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Tuesday, November 26, 2019.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Garballey of Arlington 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. Garballey), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Miss Gregoire of Marlborough) congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Cobb on the occasion of their fifty-first wedding anniversary, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Brian and
Nancy Cobb.

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

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arciero of Westford and Senator Kennedy, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4234) of James Arciero and Edward J. Kennedy (by vote of the town) that the town of Westford be authorized to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Westford,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Arciero of Westford and Senator Kennedy, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4235) of James Arciero and Edward J. Kennedy (by vote of the town) that the town of Westford be authorized to rename the board of selectmen in said town to the select board. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Westford,—
select board.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Cutler of Pembroke and Senator Brady, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler and Michael D. Brady for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Karyn Buckley, an employee of the Trial Court.

Karyn
Buckley,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Shawn Dooley relative to the identification of persons involved in automobile and motorcycle accidents by news media organizations.

Crashes,—
identification.

By Representative Hunt of Boston and Senator Collins, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel J. Hunt and Nick Collins that the University of

UMass,—
Kenneally
center.

Massachusetts be authorized to designate the student center at the Boston campus as the George V. Kenneally, Jr., student center.

By Representative Straus of Mattapoisett and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William M. Straus, Michael J. Rodrigues and Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to authorize the Old Rochester Regional School District to enter into renewable energy agreements.

Old Rochester Regional School District,— energy.

By Representatives Vega of Holyoke and Barber of Somerville, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron Vega, Christine P. Barber and others for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor setting apart the month of April as Sikh appreciation month and to designate November 12 as world equality day.

Sikh month and world equality day.

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

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1379) of Sonia Chang-Diaz and other members of the General Court for legislation to strengthen inmate visitation,— and recommending the same be referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Inmates,— visitation.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2424) of Kelechi (KC) Linardon and others for legislation relative to childless individuals with chronic disabilities experiencing homelessness. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Homeless,— chronic disabilities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate No. 2425) of Dean A. Tran for legislation relative to emergency insulin access. To the committee on Public Health.

Insulin,— access.

The following notices were received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

November 26, 2019.

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate made the following appointment, which has been ratified by the Majority Party Caucus:

Joint Committee on Public Service, Chair – Barry R. Finegold.

Public Service committee.

Respectfully,
MICHAEL D. HURLEY
Clerk of the Senate

November 26, 2019.

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate made the following appointments:

Senator Cynthia Stone Creem (pursuant to Section 32 of Chapter 34 of the Acts of 2019) to the Task Force on the Preservation and Storage of Evidence;

Senator Joan Lovely (pursuant to Section 217 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) to the Autism Commission; and

Ms. Patricia Hohl (pursuant to Section 66 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women.

Evidence.

Autism
Commission.

Women.

Respectfully,
MICHAEL D. HURLEY
Clerk of the Senate.

November 26, 2019.

Honorable Steven T. James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
Room 145 State House
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Dear Mr. Clerk:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader, has made the following appointment:

Senator Ryan C. Fattman (pursuant to Section 217 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) to the Commission on Autism.

Autism
Commission.

Respectfully,
MICHAEL D. HURLEY
Clerk of the Senate.

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 Paul K. Frost relative to tax assessments of certain horticultural land. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield, the report

Horticultural
land,—
taxes.

was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. 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:

Senate bills

Concerning health insurance benefits for surviving spouses of firefighters in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 1483) [Local Approval Received]; and

Amending the charter of the town of Ipswich to make it gender neutral and to further regulate town operations (Senate, No. 2406) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills

Relative to physician assistant non-competes (House, No. 1686);

Establishing the George Washington memorial highway (House, No. 2974);

Relative to veterans housing advantage (House, No. 3777); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Shannon Ondras, an employee of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (House, No. 4215);

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

Boston,—
benefits.

Ipswich—
charter.

Non-competes.
Agawam.
Veterans.
Shannon
Ondras.

By Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, for the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1904) of Danielle W. Gregoire relative to the issuance of licenses to applicants for marriage and family therapist, rehabilitation counselors and mental health counselors,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Licenses,—
issuance.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on House, No. 145, a Bill relative to an agricultural healthy incentives program (House, No. 4232).

Healthy
incentives.

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on House, No. 2037, a Bill providing for the care and transportation of police dogs injured in the line of duty (House, No. 4230).

Police dogs,—
care.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to study the feasibility of creating and implementing a gypsy moth spraying program (House, No. 837) [Senator Eldridge and Representative Ciccolo of Lexington dissenting]. Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Gypsy
moths,—
spraying.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on a petition, a Bill to reduce deep poverty among kids (House, No. 102, changed in section 1, in line 6, and also in section 2, in line 21, by striking out the year: “2019” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the year: “2020”).

Assistance,—
monthly
benefits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill preventing

Transitional

funds deposited in children's savings accounts from counting against cash assistance benefits (House, No. 169, changed in section 1, in lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "Notwithstanding any general or special law or regulation to the contrary, the" and inserting in place thereof the following: "Chapter 18 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 39 the following section:- Section 40. The").

assistance,—
benefits.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 117, a Bill updating terminology and investigative practices related to the protection of person with disabilities (House, No. 4231).

Disabled,—
protection.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 163, a Bill relative to a loan repayment program for human service workers (House, No. 4233).

Human service
workers.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill relative to abandoned vessels on DCR property (House, No. 734).

Abandoned
vessels.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to mosquito control (House, No. 850) [Senator Eldridge dissenting].

Mosquito
control.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 821, a Bill relative to boater safety to be known as the David Hanson Act (House, No. 4229).

Boating,—
safety.

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill requiring carbon monoxide alarms in all residential, governmental and commercial structures (House, No. 2032).

Carbon
monoxide
alarms.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to update elevator regulations (House, No. 2033).

Elevators,—
regulation.

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

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Financial Services, on a petition, a Bill relative to Commonwealth automobile reinsurers (House, No. 1059).

Automobile
reinsurers.

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill relative to the maximum storage charges on motor vehicles involuntarily towed (House, No. 2143) [Senator Montigny dissenting].

Towed
vehicles,—
storage.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Karlene Derozier, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (House, No. 4199).

Karlene
Derozier,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Racquel Cardoza, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 4200).

Racquel
Cardoza,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Richard Farnham, an employee of Berkshire County Jail and House of Correction (House, No. 4204).

Richard
Farnham,—
sick leave.

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

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Webster to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 143, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Webster,—
liquor
license.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

“SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the local licensing authority of the town of Webster may grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 12 of chapter 138 to Waterfront Mary’s I, LLC located at 103 Birch Island road in the town of Webster. The license shall be subject to all of said chapter 138 except said section 17.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 143, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next sitting.

Representative Naughton of Clinton then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Thomas F. Fallon, a member of the House from Clinton from 1959 to 1982, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at ten minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.