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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 Fathers, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

We give thanks today, God of Justice and Compassion, for the many blessings our small Commonwealth has enjoyed over the years. We ask Your blessing for our elected officials who serve our people in and through this historic chamber.

Prayer.

We remember in a spirit of gratitude that yesterday was the 301st anniversary of the incorporation of Westborough, a town of just over 18,000 residents located in Worcester County. Its most famous native son was Eli Whitney, the inventor of the cotton gin.

In 1848, Westborough became the home of the first publicly-funded reform school for boys in the United States. Today, Westborough is home to juvenile correction centers for both boys and girls. We pray for the children of our Commonwealth who need the assistance of such agencies to develop life skills and to receive a new start in their young lives.

Westborough is blessed to be served by three Representatives for whom we pray today; Danielle Gregoire, Carolyn Dykema, and Hannah Kane. We pray also for their staff and for the people of Westborough.

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.

## *Guests of the House.*

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, third grade students from the L. H. Coffin School in Marblehead. At the invitation of the Chair, the students participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead.

Marblehead,—  
L. H. Coffin  
School.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, a group of students and their teachers from Stoughton High School. They were the guests of Messrs. Kafka of Stoughton and Galvin of Canton.

Stoughton  
High School.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced Johanna Wang of the Consular Division of the Consulate of Taiwan in Boston. She was the guest of Mr. Wong of Saugus.

Taiwan,—  
Johanna  
Wang.

*Resolutions.*

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Smizik of Brookline and other members of the House) commemorating the celebration of Chanukah 2018, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Chanukah.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, 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 Advisory Commission on Travel and Tourism (see Section 13H of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) containing budget recommendations and marketing strategies for promotion of travel and tourism to the Commonwealth; and

Travel and tourism,—marketing.

From the Dukes County Registry of Deeds (see Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure for technological improvements from the County Registers Technological Fund [copies of the report were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight, as required by said law];

Dukes County,—technology fund.

Severally were placed on file.

*Annual Report.*

The annual report of the Rural Policy Advisory Commission (under Section 66 of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitted by the Department of Housing and Community Development for the fiscal year 2018 [a copy was forwarded to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, as required by said law], was placed on file.

Rural Policy Advisory Commission.

*Paper from the Senate.*

A Bill relative to the Springfield Technology Park (Senate, No. 2674) (on Senate bill No. 209), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Springfield Technology Park.

*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 Kevin G. Honan, Joseph A. Boncore and others relative to the election of board members of local housing authorities. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the joint petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Housing authorities,—board members.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and

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Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Establishing a board of selectmen-town administrator form of government for the town of Berlin (House, No. 4952) [Local Approval Received]; and

Berlin,—  
government.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Rachael Purnell, [sic] employee of the Middlesex Probate and Family Court (House, No. 4961);

Rachael  
Purnell,—  
sick leave.

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

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Higher Education, on House, No. 4934, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Higher Education to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning student loan forgiveness (House, No. 4970). 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 Ms. Cronin of Easton, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gina Parolisi, [sic] employee of the Haverhill District Court (House, No. 4966). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Gina  
Parolisi,—  
sick leave.

*Emergency Measure.*

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Richard Maynard, an employee of the Trial Court (see Senate, No. 2668), 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.

Richard  
Maynard,—  
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 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Engrossed Bills.*

Engrossed bills

Allowing the city council of the city of Everett to set the salary for the clerk of the city council (see Senate, No. 2514, amended);

Bills  
enacted.

Amending the charter of the city of Everett to reduce the amount of time that a former city councilor is required to wait before holding other compensated city employment (see Senate, No. 2516, amended);

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Authorizing the merger of the Salvation Army of Massachusetts, Incorporated into the Salvation Army, a New York Corporation (see House, No. 3691);

Authorizing the appointment of retired Salem police officers as special police officers within the city of Salem (see House, No. 4705, amended); and

Authorizing the board of selectmen of the town of Arlington to place upon a town ballot a question to authorize the board of selectmen to issue 1 additional

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license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4892);

(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 it were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.*

House bills

Relative to representation on the board of trustees for soldiers' memorials in the town of Orange (House, No. 4145);

Relative to construction defect claims by condominium owners (House, No. 4236); and

Relative to excise tax revenue for the Chatham other post-employment benefits liability trust fund (House, No. 4781);

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.

Third reading bills.

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The House Bill providing for the recall of elected officials in the town of Hanson (House, No. 4657), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Hanson,— recall elections.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 2, in lines 28 and 29, by striking out the following: "at least one hundred seventy (170) days" (as printed) and inserting in place thereof the words "within a reasonable period of time determined by the town clerk", and in line 55 by striking out the words "on the date of the next town election" and inserting in place thereof the following: "within a reasonable period of time, but no earlier than 45 days from the town clerk's certification of the petition".

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4657, 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 Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

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At twenty-three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

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