

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, November 14, 2002.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Walsh 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: Gracious God, our belief and trust in You and Your often mysterious ways enables us to accept and carry out our personal and legislative responsibilities in a thoughtful, mature and reasoned manner. With Your assistance and guidance, we have the capacity to transform our ordinary routine obligations into acts of significant and relevant service to people and our communities. By our cooperation with You, our daily actions take on a deeper religious meaning. In Your goodness, inspire us to be good leaders by exercising our intellectual skills in reaching decisions. Teach us to keep our ideals, goals and priorities in clear focus.

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

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Walsh), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Ms. Stanley of West Newbury and other members of the House) commemorating the observance of World Diabetes Day 2002, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mrs. Harkins of Needham, for the committee on Rules, then reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

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

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Balsler of Newton, Khan of Newton and Smizik of Brookline) commemorating the celebration of Hanukkah;

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Paulsen of Belmont) congratulating Ryan Landry on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rogers of New Bedford) honoring the Panthers Athletic and Social Club on the occasion of its seventieth anniversary; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Swan of Springfield) congratulating Lucille Squire on the celebration of her ninety fourth birthday;

Mrs. Harkins of Needham, 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 Mr. Bradley of Hingham, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Garrett J. Bradley relative to the issuance of certain retraining orders.

By Mr. Peterson of Grafton, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of George N. Peterson Jr., and Guy W. Glodis for legislation to authorize the Department of Social Services to establish a sick leave bank for Madelyn Butkus, an employee of said department.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2492) of Michael R. Knapik and Cele Hahn (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to Ponders Hollow Road in the city of Westfield, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Local Affairs.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:

The Honorable Thomas M. Finneran
Speaker of the House of Representatives
356 State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to inform you that the Senate President has announced the appointment of the Senator from Middlesex and Worcester, Ms. Resor, to the position vacated by the resignation of the Senator from Norfolk and Plymouth, Mr. Morrissey, (at his request) on the special commission (pursuant to St. 2002, c. 184, section 238); to conduct an investigation and study relative to the adequacy and effectiveness of existing licensing and regulation of the cable television operations by municipalities and the commonwealth; and the appointment of the Senator from Middlesex and Worcester, Ms. Resor, the Senator from Worcester and Middlesex, Mr. Antonioni, and the Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. Hedlund, to the advisory commission (pursuant to St. 2002, c. 246, section 59) on multimodal transportation improvements to the Massachusetts Bay Transit Association line corridor in the city of Fitchburg.

Respectfully,
Patrick F. Scanlan,
Clerk of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, for the committee on Election Laws, on House, No. 5264, a Bill relative to the representative town meeting members in the town of Burlington (House, No.

5373) [Local Approval Received]. 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. Murphy of Burlington, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Bosley of North Adams, for the committee on Government Regulations, on a petition, a Bill concerning the sale of alcoholic beverages in the town of Brookline (House, No. 5265) [Local Approval Received]. 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 rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Verga of Gloucester, for the committee on Local Affairs, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Dighton Water District (House, No. 5285) [Local Approval Received]. 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. Casey of Winchester, 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 Bill authorizing the town of Southwick to supply water to certain property located in the city of Westfield (Senate, No. 2370) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

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

By Mr. Rogers of Norwood, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill clarifying the tax treatment of prepaid calling arrangements (House, No. 1320) ought to pass. 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 Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Wolf of Cambridge, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Rogers of Norwood, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain land in the town of Ashfield (House, No. 5217) ought to pass. 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 Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Connolly of Everett, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bills.

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Establishing a building reserve fund in the city of Revere (see Senate, No. 2068);

Further protecting children (see Senate, No. 2436);

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Relative to undistributed ballots (see House, No. 994); and

Establishing the Mashpee economic development and industrial corporation (see House, No. 4430);

(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 Senate Bill providing for recall election for the Athol-Royalston regional school district (Senate, No. 1854), 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.

House bills

Relative to the collection and dissemination of certain reports by the Division of Banks (House, No. 18) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to the borrowing of money by the city of Medford (House, No. 5326); and

Relative to eligibility for extended federal unemployment benefits (House, No. 5368);

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.

Engrossed Bill.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

The engrossed Bill relative to the borrowing of money by the city of Medford (see House, No. 5326) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Finneran of Boston,—

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

At seven minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford (Mr. Walsh of Boston having returned to the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.
