

Respectfully,
MICHAEL D. HURLEY
Clerk of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the Bill protecting the right to time off for voting (House, No. 4153), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4217). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Voting,—
time off.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of said rule, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on further motion of the same member, the bill (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. The bill (House, No. 4217) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate bills

Providing for the retirement of Walter L. Guertin, a member of the fire department in the city of Attleboro (Senate, No.1677) [Local Approval Received];

Attleboro,—
Walter Guertin.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Rene Perez, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (Senate, No. 2452); and

Rene Perez,—
sick leave.

Establishing a senior property tax deferral program in the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 2517) [Local Approval Received]; and

Taunton,—
tax deferrals.

House bills

Relative to the Auburn Water District (House, No. 2049, changed) [Local Approval Received];

Auburn Water
District.

Authorizing the town of Holliston to continue the employment of Mark Dellicker as deputy fire chief until a maximum age of 70 (House, No. 3998) [Local Approval Received]; and

Holliston,—
Mark Dellicker.

Authorizing the town of Westford to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4188) [Local Approval Received];

Westford,—
liquor license.

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

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 4209, a Bill creating a sick leave bank for Kelly Wheeler, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4213). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Kelly
Wheeler,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing Gregory S. Shopshire to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3642);

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing Jeffrey H. Jackson to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3644);

Authorizing the Board of Selectmen of the town of Rockland to serve as cemetery commissioners for the town of Rockland (House, No. 4010);

Authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Norton (House, No. 4039);

Authorizing the town of West Stockbridge to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4196); and

Authorizing the town of Richmond to continue the employment of Steven Traver as fire chief (House, No. 4197);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, December 18, 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.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey) declared a brief recess, and at the request of Representative Decker of Cambridge, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silent tribute in honor of National Grid technician and Cambridge resident, Roderick "Kito" Jackson.

Roderick
"Kito"
Jackson.

Roderick died while performing public service utility work on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023. He was a technician on National Grid's gas operations team and was a highly respected, hard-working, and selfless team member who was always willing to lend a hand, roll up his sleeves, and help a colleague. Roderick showed up to work every day with a smile, and made sure to say hello to everyone, every morning. Roderick was a standout student-athlete at Cambridge Rindge and Latin, a devoted family member, and a beloved member of the Cambridge community. We send our deepest condolences to the family for their profound loss.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Owens of Watertown) congratulating Nathaniel McCullagh on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Nathaniel
McCullagh.

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.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Blais of Deerfield and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Cheryl Thouin, an employee of the Hampshire County Sheriff's Office.

Cheryl
Thouin,—
sick leave.

By Representative Donato of Medford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato relative to health insurance reimbursements for services provided by advanced practice registered nurses.

Nurses,—
reimbursements.

By Representative Sena of Acton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Danillo A. Sena relative to the licensing of limited registration dentists.
Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Dentists,—
licensing.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2528) of Julian Cyr for legislation relative to free expression. To the committee on Education.

Students,—
free expression.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2530) of Michael D. Brady for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William J. Torres, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department. To the committee on Public Service.

William
Torres,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2529) of Michael J. Barrett for legislation to reduce the financial penalty imposed on customers who shift to heat pumps, electric appliances, and electric vehicles; and

Electric
appliances,—
incentives.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2531) of Michael J. Barrett for legislation to advance grid enhancement technologies;

Electric grid
technologies.

Severally to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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 John Francis Moran relative to the right of students to freedom of expression in public schools. To the committee on Education.

Students,—
rights.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Natalie M. Higgins and others relative to essential services in hospitals. To the committee on Public Health.

Hospitals,—
essential services.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Jeffrey N. Roy relative to electric grid enhancement technologies. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Electric grid
technologies.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then 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 bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Extending the date for issuance of certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in Hanover (House, No. 4009) [Local Approval Received];

Hanover,—
liquor
licenses.

Authorizing the licensing authority of the town of Natick to establish minimum seating capacity for granting licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages or wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4187) [Local Approval Received];

Natick,—
liquor
licenses.

Granting an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Chatham (House, No. 4189) [Local Approval Received];

Chatham,—
liquor
license.

