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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.

Statement of Representative Pignatelli of Lee.

A statement of Mr. Pignatelli of Lee was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was absent from the House Chamber for the session held on Wednesday, May 15. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on passing to be engrossed House bill No. 3793, amended, An Act requiring the hands-free use of mobile telephones while driving.

Statement of
Mr. Pignatelli
of Lee.

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, the 2019 East Bridgewater coed cheerleaders state champions, who were accompanied by Erica Grodin. At the invitation of the Chair, they participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Representatives Sullivan of Abington and DuBois of Brockton.

East
Bridgewater
coed
cheerleaders.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, students from Wessagusset Primary School in Weymouth. They were accompanied by their teachers Erin Keenan, Mandy Ferreira, Heather DiLauro, Emily Kuhn, and Jack O'Donnell. They were the guests of Representative Murphy of Weymouth.

Weymouth,—
Wessagusset
school.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating James Hackney on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

James
Hackney.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Max Clare on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Max
Clare.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Henry Resker on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Henry
Resker.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Parisella of Beverly) celebrating the civic

Silvio

contributions of Silvio “Sal” Salvanelli; and

Salvanelli
Alexander
Green.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Alexander W. Green on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

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

Communications.

Communications

From the Bristol County Registry of Deeds (see Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure for technological improvements from the County Registers Technological Fund [copies of the report were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight, as required by said law];

Bristol
County,—
technology
fund.

From the Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund Commission (see Section 11 of Chapter 111k of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2018;

Catastrophic
Illness Relief
Fund.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 2B of Chapter 18 and Section 3C of Chapter 118 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children Consolidated Report [copies were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, and the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, as required by said law];

DTA,—
consolidated
report.

From the Human Resources Department of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Section 25 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws) submitting a listing of civil service fire and police chief series eligible lists that have been revoked by the Personnel Administrator as of May 1, 2019;

Civil service
fire and police
chief lists.

From the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (see Section 65 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) submitting the 2018 Annual Gaming Audit [copy of said audit forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, as required by statute];

Gaming
Commission.

From the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative (see Section 8 of Chapter 40J of the General Laws) submitting the annual report for fiscal year 2018;

Technology
Collaborative.

From the Office of the Child Advocate (see Section 10 of Chapter 18C of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of the office’s accomplishments and activities for fiscal year 2018;

Child advocate
office.

From the Restoration Center Commission (see Section 225 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting a report on the status of the development and implementation of a three year plan to build a restoration center in the former county of Middlesex; and

Restoration
Center
Commission.

From the Taxonomy Commission (see Section 102 of Chapter 208 of the Acts of 2018) submitting a report of its recommendations regarding a taxonomy of licensed behavioral health clinician specialties and processes;

Taxonomy
Commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

Reports

Of the Cannabis Control Commission (under Section 18 of Chapter 94G of the General Laws) submitting its annual audit report [a copy was forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, as required by said law];

Cannabis
Control
Commission.

Of the Department of Public Health (under item 4513-1020 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the Early Intervention program report for the second quarter of fiscal year 2019;

Early
Intervention.

Of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund through the end of March 2019;

Unemployment
Trust Fund.

Of the Division of Administrative Law Appeals (under Section 4H of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) for calendar year 2018; and

Administrative
Law Appeals.

Of the Sheriff's Department of Plymouth County (under Section 84 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the aggregate data on the population of the Plymouth County Correctional Facility for the first quarter of 2019;

Plymouth County
Correctional
Facility.

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3814) of John J. Lawn, Jr., Jonathan Hecht and William N. Brownsberger (with the approval of the town council) relative to the construction of improvements to Arsenal Park in the town of Watertown. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Watertown,—
Arsenal
Park.

By Representative Jones of North Reading and Senator Crighton, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3815) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Brendan P. Crighton (by vote of the town) that the town of Lynnfield be authorized to exempt the position of sealer of weights and measures from the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.

Lynnfield,—
civil service
law.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Hogan of Stow and Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Hogan, Jennifer E. Benson and others for legislation to establish a task force to review and investigate water and ground contamination of per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

Water, etc.
contamination,—
task force.

By Mr. Smola of Warren, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Todd M. Smola, Anne M. Gobi and Timothy R. Whelan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kyle Minnicucci, an employee of the State Police.

Kyle
Minnicucci,—
sick leave.

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

Papers from the Senate.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2223) of Dean A. Tran for legislation to commission a study on small manufacturing businesses in Massachusetts. To the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses.

Small
businesses,—
manufacturing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2224) of Dean A. Tran for legislation to promote Massachusetts furniture manufacturers. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Furniture
manufacturers,—
state contracts.

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 Linda Dean Campbell for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sheri Panas, an employee of the Department of Unemployment Assistance. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Hawkins of Attleboro, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Sheri Panas,—
sick leave.

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

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for James Lovett, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (Senate, No. 2209, amended); and

James Lovett,—
sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Antoinette Rodney, an employee of the legal department of the Trial Court (House, No. 3744);

Antoinette
Rodney,—
sick leave.

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

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mark A. Paiva, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2215), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Medfield to enter into a long-term lease for an arts and cultural center (House, No. 3643); and

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Carrie Peters, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 3740);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mark A. Paiva, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2215), 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.

Mark Paiva,—
sick leave.

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 8 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 Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (see House bill printed in House, No. 69), 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.

Transportation
bonds.

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 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Quorum.

Mr. Hawkins of Attleboro asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), determined that a quorum was not in attendance.

Quorum.

Under the provisions of Rule 82, the Chair (Mr. Donato), at eleven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, declared an adjournment of the House until Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

Adjournment
declared.