

**JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.**

Thursday, November 9, 2017.

Met at seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Moran of Boston in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of allegiance.

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

*Message from the Governor.*

North Reading,—town meeting.

A message from His Excellency the Governor (under Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating certain proceedings of the town of North Reading (House, No. 4024), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, November 8.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Resolutions.*

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

Austin Sardinha.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Austin Sardinha on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Daniel Carlson.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton) congratulating Daniel Carlson on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Native American Heritage Month.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton and other members of the House) recognizing November, 2017 as National Native American Heritage Month;

Spencer Jolie.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Spencer Robert Jolie on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Robert Sinibaldi.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Robert Angelo Sinibaldi III on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Julie Curtis.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Speliotis of Danvers and other members of the House) congratulating Julie Elizabeth Curtis on the occasion of her retirement from Salem State University;

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

*Communications.*

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From the Brockton Area Transit Authority (under Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting audited financial statements, GAO and Uniform Guidance Reports through June 30, 2017; and

Brockton Transit Authority.

From the Office of the Comptroller providing an updated status on the filing of the 2017 Statutory Basis Financial Report, which has been delayed pending passage of the supplemental appropriation bill; and stating that completion of said report is expected during November, 2017;

Office of the Comptroller.

Severally were placed on file.

*Report.*

A report from the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue (under Section 94 and Section 95 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017) submitting the certification on the cost-effectiveness of the implementation of accelerated sales tax remittance by June 2018, was placed on file.

Tax remittance.

*Petition.*

Ms. Vincent of Revere presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of RoseLee Vincent relative to heat in condominium units; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Condominiums,—heat.

*Papers from the Senate.*

The House Bill providing for immediate capital improvement needs of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4015, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding the following section:

Capital improvements.

“SECTION 5. The division of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the department of veterans’ services, shall study the long-term capital and deferred maintenance needs of the Soldiers’ Home in Holyoke. The division shall report its findings, including requests for operating and capital expenditures, to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on bonding, capital expenditures and state assets, the joint committee on veterans and federal affairs, and the house and senate committees on ways and means, not later than April 30, 2018.”

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

A Bill providing for the establishment of a comprehensive adaptation management plan in response to climate change (Senate, No. 2196) (on Senate bill No. 472, changed), passed to be engrossed by the Senate was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Climate change,—plan.

*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 of Carole A. Fiola and

Fall River,—Costa bridge.

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bridge.

Michael J. Rodrigues relative to designating a certain bridge in the city of Fall River as the Ronald Costa bridge. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, 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.

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

Canton,—  
Reservoir pond.

For the regulation of Reservoir pond in the town of Canton (House, No. 3831) [Local Approval Received]; and

Seniors,—  
property tax.

Relative to the establishment of a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4001);

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

*Orders of the Day.*

House Bills

Third  
reading  
bills.

Limiting the transfer of certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Belmont (House, No. 3806) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Limiting the transfer of certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Belmont (House, No. 3807) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Authorizing the town of Swampscott to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3931);

Authorizing the city of Salem to grant an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3941) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Relative to a certain license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the city of Beverly (House, No. 3950) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Haverhill,—  
bridge.

The House Bill Designating a certain bridge in the city of Haverhill as the U.S. Navy Petty Officer Caitlin E. Trask-Veterans of the War on Terror Memorial Bridge (House, No. 3937) (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.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4025), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill 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 Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next  
sitting.

At twenty-four minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Orrall of Lakeville (Mr. Moran of Boston being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.