Authorizing the town of Weston to grant an additional license for the sale of wines at a food store (House, No. 4190) [Local Approval Received];

Weston,—
liquor license.

Authorizing the city of Greenfield to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4191) [Local Approval Received];

Greenfield,—
liquor
license.

Authorizing the town of Williamstown to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4192) [Local Approval Received]; and

Williamstown,—
liquor
license.

Creating a sick leave bank for Kelly Wheeler, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4213);

Kelly Wheeler,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster, 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, No. 370 and House, No. 630, a Bill relative to intensive case management for clinically complex older adults (House, No. 630).

Case
management,—
older adults.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 386 and House, No. 635, a Bill relative to disclosing continuing care retirement community entrance fees (House, No. 635).

Retirement
communities.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 380 and House, No. 649, a Bill to improve Massachusetts home care (House, No. 649, changed in section 1, in line 9, by inserting after the word “name” the words “or any entity that procures, offers, refers, provides or attempts to provide an independent home care worker or home care aide who provides home care services to clients or home care seekers”).

Home care.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a commission to study the financial abuse of elders (House, No. 632). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Elder financial
abuse,—
commission.

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on a petition, a Bill increasing the penalties for unfair and deceptive actions perpetrated against persons with disabilities and senior citizens (House, No. 613). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Deceptive
actions.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill to increase safety on public ways (House, No. 3299).

Public ways,—
safety.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Falmouth as the Deputy John Robert Kotfila Jr. memorial bridge (House, No. 3466).

Falmouth,—
Kotfila bridge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating Childs River Overpass Route 28 Falmouth for Marine Combat Veteran Kevin P. Quinn (House, No. 4044).

Falmouth,—
Quinn overpass.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing attainable housing and Chatham elementary school special revenue accounts for the town of Chatham (House, No. 3971), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill amending the act authorizing the town of Deerfield to construct and operate systems of sewers (House, No. 3841, reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Deerfield,—
sewers.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4220), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill amending the special act charter of the city of Northampton (House, No. 4080), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Northampton,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4221), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023.

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Thursday, December 21, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) declared a brief recess, and introduced the three time division 4 state champion Uxbridge High School field hockey team; and the division 7 state champion Uxbridge High School varsity football team. The Chair then congratulated the teams on their accomplishments and wished them success in all their future endeavors. The Chair also acknowledged the presence of former Representative and current Worcester County Sheriff Lewis G. Evangelidis. The teams and Sheriff Evangelidis were the guests of Representatives McKenna of Webster and Soter of Bellingham and were accompanied by Senator Fattman.

Uxbridge
High School.

Communication.

A communication from the Office of the Child Advocate (see Section 14 of Chapter 18C of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of the Childhood Trauma Taskforce for calendar year 2023, was placed on file.

Childhood
Trauma Task
Force.

Monthly Reports.

Monthly reports

Of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (under Section 15 of Chapter 239 of the General Laws, as added by Section 64 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process cases relative to permanent rental protections; and

Permanent
rental
protections.

Of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for November 2023;

Unemployment
Insurance Trust
Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Ciccolo of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4223) of Michelle L. Ciccolo and Cindy F. Friedman (by vote of the town) that

Lexington,—
ranked choice

the town of Lexington be authorized to establish ranked choice voting for certain offices in said town. To the committee on Election Laws.

voting.

By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4224) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) that the town of Sherborn be authorized to establish the position of the treasurer-collector in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Sherborn,—
treasurer-
collector.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative LaNatra of Kingston presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kathleen R. LaNatra and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to further regulate police reports involving railroad fatalities; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Railroad
fatalities,—
reports.

A petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 9) of James C. Arena-DeRosa and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) that the town of Sherborn be authorized to establish the North Sherborn Water and Sewer District in said town, was transmitted to the State Secretary under Chapter 3 of the General Laws.

Sherborn,—
water and
sewer district.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing Matthew K. Sonnabend to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 3643), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by said branch with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document 2526. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Matthew
Sonnabend,—
retirement.

The House Bill relative to the select board of the town of Northborough (House, No. 3902), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by said branch with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2495. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Northborough,—
select board.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2536) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation to further regulate the priority of claims of cities or towns for payment of municipal liens. To the committee on Financial Services.

