

Thursday, August 2, 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).

Pledge of
allegiance.

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.

*Message from the Governor — Bill Returned with
Recommendation of Amendment.*

Newburyport,—
civil service.

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with recommendation of amendment the engrossed Bill exempting the positions of plumbing inspector and gas fitting inspector in the city of Newburyport from the civil service law and section 11 of chapter 142 of the General Laws [see House, No. 3848] (for message, see House, No. 4366), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Tuesday, July 31.

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the bill was thereupon “before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment recommended by His Excellency, the bill was referred, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Reports of Committees.

Snowmobile
educational
safety
program.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a snowmobile educational safety program (House, No. 3941), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— that the bill be amended by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4359),— was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

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

Senate bills

Volleyball.

Relative to designating volleyball as the official recreational and team sport of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 1709);

Afterschool
council.

Establishing the afterschool and out-of-school time coordinating council (Senate, No. 2111, amended);

Tax
appeals.

Providing taxpayers a hearing at the Appellate Tax Board (Senate, No. 2187);

Designating certain bridges under the control of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation in the town of Raynham and the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 2337);

Raynham,
etc.,—
bridges.

Relative to the use of off-highway recreation vehicles (Senate, No. 2381); and

RV's.

House bills

Relative to historic homes (House, No. 442); and

Historic homes.

Relative to collection of estimated water assessments and general fund reimbursement in the town of Charlton (House, No. 4203) [Local Approval Received];

Charlton,—
collections.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Kafka, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on House, No. 1027, a Bill establishing a board of registration of phlebotomists (House, No. 4377). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Phlebotomists,—
registration.

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to the retirement allowance of Derek Cook in the city of Springfield (House, No. 4114) [Local Approval Received].

Springfield,—
Derek Cook.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to civil service positions in the city of Agawam (House, No. 4189) [Local Approval Received].

Agawam,—
civil service.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the town of Wilbraham police department (House, No. 4212, changed in section 1, in line 6, by inserting after the word "superannuation." the following sentence: "The special police officers shall be subject to the same maximum age restriction as applied to regular police officers under Chapter 32 of the General Laws."; and by striking out section 10) [Local Approval Received].

Wilbraham,—
police
department.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill to exempt the position of deputy police chief of the town of Westwood (House, No. 4233) [Local Approval Received].

Westwood,—
deputy police
chief.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing Adam A. Seguin to take the civil service examination for appointment as a police officer in the town of Ware notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 4283) [Local Approval Received].

Ware,—
Adam A.
Seguin.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the Cedar Meadow Lake Watershed District to prolong betterment payments (House, No. 4319).

Cedar
Meadow
Lake
Watershed
District.

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

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, Nos. 918, 928, 1782, 1799, 1805, 1816, 2645, 2648, 2653, 2658, 2659, 2660, 2664, 2914, 2986, 3072, 3079, 3096, 3382, 3420, 3852, 3993, 4059, and 4072, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Transportation to make an investigation and study of certain

Transportation,—
study.

Transportation,—House documents concerning matters relative to transportation issues study. (House, No. 4376). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Motorcycle operation,—learner's permits.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, on the foregoing Order, then reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 928) of Ronald Mariano relative to the issuance of learner's permits for the operation of motorcycles; and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Transportation. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Engrossed Bills.

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Bills enacted.

Providing hearing aids for children (see House, No. 52, changed and amended); and

Relative to the treatment of cleft palate and cleft lip (see House, No. 3928, 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 it were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Next sitting.

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

At twenty-nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.