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Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

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 — Bill Returned with Recommendation of Amendment.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with recommendation of amendment the engrossed Bill establishing the Littleton Common Smart Sewer District in the town of Littleton [see House, No. 4865] (for message, see House, No. 5041), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, October 9.

Littleton  
Common Smart  
Sewer District.

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the bill was thereupon “before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment recommended by His Excellency, the bill was referred, on motion of Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

## *Petitions.*

Representative Sullivan of Abington and Senator Brady presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5046) of Alyson M. Sullivan and Michael D. Brady (by vote of the town) that the town of Whitman be authorized to repeal the motor vehicle fine revolving fund in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Whitman,—  
motor vehicle  
fine revolving  
fund.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Chan of Quincy and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tackey Chan and Paul R. Feeney relative to certain businesses with alcoholic beverage licenses that cease to conduct business as a result of disruptions caused by COVID-19.

Businesses,—  
alcoholic  
beverage  
licenses.

By Mr. Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc T. Lombardo for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Brian Thompson, an employee of Department of Correction.

Brian  
Thompson,—  
sick leave.

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

## *Papers from the Senate.*

Bills

Relative to the position of Deputy Chief of Police in the town of Carver (Senate, No. 2847) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received]; and

Carver,—  
deputy chief.

Authorizing the investment of town of Lunenburg library trust funds (Senate, No. 2898) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Lunenburg,—  
fund.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2920) of Walter F. Timilty, Bruce J. Ayers, Mark J. Cusack and William J. Driscoll, Jr. (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to special police officers in the city known as the town of Randolph, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Randolph,—  
special  
police  
officers.

### *Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Ferrante of Gloucester, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, on House, Nos. 365, 380, 381, 388, 390, 391, 392, 394, 395, 3802, 3918 and 4043, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning employment opportunities, medical research, electric vehicles, opportunity zones and other economic development and technology issues (House, No. 5011).

Employment  
opportunities,  
medical  
research,  
electric  
vehicles, &c,—  
study.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on House, Nos. 733, 737, 738, 746, 779, 780, 814, 815, 816, 879 and 893, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning fisheries (House, No. 5012).

Fisheries,—  
study.

By Mrs. Campbell of Methuen, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, on House, No. 3239, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning the citizens commission concerning the Commonwealth of Massachusetts being in alignment with the UN treaty on the prohibition of nuclear weapons (House, No. 5005).

Nuclear  
weapons'  
commission,—  
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3240, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning the prohibition of nuclear weapons (House, No. 5006).

Id.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4279, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning creating a medal of loyalty for families of veterans (House, No. 5007).

Medal of  
loyalty,—  
study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently, Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Higher Education, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the University of Massachusetts to convey a certain parcel

UMass,—  
Nantucket  
housing

of land with buildings thereon in the town of Nantucket to the town of Nantucket Affordable Housing Trust Fund (House, No. 4972). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

trust fund.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Debra Hill an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 5036). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Debra Hill,—  
sick leave.

*Emergency Measure.*

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Marzilli, an employee of the Military Division of the Executive Branch of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2742, amended), 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.

William  
Marzilli,—  
sick leave.

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.

*Orders of the Day.*

House bills

Authorizing Michael Cheung to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board (House, No. 4815);

Third  
reading  
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Mary Moulton, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4981) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Joseph Gatto, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department (House, No. 4999);

Severally having been 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.

*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.

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At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. 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.