Municipal
liens,—
payments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2537) of Jacob R. Oliveira and Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Danielle Marie Cruz, an employee of the Trial Court. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Danielle
Cruz,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2535) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation relative to technical rescue services. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Technical
rescue services.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 152 of Chapter 127 of the General Laws) submitting a list of pardons granted during

Governor,—
pardons.

the calendar year 2023 (Senate, No. 2532), was read for the information of the House and returned to the Senate to be placed on file.

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 joint petition of Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Cheryl Thouin, an employee of the Hampshire County Sheriff's Office. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Soter of Bellingham, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cheryl
Thouin,—
sick leave.

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

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Wales to establish a department of public works (Senate, No. 1297, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and

Wales,—
public works.

House bills

Relative to the maximum age requirement for police officers for the city of Methuen (House, No. 2548) [Local Approval Received];

Methuen,—
civil service.

Exempting the police chief of the town of Wrentham from the civil service law (House, No. 2678) [Local Approval Received];

Wrentham,—
civil service

Exempting the deputy police chief of the town of Wrentham from the civil service law (House, No. 2679) [Local Approval Received];

Wrentham,—
civil service

Relative to civil service positions in the department of public works of the city of Northampton (House, No. 3719) [Local Approval Received];

Northampton,—
public works.

Authorizing the town of Charlemont to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear (House, No. 3988) [Local Approval Received];

Charlemont,—
Dennis Annear.

Authorizing the town of Rowe to continue the employment of fire department member Dennis Annear (House, No. 3989) [Local Approval Received]; and

Rowe,—
Dennis Annear.

Authorizing the town of Sunderland to continue the employment of fire department member Scott Smith (House, No. 4003) [Local Approval Received];

Sunderland,—
Scott Smith.

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

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Seila Chhav, an employee of the Trial Court (printed as Senate, No. 2525). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Seila Chhav,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Holliston to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3826);

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the town of Lunenburg to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 3911);

Amending the charter of the city of Easthampton (House, No. 3959);

Establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Bolton (House, No. 4056); and

Authorizing the continued employment of Glenn Davis, the fire chief of the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 4146);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. McKenna of Webster (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Elliott of Lowell) congratulating Cecile Rita (Gingras) Boucher on the joyous occasion of her one hundredth birthday, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Cecile
Boucher.

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Massachusetts Permanent Commission on the Status of Persons with Disabilities (see Section 74(g) of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2023; and

Persons with
disabilities.

From the Department of Environmental Protection (see Section 6J½(g) of Chapter 21H of the General Laws) relative to the collection and recycling programs for mercury thermostats for calendar year 2022;

Mercury
thermostats.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) Council (under Section 46(m) of Chapter 23G of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2023 report of the Transformative Development Fund entitled: Collaborative Workspace Program [copies of the report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies; and the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, as required by said law], was placed on file.

Collaborative
Workplace
Program.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4231) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) relative to the provision of health insurance for eligible employees and retirees in the town of Worthington. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Worthington,—
health
insurance.

By Representative Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4232) of Kenneth I. Gordon (by vote of the town) that all positions within the government of the town of Bedford subject to the civil service law be exempt from any provisions pertaining to age limits. To the committee on Public Service.

Bedford,—
civil service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Diggs of Barnstable presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kip A. Diggs relative to creditable service for Charles G. Lawrence, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Charles
Lawrence,—
retirement.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Barry R. Finegold for legislation relative to the designation of Jury Clerk in the Haverhill District Court, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Haverhill
District Court.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2538) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Judiciary.

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 petition of Aaron L. Saunders and others for legislation to further regulate access to certain library materials. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Library
materials,—
access.

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:

To recall elected officials in the town of Manchester-by-the-Sea (printed as Senate, No. 440) [Local Approval Received];

Manchester-
by-the-Sea.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Seila Chhav, an employee of the Trial Court (printed as Senate, No. 2525);

Seila Chhav,—
sick leave.

Exempting the certain individual from the age restrictions for police officers (House, No. 4041) [Local Approval Received];

William
McGrath.

Authorizing the town of Bernardston to continue the employment of fire chief Peter Shedd (House, No. 4064) [Local Approval Received];

Bernardston,—
Peter Shedd.

