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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.

Petitions.

Ms. Fiola of Fall River presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5029) of Carole A. Fiola and Paul A. Schmid, III (by vote of the town) relative to alternate members of the Conservation Commission of the town of Freetown; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Freetown,—
conservation
commission.

Mr. Roy of Franklin presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William Manning, an employee of the Department of Correction; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

William
Manning,—
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 Jonathan D. Zlotnik, Susannah M. Whipps and Anne M. Gobi for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Debra Hill, an employee of the Department of Mental Health. 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 Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Debra Hill,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Joseph Gatto, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department (House, No. 4999), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Joseph
Gatto,—
sick leave.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was reads a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Report of the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4953) of Tommy Vitolo and Nika C. Elugardo (by vote of the town) that the town

Brookline,—
liquor
licenses.

of Brookline be authorized to reallocate certain licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in certain target commercial areas in said town.

Under suspension of the rules, on a motion of Mr. Stanley of Waltham, the report was considered forthwith. Pending the question on acceptance of the report, the petition was recommitted, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy.

By Mr. O’Day of West Boylston, for the committee on the Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the board of selectmen of the town of Dighton (House, No. 4984) [Local Approval Received].

Dighton,—
select
board.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to allow Roll On America to connect into the Leominster water system (House, No. 4985) [Local Approval Received].

Leominster,—
water
system.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the authority of the town manager in the town of Upton (House, No. 4986) [Local Approval Received].

Upton,—
town
manager.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill creating in the town of Upton the office of appointed treasurer/collector (House, No. 4987) [Local Approval Received].

Upton,—
treasurer/
collector.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marshall Johnson, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (House, No. 5019).

Marshall
Johnson,—
sick leave.

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

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the city of Chelsea to transfer property to the affordable housing trust fund board in the city of Chelsea (see House, No. 4155); and

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the city of Framingham to amend the income qualifications for a certain tax deferral program (see House, No. 4789);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the conveyance of easements and conservation restrictions to watershed lands of the city known as the town of West Springfield (House, No. 4982), 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.

Third
reading
bill.

The House report of the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4271) of Paul McMurtry and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) that the town of Dedham be authorized to grant one additional

Dedham,—
liquor
license.

license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on premises, was considered.

Pending the question on acceptance of the report, the joint petition was recommitted, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy.

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 nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (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.