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Thursday, August 27, 2015.

Met at six minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Lovely in the Chair).

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

Communications.

The following communications were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Communication from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader, announcing the appointment (pursuant to Chapter 431 of the Acts of 2014) of Mr. Seth Yorra of Rockport as his designee to the Task Force on Child Sexual Abuse Prevention; and Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Section 2E of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014) submitting an updated Fiscal Year 2015 transfer schedule for the following account: 1595-1068 Medical Assistance Trust Fund (received August 21, 2015).

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (pursuant to Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the August 2015 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Report (received August 24, 2015); Report of the Executive Office of Education (pursuant to Chapter 287 of the Acts of 2012) submitting its FY15 Early Literacy Expert Panel year two annual report (copies having been forwarded as required to the Joint Committees on Education and Higher Education) (received August 25, 2015); and Report of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (pursuant to Section 2 of Chapter 170 of the Acts of 2004) submitting its Annual Electronic Control Weapons Use Brief for 2013 and 2014 (received August 25, 2015).

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2002) of Jennifer L. Flanagan and Jonathan D. Zlotnik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the appointment of assistant city clerks in the city of Gardner [Local approval received]; and

By Mr. Joyce, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2001) of Brian A. Joyce and Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to a quorum of a public body in the town of Milton [Local approval received];

**Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government
Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Anne M. Gobi and Susannah M. Whipps Lee for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Roger Sweeney, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Correction; and By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael O. Moore for legislation to establish a

prepaid wireless E911 surcharge;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3739) of Paul Tucker and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Salem be authorized to convert three licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to licenses for the sale all alcohol beverages to be drunk on the premises; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3740) of Paul Tucker and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Salem be authorized to convert a seasonal license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to a license for the sale all alcohol beverages to be drunk on the premises;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3738) of Josh S. Cutler (by vote of the town) that the town of Hanson be authorized to enter into an employment contract with a highway surveyor;

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A Bill relative to the taking of property by the Medway Redevelopment Authority (House, No. 3361,-- on petition) [Local approval received],- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross) “congratulating Patrick Shane Zeller of the town of Wrentham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The House Bill authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the city of Boston (House, No. 2339) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Bill Returned with Recommendation of Amendment.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, returning with recommendation of amendment the engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jeremy Bray, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 3657) [for message, see House, No. 3737],— came from the House with an amendment in the form approved by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading as follows:-

By inserting after the second sentence the following sentence: “Upon exhaustion of all other available leave time including personal days, vacation days, sick time and any time available pursuant to the extended leave illness bank established by section 4P of chapter 7 of the General Laws, Jeremy Bray shall be permitted to use any time credited to the sick leave bank established by this act.”

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the bill was before the Senate subject to amendment and re-enactment.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the Governor’s amendment was considered forthwith.

On motion of the same Senator, the Governor’s amendment was adopted, in concurrence (as corrected BTR).

Sent to the House for re-enactment.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3743) of David Paul Linsky for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Marian Grant, an employee of the Trial Court;

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3744) of John H. Rogers and Michael F. Rush for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Diane Ranno, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation;

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

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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

Adjournment in Memory of Attleboro Mayor Judith Robbins

The Senator from Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex, Mr. Ross, and the Senator from Bristol and Norfolk, Mr. Timilty, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of former Attleboro Mayor Judith Robbins.

Judith Robbins served as Mayor of the City of Attleboro from 1991 to 2003, the second longest tenure of any mayor in city history, and was the city's second female mayor.

Judith was the first woman elected to the Attleboro city council and was the first female president of the city council.

She also served on Attleboro's Planning Board, the MBTA Board of Directors, and the committee responsible for rewriting Attleboro's city charter.

Following her tenure as mayor, Judith was appointed to the Attleboro Redevelopment Authority, and served as chairwoman.

Judith is survived by her husband Marcus, their two children, Andrew Robbins and Janet Robinson, two sisters, Susan Harris-Sharples of Plymouth and Hilary Penglase of North Egremont, and five grandchildren..

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of former Attleboro Mayor Judith Robbins, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.