

### JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, July 12, 2017.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Speliotis of Danvers 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:

Prayer. God of Truth and Justice, we thank You for the many blessings You have given us here in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As residents, we are grateful for the number of notable figures who have made their home in our state.

Today, we honor one of our native sons whose 200th anniversary of birth occurs today.

Henry David Thoreau was among other things a philosopher, an essayist, abolitionist, poet, and naturalist.

In his much-published and much-beloved book *Walden*, Thoreau, the transcendentalist, sought to live his life in harmony with nature for two years, two months and two days at Concord's Walden Pond.

As he once wrote, "It is not what you look at that matters, it's what you see."

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

Pledge of allegiance. At the request of the Chair (Mr. Speliotis), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### Communication.

Congo conflict minerals. A communication from the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Chapter 5 of the Resolves of 2016) submitting its report on the examination of Commonwealth procurement policies relative to Congo conflict minerals, was placed on file.

#### Papers from the Senate.

Michelle Dancy, sick leave. A petition (accompanied by bill) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Michelle Dancy, an employee of the Department of Mental Health, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2116) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

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

July 12, 2017.

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 Honorable Stanley C. Rosenberg, President of the Senate, announced the appointments (pursuant to Section 19 of Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2016— establishing a working group to review and evaluate the application of subsection (f) of clause twenty-sixth of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws as it relates to law enforcement) of Senator Joan B. Lovely and (pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2016, establishing a special legislative commission to examine the accessibility of information concerning the legislative process of the general court and the expansion of the definition of public records) of Senator Jason Lewis to the Working Group and Special Commission on Public Records.

Respectfully submitted,

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

#### Reports of Committees.

Westport, Cellucci circle. 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 joint petition of Paul A. Schmid, III and Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to designate a portion of Route 88 in the town of Westport as Governor Cellucci circle. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Tewksbury, land. 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 James R. Miceli for legislation to authorize the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Tewksbury. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, 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.

Edward Gates, sick leave. By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Edward Gates, an employee of the Department of Environmental Protection (House, No. 3796), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, 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. Smizik of Brookline, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Edward Gates,—  
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Kafka of Stoughton 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 environmental protection, 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. 3796, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Linda Boudria,—  
sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Linda Boudria, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 3795), 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.

Rockport,—  
election.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to the 2017 annual town election in the town of Rockport (printed in House, No. 3656), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

*Orders of the Day.*

Senate bills

Authorizing the town of Warren to continue the employment of Dennis Desrosiers (Senate, No. 1420); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Gail Weinberg-Kraus, an employee of the Trial Court of the commonwealth (Senate, No. 2044);

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, in concurrence.

Third reading bills.

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The House Bill directing the police department of the city of Boston to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for James Anthony Verderico, Jr. (House, No. 3727) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Recess.*

Recess.

At twenty-two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Speliotis of Danvers being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at seven minutes before four o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Speliotis in the Chair.

*Emergency Measure.*

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gail Weinberg-Kraus, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 2044) 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.

Gail Weinberg-Kraus,—  
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 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Engrossed Bill.*

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Warren to continue the employment of Dennis Desrosiers (see Senate, No. 1420) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

Bill enacted.

*Order.*

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.

Next sitting.

At four o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Speliotis of Danvers being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.