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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.