Authorizing Brandon Fredette to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4147) [Local Approval Received];

Haverhill,—
Brandon
Fredette.

Authorizing Brian Dacey to take the civil service examination for the position of police officer in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4148) [Local Approval Received];

Haverhill,—
Brian Dacey.

Authorizing Derek Clark to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4149) [Local Approval Received]; and

Haverhill,—
Derek Clark.

Authorizing the town of Chesterfield to continue the employment of reserve special police officer Greg Smith (House, No. 4195) [Local Approval Received];

Chesterfield,—
Greg Smith.

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

By Mr. Schmid of Westport, for the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill supporting the Commonwealth's food system (House, No. 92).

Food Policy
Council.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill supporting farm diversification and sustainability (House, No. 754).

Agriculture,—
sustainability.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 89, a Bill promoting dairy farms (House, No. 4225).

Dairy
farms.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 507 and House, No. 828, a Bill relative to establishing a food justice frontline (House, No. 4226).

Food
security.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 773, a Bill establishing a fisheries conservation gear grant program (House, No. 4227).

Fisheries,—
gear grants.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 490 and House, No. 753, a Bill relative to agricultural disaster relief (House, No. 4228).

Agriculture,—
disaster relief.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony D. Fannoh, Jr., an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see House, No. 4165), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Anthony
Fannoh,—
sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Amending the charter of the town of Williamstown to make all gender references neutral (see House, No. 2030); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing Cynthia Falzone to purchase creditable service from the Norfolk county retirement board (see House, No. 3979);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Establishing an appointed town clerk in the town of Rutland (House, No. 3985);
and

Authorizing the town of Holliston to continue the employment of Mark Dellicker as deputy fire chief until a maximum age of 70 (House, No. 3998);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2023.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, December 28, 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.

Petitions.

Representative Decker of Cambridge presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4234) of Marjorie C. Decker (with the approval of the city council) for legislation to further regulate the fair housing ordinance of the city of Cambridge; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cambridge,—
fair housing.

A petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 9) of James Arciero that the town of Littleton be authorized to provide drinking water to the inhabitants of the town of Boxborough (having been returned by the State Secretary with memoranda relative thereto), was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Littleton,—
drinking water.

Reports of Committees.

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:

To increase safety on public ways (House, No. 3299); and

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Falmouth as the Deputy John Robert Kotfila Jr. memorial bridge (House, No. 3466);

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

Towing.
Falmouth,—
Kotfila bridge.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the city of New Bedford to grant a utility easement to the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (House, No. 3935) [Local Approval Received].

New Bedford,—
easement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the county of Nantucket to convey certain land situated in the town and county of Nantucket for purposes of conveyance to the town of Nantucket (House, No. 4120) [Local Approval Received].

Nantucket,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Lynn to use certain park land for school purposes (House, No. 4127) [Local Approval Received].

Lynn,—
land.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing sewer and water user discounts in the town of Hopkinton (House, No. 2017) [Local Approval Received].

Hopkinton,—
sewer and
water.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Nantucket to convey a certain parcel of land situated in the town of Nantucket held for park purposes to the Nantucket Conservation Foundation Inc. for open space, recreational, and conservation purposes (House, No. 4046) [Local Approval Received].

Nantucket,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to changing the term of the elected office of moderator for the town of Stoneham (House, No. 4075) [Local Approval Received].

Stoneham,—
moderator.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Nantucket to convey certain land situated in the town of Nantucket held for open space, recreational or conservation purposes to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank for the purposes pursuant to its legislation (House, No. 4077) [Local Approval Received].

Nantucket,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill increasing the membership of the select board of the town of Merrimac from 3 members to 5 members (House, No. 4097) [Local Approval Received].

Merrimac,—
select board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Newton to lease the Warren Junior High School for a term of years not exceeding 99 years (House, No. 4126) [Local Approval Received].

Newton,—
lease.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the conservation commission of the town of Westford to transfer certain easements to the select board of the town of Westford (House, No. 4140) [Local Approval Received].

Westford,—
easements.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill providing for alternate members of the Mattapoisett conservation commission (House, No. 4156) [Local Approval Received].

Mattapoisett,—
conservation
commission.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the town of Lanesborough employee training (House, No. 4158) [Local Approval Received].

