

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 5, 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.

Communication.

A communication from the Division of Energy Resources of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (under the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 25A of the General Laws) submitting amendments to 225 CMR 10, Energy Management Services (EMS) Contract ("EMS Regulations") (House, No. 3644), was referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Energy Resources,— regulations.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford and Senator Eldridge, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3642) of James Arciero and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Littleton be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Littleton,— land.

By Messrs. Mannal of Barnstable and Turner of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3643) of Brian R. Mannal and Cleon H. Turner (by vote of the town) that the town of Barnstable be authorized to appoint special police officers, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement. To the committee on Public Service. Barnstable,— special police.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Donato of Medford and Senator Jehlen, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato and Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation to authorize the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land to the city of Medford for municipal purposes. Medford,— land.

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day (by vote of the town) relative to affordable housing in the town of West Boylston. West Boylston,— affordable housing.

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James J. O'Day relative to the calculation of affordable housing units by municipalities. Affordable housing,— calculation.

By Representative Provost of Somerville and Senator Jehlen, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Denise Provost and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to retire Mario Oliveira, a police officer of said city. Somerville,— Mario Oliveira.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A-B-C Flood Board.

A Bill extending the Environmental Joint Powers Agreement that created the A-B-C Stormwater Flooding Board (Senate, No. 1857) (on Senate bill No. 343); and

Housing,— accessibility.

A Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the need for accessible homes for the elderly, returning veterans with disabilities and families that include persons with disabilities (Senate, No. 1787) (on Senate bill No. 601);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bills.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to juvenile jurisdiction (see House, No. 1432, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to 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.

Engrossed bills

Enactments subsequently voided.

Designating a certain bridge in the city of Fitchburg as the George J. Bourque Memorial Bridge (see House, No. 3042);

Authorizing the town of Sunderland to continue the employment of Richard E. Dickinson as a call firefighter (see House, No. 3286);

Providing for rent regulations and the control of evictions in manufactured housing communities in the town of Acushnet (see House, No. 3458); and

Authorizing the town of Weston to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages at a food store (see House, No. 3610);

(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.

Quorum.

Mr. Lyons of Andover thereupon asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) determined that a quorum was not in attendance. Inasmuch as a quorum was not in attendance when the previous votes were taken on severally passing the bills to be enacted, the votes, in each instance, were declared void. The Chair thereupon, at twelve minutes after eleven o'clock, under House Rule 82, declared an adjournment of the House, until the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.