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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).

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.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, 6th and 7th grade students from Sacred Heart School in Weymouth, who were accompanied by their Principal Gretchen Harley and members of the staff. They were the guests of Representative Murphy of Weymouth.

Weymouth,—
Sacred Heart
School.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Haddad of Somerset) congratulating Robert F. Souza on being inducted into the Somerset Athletic Hall of Fame;

Robert
Souza.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Decker of Cambridge) commending Deborah Ruhe on the occasion of her retirement from Just-A-Start;

Deborah
Ruhe.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vieira of Falmouth and other members of the House) commending the Outdoor Heritage Community for its dedication and contributions to professional wildlife and wildlands management;

Outdoor
Heritage
Community.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vitolo of Brookline) recognizing the fiftieth anniversary of the John F. Kennedy National Historic Site; and

Kennedy
historic site.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vitolo of Brookline) recognizing the thirty-fifth annual "What JFK Means To Me" ceremony at the John F. Kennedy National Historic Site;

John F.
Kennedy,—
essay contest.

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. Cabral of New Bedford, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

The following additional petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 18, 2019) were referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, as follows:

By Mr. Carey of Easthampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3798) of Daniel R. Carey for legislation to create direct dental care agreements. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Dental care,—
direct
agreements.

By Mr. Murray of Milford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3802) of Brian W. Murray and others relative to low-cost internet service. To the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

Internet
service.

By Mr. Cullinane of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3803) of Daniel R. Cullinane relative to contributions from political action committees to candidates for state representative; and

Political
committees,—
contributions.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3804) of Daniel R. Cullinane relative to campaign finance reporting;

Campaign
finance,—
reporting.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Carey of Easthampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3805) of Daniel R. Carey relative to insurance coverage for hospital grade breast pumps; and

Breast pumps,—
insurance
coverage.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3806) of Daniel R. Carey relative to access to affordable dental care;

Dental
care.

Severally to the committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3807) of Jennifer E. Benson and others for legislation to establish a student tuition recovery fund to be administered by the Attorney General. To the committee on Higher Education.

Tuition,—
recovery
fund.

By Ms. Nguyen of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3808) of Tram T. Nguyen and others relative to nonpayment of rent or foreclosure by federal employees during a federal government shutdown. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Foreclosure,—
federal
employees.

By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3809) of Sean Garballey and others relative to the scheduling of employees. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Employees,—
scheduling.

By Representative Tucker of Salem and Senator Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3810) of Paul F. Tucker, Michael O. Moore and others relative to police education and training. To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Police,—
education
and training.

By Mr. Mom of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3811) of Rady Mom relative to the minority preference for police and fire department hirings in cities and towns. To the committee on Public Service.

Public safety,—
minority
preference.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3812) of James Arciero and others relative to the student loan debt relief tax credit; and

Student loans,—
tax credit.

By Mr. Muradian of Grafton (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3813) of William Tessmer relative to certain tax reporting requirements;

Taxes,—
reporting.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill designating a bridge in the town of Dalton as the Specialist Mitchell K. Daehling memorial bridge (House, No. 3077), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

Dalton,—
Daehling
bridge.

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose,

which is to designate forthwith a certain bridge in the town of Dalton, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Subsequently the amendment (reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was adopted, in concurrence.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for James Lovett, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (Senate, No. 2209, amended in line 1 by striking out the word “The” and inserting in place thereof the words “Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the”) (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.

James
Lovett,—
sick leave.

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 petition of Sarah K. Peake relative to the closed season on edible crabs. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Edible crab
season.

By Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Relative to the charter of the town of Plymouth (House, No. 1811) [Local Approval Received];

Plymouth,—
charter.

Authorizing the certification and appointment of Adam J. Silva as a firefighter in the town of Wilmington (House, No. 2355) [Local Approval Received];

Wilmington,—
Adam Silva.

Authorizing the town of Norwood to continue the employment of police chief William G. Brooks, III (House, No. 2356) [Local Approval Received];

Norwood,—
William Brooks.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Sophia R. Velez, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (House, No. 3739); and

Sophia Velez,—
sick leave.

Authorizing the Norfolk County Retirement Board to acquire real property to use as administrative offices (House, No. 3741);

Norfolk
County,—
offices.

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

By Ms. Cronin of Easton, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Antoinette Rodney, an employee of the legal department of the Trial Court (House, No. 3744). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Antoinette
Rodney,—
sick leave.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill designating a bridge in the town of Dalton as the Specialist Mitchell K. Daehling memorial bridge (see House, No. 3077, amended), having

Dalton,—
Daehling
bridge.

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 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.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

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 nineteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.