Lanesborough,—
employee
trainings.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill providing for an alternate member of the town of Mattapoisett finance committee (House, No. 4159) [Local Approval Received].

Mattapoisett,—
finance
committee.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Sharon to change the use of a certain parcel of land acquired for outdoor recreational purposes to a use for general municipal purposes (House, No. 4170) [Local Approval Received].

Sharon,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill amending the charter of the city of Chelsea (House, No. 4184) [Local Approval Received].

Chelsea,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Mashpee to lease certain town land to the Boys and Girls Club of Cape Cod, Inc. (House, No. 4185) [Local Approval Received].

Mashpee,—
land.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the charter in the town of Groton (House, No. 4194) [Local Approval Received].

Groton,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the administrative assistant to the board of assessors of the city of New Bedford to be a non-resident (House, No. 4201) [Local Approval Received].

New Bedford,—
residency.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill amending the charter of the town of Westborough (House, No. 4202) [Local Approval Received].

Westborough,—
charter.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing a trust to administer a length of service award program for the Swansea fire department (see House, No. 4047) (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.

House bills

Expanding the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet (House, No. 2914); and

Third
reading
bills.

Relative to the office of town clerk and town treasurer in the town known as Southwick (House, No. 4079);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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.

At six 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.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024.

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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, 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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Communication.

A communication from the Capital Debt Affordability Committee of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Section 60B(f) of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the committee's annual report estimate of the total amount of new Commonwealth debt that may be prudently authorized for the next fiscal year, was placed on file.

Capital Debt
Affordability.

Report.

A report of the Inspector General of the Commonwealth (under Section 196(c) of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting a review of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority's police dispatch services contract with IXP Corporation, was placed on file.

MBTA
police dispatch
services.

Petition.

Representative Vaughn of Wrentham presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4237) of Marcus S. Vaughn and Rebecca L. Rausch (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the charter of the town of Wrentham; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Wrentham,—
charter.

Paper from the Senate.

A communication from the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (under the provisions of Section 50 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting amendments to the rules and regulations governing retirement of public employees in Massachusetts 840 CMR 2.00 Retirement Board Travel, 840 CMR 4.00 Financial Operations/Standard Method of Accounting, 840 CMR 8.00 Applicability of \$30,000 Salary Cap, 840 CMR 11.00 Service After Age 70, 840 CMR 12.00 Service Between Age 65 and 70, 840 CMR 15.00 Miscellaneous, and 840 CMR 25.00 The Conduct of Field Examinations of Contributory Retirement Systems (Senate, No. 2540), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

PERAC,—
regulations.

Reports of Committees.

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

The Senate Bill changing the position of town clerk in the town of Wenham from an elected position to an appointed position (Senate, No. 2524) [Local Approval Received]; and

Wenham,—
town clerk.

House bills

Designating Childs River Overpass Route 28 Falmouth for Marine Combat Veteran Kevin P. Quinn (House, No. 4044);

Falmouth,—
Quinn overpass.

Relative to changing the term of the elected office of moderator for the town of Stoneham (House, No. 4075) [Local Approval Received]; and

Stoneham,—
moderator.

Providing for an alternate member of the town of Mattapoisett finance committee (House, No. 4159) [Local Approval Received];

Mattapoisett,—
finance
committee.

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

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Cheryl Thouin, an employee of the Hampshire County Sheriff's Office (House, No. 4233). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Cheryl
Thouin,—
sick leave.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (see House, No. 2555); and

Bills
enacted.

Exempting the position of police chief in the town of Lancaster from the civil service law (see House, No. 2571);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Norwell to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 2765); and

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the town of Truro to establish a program to reduce property tax liability in exchange for volunteer services for persons with disabilities (House, No. 3735);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representative Garcia of Chelsea moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Richard A. Voke, a member of the House from Chelsea from 1977 to 1996, inclusive, and Majority Leader of the House from 1991 to 1996, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned.

[Under the provisions of Article X of the Amendments to the Constitution, the 2023 session of the General Court was dissolved on the day next preceding the first Wednesday of January, without any proclamation or other act of His Excellency the Governor.]

Attest:

STEVEN T. JAMES,
Clerk.