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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.**



**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020.**

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Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

Met at seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M. 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.

## *Silent Prayer.*

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and at his request, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute, in respect to the memory of Sarou Chea of Lowell, who died peacefully at home, in the Highlands, on January 10, 2020, surrounded by her devoted family. Sarou was born in Takeo, Cambodia on February 2, 1940. She was the beloved wife of the late Chhann Mom, a former Priest of the Triratanaram Buddhist Temple in North Chelmsford, who she married in 1958.

Sarou  
Chea.

Sarou is survived by two daughters, Chandavy Mom and her husband Hassinol Keo, and Chanvon Mom and her husband Al Rosa, all of Lowell, and two sons, Raduy Mom and his wife Kanhna of Cambodia, and State Representative Rady Mom and his wife Sirady Van of Lowell. In addition, she had two sisters, four brothers, nine grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

In 1982, the family fled their beloved Cambodia in search of freedom from the Khmer Rouge regime, arriving in Duluth, Minnesota. In 1983, they relocated to Lowell as one of the first Cambodian refugee families to settle in the city. One of her proudest and most patriotic days was when she proudly witnessed her son Rady become the first Cambodian-American in the nation be elected to a State House of Representatives when he became a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 2015.

A devout Buddhist, she will always be remembered for her gentle smile, and sharing her love openly wherever she went.

## *Valedictory Address.*

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

During the session, there being no objection, former Representative Benson of Lunenburg addressed the House regarding her departure from service in the House of Representatives.

Valedictory  
address.

Present in the House Chamber for this auspicious occasion were several guests of Representative Benson, including her husband and children.

## *Guests of the House.*

During the session, the Speaker declared a brief recess and introduced State Representative Jim Butler of Dayton, Ohio, the Speaker Pro Tempore of the Ohio House of Representatives. He was the guest of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset.

Representative  
Jim Butler of  
Ohio.

During the session, the Speaker declared a brief recess and introduced the Swampscott High School “Big Blue” Division V Super Bowl championship team, accompanied by their coaches. They were the guests of Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead and were accompanied by Senator Creighton.

Swampscott  
football  
team.

### *Communications.*

#### Communications

From the Department of Correction (see Section 16 of Chapter 123A of the General Laws) relative to treatment offered to sexually dangerous persons in the custody of the department during the fiscal year 2019 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means and the committee on the Judiciary, as required by said law]; and

Sexually  
dangerous  
persons.

From the MBTA Fiscal and Management Control Board (see Section 207 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting its status update on the annual report relative to its revenue, operating budget, capital plan and progress toward meeting performance metrics and targets, and that they intend to file said report by January 13, 2020;

MBTA,—  
control  
board.

Severally were placed on file.

### *Annual Reports.*

#### Annual reports

Of the Economic Empowerment Trust Fund (under Section 35QQ of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2019; and

Economic  
empowerment.

Of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (under Section 8 of Chapter 161B of the General Laws, as amended by Section 46 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) of its review on the financial performance, ridership, asset management, and customer service of regional transit authorities for the calendar year 2019;

MassDOT,—  
regional  
transit  
authorities.

Severally were placed on file.

### *Petitions.*

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jay D. Livingstone (with the approval of the city council) relative to transportation network company vehicles operating in the city of Cambridge.

Cambridge,—  
transportation  
network vehicles.

By Messrs. McMurtry of Dedham and Donato of Medford, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry, Paul J. Donato and others relative to room and board costs for au pairs under certain provisions of the domestic workers rights law.

Au pairs.

By Representatives Muratore of Plymouth and LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mathew J. Muratore, Kathleen R. LaNatra and others for legislation to require learners or apprentices employed by a journeyman electrician to be registered with the Division of Apprentice Training.

Apprentice  
training,—  
electricians.

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

*Paper from the Senate.*

A Bill authorizing the city of Easthampton to grant 8 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises, 4 additional licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premise and 1 additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2381) (on Senate, No. 2188) [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.

Easthampton,—  
liquor  
licenses.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to assure opportunity for all students with disabilities (House, No. 477).

Students,—  
disabilities.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 398, 401, 404, 413, 414, 470, 480, 520, 551, 552 and 553, a Bill ensuring high quality early education (House, No. 4291).

Early  
education.

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

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill relative to the powers and duties of a regional school district (House, No. 446).

Regional  
schools.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 475, a Bill requiring instruction in CPR and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation (House, No. 4292).

Defibrillators,—  
instruction.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 565, a Bill concerning disposable menstrual products in schools (House, No. 4293).

Schools,—  
feminine  
hygiene.

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

*Emergency Measure.*

The engrossed Bill authorizing the mutual release of all claims to certain lands in the town of Newbury (see Senate, No. 2270, 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.

Newbury,—  
land.

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.

*Matter Discharged from the Orders of the Day.*

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Leah Reed, an employee of the Department Developmental Services [sic] (House, No. 4258) (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn), was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and read a third time forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield; and it was

Third  
reading  
bill.

passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Recess.*

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until half past one o'clock P.M.; and at twelve minutes after two o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

*Reports of Committees.*

Prior to the noon recess, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the Senate Bill to protect persons with intellectual or developmental disability from abuse (Senate, No. 2367, amended), ought to pass with amendments striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4296; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act to protect persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities from abuse". Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Disabilities,—  
abuse.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith. The amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then were adopted; and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Petrolati, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Ms. Khan of Newton; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill passed to  
be engrossed,—  
yea and nay  
No. 143.

**[See Yea and Nay No. 143 in Supplement.]**

Therefore the bill (Senate, No. 2367, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House [for text of House amendments, see House document numbered 4296].

*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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Mr. Muradian of Grafton then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at eighteen minutes before four o'clock P.M. (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.