JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, December 16, 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).

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.

Silent Prayer.

Prior to the valedictory addresses, the Speaker spoke of the distinguished service of the late Honorable Representative John J. Binienda of Worcester, who had passed away on August 22, 2014.

At the request of the Speaker, the members, guests and employees then stood in a moment of silent prayer in respect to the memory of Mr. Binienda.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill establishing a task force to protect Massachusetts children against child sexual abuse (House, No. 4305, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in line 28 striking out year "2014" and inserting in place thereof the year "2015". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2409) for legislation to authorize the town of Tolland to continue the employment of police officer Lester M. Walker, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

December 16, 2014.

Honorable Robert A. DeLeo Speaker of the House of Representatives Room 356, State House Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Therese Murray, President of the Senate, has announced the appointments of Messrs. Michael Lenihan of Foxborough and Eric F. Bourassa of Arlington to the Special Commission established (pursuant to Section 61 of Chapter 259 of the Acts 2014) to make an investigation and study to improve coordination among utility providers and municipalities to reduce unnecessary or duplicative roadway construction related to underground utilities.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. WELCH, Clerk of the Senate.

Pledge of allegiance.

Representative John J. Binienda.

Children, sexual abuse.

Tolland,— Lester M. Walker.

Duplicative roadway construction.

Reports of Committees.

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

Increasing the retirement allowance to former police officer Michael Michael Marchese of the city of Everett (House, No. 3638) [Local Approval Received];

Amending the composition of the Stadium and Athletic Field Commission in the city of Malden (House, No. 4533) [Local Approval Received]; and

Relative to the board of health of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 4542) [Local Approval Received];

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Janet Frame, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4539), 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.

Recess.

At five minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford Recess. of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of twelve o'clock noon; and at four minutes after twelve o'clock. The House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

Valedictory Addresses.

The following members, who were not returning for the 2015-2016 Legislative Session and two former members who had previously departed from the 2013-2014 Legislative Session, then addressed the House regarding their departure from service in the House of Representatives: Representatives Matewsky of Everett; Canavan of Brockton; Andrews of Orange; Fattman of Sutton; Conroy of Wayland; Turner of Dennis; Curran of Springfield; deMacedo of Plymouth; and Peterson of Grafton; and former Representatives Keenan of Salem and Costello of Newburyport. The Speaker also read communications from Representatives Gobi of Spencer and Nyman of Hanover regarding their departure from service in the House of Representatives.

Distinguished Guests of the House.

During the course of the valedictory addresses, the Speaker introduced Treasurer and Receiver-General Steven Grossman, former Representative and former Senator Nicholas J. Costello and former Representatives Michael J. DeVito, Kathi-Anne Reinstein, Anthony J. Verga and Steven M. Walsh, who were in attendance for the farewell addresses of the members and former members

Marchese.

Malden.stadium, etc.

Chicopee,health board

Janet Frame,sick leave.

Valedictory Addresses.

State Treasurer and former members.

Sharon Jones, sick leave.

Public employee, information.

Audrey Graham Smith, sick leave.

Next sitting.

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Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Patricia D. Jehlen and Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sharon Jones, an employee of the Department of Environmental Protection, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2413) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James J. O'Day, Bruce E. Tarr and others relative to the disclosure of home addresses and telephone numbers of certain employees of the Department of Children and Families. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kevin J. Kuros and Richard T. Moore for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Audrey Graham Smith, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services. To the committee on Public Service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Rushing of Boston, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset,— Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

At twenty-seven minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (the Speaker being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.