

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

Met at twelve minutes after two o'clock P.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
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Communications.

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From the task force established (see Section 134 of Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010) to conduct an assessment and develop a plan relative to separate and secure waiting areas in district and superior courthouses for victims and witnesses of crimes, submitting a special implementation progress report for the fiscal year 2015; and Courthouses,—
waiting
areas.

From the Attorney General of the Commonwealth, being the Chair of the Special Commission established (see Section 47 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014) to examine the housing and shelter options available to victims of domestic violence and sexual violence and explore various options for expanding such resources through legislation, notifying the Clerk of the House of a request of an extension of the reporting time for said commission to file its final report [said report having been due on June 30, 2015]; Violence
victims,—
shelter and
housing
commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Downing presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3649) of William Smitty Pignatelli and Benjamin B. Downing (by vote of the town) relative to the health insurance of certain elected officials in the town of Tyringham; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Tyringham,—
health
insurance.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jennifer E. Benson and James B. Eldridge that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Acton for general municipal purposes. Acton,—
land.

By Representative Rosa of Leominster and Senator Flanagan, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dennis A. Rosa and Jennifer L. Flanagan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jeremy Bray, an employee of the Department of Correction. Jeremy
Bray,—
sick leave.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Harriette L. Chandler and James J. O'Day for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anthony Hart, Anthony
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an employee of the Department of Mental Health, 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. 1963) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

General Appropriation Bill.

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 1930) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2016 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3401), reported, in part, a bill with the same title (House, No. 3650) [Appropriation: \$38,144,814,870.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then reported, that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House; and, under said rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance.

General Appropriation Bill,—
Eastham easement conveyance.

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 1930) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2016 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 3401), reported, in part, a Bill relative to the conveyance of easements in the town of Eastham (House, No. 3651). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then reported, that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House; and, under said rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance.

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:

Paula Campbell.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Louis L. Kafka, William C. Galvin and Brian A. Joyce for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Paula Campbell, an employee of the Trial Court. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Catherine Kungu.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of David M. Nangle for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Catherine Kungu, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services. To the committee on Public Service.

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

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Raoul Santos, an employee of the Military Division (House, No. 3625). Raoul Santos,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Craig Lindberg, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3642). Craig Lindberg,—
sick leave.

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

Recess.

At the seventeen minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at four minutes before four o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair. Recess.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of any rule to the contrary, the Clerk be authorized to publish a Calendar for said sitting containing only the committee of conference reports on the General Appropriation Bill. Next sitting.

At three minutes before four o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at one o'clock P.M.