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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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Roland Ochsenbein on the occasion of his retirement from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; and Roland Ochsenbein.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Sullivan of Abington) commending Thomas McCarthy on the occasion of his retirement as the Veterans Service Officer for the town of Abington and the town of Whitman;

Thomas McCarthy.

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

Order.

The following order (filed by Mr. Parisella of Beverly) 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 Public Service be granted until Thursday, December 31, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 5017.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 5087), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Parisella of Beverly, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Public Service, extension of time for reporting.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Dykema of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5092) of Carolyn C. Dykema (by vote of the town) that the town of Holliston be authorized to establish an economic development funding program and fund in said town; and

Holliston,—fund.

By Representative Jones of North Reading and Senator Crighton, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5093) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and Brendan P. Crighton (by vote of the town) that the town of Lynnfield be authorized to change the name of the board of selectmen in said town to the select board;

Lynnfield,—select board.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Messrs. McKenna of Webster and Frost of Auburn, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joseph D. McKenna, Paul K. Frost and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Charles Harrison, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

Charles Harrison, sick leave.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of the Nickerson State Park in the town of Brewster to said town.

Brewster,—land.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill requiring certain insurance coverage for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome (Senate, No. 2935) (on Senate bill No. 613), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

PANDAS/ PANS, insurance.

A Bill authorizing the investment of trust funds benefiting the town of Sherborn Library (Senate, No. 2909) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Sherborn Library.

A petition of Walter F. Timilty, Daniel R. Cullinane and William J. Driscoll, Jr. (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish speed limits on portions of Route 28 and Chickatawbut Road in the town of Milton, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Transportation.

Milton, speed limits.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2488) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Transportation.

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 following petitions:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) 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; and

licenses.

COVID-19,—
liquor
licenses.

Businesses,—alcohol

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Tackey Chan and Paul R. Feeney relative to licensees for the sale of beverages to be drunk on premises during the COVID-19 emergency;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill to guarantee housing stability during the COVID-19 emergency and recovery (House, No. 5018),— and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

COVID-19,—housing stability.

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 establishing a sick leave bank for Marshall Bickford, an employee of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (Senate, No. 2925); and

The House Bill pertaining to liquor licenses in the town of Brookline (House, No. 5067) [Local Approval Received];

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

Marshall Bickford. Brookline, liquor licenses.

A report of the committee on Steering Policy and Scheduling, under the provisions of the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Scituate to use certain conservation land for general municipal purposes (Senate,

Scituate, land.

No. 2915) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Ms. Balser of Newton, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on House, Nos. 600 and 4063, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Elder Affairs to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning assisted living classification and affordable senior housing and services (House, No. 5079).

Assisted living,—study.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on House, Nos. 741, 742, 787, 847, 864, 866, 867, 872 and 881, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning Department of Conservation and Recreation fees, funds and property and a cranberry water use transfer program (House, No. 5078).

DCR fees, etc.,—study.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on Senate, Nos. 1601, 1605, 1606, 1607, 1608, 1609, 1615, 1616, 1618, 1623, 1624, 1625, 1626, 1630, 1633, 1637, 1638, 1641, 1642, 1644, 1648, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1656, 1658, 1663, 1669, 1675, 1680, 1681, 1684, 1686, 1696, 1697, 1699, 1700, 1701, 1702, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1710, 1714, 1721, 1728, 1730, 1733, 1734, 1736, 1739, 1741, 1748, 1750, 1752, 1756, 1762, 1770, 1772, 1773, 1776, 1777, 1778, 1779, 1781, 1784, 1785, 1786, 1787, 1788, 1789, 1792, 1796 and 2345 and House, Nos. 2549, 2557, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2567, 2568, 2570, 2571, 2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2581, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2593, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2604, 2605, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2616, 2617, 2620, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2637, 2639, 2641, 2642, 2643, 2644, 2646, 2649, 2650, 2652, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2659, 3579, 3580, 3581, 3616, 3663, 3786, 3789, 3790, 3812, 3813, 3890, 3891, 3892, 3942 and 4190, an Order relative to authorizing the

Tax exemptions, credits, etc.,—study.

committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning tax exemptions, tax credits and other revenue issues (House, No. 5080).

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.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Expanding the exemption for residential property in the town of Truro (House, No. 4209); and

Third reading bills.

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to allow for a personal property tax exemption of \$20,000 or less (House, No. 4773);

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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next sitting.

At nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Ferguson of Holden (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.