

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, September 22, 2016.

Met twenty-five minutes before one 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).

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.

Appointment to the Autism Commission.

Autism Commission.

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Representative Barber of Somerville to the Autism Commission established (under Section 217 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) to make recommendations on policies impacting individuals with autistic spectrum disorders.

Resolutions.

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

John Grugan.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating John Grugan on the occasion of his retirement;

Worcester, — Kiwanis Club.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Mahoney of Worcester, O'Day of West Boylston, Keefe of Worcester, Campanale of Leicester and Donahue of Worcester) commending the Kiwanis Club of Worcester, Inc. on its one hundredth anniversary;

Barbara Muldoon.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rogers of Cambridge) congratulating Barbara Muldoon for her thirty-two years of dedicated service as a member of the Arlington Library Board of Trustees; and

Kayla Harrison.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Speliotis of Danvers) congratulating Kayla Harrison on earning her second gold medal at Rio 2016, the Games of the XXXI Olympiad;

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

Communications.

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Education evaluation grants.

From the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (see item 7010-0050 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting a report relative to the Education Evaluation Grant Program;

Juvenile life sentencing.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 7 of Chapter 189 of the Acts of 2014) submitting the report of the Juvenile Life Sentence Commission; and

Substance Abuse Trust Fund.

From the Department of Public Health (see item 1595-4510 of Section 2E of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting quarterly reports

for the fiscal year 2015 and for the first three quarters of the fiscal year 2016 of the Substance Abuse Trust Fund; Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

The 2016 annual report of the Division of Standards (under Section 57 of Chapter 98 of the General Laws) for the work completed during the fiscal year 2015; and

Division of Standards.

The report of the Department of Public Health (under Section 55 of the Acts of 2015) submitting an Assessment of Massachusetts Opioid-Related Deaths;

Opioid-related deaths.

Severally were placed on file.

Petition.

Mr. Dwyer of Woburn presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4644) of James J. Dwyer and Jay R. Kaufman (with approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing the city of Woburn to issue additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises; and the same was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Woburn, — liquor licenses.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the membership of the conservation commission of the town of Sturbridge (Senate, No. 2355) (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.

Sturbridge, — conservation commission.

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 petition of Paul W. Mark relative to blasting. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Blasting operations.

By Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, on House, Nos. 298 and 3219, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to economic development issues (House, No. 4618).

Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, — study.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on House, Nos. 405, 444, 464 and 3804, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Education to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to charter school issues (House, No. 4619).

Education, — study.

Elder Affairs,— study. By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on Senate, No. 370 and House, Nos. 518, 535 and 3404, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Elder Affairs to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents relative to elder affairs issues (House, No. 4620).

Financial Services,— study. By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Financial Services, on House, Nos. 258, 793, 810, 814, 894 and 946, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to financial services issues (House, No. 4621).

Health Care Financing,— study. By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on House, Nos. 76, 827, 999, 1008, 1432, 3278 and 4198, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Health Care Financing to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to the financing and delivery of health care in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4622).

Id. By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 84 and 124, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Health Care Financing to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to the financing and delivery of health care in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4623).

Judiciary,— study. By Mr. Fernandes of Milford, for the committee on the Judiciary, on House, Nos. 5, 9, 1152, 1160, 1183, 1184, 1186, 1188, 1198, 1202, 1213, 1217, 1223, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1235, 1242, 1246, 1253, 1255, 1273, 1274, 1275, 1276, 1279, 1285, 1286, 1296, 1301, 1311, 1315, 1318, 1320, 1331, 1335, 1336, 1337, 1344, 1355, 1359, 1370, 1387, 1402, 1405, 1424, 1427, 1428, 1429, 1431, 1436, 1442, 1443, 1444, 1447, 1448, 1449, 1456, 1460, 1470, 1472, 1477, 1485, 1492, 1505, 1507, 1511, 1514, 1530, 1531, 1532, 1564, 1574, 1575, 1584, 1593, 1594, 1596, 1603, 1611, 1619, 1623, 1631, 1637, 1644, 1649, 1659, 1672, 1673, 3254, 3435, 3438, 3443, 3444, 3451, 3453, 3454, 3476, 3607, 3830 and 4018, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on the Judiciary to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to judiciary issues (House, No. 4624).

Id. By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 1211, 1269, 1305, 1332, 1352, 1357, 1382, 1486, 1513, 1622, 1628, 1654, 1655, 1656, 1663, 1664, 3436, 3897, 3993, 4098, 4265, 4273 and 4287, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on the Judiciary to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to judiciary issues (House, No. 4625).

Revenue,— study. By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, Nos. 4250 and 4264, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to revenue issues (House, No. 4626) [Senator Fattman dissenting].

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

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

Senate bills
Relative to the selection of school committee persons in the city known as the town of Agawam (Senate, No. 2397, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and Agawam,— school committee.

Creating a department of municipal finance in the town of Carver under the direction of a finance director (Senate, No. 2460) [Local Approval Received]; and Carver,— finances.

House bills
Exempting the position of police chief in the town of Orange from the civil service law (House, No. 4025) [Local Approval Received]; Orange,— police chief.

Relative to the retirement benefits of retired police officer John R. Busby, Jr. of the Falmouth police department (House, No. 4476) [Local Approval Received]; Falmouth,— John Busby.

Relative to the assessment of local property taxes in the town of Westwood (House, No. 4573) [Local Approval Received]; Westwood,— property taxes.

Authorizing Timothy King to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board (House, No. 4580); Timothy King.

Authorizing Michael Locke to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board (House, No. 4581); and Michael Locke.

Authorizing the town of Huntington to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4585) [Local Approval Received]; Huntington,— liquor license.

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

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing Peace Day in the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 2181, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble. Peace Day.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills
Relative to the membership of the Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Cleanup Fund Administrative Reuse Board (see Senate, No. 2096) (which originated in the Senate); Bills enacted.

Bills
enacted.

Further regulating the recorking of wine (see House, No. 199, changed and amended);

Authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Dracut (see House, No. 4012);

Making a corrective change for a certain reserve fund in the town of Hingham (see House, No. 4051);

Authorizing the town of Fairhaven to grant 1 additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4528);

Authorizing the city of Salem to grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4529); and

Authorizing the town of Foxborough to grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4551);

(Which severally 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.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Tisbury to convert licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4594) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Authorizing the city of Beverly to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 4586);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.Second
reading
bill.

The House Bill to amend Section 3, Chapter 111M of the General Laws relative to Massachusetts residents living in a foreign country and health insurance penalties (House, No. 1037), was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Emergencies,—
prescription
medications.

The House Bill relative to the availability of prescription medication during an emergency (House, No. 1988), 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. Kafka of Stoughton moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4643), which was read.

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

Registries of
deeds,—
modernize.

The House Bill relative to modernizing the registries of deeds (House, No. 3862), 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 striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

“SECTION 2. Said section 63 of said chapter 185, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

Every deed or other instrument, voluntary or involuntary, so filed with the recorder or assistant recorder, shall be numbered and indexed, and endorsed with a reference to the proper certificate of title. All records and papers relative to registered land in the office of the recorder shall be open to the public in the same manner as probate records, subject to such reasonable regulations as the recorder, under the direction of the court, may make. All records and papers relative to registered land in the office of an assistant recorder shall be open to the public by having copies or electronic images of such records and papers available for public inspection.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3862, 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 Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At the hour of one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (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.