

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 1, 2013.

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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. deMacedo of Plymouth and Calter of Kingston) congratulating Cole Enos on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Cole
Enos.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Fernandes of Milford) congratulating Eric Hunter Peterson on earning the Eagle Scout Award; Eric Hunter
Peterson.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hunt of Sandwich, Poirier of North Attleborough and Gifford of Wareham) congratulating Leslie "Les" Perry for fifty years of service to the Commonwealth; and Leslie
Perry.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Naughton of Clinton) congratulating Cadet Second Lieutenant Beatrice Zhang on receiving the Minute Man Civil Air Patrol Mitchell Award; Beatrice
Zhang.

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 Ms. Peake of Provincetown, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Special Report.

A report from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (under Section 62 of Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2011, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 435 of the Acts 2012 and Section 31 of Chapter 36 of the Acts 2013) relative to the independent consulting analysis of the public employees retirement systems; was placed on file. Administration
and Finance,—
pension
analysis.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1838) of Jennifer L. Flanagan and Dennis A. Rosa (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to retirement benefits for Matthew Swaine, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service. Leominster,—
Matthew
Swaine.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Karen E. Spilka, Kate Hogan, John H. Rogers, Carolyn C. Dykema and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish the MetroWest commission on MetroWest
commission.

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the status of women and girls, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1842) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Reports of Committees.

Tax amnesty
program.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of Geoffrey Diehl for legislation establishing a tax amnesty program. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Pittsfield,—
charter.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill revising the charter for the city of Pittsfield (Senate, No. 1803, amended) [Local Approval Received], 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; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Brian
Schwenk,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Brian Schwenk, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3598). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Emergency Measure.

Greenhouse
gas,—
auction.

The engrossed Bill relative to the distribution of regional greenhouse gas initiative auction proceed (see House, No. 3561, amended), 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 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill
re-enacted.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) (which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Third
reading
bill.

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of Lynn to establish a program for enforcement against illegal dumping (Senate, No. 1784), 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

Designating a certain bridge in the city of Fitchburg as the George J. Bourque memorial bridge (House, No. 3042) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third
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bills.

Relative to betterments and assessments for sewer projects in the town of Barnstable (House, No. 3372) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Dwight Melvin Seams, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3599);

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.

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 seventeen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (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.