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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 Justice and Fairness, we pray for our House membership as they continue the work of the people in their home towns and stride to create acts of law that are helpful to the constituents.

Prayer.

We remember and give thanks for the quiet towns of Tolland and East Bridgewater.

Tolland of Hampden County was incorporated on June 16, 1810 and East Bridgewater of Plymouth County was incorporated on this day in 1823.

We pray for their representatives Geoff Diehl and Michelle DuBois who serve East Bridgewater, and Smitty Pignatelli who serves Tolland.

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. McMurtry of Dedham and other members of the House) congratulating the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds on 225 years of service; and

Norfolk Registry of Deeds.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Tyler of Boston, Livingstone of Boston and Rushing of Boston) celebrating the Fenway Porchfest, the Fenway Alliance, the Fenway Civic Association, and the Fenway Community Development Corporation and their mission;

Fenway neighborhood,— organizations.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Department of Public Health (see item 4510-0108 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017) submitting a report detailing recommendations for the inclusion of other entities that may realize cost savings by joining the state

Pharmacy services.

Office of Pharmacy Services, was placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Hawkins of Attleboro, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4618) of James K. Hawkins and Elizabeth A. Poirier (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to polling places in the city of Attleboro. To the committee on Election Laws.

Attleboro,—
polling
places.

By Representatives Whelan of Brewster and Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4619) of Timothy R. Whelan and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) relative to the affordable housing trust fund of the town of Brewster. To the committee on Housing.

Brewster,—
affordable
housing.

By Representative Mirra of West Newbury and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4620) of Leonard Mirra and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) that the town of Groveland be authorized to establish an appointed highway superintendent in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Groveland,—
highway
superintendent.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Harriette L. Chandler, Michael O. Moore and Kate D. Campanale for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Elizabeth Fontaine, an employee of the Department of Children and Families, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Elizabeth
Fontaine,—
sick leave.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2560) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill amending the provisions of Chapter 145 of the Acts of 1937 (House, No. 4523), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Buzzards Bay
Water District.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Health Care Financing, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the Senate Bill relative to the promotion of mental health education in Massachusetts high schools (Senate, No. 2112); and

Mental health,—
schools.

Of the House Bill relative to future public retiree healthcare benefits (House, No. 2567);

Healthcare,—
public retirees.

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Under Rule 42, the reports were considered forthwith; and they were accepted. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence, insomuch as relates to the discharge of the committee.

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on House, No. 4185, a Bill authorizing the town of Norwood to grant up to five additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 4614) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Norwood,—
liquor
licenses.

Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Higher Education, on House, Nos. 635, 636, 637, 644, 645, 647, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2231, 2233, 2235, 2996, 2997, 3001, 3002, 3003, 3490, 3491, 3576 and 3777, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Higher Education to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning higher education (House, No. 4610). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Higher
education,—
study.

Subsequently, Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the following matters ought to pass:

The House Bill relative to community policing and behavioral health (House, No. 4356); and

Community
policing.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to robotic surgery in the Commonwealth (House, No. 1182).

Robotic
surgery.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that the Bill establishing a special commission pertaining to small businesses and minority-owned businesses in Western Massachusetts (House, No. 4406), ought to pass.

Small and
minority
businesses.

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

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill establishing the Honorable Peter V. Kocot Act to enhance access to high quality, affordable and transparent healthcare in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4605), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4617). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, with the amendment pending.

Healthcare,—
access.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on House, Nos. 4491 and 4494, that the Bill relative to mandated reporter reform (House, No. 4491), ought to pass [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches; acting concurrently.

Mandated
reporters,—
reform.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the following House bills ought to pass:

Requiring automated external defibrillators in assisted living residences (House, No. 347) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

Assisted living,—
defibrillators.

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Relative to promoting innovation in eldercare services (House, No. 2076) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];	Eldercare,— innovation.
Relative to electronic prescribing of opiates and other controlled substances (House, No. 2453) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];	Opiates,— prescriptions.
Relative to the public health benefits of expanding access to drinking water in public places (House, No. 2461) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];	Public places,— water.
Relative to nuclear power plant protections (House, No. 2472) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];	Nuclear power plants.
To promote quality physical education (House, No. 4127) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];	Physical education.
Relative to public hearings of the Group Insurance Commission (House, No. 4259) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]; and	GIC,— hearings.
Relative to patient access to information regarding breast reconstructive surgery (House, No. 4490) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].	Breast reconstructive surgery.
Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.	
By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on a petition, a Bill relative to stabilizing the Commonwealth's nursing facilities (House, No. 2072).	Nursing facilities.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the nursing home quality jobs initiative (House, No. 2890).	Nursing homes,— jobs.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2885, a Bill relative to liability for medical assistance paid (House, No. 4611).	Medical assistance.
Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.	
By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Financial Services, on a petition, a Bill relative to banking law (House, No. 509).	Banking.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to modernizing business to business commercial insurance transactions (House, No. 2159).	Businesses,— commercial insurance.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2966, a Bill modernizing the credit union laws (House, No. 4612).	Credit unions.
Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.	
By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Auburn to relocate Faith Avenue and convey remnant parcels of real property (House, No. 4551) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.	Auburn,— land.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills	
Establishing a sick leave bank for Melvin Maldonado, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see Senate, No. 2444) (which originated in the Senate); and	Bills enacted.
Designating the boardwalk at Heritage State Park in the city of Fall River as	

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the Robert Correia Boardwalk (see House, No. 4166, amended) (which originated in the House);

In respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gloria Phillips, an employee of the Department of Industrial Accidents (House, No. 4336, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Gloria Phillips,—
sick leave.

House bills

Authorizing the transfer of care and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Middleborough from the Department of Correction to the Department of Fish and Game (House, No. 4261) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the town of Hopkinton to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4389);

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.

House bills

Prohibiting gunfire directed at dwelling houses (House, No. 908); and
Relative to accidental disability retirement for Jan Witkowski (House, No. 3790);

Second
reading
bills.

Severally were read a second time; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next
sitting.

At twenty-seven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.