

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, July 2, 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).

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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Miss Garry of Dracut) congratulating William Zounes on the occasion of his retirement; and William
Zounes.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Zlotnik of Gardner) commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the Greenwood Memorial Pool in the city of Gardner; Gardner,—
Memorial
Pool.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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 Ms. Provost of Somerville, 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 Department of Transportation (see Section 11 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2013) transmitting a report containing its recommendations for MassDOT project selection criteria, was placed on file. MassDOT
project
selection
criteria.

Annual and Special Reports.

The annual report of the Division of Banks (under Section 13 of Chapter 167 of the General Laws) for the year 2014; Division
of Banks.

A report of the Massachusetts District Attorney's Association, on behalf of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (under Section 49 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014) containing comprehensive information and statistics related to domestic violence crimes and arrests and prosecutions of domestic violence related offenses, including dangerousness hearings, to serve as an examination of the effectiveness of the Commonwealth's domestic violence laws; Domestic
violence.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Hogan of Stow and Senator Flanagan, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3640) of Kate Hogan (by vote of the town) that the town of Bolton be authorized to recall certain elected officials. To the committee on Election Laws. Bolton,—
recall
election.

Tyngsborough,—
warrants.

By Miss Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3641) of Colleen M. Garry (by vote of the town) that certain officials in the town of Tyngsborough be authorized to approve all warrants for payment of said towns funds including payroll warrants. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Taxi
drivers,—
database.

Ms. Cole of Peabody presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Leah Cole and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the feasibility of a taxi driver license database; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

Erving,—
recall
elections.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1957) of Stanley C. Rosenberg (by vote of the town) for legislation to provide for recall elections in the town of Erving, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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:

Corporal
punishment.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions) of Ron Goldman to encourage parents and caregivers of children to refrain from the use of corporal punishment. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Farmers, etc.,—
milk.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of William Smitty Pignatelli for legislation to exempt the personal use of milk and raw milk products by owners of cows and goats from certain laws governing the use of said products. To the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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

Sharon,—
abatement.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3595) of Louis L. Kafka, James E. Timilty and Brian A. Joyce (by vote of the town) that the town of Sharon be authorized to issue an abatement for a portion of real estate taxes assessed on a certain parcel of land in said town,— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Groveland,—
election.

Relative to the 2015 annual town election in the town of Groveland (printed in House, No. 3552); and

Validating the actions taken at an annual town meeting and election held in the town of Essex (printed in House, No. 3559); Essex,—
election.

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

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill further regulating the Community Events Fund in the town of Wareham (Senate, No. 1099), 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, in concurrence. Third
reading
bill.

Order.

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. Next
sitting.

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