
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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin congratulating Andrew Cronin on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Daniel Cronin on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating James Stoddard on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

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

Petitions.

A joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Smitty Pignatelli and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish a Beachwood/Lenstock maintenance district in the town of Stockbridge, was transmitted to the State Secretary, under the provisions of Chapter 3 of the General Laws.

Mr. Galvin of Canton presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William C. Galvin relative to tenant agents; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the use of Article ninety-seven land for roadway improvements in the town of Dunstable (House, No. 3936), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2609. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.
A Bill further defining a quorum of a public body in the town of Monson (Senate, No. 2610) (on Senate bill No. 43) [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.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

- Relative to the preservation of wetlands and water resources in Chapter 40B applications (House, No. 2198);
- Designating the last day of February as rare disease day in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3101);
- Designating the month of October as adopt a shelter dog month (House, No. 3102);
- Designating July 8 as Massachusetts Emancipation Day a.k.a. Quock Walker Day (House, No. 3117);
- Establishing plastic pollution action day in the commonwealth (House, No. 3122);
- Designating inflammatory breast cancer awareness day (House, No. 3147);
- Establishing building trades recovery week (House, No. 3177);
- Relative to Rosa Parks day (House, No. 3189); and
- Designating domestic workers’ rights day (House, No. 3206);

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

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill relating to fair pay and safe workplaces (House, No. 3173).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a holiday known as “John F. Kennedy Day” to promote civic engagement and voter participation in the Commonwealth (House, No. 3218).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill banning hostile architecture targeting unhoused individuals (House, No. 3963).

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

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill designating May 6 as Moyamoya disease awareness day (House, No. 3211).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating September as PCOS awareness month (House, No. 3735).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing Massachusetts right whale day (House, No. 3869).

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

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Easton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4116) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of New Bedford to convey certain land acquired for open space and play ground purposes (Senate, No. 29), 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.

The House Bill creating select board/town manager form of government in the town of Wayland (House, No. 4087), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4315), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

At ten minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned.

[Under the provisions of Article X of the Amendments to the Constitution, the 2021 session of the General Court was dissolved on the day next preceding the first Wednesday of January, without any proclamation or other act of His Excellency the Governor.]