

# JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Tuesday, September 8, 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.

### *Message from the Governor — Bill Returned with Recommendation of Amendment.*

Newton,—  
city  
charter.

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with recommendation of amendment the engrossed Bill relative to the charter of the city of Newton [see House, No. 3563, amended] (for message, see House, No. 3752), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, September 3.

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the bill was thereupon “before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment recommended by His Excellency, the bill was referred, on motion of Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

### *Resolutions.*

Littleton  
Council  
on Aging.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Arciero of Westford) congratulating the Friends of the Littleton Council on Aging on the occasion of its twenty-fifth anniversary, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

### *Quarterly Report.*

Early  
Intervention  
Program.

A quarterly report of the Department of Public Health (under item 4513-1020 of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014) submitting the Early Intervention Program report for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2015, containing information on services by unit type for said department and expenditures by payers, including third party insurers and MassHealth, was placed on file.

### *Paper from the Senate.*

Gloucester,—  
elections.

A Bill regulating preliminary elections in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 45) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

*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 joint petition of John C. Velis and Donald F. Humason, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Erica Amoako, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Day of Stoneham, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Erica  
Amoako,—  
sick leave.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to partial payments (House, No. 141), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Home  
improvement  
contractors.

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

*Engrossed Bills.*

## Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Ipswich to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 1948, amended) (which originated in the Senate); and

Bills  
enacted.

Exempting the position of police chief in the town of Hull from the civil service law (see House, No. 3596) (which originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

*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.

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At seven 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.