

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, March 13, 2017.

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).

Prayer was offered by Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Wisdom, we give You thanks for the gifts of human intelligence and for the ability to educate our young and to continue to learn as we age. Loving God, we ask Your blessing upon all who work to make Massachusetts a beacon of hope and inspiration to our nation. Prayer.

We remember that on this day in 1639 Cambridge College was renamed Harvard College. The Great and General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony had established the college three years prior.

A wealthy Charlestown minister, John Harvard, died at age 30 and bequeathed his substantial library and half his monetary estate to then Cambridge College. Little else is known of him. The famous Daniel Chester French statue of John Harvard that sits in Harvard Yard is not a likeness of the Rev. John Harvard, but a member of the class of 1882, Sherman Hoar.

Among Harvard's alumni are eight U.S. presidents.
May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

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. Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Michael Anzivino on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Michael Anzivino.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Samuel Grant on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Samuel Grant.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Henry Christopher Lutes on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Henry Lutes.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Benjamin Barry on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Benjamin Barry.

and
Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating William Sampson on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; William Sampson.

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. 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.

Annual and Monthly Reports.

Health Professions Licensure.—
 The annual report of the Division of Health Professions Licensure (under sections 9G, 25, 43 and 78 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws) submitting a consolidated report of all statutorily mandated reports for the boards of registration for physicians assistants; pharmacy; dentistry; and nursing; and additional reports of the Board of Certification of Community Health Care Workers; the boards of registration of genetic counselors; nursing home administrators; and perfusionists; and the Board of Respiratory Care, for the fiscal year 2016; and

Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.—
 The monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for February 2017;
 Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Greenfield,—ballot measures.—
 Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:
 By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2778) of Paul W. Mark and Carlos González (with the approval of the mayor and town council) that the town council and the school committee of the city known as the town of Greenfield be authorized to submit certain measures to the voters of said city. To the committee on Election Laws.

Woburn,—traffic commission.—
 By Mr. Dwyer of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2779) of James J. Dwyer and Jay R. Kaufman (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to effective dates of rules and regulations established by the traffic commission of the city of Woburn;

Lakeville,—inspectional services.—
 By Representative Orrall of Lakeville and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2780) of Keiko M. Orrall and Michael J. Rodrigues (by vote of the town) that the town of Lakeville be authorized to establish a department of inspectional services and permitting for said town; and

Chicopee,—building lease.—
 By Representative Wagner of Chicopee and Senator Welch, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2781) of Joseph F. Wagner and James T. Welch (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Chicopee be authorized to lease a certain building in said city for a term of twenty-five years;

Marlborough,—civil service.—
 Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.
 By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2782) of Danielle W. Gregoire and Carmine L. Gentile (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Marlborough be authorized to exempt all positions in the fire department of said city from the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.
 Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Abortion,—minors.—
 Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:
 By Mr. Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mike Connolly and others relative to consent for abortions for persons less than eighteen years of age.

Donald Stuart,—sick leave.—
 By Representative Cusack of Braintree and Senator Keenan, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mark J. Cusack and John F.

Keenan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Donald Stuart, an employee of the Department of Correction.

By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Adrian C. Madaro for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William Motherway, an employee of the Trial Court. William Motherway,—sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard DeRosa relative to implementing changes to personal income tax reporting. Personal income tax.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paula Daggett, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2038) (on Senate, No. 21), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Paula Daggett,—sick leave.

A petition of Patricia D. Jehlen, Marjorie C. Decker, Antonio F. D. Cabral and Kenneth I. Gordon for legislation to provide emergency aid to certain elderly and disabled residents, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Elder Affairs. Elderly and disabled,—emergency aid.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2039) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Elder Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a part of House, No. 73 (as relates to sections 1, 2, 2B, 3 and 5), a Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 2783). Read; and referred, under Rule 17G, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. Municipal roads and bridges.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Robin Ouellette, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 2776). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Robin Ouellette,—sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Iqbal Shahzad, an employee of the Department of Public Health (House, No. 1458), 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. Third reading bill.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Hua Tan, an employee of the Department of Public Health (House, No. 1419), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time. Hua Tan,—sick leave.

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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 department of public health, 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. 1419, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Elizabeth
Traphagen,—
sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Elizabeth Traphagen, an employee of the Department of Public Health (House, No. 1464), 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 department of public health, 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. 1464, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

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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 recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at seventeen minutes before two 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 on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

At sixteen minutes before two 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.