

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 21, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at twelve o'clock noon, 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.

Resolutions.

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

Taiwan.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mariano of Quincy) reaffirming the friendship between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Taiwan; and

Garrett J. C. Dupre.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Garrett J. C. Dupre on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, 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. Kafka of Stoughton, 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:

Deborah Farnham-Bartels,—sick leave.

By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Deborah Farnham-Bartels, an employee of the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission.

Special education funds.

By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad relative to special education funding.

Senior hoarding.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Hogan relative to senior hoarding.

Dental and vision policies.

By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Theodore C. Speliotis for legislation to include dental and vision policies in certain qualified persons' health insurance plans.

Sundays,—bow hunting.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoissett, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William M. Straus and Paul K. Frost for legislation to authorize bow and arrow hunting on Sundays.

Ballots,—parties.

By Mr. Winslow of Norfolk, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel B. Winslow relative to including more political parties on ballots.

Nomination papers,—signatures.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel B. Winslow relative to reducing the number of signatures required on nomination papers.

Voter identification,—data collection.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel B. Winslow relative to the collection and reporting of voter identification empirical

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

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

At six minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth (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.