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Met at six minutes after 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.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the affordable housing trust fund of the town of Brewster (House, No. 4619), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Brewster,—
trust fund.

“SECTION 3. Section 1 shall take effect upon the completion of the transfer described in section 2. Not later than 30 days after the completion of the transfer described in section 2, the board of selectmen of the town of Brewster shall file a letter with the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives reporting the date of completion of that transfer.”.

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

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gina Parolisi, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 4986), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in line 5 by inserting after the name: “Parolisi” the words “to care for her parent”. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Gina
Parolisi,—
sick leave.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maria Krull, an employee of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (Senate, No. 2680, amended in line 2 by striking out the word “Transitional” and inserting in place thereof the word “unemployment”) (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.

Maria
Krull,—
sick leave.

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Cronin of Easton, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew Clark, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 5020).

Matthew
Clark,—
sick leave.

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire (House, No. 5003) [Local Approval Received].

Cheshire,—
selectmen.

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

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill relative to the lease of certain yacht clubs on land owned by the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4824, 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.

Yacht clubs.

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.

The engrossed Bill extending the authorization for the use of certain discount vouchers for prescription drugs (see House, No. 4825, 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.

Prescription drugs,—
vouchers.

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 Bill.

The engrossed Bill exempting all positions in the police department of the city of North Adams from the civil service law (see Senate, No. 2666) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for John Taylor Woodward, an employee of the Hampshire County Sheriff's Department (see House, No. 4957), which had been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message, see House, No. 5018), was considered.

John Taylor Woodward,—
sick leave.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading then reported that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the trial court shall establish a sick leave bank for John Taylor Woodward, an employee of the office of community corrections in the department of the trial court. Any employee of the trial court may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by John Taylor Woodward. If John Taylor Woodward terminates employment with the trial court or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the trial court paid leave bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the trial court.”;

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

By striking out, in the emergency preamble, the words “Hampshire county sheriff’s department” and inserting in place thereof the words “office of community corrections in the department of the trial court”; and

By striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title:

“An Act establishing a sick leave bank for John Taylor Woodward, an employee of the office of community corrections in the department of the trial court.”.

The report was accepted; and the amendments then were adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

House bills

Designating a certain state pool in the town of Clinton as the Liberty M. Arnold-Simon memorial children’s pool (House, No. 4994) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for William Brown, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 5013) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Authorizing the town of Montague to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5017) (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.

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.

At fourteen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (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.