

Monday, February 6, 2012.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford 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 (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Semi-Annual Report.

The semi-annual report of the Insurance Fraud Bureau (pursuant to Section 1 (k) of Chapter 338 of the Acts of 1990, as most recently amended by Section 5 of Chapter 279 of the Acts of 2002) containing a spending and management plan for said office, was placed on file.

Insurance
Fraud
Bureau.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Ashe of Longmeadow, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian M. Ashe and others for legislation to establish a special fund to be used for the replanting of trees in certain storm damaged areas.

Tree
replacement,—
fund.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian M. Ashe and others for legislation to authorize municipal finance oversight boards to extend the time period for emergency appropriations.

Municipalities,—
emergency
appropriations.

By Mr. D'Emilia of Bridgewater (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Pearl Cohen for legislation to further regulate certain charitable solicitations.

Charitable
solicitaions.

By Representative Kocot of Northampton and Senator Rosenberg, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Peter V. Kocot and Stanley C. Rosenberg for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Janet Ochner, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services.

Janet
Ochner,—
sick leave.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sarah K. Peake and others relative to the appointment of alternate members on local historical commissions.

Historical
commissions,—
members.

By Ms. Reinstein of Revere, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein for legislation to designate a certain pedestrian bridge in the city of Revere as the Christina Markey and John Markey Memorial Pedestrian Bridge and to designate a certain maintenance facility located in said city as the Captain Arthur "Icy" Reinstein Memorial Maintenance Facility.

Revere,—
facility
naming.

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Martin J. Walsh and others for legislation to designate the eighteenth of October as inflammatory breast cancer awareness day.

Inflammatory
breast cancer
day.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to prescription drug diversion, abuse and addiction (Senate, No. 2125) (on Senate bill No. 2122), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Drug
addiction.

Kingston,—
wind
energy.

A Bill authorizing the town of Kingston to install, finance and operate wind energy facilities (Senate, No. 1915) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reports of Committees.

Mental health,—
oversight
commission.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Bill relative to creating a community based flexible supports oversight commission (House, No. 1429, changed), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3929).

Insurance
company
rebates.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Bill relating to insurance company rebates (House, No. 3776), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3930).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, with the amendments pending.

Child
suicide,—
study.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on House, No. 1922, a Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to child suicide (House, No. 3924).

Vocational
technical
education.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 212 and 213 and House, Nos. 173, 1078 and 1082, a Bill relative to vocational technical education (House, No. 3926).

Severally read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

MCAS
appeals.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on House, No. 1938, a Bill to expand access to the MCAS appeals process (House, No. 3925).

Students,—
career
plans.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 226 and House, Nos. 1941 and 1945, a Bill establishing six-year career plans for all Massachusetts public school students (House, No. 3931).

Graduation
requirements.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 258 and House, Nos. 140, 167, 1944 and 1946, a Bill relating to high school graduation requirements for students with learning disabilities (House, No. 3932).

MassHealth,—
waivers.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on Senate, No. 490 and House, No. 2086, a Bill to establish criteria for MassHealth hardship waivers (House, No. 3927) [Estimated cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Cleft palate
and lip,—
treatment.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2065, reported, in part, a Bill relative to the treatment of cleft palate and cleft lip (House, No. 3928) [Estimated cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Aquatic
nuisances.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill protecting lakes and ponds from aquatic nuisances (Senate, No. 1904), be scheduled for consideration

by the House, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3908,— pending.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to renewable energy generation on closed landfills (Senate, No. 2074), be scheduled for consideration by the House, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3912,— pending.

Landfills,—
renewable
energy.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill improving water safety for children in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2075), be scheduled for consideration by the House, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3880,— pending.

Children,—
water
safety.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Bill authorizing certain licensees of the Division of Banks to participate in a multi-state licensing system (House, No. 3727), be scheduled for consideration by the House, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3911),— pending.

Debt
collectors,—
licensing.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following matters be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Senate bills

Providing access to forensic and scientific analysis (Senate, No. 1987, amended); and

Forensic
science.

Adopting the revised uniform anatomical gift act (Senate, No. 2067);

Anatomical
Gifts.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Monterio, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 1962), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Michael
Monterio,—
sick leave
bank.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Third
reading
bill.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Frank Silveira, an employee of the Department of Revenue (Senate, No. 2117), 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.

Id.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Catherine Blais, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3894), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

Next
sitting.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at twelve o'clock noon.

At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at twelve o'clock noon.