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Met according to adjournment at one o'clock P.M., pursuant to emergency rules, 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.

Pledge of  
allegiance.

## *Quorum.*

As required under the provision of Emergency Rule 2(4), a roll call was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a quorum; and on the roll call 156 members were recorded as being in attendance.

Quorum,—  
yea and nay  
No. 286.

**[See Yea and Nay No. 286 in Supplement.]**

Therefore a quorum was present.

## *Silent Prayer.*

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

At the request of Speaker DeLeo of Winthrop and Representatives Madaro of Boston and Donato of Medford, the members and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Judge Joseph Vincent Ferrino, Sr. Judge Ferrino was the presiding justice at East Boston District Court for over 25 years. He passed away peacefully on November 22, 2020 in Boston.

Judge Joseph  
Vincent  
Ferrino.

Born in 1926 in Boston, Judge Ferrino was a child of Sicilian parents who immigrated to the Boston area via Ellis Island around 1910. In addition to his parents, Judge Ferrino was predeceased by his wife of over 60 years, Marie A. "Jeanette" Ferrino. He is survived by his four children and also survived by nine grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Judge Ferrino was a World War II veteran, a Boston area attorney, a district court justice, a veteran's organization leader, a patriotic organization founder, a beacon in the Italian American community, and a volunteer for hundreds of community causes and organizations. A graduate of Boston University Law in 1951, Judge Ferrino returned to his roots to open a one-man practice in a brownstone law office in East Boston. There he served clients and became involved in several national causes until, in 1971, the Governor of Massachusetts appointed him a judge in the East Boston District Court. In 1976, he was promoted to presiding justice of that court. Judge Ferrino held awards and recognition from every level of the Massachusetts Bar and countless organizations around Massachusetts and throughout the country.

## *Petitions.*

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Barber of Somerville, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christine P. Barber for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Karl Schneider, an employee of the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission.

Karl  
Schneider,—  
sick leave.

By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Theodore C. Speliotis, Bruce E. Tarr and Bradley H. Jones, Jr., for legislation to further regulate the conveyance of 11 parcels of state-owned land in the town of Middleton to the Middleton conservation commission.

Middleton,—  
land.

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

### *Paper from the Senate.*

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Keith Trudell, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (Senate, No. 2960) (on Senate, No. 2954), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Keith  
Trudell,—  
sick leave.

Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the afternoon recess having terminated (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wagner, the bill (having been 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, in concurrence.

### *Reports of Committees.*

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2955) of the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2021 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 5151), reported, in part, a bill with the same title (House, No. 5164) [Appropriation: \$46,459,086,942.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General  
Appropriation  
Bill.

Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the report was considered forthwith.

After remarks on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 147 members voted in the affirmative and 10 in the negative.

**[See Yea and Nay No. 287 in Supplement.]**

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Conference  
committee  
report  
accepted,—  
yea and nay  
No. 287.

### *Recess.*

At seventeen minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Speaker declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at thirteen minutes before three o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

Recess.

### *Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill amending the charter of the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 5093) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Lynnfield,—  
charter.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

A report of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the Senate Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Taunton the PFC Aaron Cordoba-Martinez Bridge (Senate, No. 2132), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Taunton,—  
Cordoba-  
Martinez  
bridge.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

### *Emergency Measures.*

The engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2021 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 5164), 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.

General  
Appropriation  
Bill.

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 13 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under Emergency Rule 2; and on the roll call 147 members voted in the affirmative and 11 in the negative.

Bill enacted,—  
yea and nay  
No. 288.

### **[See Yea and Nay No. 288 in Supplement.]**

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Keith Trudell, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see Senate, No. 2960), 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.

Keith  
Trudell,—  
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 9 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, there being no objection; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Mary Moulton, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (see House, No. 4981), 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.

Mary  
Moulton,—  
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 9 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, there being no objection; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
enacted.

### *Engrossed Bills.*

#### Engrossed bills

Providing for the city of Lowell municipal elections (see House, No. 4350); and

Authorizing the town of Dedham to grant 3 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on premises and 3 additional licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on premises (see House, No. 5024);

(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, there being no objection; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bills  
enacted.

### *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.

Next  
sitting.

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At twenty-three minutes after three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (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.