

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, December 7, 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.

Resolutions.

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

Philip
Droney.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Chief Philip E. Droney on his retirement from the police department in the town of Needham; and

Charles
Sumner.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Whelan of Brewster and Peake of Provincetown) congratulating Charles Lorne Sumner on his retirement from the town of Brewster;

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

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Acton,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representatives Atkins of Concord and Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3884) of Cory Atkins (by vote of the town) that the town of Acton be authorized to grant sixteen additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages and six additional licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Wellesley,—
town
manager
government.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3883) of Alice Hanlon Peisch, Cynthia S. Creem and Richard J. Ross (by vote of the town) relative to a selectman-town manager form of government in the town of Wellesley. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Newton,—
special
police.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3885) of Kay Khan, Ruth B. Balsler and John J. Lawn, Jr., (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) that the city of Newton be authorized to appoint retired police officers as special police officers notwithstanding the maximum age restrictions. To the committee on Public Service.

Natick,—
utility
poles.

By Mr. Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3886) of David Paul Linsky, Karen E. Spilka and Richard J. Ross (by vote of the town) that the town of Natick be authorized to assess

finances for failure to relocate or remove utility poles and wires. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a department of public works in the town of Plainville (Senate, No. 2037) (on Senate, No. 1960) [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.

Plainville,—
public
works.

A report of the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 182) of Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation relative to credit and debit cards,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Financial Services,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Credit
and debit
cards.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to the tax status of certain land owned by a housing authority within the city of Cambridge (House, No. 3867) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Cambridge,—
land.

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.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Public Service, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill relative to authorizing the town of Manchester-by-the-Sea to employ Albert B. Beardsley as fire chief (printed in House, No. 3859). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Manchester-
by-the-Sea,—
Albert B.
Beardsley.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the city of Lynn to grant 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 2038) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills
enacted.

Exempting Albert P. Manzi, III from the maximum age requirement for applying for civil service appointment as a police officer in the town of North Andover (see House, No. 2272); and

Authorizing the town of Wayland to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3722, amended);

(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.

Third
reading
bill.

The House Bill designating a certain overpass in the city of Fall River as the Patrolman Edward Joaquin memorial overpass (House, No. 3794), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Sudbury,—
tax
exemptions.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Sudbury to amend Chapter 169 of the Acts of 2012 (House, No. 3815), 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 substitution of a Bill extending a certain property tax exemption for seniors in the town of Sudbury (House, No. 3890).

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

Order.

Next
sitting.

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.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Gifford of Wareham (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.