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Met at six minutes after 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.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Galvin of Canton) congratulating Anthony P. Andreotti on the occasion of his retirement as the Veterans’ Services Director and Agent for the town of Canton, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2376) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation to establish adequate funding for residents of Massachusetts nursing homes. To the committee on Elder Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2375) of David Erekson for legislation relative to a long term care partnership program. To the committee on Financial Services.

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 Shauna L. O’Connell and others relative to prohibiting registered sex offenders from changing names. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of Steven S. Howitt and Paul A.
Schmid, III relative to further regulating natural gas pipelines,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 authorizing the city of Lynn to issue an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2354, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills
Establishing a sick leave bank for Kathleen Stone-Harrington, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4106); and
Establishing a sick leave bank for Erica Moore, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4111);
Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lee, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill establishing a special commission to ensure the resiliency of family farms in the 21st century (House, No. 802, changed in line 11 by inserting after the word “agriculture” the words “or designees”; and in line 12 by inserting after the word “energy”, the first time it appears, the words “or designees”). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lee, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill establishing the monitoring of ultrafine particulates (House, No. 827).

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 507 and House, No. 773, a Bill further regulating the enforcement of illegal hunting practices (House, No. 4131).

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

By Mr. O’Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the Salem scholarship and education committee to provide scholarships from funds set aside for educational purposes (House, No. 4041) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to sewer regulations in the town of Auburn (House, No. 4047) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill funding the town of Hanover’s other post employment [sic] benefits liability trust fund (House, No. 4061) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill abolishing the sewer commission of the town of Royalston (House, No. 4068) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill granting the city of Medford the authority to require the adoption of institutional master plans
subject to the review and approval by the municipality (House, No. 4079) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill amending the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 4080) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Norfolk County Treasurer to borrow funds for repairs to the Norfolk County Agricultural School (House, No. 4090).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the funding of the other post-employment benefits liability trust fund in the town of Uxbridge (House, No. 4097) [Local Approval Received].

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

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill further regulating the Lanesborough Village Fire and Water District (House, No. 3863), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Winthrop to continue the employment of Fire Chief, Paul E. Flanagan (House, No. 3909), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

House bills
Relative to the health insurance and other benefits in the town of East Brookfield (House, No. 2167); and
Authorizing the town of Gill to continue the employment of Gene M. Beaubien (House, No. 4055);
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.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Karen Phillips, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 4046), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it 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 a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of mental health, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4046, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.
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Further regulating the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at certain polling places in the town of Middleton (see Senate, No. 2344, amended) (which originated in the Senate);

Authorizing the town of Winthrop to continue the employment of Fire Chief, Paul E. Flanagan (see House, No. 3909, amended); and

Further regulating the appointment and management of the town treasurer and collector of the town of Arlington (see House, No. 3978);

(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.

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.

At half past 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.