

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, February 19, 2015.

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.

Woburn
residents.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced residents of the town of Woburn — John Bavuso, Florence Tully, Michael Ubilez and Bryan Weaton, who were seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of Mr. Dwyer of Woburn.

Special Recognition.

Asian Luner
New Year.

During the Session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and, on behalf of Representatives Chan of Quincy, Mom of Lowell, Orrall of Lakeville, Schmid of Westport and Wong of Saugus paid tribute to the members of the Asian community of the Commonwealth on the occasion of Luner New Year, as follows:

“The Lunar New Year begins at sundown today, February 19, 2015. The Lunar New Year is celebrated by several Asian nationalities. This is the 4,712th year in the Chinese lunar calendar year, which is the second longest continuous calendar in the world.

The year 4,712 is the Year of the Goat, and can be referred to as the Sheep or Ram Year. The Goat Year is the 8th year in the 12 year Zodiac.

The Lunar New Year represents a time of new beginnings and new opportunities. It is a time for families to get together to celebrate. It is a time to wish each other good health and good future for the year to come.”

Resolutions.

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

Jim
Hand.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Poirier of North Attleborough, Kafka of Stoughton, Barrows of Mansfield, Dooley of Norfolk, Howitt of Seekonk and Heroux of Attleboro) congratulating Jim Hand of the Sun Chronicle on being named one of the best state political reporters in the United States; and

Charlie
Titus.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fox of Boston) honoring coach Charlie Titus on forty years of athletic legacy;

Mr. Mariano of Quincy, for the temporary 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. Dwyer of Woburn, the resolutions were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications.

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From the Creative Economy Network within the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (see Chapter 354 of the Acts of 2008) submitting its annual report for the year 2014 [copies forwarded to the House committee on Ways and Means and the joint committees on Community Development and Small Businesses, Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, and Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development];

Creative Economy Network.

From the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education (see Section 89(kk) of Chapter 71 of the General Laws) submitting the charter school data annual report for fiscal year 2014 (school year 2013-2014); and

Charter schools.

From the Department of Revenue (see Chapter 262 of the Acts of 2004) submitting finalized biennial equalization and apportionment statistics completed by the Division of Local Services Bureau of Local Assessment;

Local assessments.

Severally were placed on file.

Annual and Special Reports.

Annual reports

Of the Division of Health Professions Licensure (see sections 9G, 25, 43 and 78 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws) submitting a consolidated report of all statutorily mandated reports for the boards of registration for physicians assistants; pharmacy; dentistry; and nursing; and additional reports of the Board of Certification of Community Health Care Workers; the boards of registration of genetic counselors; nursing home administrators; and perfusionists; and the Board of Respiratory Care, for the fiscal year 2014;

Division of Health Professions Licensure.

Of the District Attorney of the Middlesex District (under Section 32 of Chapter 12 of the General Laws) submitting a statistical report on community based juvenile justice programs in Middlesex County; and

Middlesex County,— juveniles.

Of the District Attorney of the Worcester District (under Section 32 of Chapter 12 of the General Laws) submitting a statistical report on community based juvenile justice programs in Worcester County; and

Worcester County,— juveniles.

A quarterly report of an independent evaluator assessment submitted on behalf of the Office of Child Advocate (under item 1599-7771 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014) relative to the administrative hearing process of the Department of Children and Families; and

Children and Families Department,— hearings.

A special report the Massachusetts District Attorneys' Association on behalf of all 11 District Attorneys (under Item 0340-2100 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014) detailing all district attorneys' offices' use of drug forfeiture funds collected pursuant to chapter 94C of the General Laws;

Drug forfeiture funds.

Severally were placed on file.

Recesses.

At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-five minutes after twelve o'clock noon, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recesses.

The House thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at ten minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Kafka of Stoughton in the Chair.

Orders.

House
Rules.

Mr. Mariano of Quincy, for the temporary committee on Rules, reported (under the provisions of House Rule 7C) an Order (filed by Speaker DeLeo of Winthrop) relative to amending the rules of the House of Representatives, as printed in House, No. 2016 (for order see House, No. 56); and the order was adopted.

Next
sitting.

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.

At eleven minutes after one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Kafka of Stoughton being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.