

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, December 11, 2017.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Ms. Barber of Somerville 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 Justice and Fairness, we thank You for the many persons who are working here today to ensure the citizens of Massachusetts fair and just legislation.

We pray also today for those women and men in our Commonwealth who work in the areas of finance and commerce.

God of Creativity and Originality, we remember that tomorrow marks the anniversary of the 1901 incorporation of Parker Brothers Game Company. Youngest brother George, then 16 years old, began to invent games and sold one while operating out of the family home in Medford. After the family moved to Salem, Charles and Edward Parker eventually joined their brother in manufacturing games they had either invented or to which they had purchased the rights.

We are grateful to the Parker Brothers and their company which eventually manufactured over eighteen hundred games.

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

Pledge of allegiance. At the request of the Chair (Ms. Barber), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

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

Leona Thompson. Resolutions (filed by Representatives Gifford of Wareham, Orrall of Lakeville and Calter of Kingston) congratulating Leona Thompson on celebrating her one hundredth birthday; and

Chabad of Nashoba Valley. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Arciero of Westford) congratulating the 2017 celebration of Chanukah by the Chabad of Nashoba Valley;

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. 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.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Brookline, liquor licenses. By Mr. Smizik of Brookline, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4068) of Frank I. Smizik (by vote of the town) that the town of Brookline be authorized to grant thirty-five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises and five

additional licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4071) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others (by vote of the town) relative to the authority of the town manager in the town of Chelmsford; and Chelmsford, town manager.

By Messrs. Honan of Boston and Moran of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4073) of Kevin G. Honan and Michael J. Moran (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to ownership and occupancy deadlines for residential property exemptions in the city of Boston; and Boston, occupancy deadlines.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4069) of Adrian Madaro (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to regulate certain electric vehicle charging stations in said city. To the committee on Transportation. Vehicles, charging stations.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cullinane of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel Cullinane for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Zelfha Bennett, an employee of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance. Zelfha Bennett, sick leave.

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marjorie C. Decker and Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation to authorize the establishment of the Massachusetts robotics center. Robotics center.

By Representative Dooley of Norfolk and Senator Ross (by request), a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David W. Diamond and Ilene H. Segal relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians. Non-compete agreements, veterinarians.

By Ms. Ferrante of Gloucester, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ann-Margaret Ferrante for legislation to further regulate residential contracting agreements. Residential contracting, agreements.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Paola Pol, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3946) (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 in lines 4 and 5 striking out the words "and her sister's children". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Paola Pol, sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Rosibel Umanzor, an employee of the Department of Public Health (House, No. 4007, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in the second sentence (inserted by amendment by the House), striking out the word "Umanzor." and inserting in place thereof the words "Umanzor to care for her parents.". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Rosibel Umanzor, sick leave.

Jason Wendover,—
sick leave.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jason Wendover, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2082, amended in lines 4, 5 and 6 by striking out the sentence contained in those lines) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Kelly Almeida,—
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2233) of Mark C. Montigny and Robert M. Koczera for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kelly Almeida, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services. To the committee on Public Service.

Motor vehicles,—
plates.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2234) of Richard Carlson for legislation relative to motor vehicle registration plates. To the committee on Transportation.

Reports of Committees.

Infant,—
sleep safety.

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 Diana DiZoglio and others that the Department of Children and Families be authorized to establish a program that promotes infant sleep safety. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

James McGonagle,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for James McGonagle, an employee of the Massachusetts Lottery Commission (House, No. 4060). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under further suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time, its title having been changed by said committee to read: "An Act establishing a sick leave bank for James McGonagle, an employee of the State Lottery Commission".

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in line 9 by striking out the sentence contained in that line; and 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 state lottery commission, therefore it is hereby declared

to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4060, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on House, No. 4056, a Bill amending the charter of the city of Malden (House, No. 4070) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Malden,—
town charter.

Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

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:

Relative to the recall of elected officials in the town of Carlisle (House, No. 3699) [Local Approval Received];

Carlisle,—
recalls.

Relative to the civil service eligibility list for police officers in the city of Quincy (House, No. 3938) [Local Approval Received];

Quincy,—
police officers.

Relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 3942) [Local Approval Received];

Chicopee,—
benefits.

Authorizing the Deerfield Area Fire Protection District to continue the employment of Fire Chief Chester Yazwinski (House, No. 3957); and

Chester
Yazwinski.

Authorizing the Silver Lake Regional School District to convey drainage easements to the town of Kingston (House, No. 4020);

Kingston,—
easements.

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. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill directing the State Board of Retirement to grant certain retirement benefits (House, No. 2531).

Retirement,—
benefits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ensure fairness in retirement benefits for certain employees of the department of corrections [sic] (House, No. 2576).

Department of
Correction,—
benefits.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, No. 5 and on a part of House, No. 3, a Bill to improve oversight of state government (House, No. 4061) [Representative Dooley of Norfolk dissenting].

Government
oversight.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1493 and House, No. 1468, a Bill relative to the sales tax exemption for soda (House, No. 4062) [Representative Dooley of Norfolk dissenting].

Soda,—
sales
tax.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1498, a Bill relative to sunset tax expenditures (House, No. 4063) [Senator Fattman and Representative Dooley of Norfolk dissenting].

Tax
expenditures,—
sunsetting.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Burlington,—
special
police.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to special police officers in the town of Burlington (House, No. 4030) [Local Approval Received].

Deirdre
Dacey,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Deirdre Dacey, an employee of the Parole Board (House, No. 4059).

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

Emergency Measure.

Officer
Ronald
Tarentino, Jr.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Auburn and a portion of state highway in the town of Leicester in memory of Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. (see Senate, No. 2193, 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 4 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 Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed Bills.

Bills
enacted.

Engrossed bills
Authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the city of Taunton (see Senate, No. 2034, amended) (which originated in the Senate);

Relative to the Devens Fire Department (see House, No. 1328, amended);

Authorizing the town of Westford to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3839);

Authorizing the town of Westford to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3840, amended); and

Authorizing the appointment of James Atkinson to the position of junior accountant of the police department of the city of Methuen (see House, No. 3889, amended);

(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.

Reconsideration.

Malden,—
special
police.

Mr. Speliotis of Danvers asked that the vote be reconsidered by which the House, at the preceding sitting, passed to be engrossed the House Bill authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the city of Malden (House, No. 4016); and the motion to reconsider was entertained; and it prevailed.

The same member then moved to amend the bill in section 1, in line 4, by inserting after the word "work" the following sentence: "A retired police officer shall only be eligible for appointment if the officer was a regular Malden police officer who retired based upon superannuation."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill was passed to be engrossed. The bill (House, No. 4016, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Waltham (House, No. 3975, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Waltham,—
land.

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.

At twenty-eight minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Ms. Barber of Somerville being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.