

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, October 15, 2002.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mrs. Harkins of Needham 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 (Mrs. Harkins), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brown of Wrentham) congratulating Sebastian L. and Phyllis A. Giampapa on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brown of Wrentham) congratulating Walter C. Tillinghast on being named Person of the Year by the Friends of Christopher Columbus;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Khan of Newton) honoring Scott M. Bock for his years of service to Riverside Community Care;

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. O'Brien of Kingston and Straus of Mattapoisett) on the occasion of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Middleboro Gazette; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Wolf of Cambridge) honoring Mayor Tadatoshi Akiba;

Mr. Honan of Boston, 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. Walrath of Stow, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petition.

Mr. Larkin of Pittsfield presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5354) of Peter J. Larkin, Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., Shaun P. Kelly and Christopher J. Hodgkins (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Pittsfield be authorized to implement an early retirement incentive program for certain employees of said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Michael W. Morrissey, Bruce J. Ayers, A. Stephen Tobin and Ronald Mariano (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Quincy to borrow money to pay for certain costs of health insurance benefits for employees and retirees of said city, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Local Affairs.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2487) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Local Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, for the committee on Election Laws, on a message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor, a Bill validating certain votes taken by the town of Hopkinton (printed in House, No. 5343). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kujawski of Webster, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Report of the committee on Government Regulations, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5056) of Garrett J. Bradley (by vote of the town) that the town of Hingham be authorized to issue additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

Under suspension of Rule 42, on motion of Mr. Bradley of Hingham, the report was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on acceptance of the report, the petition was recommitted, on motion of Mr. Bosley of North Adams.

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill relative to apprenticeship training programs (see Senate, No. 2421, amended) (which originated in the Senate) (which had been returned by Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting 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.

Engrossed bills

Relative to the Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine (see Senate, No. 386);

Relative to credit union real estate loans (see Senate, No. 2214);

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Relative to the indemnification of retired police officers and fire fighters in the town of Halifax (see House, No. 5003, changed);

Relative to the charter of the town of Provincetown (see House, No. 5057);

Relative to the membership of the conservation commission of the town of Marion (see House, No. 5113);

Authorizing the town of Ware to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5121); and

Relative to recall in the town of North Brookfield (see House, No. 5150);

(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 establishing a sick leave bank for Kevin J. Welch, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 5333) (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.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Richard F. Ryan III, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 5319) (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.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Boston moved that it be amended 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, 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. 5319, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Finneran of Boston,—

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

At eighteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (Mrs. Harkins of Needham being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.
