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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 and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

## Message from the Governor.

A message from His Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making certain appropriations for Fiscal Year 2021 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (House, No. 4806), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, June 19.

emergency expenditures.

State funds,—

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for said committee, reported on the foregoing message, a Bill making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2021 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (printed in House, No. 4806) [Total appropriations: \$5,250,000,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, 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 Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Orders.

The following order (filed by Mr. Cullinane of Boston) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Health Care Financing be granted until Thursday, December 31, 2020 within which time to make its final report on all matters referred to them.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4800), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cullinane of Boston, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Health Care Financing, extension of time for reporting. The following order (filed by Mr. Hay of Fitchburg) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Labor and Workforce Development be granted until Thursday, August 20, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 4739, 4743 and 4749.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4798), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Hay of Fitchburg, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Labor and Workforce Development, extension of time for reporting.

The following order (filed by Mr. Hay of Fitchburg) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Labor and Workforce Development be granted until Tuesday, October 27, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 4746 and 4754.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4799), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Hay of Fitchburg, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Labor and Workforce Development, extension of time for reporting

#### Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler relative to retirement benefits for Felicia O'Connor, the surviving spouse of John Bernard O'Connor, a retired state police officer injured in the line of duty.

By Mr. Markey of Dartmouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher M. Markey relative to inquests by medical examiners.

By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Theodore C. Speliotis and others for legislation to transfer employees of the North Shore Regional 911 Center to the State 911 Department.

By Mr. Ultrino of Malden, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Steven Ultrino that assistant coordinators of the electric monitoring department of the Office of Probation shall be eligible for classification as members of Group 2 of the state contributory retirement board.

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

#### Felicia O'Connor, benefits.

Medical examiners.

911, employee transfer.

Probation monitors,—Group 2.

#### Papers from the Senate.

The following order, having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch, as follows:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Judiciary be granted until June 30, 2020, within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2700, relative to Judiciary.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Cronin of Easton, the order (Senate, No. 2758) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The Judiciary committee,— extension of time for reporting.

The following order, having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch, as follows:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the committee on Public Health be granted until July 31, 2020, within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 1335, relative to public health matters.

Public Health committee,—extension of time for reporting.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, the order (Senate, No. 2729) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The following order, having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch, as follows:

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Public Safety and Homeland Security be granted until July 15, 2020, within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 1401 and 2602, relative to public safety matters.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Naughton of Clinton, the order (Senate, No. 2728) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Public Safety and Homeland Security committee, extension of time for reporting.

A petition of Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Patrick M. O'Connor and Dean A. Tran for legislation relative to healthcare consumer health options and increased care efficiency, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Consumers, healthcare options.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2776) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

## 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 joint petition of Christopher M. Markey and Mark C. Montigny that the Dartmouth Housing Authority be authorized to lease a portion of land located in the town of Dartmouth to Partners in Housing, LLC for affordable housing purposes. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Dartmouth,—affordable housing.

By Mr. Hay of Fitchburg, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on a petition, a Bill to reinvest justice and opportunity in communities affected by incarceration (House, No. 1651).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to meeting the human service workforce demand (House, No. 3835).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill ensuring domestic violence victims' protections for all employees in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4566).

Workforce development fund.

Human service workforce.

Domestic violence,— protections.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4313, a Bill to protect the collective bargaining rights of certain administrative employees (House, No. 4801).

Collective bargaining.

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

## Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill authorizing Old Rochester Regional School District to enter into renewable energy agreements (see House No. 4435), 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.

Old Rochester Regional School District.

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 authorizing the county of Dukes County to borrow funds to pay costs of acquiring land, constructing buildings and other facilities as the county shall require, making capital improvements to county facilities, acquiring items of capital equipment, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto (see House, No. 4094) (which originated in the House), 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 Senate further amendment to the House amendment of the Senate Bill designating United States Nurse Corps day (Senate, No. 2178, changed and amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was considered.

United States Nurse Corps day.

Mr. Speliotis of Danvers then moved that the House concur with the Senate in its further amendment with a still further amendment 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 the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Day, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The still further amendment was adopted.

The House then concurred with the Senate in its further amendment, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the still further amendment.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Clinton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4336) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Authorizing the town of Clinton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4337) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third reading bills.

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.

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The House Bill authorizing the town of Hadley to transfer the care and control of park land in the town of Hadley to the board of selectmen (House, No. 4589) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Hadley,—land.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 1, in line 2, by inserting after the word "transfer" the words "the care and control of"; and in line 4 by inserting after the figures: "91" the words "from the park and recreation commission of the town".

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4589, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Recess.

At sixteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until a quarter before twelve o'clock noon; and at eight minutes before twelve o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

### Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to preserve the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey (Senate, No. 2328), ought to pass with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4804. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey.

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 amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2328, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz, the bill (having been 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. The bill (Senate, No. 2328, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on the residue of House, No. 4326, a Bill financing municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 4803). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Municipal roads and bridges.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to grant certain easements to the town of Bourne (House, No. 4007, changed), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4805). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bourne,—land.

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 amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to transfer certain parcels of land to the city of Northampton (House, No. 4123), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Northampton,—land.

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; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 4707, reported, in part, a Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2020 to authorize certain COVID-19 spending in anticipation of federal reimbursement (House, No. 4802) [Total appropriations: \$1,100,000,000.00]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Supplemental appropriations.

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

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

#### Recess.

At twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at ten minutes before four o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

### Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2021 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (see House bill printed in House, No. 4806) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly

Bill enacted.

and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

## Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.; and that notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 12, the Clerk be authorized to dispense with the printing of a Calendar for said sitting.

Next sitting.

At eight minutes before four o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.