

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 20, 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.

*Message from the Governor — Disapprovals and
Recommendations of Amendments in
General Appropriation Bill.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with his disapproval of certain items and sections, and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2016 for the maintenance of the departments, board, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements [see House, No. 3650] (for message, see House, No. 3675), filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, July 17, was read. General Appropriation Bill,—
disapprovals,
reductions and
amendments.

So much of the message as relates to the disapprovals and reductions were referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

So much of the message as relates to the sections returned with recommendations of amendments were referred, as follows:

- Section 13 — Printed as House, No. 3666;
- Section 28 — Printed as House, No. 3667;
- Section 39 — Printed as House, No. 3668;
- Section 51 — Printed as House, No. 3669;
- Section 53 — Printed as House, No. 3670;
- Section 67 — Printed as House, No. 3671;
- Section 108 — Printed as House, No. 3672;
- Section 144 — Printed as House, No. 3673; and
- Section 191 — Printed as House, No. 3674.

Severally, on motion of Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Message from the Governor.

A message from His Excellency the Governor submitting recommendations for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3676), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, July 14. Supplemental appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying schedules, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Guests of the House.

Northbridge
Senior
Center.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford) introduced a group of senior citizens from the Northbridge Senior Center in the town of Northbridge, who were seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of Mr. Muradian of Grafton.

Resolutions.

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

Mark
Fisher.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating and recognizing Mark Fisher on his retirement as town administrator of North Attleborough; and

Matthew Lee
Morris.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Matthew Lee Morris on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

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

Annual Report.

CEDAC,—
annual
report.

The annual report of the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (under Section 6 of Chapter 40H of the General Laws) for the fiscal year 2014, was placed on file.

Petitions.

Wareham,—
housing.

Representative Gifford of Wareham and Senator deMacedo presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3677) of Susan Williams Gifford and Viriato M. deMacedo (by vote of the town) that the town of Wareham be authorized to include certain manufactured housing units in the determination of the percentage of low or moderate income housing units; and the same was referred to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Alimony,—
termination.

By Mr. Ayers of Quincy (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael T. Cheney relative to termination of alimony judgments.

Shirley
Brathwaite,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Finn for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Shirley Brathwaite, an employee of the Department of Children and Families. Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Wareham,—
Community
Events
Fund.

The engrossed Bill further regulating the Community Events Fund in the town of Wareham (see Senate, No. 1099), which had been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment [for message, see Senate, No. 1968], came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been amended by said

branch in section 2, in line 3, striking out the figures "20" and inserting in place thereof the figures "25". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Janet Maslowski, an employee of the Franklin/Hampshire Juvenile Court (House, No. 3364), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in lines 2 and 3, striking out the words "Franklin/Hampshire juvenile court shall establish a sick leave bank for Janet Maslowski, an employee of the trial court" and inserting in place thereof the words "trial court shall establish a sick leave bank for Janet Maslowski, an employee of the Franklin/Hampshire juvenile court in the department of the trial court"; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Janet Maslowski, an employee of the trial court." The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Janet Maslowski,—
sick leave.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for John J. Monahan, an employee of the Trial Court (Senate, No. 1969) (on Senate bill No. 1950), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

John J. Monahan,—
sick leave.

A report of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1114) of Michael J. Barrett, Mary S. Keefe, James B. Eldridge, Barbara L'Italien and other members of the General Court for legislation to eliminate health disparities in the Commonwealth,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Health disparities.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1967) of Anne M. Gobi and Susannah M. Whipps Lee (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the provision of group health insurance benefits in the town of Athol, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Athol,—
health insurance.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill designating the 2nd Sunday in June annually as Massachusetts Race Amity Day (House, No. 2745), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Race Amity Day,—
annual designation.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Susan Welliver, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 1954), 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.

Third reading
bill amended.

The House Bill establishing a four year term for the office of City Councilor in the city of Holyoke (House, No. 3557), was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the bill be amended by substitution of a Bill establishing a four-year term for the office of City Councilor in the city of Holyoke (House, No. 3680), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paula
Campbell,—
sick leave
bank.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paula Campbell, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3652), 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, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the trial court, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3652, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.