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Wednesday, December 30, 2015.

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

Sean and Michael Happel, guests Senator Hedlund, led the Chair (Mr. Hedlund), members, guests and staff in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Report.

Report of the Department of Public Health (pursuant to Section 232 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting its report entitled "Suicides in Massachusetts: 2013 Data Report" (received December 29, 2015),-- **was placed on file.**

Petition.

Ms. O'Connor Ives presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kathleen O'Connor Ives (by vote of the town of Newburyport) for legislation relative to a regional veterans' services district in Essex County,-- **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Elizabeth Missett Browning, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3913,-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

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 Senate Bill authorizing the town of Raynham to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2075),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Joan B. Lovely, Paul McMurtry, Geoff Diehl, Marc T. Lombardo and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to free fishing licenses.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Donnelly, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Joan B. Lovely and Ellen Story for legislation relative to postpartum depression screening.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Donnelly, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Health Care Financing. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

By Ms. Spilka, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jared Forgues, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2077),-- ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2084).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Donnelly, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The bill (Senate, No. 2084) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Sent to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The House Bill authorizing the Turners Falls Fire District to establish certain funds (House, No. 1853).

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

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 relative to an affordable housing trust in the town of Duxbury (House, No. 3325),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3925) of James M. Murphy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Robert Stevens, an employee of the Department of Housing and Community Development,-- **was referred in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Raynham to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 2075) (which originated in the Senate), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Hedlund) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Donnelly,--

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

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