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Thursday, August 15, 2019.

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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Poirier of North Attleborough, Barrows of Mansfield and Howitt of Seekonk) congratulating and recognizing Paul J. Schleicher on his retirement as fire chief for the town of Norton;

Paul
Schleicher.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Arciero of Westford, Golden of Lowell, Nangle of Lowell and Gouveia of Acton) recognizing and honoring W. Allen Thomas, Jr., of Chelmsford for his eight and one-half years of service on the school committee of the town of Chelmsford; and

W. Allen
Thomas, Jr.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lee) congratulating and honoring Camp Bonnie Brae of the Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts on the one hundredth anniversary of its establishment;

Camp
Bonnie
Brae.

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

Communications.

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From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 2(B) of Chapter 18 of the General Laws) submitting a report entitled: Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children Work Participation 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]; and

DTA,—
work
participation.

From the Special Commission to Study the Prevention of Suicide Among Correction Officers in Massachusetts Correctional Facilities (see Section 219 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) submitting a report regarding its findings and recommendations relative to suicide prevention;

Correction
officers,—
suicide
prevention.

Severally were placed on file.

Quarterly Report.

A quarterly report 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 second quarter of 2019, was placed on file.

Plymouth
County
Correctional
Facility.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Dykema of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4048) of Carolyn C. Dykema (by vote of the town) that the town of Holliston be authorized to convert a license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises to a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Holliston,—
liquor
license.

By Ms. Tyler of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4049) of Chynah Tyler and Martin J. Walsh (mayor) (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to appoint cadet firefighters to the Boston fire department. To the committee on Public Service.

Boston,—
firefighters.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2317) of Michael J. Barrett and Tami L. Gouveia (by vote of the town) for legislation to establishing a building permit surcharge in the town of Concord. To the committee on Housing.

Concord,—
building
permits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2318) of Michael J. Barrett and Tami L. Gouveia (by vote of the town) for legislation to establishing [sic] a real estate transfer fee upon the transfer of property in the town of Concord. To the committee on Revenue.

Concord,—
transfer fee.

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 John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Danielle Diaz, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, 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.

Danielle
Diaz,—
sick leave.

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:

Amending the town manager act of the town of Arlington relative to the

Arlington,—
treasurer.

appointment and management of the town treasurer (House, No. 3978) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to the gender neutral redraft of the home rule charter of the town of Easton (House, No. 3984) [Local Approval Received];

Amending the charter of the town of Andover (House, No. 3985) [Local Approval Received];

Authorizing the town of Fairhaven to transfer an interest in certain park land (House, No. 4009) [Local Approval Received]; and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Thelma J. Williams, an employee of the Commission for the Blind (House, No. 4032);

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

Easton,—
charter.

Andover,—
charter.

Fairhaven,—
land.

Thelma
Williams,—
sick leave.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Kiera C. McNamara, an employee of the Trial Court (House No. 3970), reported by the committee on the Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Mr. Speliotis of Danvers then moved to amend it in lines 5 and 6 by striking out the sentence contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: “If Kiera C. McNamara 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.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3970, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Kiera
McNamara,—
sick leave.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty-five minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.