

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, January 2, 2018.

Met at seven minutes after 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.

Resignation of Representative Heroux of Attleboro.

The following communication was read; and spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

January 2, 2018.

Steven James, *Clerk*
House of Representatives
State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Clerk James,

Resignation of Representative Paul R. Heroux of Attleboro.

I am submitting this letter of resignation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts House of Representatives and my position as State Representative from the Second Bristol District effective Tuesday, 2 January 2018.

It has been an honor and privilege to have served the people of the Second Bristol District, and with the other 159 Members of the General Court and the 40 Members of the Senate.

Cordially,

PAUL R. HEROUX,
State Representative.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Printing of a Calendar.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 12, the Clerk be authorized to dispense with the printing of a Calendar for tomorrow's sitting, being the first session of the second annual session of the 190th General Court.

Communication.

Credit insurance.

A communication from the Division of Insurance (see Section 117C of Chapter 175 of the General Laws) relative to credit insurance for the year 2016 [a copy of said report was forwarded to the committee on Financial Services, as required by said law], was placed on file.

Reports.

The annual report of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (under Section 17 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 [copies of the report forwarded to the Speaker and the House committee on Ways and Means, in accordance with said law], was sent to the Senate for its information.

Clean Water Trust.

Reports

Of the District Attorney of Essex County (under the provision of Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for the calendar year 2016; and

Essex District Attorney,— wiretaps.

Of the District Attorney of Middlesex County (under the provision of Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to wiretaps for the calendar year 2017;

Middlesex District Attorney,— wiretaps.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 7A) of David F. DeCoste and Craig Simpson relative to creditable service to Craig Simpson, an employee of the police department of the town of Norwell.

Craig Simpson,— creditable service.

By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Shawn Dooley relative to the veteran status of certain reservists.

Reservists,— veteran status.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 7A) of Sarah K. Peake that Andrew McLaughlin be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board.

Andrew McLaughlin,— retirement.

By Mr. Tucker of Salem, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul F. Tucker relative to the classification of certain employees of the South Essex Sewerage District for retirement purposes.

South Essex Sewerage,— retirement.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

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 following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kay Khan and others relative to background checks by the Department of Youth Services. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Youth Services,— CORI checks.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Timothy R. Whelan and Sarah K. Peake relative to the operation of certain trailers and semi-trailers. To the committee on Transportation.

Hayrides.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 4092).

Capital improvement.

Motor
vehicles.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoissett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 38 and on a part of House, No. 23, a Bill relative to motor vehicles and aircraft (House, No. 4099).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing another post-employment benefits trust fund of the town of Wellesley (see House, No. 4006) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Third
reading
bills.

Senate bills

Authorizing the city of Salem to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2140) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Authorizing the city of Salem to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2142) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

At thirteen 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.

[Under the provisions of Article X of the Amendments to the Constitution, the 2017 session of the General Court was dissolved on the day next preceding the first Wednesday of January, without any proclamation or other act of His Excellency the Governor.]

Attest:

STEVEN T. JAMES,
Clerk.