

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 31, 2002.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Petruccelli of Boston in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Ever-Present and Loving God, we pause for a moment of prayer and reflection as we turn our thoughts and attention to You. By placing our trust and faith in You, we recognize You as Our Creator in Whose image, the Scriptures reveal, we have been created and endowed with a temporal and eternal destiny. In Your goodness, You have made known to us the way which leads to You and personal happiness. Inspire us to remain faithful to Your human and spiritual values and the beliefs and teachings of our own religious congregations and churches. Keep us alert to and aware of the present needs of people and of the times and the challenges to future generations.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Petruccelli), the members, guests and employees joined with him 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. Bosley of North Adams) congratulating Danny K. Quillen on the occasion of his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. George of Yarmouth) congratulating the Mount Horeb Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Dennis;

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Kaufman of Lexington and Stanley of Waltham) congratulating Gregory Gilbert on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Joan Craig on receiving the 2002 Harriet F. Siegel Shining Light Award for Lifelong Volunteer Achievement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating the Cognex Corporation on receiving the Natick Education Foundation's Business Leadership Award;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Tilly and Salvy's Bacon Street Farm on receiving the Natick Education Foundation's Business Leadership Award;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Naughton of Clinton) in recognition of John "Jack" Moran being named the 2002 Person of the Year by the Wachusett Chamber of Commerce; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett) congratulating Seamus Lavalley on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. DiMasi 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 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 Mrs. Parente of Milford, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5362) of Marie J. Parente and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) that the licensing authority of the town of Milford be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises; and

By the same member, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5363) of Marie J. Parente and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) that the town of Milford be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises; Severally to the committee on Government Regulations.

By Mr. Hargraves of Groton, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5364) of Robert S. Hargraves and Steven C. Panagiotakos (by vote of the town) relative to increasing the membership of the board of selectmen of the town of Groton; and

By Mrs. Parente of Milford, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5365) of Marie J. Parente and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) relative to the geriatric authority of the town of Milford;

Severally to the committee on Local Affairs.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the concurrent jurisdiction of the Land Court (House, No. 1989, changed and amended) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 20, in line 6, and also in section 21, in line 6, by striking out the words “, subdivision or land-use” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words “or subdivision”.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston, the amendments (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the licensing of sign installers (House, No. 4067, amended) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 2, in line 64, striking out the date: “June 1, 2002” and inserting in place thereof the date: “February 1, 2003”, and in line 85, by inserting after the word “chapter.” the following sentence: “The operating and administrative costs of the board in implementing this chapter shall not exceed the revenue generated by the licensing and renewal fees assessed upon sign installers under this chapter.”.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the amendments (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

A Bill further regulating the granting of temporary licenses for the sale of wine at certain auctions (Senate, No. 2489) (on Senate bill, No. 2238), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was 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. Connolly of Everett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2490) of Pamela P. Resor and Cory Atkins (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Acton to lease the historic Towne School building for the purpose of preservation and residential use, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Local Affairs.

Notice was received that the President of the Senate had announced the appointments of Senators Montigny of the Second Bristol District, Havern of the Fourth Middlesex District, Magnani of the Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester District and Knapik of the Second Hampden and Hampshire District to the advisory committee established (pursuant to Section 44 of Chapter 246 of the Acts of 2002) to study and make recommendations relative to proposals and actions to finance the obligations of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, the Metropolitan Highway system, the Massachusetts Port Authority and the Central Artery/Ted Williams Tunnel project.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning retirement and civil service (House, No. 5340) reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5244) of Elizabeth Poirier and Cheryl A. Jacques relative to the effective date of certain civil service laws in the town of Plainville,— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Public Service. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to correct a technical error in M.G.L. Ch. 254 and make notice requirements consistent (printed as Senate, No. 931). 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. Donato of Medford, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Ms. Balser of Newton, for the committee on Local Affairs, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (House, No. 5330). 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. Connolly of Everett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Kujawski of Webster, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill establishing a building reserve fund in the city of Revere (Senate, No. 2068) [Local Approval Received] be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Kujawski of Webster, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill relative to certain recorded memoranda of litigation involving real property (Senate, No. 2483) 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.

Engrossed Bills.

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Relative to dog license fees for senior citizens (see House, No. 3054, changed); and

Relative to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank (see House, No. 3659, 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

Relative to certain firearm fees (House, No. 5018);

Authorizing the town of Holden to purchase water from the city of Worcester (House, No. 5222); and

Authorizing the town of Hingham to grant certain licenses (House, No. 5358);

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. Donato of Medford,—

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

At twenty-seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Donato (Mr. Petruccelli of Boston being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.
