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Monday, April 2, 2018.

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).

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.

## *Silent Prayer.*

At the request of Mrs. Ferguson of Holden, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent prayer in recognition of World Autism Awareness Day.

Autism Awareness Day.

World Autism Awareness Day is an internationally recognized event when the United Nations reaffirms its "commitment to promote the full participation of all people with autism, and ensure they have the necessary support to be able to exercise their rights and fundamental freedoms".

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) affects about 1% of the world's population, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This year's World Autism Awareness Day is focused on supporting women and girls who have been diagnosed with the condition.

## *Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Kevin Beck on receiving the Eagle Scout Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Kevin Beck.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Drew Harrison on receiving the Eagle Scout Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Drew Harrison.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Tyler Orton on receiving the Eagle Scout Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Tyler Orton.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Daniel Shipman on receiving the Eagle Scout Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Daniel Shipman.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Cronin of Easton) congratulating Cole Branagan of the town of Easton on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout; and

Cole Branagan.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Smola of Warren) commemorating the retirement of Sergeant Joseph R. LaFlower from the Warren Police Department;

Joseph LaFlower.

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

*Communications.*

Communications

From the Secretary of Public Safety and Security submitting the 2016 annual report of the Colonel of the State Police (see Section 131Q of Chapter 140 of the General Laws) regarding crimes committed in the Commonwealth using firearms, rifles or shotguns, large capacity weapons, machine guns or assault weapons and other categories and data identified in said law; and

State Police  
Crime Gun  
report.

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Id.

Severally were placed on file.

*Petitions.*

Ms. Provost of Somerville presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4365) of Denise Provost and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the Somerville Retirement Board be authorized to divest from fossil fuel companies; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Somerville,—  
fossil fuel  
divestment.

Mr. Donato of Medford presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land in the city of Medford to North Shore Residential Development, Inc.; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Medford,—  
land.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James Arciero, Eileen M. Donoghue and another for legislation to authorize the State Retirement Board to grant creditable service to Paegan Deering, an employee of the Department of Environmental Protection.

Paegan  
Deering,—  
retirement.

By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 9) of Adrian Madaro for legislation to exempt a certain parcel of land in the East Boston section of the city of Boston from any designated port area.

Boston,—  
land.

By Representative Mark of Peru and Senator Hinds, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul W. Mark and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to authorize the Teachers' Retirement Board to grant creditable service to Rachel Porter.

Rachel  
Porter,—  
retirement.

By Mr. Moran of Lawrence, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Frank A. Moran for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Felix Cruz, an employee of the Department of Youth Services.

Felix  
Cruz,—  
sick leave.

By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas P. Walsh and Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for George Hodgdon, an employee of the Trial Court. Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

George Hodgdon,—  
sick leave.

*Papers from the Senate.*

The following order (having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Judiciary be granted until May 2, 2018, within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 756, 778, 787, 806, 822, 825, 885, 962, 969, 1177, and 2311, relative to judiciary matters.

Judiciary,—  
extension  
of time for  
reporting.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Cronin of Easton, the order (Senate, No. 2359), was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2388) of Cynthia S. Creem and Ruth B. Balsler for legislation relative to kosher food signage. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Kosher food,—  
signage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2390) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to promote student nutrition. To the committee on Education.

Students,—  
nutrition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2389) of James B. Eldridge for legislation to ensure a free and open internet in the Commonwealth. To the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Net  
neutrality.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

April 2, 2018.

Honorable Robert A. DeLeo  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*  
Room 356, State House  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Harriette L. Chandler, President of the Senate, has announced the following appointments that were ratified by the Majority Party:

Committee  
appointments.

Michael O. Moore

- Resigned as Chairman of Municipalities and Regional Government (at his own request)

Brendan P. Crighton

- Municipalities and Regional Government, Chair
- Housing, Vice Chair
- Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, member
- Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, member
- Transportation, member

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM F. WELCH,  
*Clerk of the Senate.*

*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 Antonio F. D. Cabral for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Heidi Souza, an employee of the Department of Correction. Under suspension of the rules, on motion Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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.

Heidi  
Souza,—  
sick leave.

