

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, December 27, 2016.

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.

Communications.

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Hospitals,—high risk infants.

From the Department of Public Health (under sections 67A and 67C of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting a report on the status of premature and high risk infants and programs for the prevention, care, and follow-up of premature and other designated high risk infants and establishing criteria for services to be provided, entitled "Preterm Hospital Discharge and Quality Improvement";

Naloxone distribution programs.

From the Department of Public Health (under item 4512-0204 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) submitting a report on the purchase, administration and training of first-responder and bystander naloxone distribution programs, entitled "First Responder Naloxone Grants and Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution"; and

Early intervention respite services.

From the Department of Public Health (under item 4513-1020 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) submitting a report on the total number of units of service purchased and the total expenditures for the units of service paid by the department, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services and third party payers for certain early intervention services, entitled "Early Intervention Respite Services FY16 Expenditures and Referrals Approved by Month"; Severally were placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Municipal officers.

The House Bill providing for employment contracts for appointed municipal assessors, treasurers and collectors (House, No. 1832) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2521. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Deerfield,—Gary Sibilila and David Gendron.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Deerfield to continue the employment of police officers Gary Sibilila and David Gendron (House, No. 4263, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, in line 4, inserting after the word "duties" the words ", whichever occurs first". The amendment

was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The House Bill exempting officers in the town of Grafton Police Department from the civil service law (House, No. 4603) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, in lines 2 and 3, striking out the following: "previously subject to chapter 31 of the General Laws". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Grafton police,—civil service.

A Bill relative to risk management and own risk and solvency assessment (Senate, No. 2517) (on Senate bill No. 2276), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Risk management and solvency assessment.

Bills

Relative to the provision of group health insurance benefits in the town of Athol (Senate, No. 1967) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Athol,—benefits.

Establishing an arts, culture and tourism promotion fund in the city of New Bedford (Senate, No. 2500, amended in section 1, in line 18, by striking out the words "in the city's tourism and marketing department") (on a petition) [Local Approval Received]; and

New Bedford,—tourism.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Kristine Schneider, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (Senate, No. 2510, amended by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

Kristine Schneider,—sick leave.

"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 department of transitional assistance, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.") (on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were 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 petition of Chris Walsh for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Iqbal Shahzad, an employee of the Department of Public Health. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, 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.

Iqbal Shahzad,—sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Deborah McNamara, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (House,

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No. 4772). Read; and 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.

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

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the bill (having been 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.

Leah  
Reed,—  
sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Leah Reed, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4771); and

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Ronald Friel (House, No. 4773);

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

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then reported, in each instance, that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Ronald  
Friel,—  
sick leave.

Worcester,—  
land.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill authorizing the transfer of certain parcels of land in the city of Worcester to promote economic development (House, No. 4774), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then reported recommending that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the bill (having been 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.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the following bills ought to pass:

Senate bills

Updating terminology and investigative practices related to the protection of persons with a disability (Senate, No. 2168); and

Relative to principle-based reserving for life insurance (Senate, No. 2450); and

House bills

Strengthening early support and education (House, No. 98);

Establishing a Hampshire-Franklin Commission on the Status of Women (House, No. 1867); and

Disabled,—  
protection.

Life  
insurance.

Early support.  
Women,—  
commission.

Providing for provisional licensure for speech-language pathologists (House, No. 3879);

Speech-  
language  
pathologists.

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

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, reported recommending that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to train culverts in the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 4742, changed), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Lynnfield,—  
culverts.

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. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the following bills ought to pass:

To protect access to confidential healthcare (Senate, No. 2138, amended); and

Healthcare.

Relative to insurance coverage for craniofacial disorders (House, No. 4206);

Craniofacial  
disorders.

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

*Orders of the Day.*

The Senate amendment of the House Bill correcting a procedural omission regarding actions against certain decedents under the Uniform Probate Court (House, No. 1194), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Uniform  
Probate  
Court,—  
decedents.

The Senate Bill relative to self-storage insurance (Senate, No. 2233, amended), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

Self-storage  
insurance.

House bills

Relative to the position of appointed collector in the town of Northfield (House, No. 4583);

Third  
reading  
bills.

Establishing a recreation tax in the town of Charlemont (House, No. 4700) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Exempting certain positions in the city of Marlborough from the civil service law (House, No. 4746);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Ruth Derfler, an employee of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (House, No. 4750); and

Third reading bills.

Validating the results of the annual town election held in the town of Becket on May 16, 2015 (printed in House, No. 4756);

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.

Northfield,— treasurer.

The House Bill relative to the treasurer of the town of Northfield (House, No. 4526), 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 in section 2, in lines 15, 16 and 17, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4526, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

North Reading,— water supply.

The House Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to supply water to the town of North Reading (House, No. 4743), 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 3; and 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 authorize the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to supply water, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health.”

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4743, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Kirsten Parisi,— sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Kirsten Parisi, an employee of the Commission for the Blind (House, No. 4768), 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 commission for the blind, 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. 4768, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Emergency Measures.

Irene Carr,— sick leave.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Irene Carr, an employee of the Division of Professional Licensure (see House, No. 4556), 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.

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 5 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 House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Henry Clodius, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 4732), 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.

Henry Clodius,— sick leave.

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 5 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 House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the transfer of certain parcels of land in the city of Worcester to promote economic development (see House, No. 4774), 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.

Worcester,— land.

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 3 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 House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Resolve examining Commonwealth procurement policies relative to Congo conflict minerals (see Senate, No. 2463, 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.

Congo conflict minerals.

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 5 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Resolve passed.

*Engrossed Bills.*Bill  
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Cecile Ferrie an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 4249, amended) (which originated in the House), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bills  
enacted.

Engrossed bills  
Relative to performance of work on hydrants and certain components of fire protection sprinkler systems (see Senate, No. 2124) (which originated in the Senate);  
Correcting a procedural omission regarding actions against certain decedents under the Uniform Probate Court (see House, No. 1194, amended);  
Further regulating the interest rate on sewer assessments in the town of Stoughton (see House, No. 3561);  
Amending the charter of the town of Nantucket relative to newspaper publication of town meeting warrants (see House, No. 4318);  
Providing that future members of the police force in the town of Sharon shall be exempt from the civil service law (see House, No. 4338);  
Authorizing the town of Plymouth to establish an environmental affairs fund (see House, No. 4375);  
Authorizing the lease or other disposition of certain parcels of land in the city of Boston (see House, No. 4468);  
Establishing an appointed highway superintendent in the town of Plympton (see House, No. 4531);  
Authorizing the town of Tisbury to convert certain licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises to licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4594); and  
Providing for post-employment benefits for school bus drivers in the city of Pittsfield (see House, No. 4763);  
(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.

*Recess.*

At five minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at eighteen minutes before three o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

*Order.*Next  
sitting.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—  
*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

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At five minutes before three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.