

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, December 5, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Speliotis of Danvers 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. Speliotis) 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 Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Nicholas James Sauro receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and Nicholas
James
Sauro.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Scibak of South Hadley) congratulating Michael A. Tautznik on his retirement from the office of Mayor for the city of Easthampton; Michael A.
Tautznik.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (pursuant to Section 38N of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 as amended by Section 313 of Chapter 138 of the Acts of 1991) submitting its feasibility and program report entitled, "Final Report July 2011: Meeting the Twenty-First Century" and "The Boston Convention and Exhibition Center Expansion Financing Plan", was placed on file. Convention
Center
Authority.

Petitions.

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3807) of Brian S. Dempsey (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Haverhill be authorized to appoint Scott Marchand as a fire fighter, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Haverhill,—
Scott
Marchand.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Gifford of Wareham (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas Brian Donnelly for legislation to grant Thomas Brian Donnelly one year of creditable service in the Teachers' Retirement System. Thomas Brian
Donnelly,—
retirement.

By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and Eileen M. Donoghue for legislation to Robert A.
Montalvo,—
sick leave.

establish a sick leave bank for Robert A. Montalvo, an employee of the Department of Correction.

Check
cashing,—
regulate.

By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Danielle W. Gregoire for legislation to regulate check cashing and mandate certain reporting to the Commissioner of Banks.

Medications,—
sales tax.

By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad for legislation to exempt non-prescription or over-the-counter drugs and medicines from the sales tax.

Prisoners,—
contraband.

By Mr. Hunt of Sandwich, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Randy Hunt for legislation to enhance enforcement of laws banning the delivering drugs or articles to prisoners in correctional institutions or jails.

Nonviolent
offenders,—
addiction
treatment.

By the same member, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Randy Hunt and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to mandated treatment and monitoring of nonviolent offenders with substance addictions.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Somerville,—
Mario
Oliveira.

The House Bill authorizing the retirement board of the city of Somerville to retire Mario Oliveira, a police officer of the city of Somerville (House, No. 3654), 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 1949, was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Subsequently the amendment (reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was adopted, in concurrence.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Webster,—
liquor
license.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1945) of Richard T. Moore and Ryan C. Fattman (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Webster to issue one additional [sic] all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of 41 Worcester Road; and

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1946) of Richard T. Moore and Ryan C. Fattman (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Webster to issue five additional [sic] all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises designated for use in the downtown's "slum and blight" Main Street area;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Westwood,—
Barry
Canavan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1943) of Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt Barry Canavan from the maximum age requirement as a firefighter in the town of Westwood; and

Westwood,—
civil service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1944) of Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt the police department of the town of Westwood from the provisions of the civil service law;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Robert L. Hedlund, Brian A. Joyce and Mark J. Cusack for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Trina Higgins, an employee of the Trial Court, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Trina Higgins,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1951) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

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 Garrett J. Bradley and Robert L. Hedlund for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Beth-Ann Litchfield, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services. 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 Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Beth-Ann Litchfield,—
sick leave.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill establishing a pilot program for adults with Asperger syndrome and autism (House, No. 75).

Aspergers and Autism—
adults.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide equal access to medical treatments essential for children with autism (House, No. 76).

Autism,—
children.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 56 and House, No. 101, a Bill to assess the impact of the public welfare system on the health and well being of children (House, No. 101).

Public welfare,—
children.

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

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill relative to providing a high impact program for long-term economic success (House, No. 94).

Disadvantaged families,—
progress.

By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on Senate, No. 372 and House, No. 3571, a Bill relative to ocean ecology and shark protection (House, No. 3571).

Shark fin trading.

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

By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to water service in the town of Somerset (House, No. 3618) [Local Approval Received].

Somerset,—
water service.

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Joseph W. Teta, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3781).

Joseph W. Teta,—
sick leave.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Stoneham to create a special fund for railroad right of way proceeds (House, No. 3743) [Local Approval Received].

Stoneham railroad,—
right of way.

Stoneham,—
trash
disposal.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Stoneham to establish a special fund for the collection and disposal of trash (House, No. 3744) [Local Approval Received].

Mashpee
Water and
Sewer
District.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the establishment of the Mashpee Water and Sewer District (House, No. 3767) [Local Approval Received].

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

Orders of the Day.

Senate bills

Third
reading
bills.

Increasing the membership of the board of selectmen of the town of Groveland (Senate, No. 1799) (it title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Cynthia Bouchard White, an employee of the Trial Court (Senate, No. 1937);

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.

House bills

Id.

Granting creditable service to employees of the Dedham Westwood water district (House, No. 2387);

Exempting certain real property owned by veteran organizations in the city of Gardner from taxation (House, No. 3445); and

Authorizing the town of Ashland to establish an enterprise fund (House, No. 3627);

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.

Petersham,—
debt
limit.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Petersham to borrow outside the debt limit for a certain project (Senate, No. 1844), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Ms. Andrews of Orange moved to amend it in section 1, in line 2, by inserting after the word "borrow" the words " , from time to time," , and, in line 4, by striking out the words "the Nichewaugh Inn" and inserting in place thereof the words "said structure, including site remediation costs,".

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 1844, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town administrator of Southborough to sign warrants (see House, No. 3549) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly pre-

pared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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 before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Speliotis of Danvers being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.