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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:

Loving God, we give thanks today for the many persons born in this Commonwealth who have served our country. We remember today the late George Herbert Walker Bush, the 41st president of the United States.

Born in Milton in 1924, he attended Philips Academy in Andover. As president, he is remembered for many things including his efforts to work collaboratively with those he disagreed. We give thanks for this native son and we pray for his family and our nation as we remember his achievements.

We pray for our women and men of this chamber as they also strive to work together to help make our Commonwealth a good home for the many.

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.

Prayer.

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 Chamber, parents of students from the South Row Elementary School in Chelmsford. At the invitation of the Chair, the parents participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Golden of Lowell.

South Row  
Elementary  
School parents.

## *Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Alexander Cracraft on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Christiaan Eikeboom on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rogers of Norwood) congratulating Stephen Joseph Ayoub of Norwood Boy Scout Troop 49 on earning the Eagle Scout Award;

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. Golden of Lowell, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered

Alexander  
Cracraft.

Christiaan  
Eikeboom.

Stephen  
Ayoub.

forthwith; and they were adopted.

*Papers from the Senate.*

A Bill authorizing the town of Wenham to make permanent improvements to certain private ways and assess betterments (Senate, No. 2678) (on Senate bill No. 2662) [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.

Wenham,—  
betterments.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2679) of Barbara A. L'Italien for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Robert Socha, an employee of the Department of Correction; and

Robert  
Socha,—  
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2680) of Michael O. Moore and Paul K. Frost for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Maria Krull, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance;

Maria Krull,—  
sick leave.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

*Reports of Committees.*

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:

Authorizing the town of Hanover to grant abatement of real estate taxes to certain surviving spouse (printed in House, No. 4955); and

Hanover,—  
tax abatement.

Authorizing the town of Harvard to establish a cap on property taxes for means tested seniors (House, No. 4984) [Local Approval Received].

Harvard,—  
property taxes.

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. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill regarding the authorization of the town of Wareham to issue an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (printed in House, No. 4958).

Wareham,—  
liquor license.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William P. Kearny, Jr., an employee of Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4974).

William  
Kearny—  
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Brian Kennedy, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4985).

Brian  
Kennedy,—  
sick leave.

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

*Orders of the Day.*

The Senate Bill providing for recall elections in the town of Uxbridge (Senate,

Uxbridge,—

No. 2589), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

elections.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 1, in line 17, by striking out the words “petition blanks” and inserting in place thereof the word “affidavit”, in line 34 by striking out the words “election is ordered” and inserting in place thereof the words “date of the certification of the petitions”, in line 36 by inserting after the word “certification” the words “of the petition”; and in lines 40 to 43, inclusive, by striking out the words “An official whose recall is sought shall be a candidate to succeed to the same office unless the official requests otherwise. If the official requests otherwise in writing, the town clerk shall place the name of the official on the ballot without nomination” and inserting in place thereof the words “Unless an official whose recall is sought requests otherwise in writing, the town clerk shall place the name of the official on the ballot without nomination and the official shall be a candidate to succeed the same office”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2589, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Berkley to grant an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2596), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Berkley,—  
liquor  
licenses.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in in section 1, in lines 2, 3 and 4, by striking out the following: “alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises to Berkley Farms located at 539 Berkley Street, pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138” and inserting in place thereof the following: “all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138 to Berkley Farms Convenience Store, Inc. located at 539 Berkley street”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2596, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Worcester to lease a certain building known as the Nurses’ Building (House, No. 4534) (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.

Worcester,—  
lease.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 1, in line 4, by striking out the words “in excess of thirty” (as printed) and inserting in place thereof the following: “not to exceed 99”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4534, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Stoneham to grant certain licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4804), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Stoneham,—  
liquor  
licenses.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it section 1, in lines 2 and 6, by striking out the figures:

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“17” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the figures: “11”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4804, 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 tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next  
sitting.

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At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.