

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 29, 2014.

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.

Resolutions.

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

Charles E.
Gobron.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Dykema of Holliston, Gregoire of Marlborough, Linsky of Natick and Naughton of Clinton) congratulating Dr. Charles E. Gobron on his retirement from his position as Superintendent of the Northborough-Southborough School District;

Robert
Marshall.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Keenan of Salem) honoring the memory of Robert 'Bongo' Marshall on the occasion of the dedication of the Essex County Regional Support Services Building; and

Gateway
Regional
School
District.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kulik of Worthington) congratulating the Gateway Regional School District on its fiftieth anniversary;

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.

Fairhaven,—
medical
marijuana.

Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4130) of William M. Straus (by vote of the town) that the town of Fairhaven be authorized to establish a local sales tax on the sale of medical marijuana in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Andrea
Thomas,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Miceli of Wilmington, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James R. Miceli and Barry R. Finegold for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Andrea Thomas, an employee of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

General
Appropriation
Bill.

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 4001), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting

clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2160.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and, on further motion of the same member, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs. Dempsey, Kulik of Worthington and deMacedo of Plymouth were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined. Committee of conference.

Subsequently notice was received from the Senate that said branch had insisted on its amendment, concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Senators Brewer, Flanagan and Ross had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate. Id.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Costello of Newburyport, for the committee on Financial Services, on House, No. 836, a Bill requiring mental health parity for disability policies (House, No. 4131). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing. Mental health parity.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Housing, on House, Nos. 1104 and 1141, a Bill relative to affordable housing for veterans (House, No. 1104). Veterans,—housing.

By Mr. Markey of Dartmouth, for the committee on the Judiciary, on House, No. 38 and on a part of House, No. 26, a Bill relative to the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act (House, No. 38). Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, No. 3840, a Bill relative to job creation in life sciences research and development (House, No. 4133). Life science research and development.

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

By Mr. Markey of Dartmouth, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill relative to penalties for shoplifting (printed as Senate, No. 625). Shoplifting,—penalties.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to assault and battery on public employees (printed as Senate, No. 718). Assault.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill removing the requirement to provide notice to the Department of Mental Health of a license granted to a guardian to sell real estate (printed as Senate, No. 750). Guardians,—notices.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill protecting engineers, architects, environmental professionals, landscape architects, planners, land surveyors, licensed site professionals, and contractors who render voluntary services at the scene of a disaster or catastrophe (printed as Senate, No. 795). Volunteers,—disasters.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 631, a Bill decriminalizing non-violent and verbal student misconduct (House, No. 4132). Student misconduct.

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

Emergency Measure.

General
Sylvanus
Thayer
Day.

The engrossed Bill designating June 14 as the birthday of the United States Army and June 9 as General Sylvanus Thayer Day (see Senate, No. 1963), 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.

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 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill
enacted.

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.

Engrossed Bill.

Id.

The engrossed Bill relative to the disability retirement of Woburn police officer Robert DeNapoli (see Senate, No. 2134) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

Orders of the Day.

Anne Marie
McDonough,—
sick leave.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Anne Marie McDonough, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 4056), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Senate bills

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain property at Northampton State Hospital (Senate, No. 2006); and

Relative to the board of health in the city of Worcester (Senate, No. 2065);

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, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill designating PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day (House, No. 2882), 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 Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2014.

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At twenty-one minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (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.