

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, July 31, 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).

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 Tribute.

At the request of Messrs. Walsh of Peabody and Speliotis of Danvers, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent prayer in respect to the memory of Daniel Pimenta, a 28 year veteran of the Peabody Fire Department. Dan was struck and killed by a car on Route 127 while riding his bicycle in Beverly on Sunday afternoon. Peabody Firefighter Daniel Pimenta.

Dan was an avid rider and a vocal advocate for the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. He is survived by his wife, Donna, and two children.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Velis of Westfield and other members of the House) recognizing August 7, 2017 as Purple Heart Day in the Commonwealth, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules. Purple Heart Day.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Whipps of Athol, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3861) of Susannah M. Whipps (by vote of the town) that the town of Wendell be authorized to allow persons sixteen years of age or older to vote in town elections in said town. To the committee on Election Laws. Athol,—voting age.

By Mr. Rushing of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3862) of Byron Rushing (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to further regulate the appointment of trustees of the public library of said city; and Boston,—library trustees.

By Ms. Whipps of Athol, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3863) of Susannah M. Whipps and Anne M. Gobi (by vote of the town) that the town of Athol be authorized to establish a special fund for the purpose of renovations, additions, or building improvements of the library in said town; Athol,—library fund.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Plainville,—
civil
service.

By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3864) of Shawn Dooley (by vote of the town) that the town of Plainville be authorized to exempt all positions in the fire department of said town from the civil service law; and

Provincetown,—
Michael
Trovato.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3865) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Provincetown be authorized to continue the employment of Michael Trovato, a member of the fire department of said town;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.
Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mary
Goddard,—
sick leave.

Mr. Donato of Medford presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato, Paul Brodeur and Steven Ultrino for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Mary Goddard, an employee of the Department of Correction; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

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 Mr. Chan of Quincy, 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.

Papers from the Senate.

Cambridge,—
land.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Cambridge to use certain land used for park, playground or recreation for other municipal purposes (House, No. 1100), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2133; and striking out the title and inserting place thereof the following title: "An Act authorizing the city of Cambridge to use certain land acquired for park, playground or recreation purposes for other municipal purposes.". The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Boylston,—
land.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Boylston to convey a portion of a certain parcel of land (House, No. 1120) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding the following section:

"SECTION 2. As consideration for the conveyance authorized in section 1, the town of Boylston shall transfer a 27-acre parcel of land shown on town assessors' map 56 as parcel 14 to the conservation commission and the conservation shall be dedicate the parcel pursuant to Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth for passive recreation and conservation purposes."

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The Senate Bill improving real property tax abatements, application deadlines, and deferrals (Senate, No. 2135) (on Senate bill No. 2124, amended), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Property
taxes.

A Bill authorizing the town of Plymouth to exchange a parcel of land held for conservation purposes for a parcel of land in the town of Plymouth (Senate, No. 2085) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Plymouth,—
land.

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 joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Jonathan D. Zlotnik and Jennifer L. Flanagan for legislation to authorize the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to exchange a certain parcel of land in the city of Gardner for another parcel of land in said city. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy, 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.

Gardner,—
land.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on Senate, No. 1426 [sic] and House, No. 1426, a Bill relative to the collective bargaining rights for employees of the Committee for Public Counsel Services (House, No. 1426). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Public Counsel
Services
Committee
employees.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the other post employment [sic] benefits trust fund of the town of Wellesley (House, No. 3724) [Local Approval Received].

Wellesley,—
post-employment
benefits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Whately to continue the employment of John LaSalle as a call firefighter (House, No. 3791) [Local Approval Received].

Whately,—
John
LaSalle.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the appointment of retired police officers in the town of Canton (House, No. 3817) [Local Approval Received].

Canton,—
retired police
officers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Williamsburg to continue the employment of James Ferron as a call firefighter (House, No. 3834) [Local Approval Received].

Williamsburg,—
James
Ferron.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill to establish a sick leave bank for Andrew Williams, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (House, No. 3848).

Andrew
Williams,—
sick leave.

Nantucket,—
fee.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Nantucket to impose a real estate transfer fee for affordable and workforce housing (House, No. 2794) [Local Approval Received] [Representative Durant of Spencer dissenting].

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

Emergency Measure.

Justin
Michael
Rizzo,—
sick leave.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Justin Michael Rizzo, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (see House, No. 3720, amended), 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.

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 5 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill
enacted.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Boston,—
liquor
licenses.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Boston to grant 15 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3757), 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 in section 1, in lines 1 to 9, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing board of the city of Boston may grant up to 12 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of said chapter 138 and up to 3 additional licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to said section 12 of said chapter 138. A license granted pursuant to this act shall be: (i) restricted to the so called South Bay development consisting of various buildings located at District Avenue, Lucy Street, and Jan Karski Way; (ii) clearly marked ‘South Bay restricted’ on its face; and (iii) subject to all of said chapter 138, except said section 17.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3757, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

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.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Wong of Saugus moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Bradford Pottle, a member of the House from Wakefield in 1971 and 1972; and the motion prevailed.
Accordingly at eighteen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong (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.