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

Senate bills

Designating March as fibromuscular dysplasia awareness month (Senate, No. 1819, amended); and

Fibromuscular  
dysplasia.

Relative to the General Lafayette Trail (Senate, No. 2265); and

Lafayette Trail.

The House Bill relative to elections in the city known as the town of Greenfield (House, No. 2778) [Local Approval Received];

Greenfield,—  
elections.

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

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill ensuring equal access to services for all residents of the Commonwealth (House, No. 2804) [Representatives Rogers of Norwood, O'Connell of Taunton and Crocker of Barnstable dissenting].

Services,—  
equal access.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Children's Behavioral Health Initiative (House, No. 3463).

Children,—  
behavior.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to enhancing public transparency to support quality care outcomes in all child serving organizations (House, No. 3801).

Childrens'  
organizations,—  
quality.

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, on Senate, No. 1109 and House, No. 1067, a Bill to improve access to care by removing barriers to practice for psychiatric clinical nurse specialists (House, No. 4355).

Psychiatric  
clinical nurse  
specialists.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 2401 and 3257, a Bill relative to community policing and behavioral health (House, No. 4356).

Behavioral  
health.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3498, a Bill improving the mental health examination process of inmates at places of detention (House, No. 4357).

Inmates,—  
mental health  
examinations.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill renaming the Yawkey commuter rail station on the Worcester—

Yawkey  
station,—  
renaming.

Framingham line (House, No. 3887). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill providing for a study by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services relative to nonprofit group homes (House, No. 118).

Nonprofit group homes.

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill providing for a study relative to the necessity of certain snow safety procedures (House, No. 1259).

Snow safety,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to vertical reciprocating conveyors (House, No. 1263).

Conveyors.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill clarifying the prevailing wage law (House, No. 1264).

Prevailing wages.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill concerning the safety of school children embarking and disembarking school buses (House, No. 1271).

School bus safety.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill allowing a benefits transfer for Paul Scott Noe, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 1274).

Paul Scott Noe,— benefits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to elevator inspection fees (House, No. 1279).

Elevator inspections.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to elevator inspections for small towns (House, No. 1286).

Id.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill requiring carbon monoxide alarms in schools (House, No. 1288).

Schools,— carbon monoxide.

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

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill relative to non-resident firearm licensing (House, No. 1265).

Firearms licensing,— non-residents.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to unloaded rifles or shotguns (House, No. 1287).

Unloaded firearms.

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

Reports of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

The Senate Bill relative to the appointment of retired police officers in the town of Essex (Senate, No. 2271); and

Essex,— retired police.

House bills

Providing for continuing education credits flexibility (House, No. 19);

Education.

Relative to the retirement classification of Boston school police officers (House, No. 1363) [Local Approval Received];

Boston,— school police.

Relative to death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer firefighters (House, No. 1388);

Call, etc. firefighters.

Relative to protecting the rights of custodial and other non-teaching employees of school districts (House, No. 1390);

School employees.

Relative to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (House, No. 2519);

MWRA.

Providing for an early retirement incentive program for employees of the

Massport,—

Massachusetts Port Authority (House, No. 2566);

Relative to child-centered family law (House, No. 3090);

To increase residency preference for appointment at Boston Police Department and Boston Fire Department to three years (House, No. 3537) [Local Approval Received]; and

Relative to accidental disability retirement for Jan Witkowski (House, No. 3790);

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

retirement.  
Family law.  
Boston,—  
residency.

Jan Witkowski,—  
benefits.

### *Engrossed Bills.*

Engrossed bills

Establishing a special fund in the town of Westborough (see House, No. 4028, amended);

Establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Ayer (see House, No. 4077);

Establishing the appointed office of tree warden in the town of Ayer (see House, No. 4078); and

Establishing the appointed office of treasurer-collector in the town of Ayer (see House, No. 4079);

(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.

Bills  
enacted.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Senate Bill designating a section of state highway Route 10 and United States highway Route 202 in the town of Southwick as the Purple Heart Trail (Senate, No. 2105), 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.

Southwick,—  
Purple Heart  
Trail.

### *Order.*

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next  
sitting.

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At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.