

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, November 4, 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).

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.

Guests of the House.

Bradford
Elementary
School
students.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford, declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, a group of students from the Bradford Elementary School in Haverhill. They were the guests of Ms. Campbell of Methuen.

Resolutions.

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

Geographic
Alliance.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Gobi of Spencer) congratulating the Massachusetts Geographic Alliance on its twenty-fifth anniversary;

Our Lady of
Lourdes
School.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives O'Connell of Taunton, Orrall of Lakeville and Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Our Lady of Lourdes School on its fiftieth anniversary;

Higgins
Armory
Museum.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives O'Day of West Boylston, Binienda of Worcester, Keefe of Worcester, Mahoney of Worcester and Donahue of Worcester) congratulating the Higgins Armory Museum on its celebration of eighty-three years of Higgins History; and

Robert L.
Moylan, Jr.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives O'Day of West Boylston, Binienda of Worcester, Donahue of Worcester, Keefe of Worcester and Mahoney of Worcester) congratulating Robert L. Moylan, Jr., P.E. on his retirement as Commissioner of Public Works and Parks for the city of Worcester;

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.

Communication.

Energy Policy
Review
Commission.

A communication from the special Energy Policy Review Commission established (see Section 41 of Chapter 209 of the Acts of 2012) submitting its research and review report of the economic and environmental benefits as well as the economic and electricity cost implications of energy and electricity policies in the Commonwealth and recommendations on how to further expand the Commonwealth's renewable energy portfolio and promote energy-efficiency [copies of

said report forwarded to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy], was placed on file.

Annual Report.

The annual report of the Department of Correction (under the provisions of Section 16 of Chapter 123A of the General Laws) relative to sexually dangerous persons [copy of said report forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means as required by law], was placed on file. Sexually dangerous persons.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3739) of Jerald A. Parisella and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Beverly be authorized to grant four additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Beverly,—liquor licenses.

By Representative Fernandes of Milford and Senator Richard T. Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3740) of John V. Fernandes and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) that the board of selectmen of the town of Milford be authorized to appoint a town treasurer. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Milford—town treasurer.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Brady of Brockton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael D. Brady and others for legislation to require that assault and battery of a police officer responding to criminal activity be prosecuted as a felony; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules. Police officers,—assault and battery.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill relative to the adjustment of disability retirement benefits payable to Lynn police officer Gregory LeBlanc (Senate, No. 1765) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Lynn,—Gregory LeBlanc.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the bill be scheduled for consideration by the House; and, under said rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

The Senate Resolve creating a special commission on school library services in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 1906) (on Senate resolve, No. 1475), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means. School library services,—study.

The Senate Bill authorizing the board of assessors of the town of Newbury to grant an abatement of real estate taxes to certain Plum Island homeowners for fiscal year 2013 (Senate, No. 1909) (on Senate bill, No. 1788) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Newbury,—tax abatements.

Reports of Committees.

Economic
independence.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to foster economic independence (Senate, No. 1806), ought to pass with an amendment by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3737. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the matter 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 recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 1806, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Autism,—
state
services.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill establishing an integrated confidential data system among state agencies to track diagnosis, treatment, services and outcome of individuals with autism (House, No. 77).

Early
support and
education.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 32 and House, No. 125, a Bill strengthening early support and education (House, No. 125).

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Indemnity
insurance
policies.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Bill [sic] hospital indemnity insurance policies (House, No. 867), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 3730)

Psychologists,—
training.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Bill relative to acceptable health service training for psychologists (House, No. 1893), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 3731).

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

Emergencies,—
prescriptions.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Bill relative to the availability of prescription medication during an emergency (House, No. 2001), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 3732) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means, with the amendment pending.

Breast cancer,—
early detection.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on House, No. 1050, a Bill relative to breast cancer early detection (House, No. 3733).

Biosimilars,—
substitution.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3667, a Bill relative to the substitution of interchangeable biosimilars (House, No. 3734).

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

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill encouraging the improvement, expansion and development of military installations in the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 3334), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3736). Military installations.

Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets,— that the bill be amended by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3718), and the amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— pending.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House. Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

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

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of an easement at Rea's Pond Sewer Pump Station in the town of North Andover (Senate, No. 1815, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and North Andover,— pump station.

House bills

To ensure elected representation (House, No. 3422); Representation.

Relative to enhancing access to mental health treatment (House, No. 3704); and Mental health.

To strengthen campaign finance reporting requirements (House, No. 3719); Campaign finance.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill financing the production and preservation of housing for low and moderate income residents (see House, No. 3492, 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. Low and moderate income housing,— bonds.

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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

At a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.