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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, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representative Haggerty of Woburn the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Robert Francis Cannon – a lifelong resident of Woburn, who passed away peacefully February 22nd, at the age of ninety-two. He was the beloved husband of 67 years to Clare (Conway) Cannon.

Robert
Cannon.

Born and raised in the South End of Woburn, Bob was one of thirteen children born to the late Patrick and Nora (Parsons) Cannon of Ireland. He was a graduate of Woburn Memorial High School and Merrimack College.

In 1950, Bob enlisted in the US Marines where he was awarded the Purple Heart for his enduring and courageous service during the Korean War.

Professionally, Bob worked for the Government in the Bureau of Commercial Fish and Wildlife.

Bob was elected to the Woburn School Committee in 1978 and served three terms before being elected to the Woburn City Council as Alderman at Large and also serving three terms. Bob was a dedicated Woburnite, always keeping Woburn's best interest at heart.

Along with his wife Clare, Bob is survived by his children, Paula Callahan, her husband Harry, of Woburn, Robert F. Cannon, Jr., his wife Jeanne, of Cotuit, Lisa Ryan, of Woburn, Lori Waldron of Maine and sadly the late Beth Cannon. Adored "Papa" of Chris, Michael and Eric Callahan, Caitlin DeStefano, Kara Ryan and David Ryan, Jr., Keith and Kyle Hanson, Robert F. Cannon III, Mairead and Devin Cannon and great-grandfather of Rory Cannon, Emilia and Conor DeStefano, Delaney, Shea and Daniel Callahan, and Hardin Hanson. Dear brother of Mary Mulrenan, and the late Thomas, James, Fr. John, Frank, William, Thomas Cannon; Margaret Boviard, Marian Ward, Katherine Derry, Anna O'Connor, and Nora Mossman. Cherished brother-in-law of James and Gen Sweeney.

Order.

The following order (filed by Mr. Gordon of Bedford) 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 Monday, April 11, 2022, within which time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 4372, 4373 and 4374.

Public Service
committee,—
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4525) ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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) celebrating Rocco M. Brienzo on the occasion of his one hundred and third birthday;

Rocco
Brienzo.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) celebrating Skip Warren's ninetieth birthday and his lifetime achievements and contributions;

Skip
Warren.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ashe of Longmeadow) congratulating Bay Path University in the town of Longmeadow on its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary; and

Bay Path
University.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) on the occasion of the dedication of the Raddock Family Square in the town of Natick;

Raddock
Square.

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.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4528) of Thomas P. Walsh, Joan B. Lovely and Sally P. Kerans (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to voting precinct 3 of ward 4 in the city of Peabody. To the committee on Election Laws.

Peabody,—
voting
precincts.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4529) of Mark J. Cusack, Walter F. Timilty and John F. Keenan (with approval of the mayor and city council) that the city known as the town of Braintree be authorized to provide for the retirement of Richard Seibert, a police officer of said town. To the committee on Public Service.

Braintree,—
Richard
Seibert.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler relative to the transfer of residents of disability licensed facilities.

Disability
facilities.

By Mr. Kearney of Scituate, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patrick Joseph Kearney and others for legislation to ban purchases and consumption of Russian made products.

Russian
products,—
ban.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Bills

To increase access to disposable menstrual products (Senate, No. 2730, amended in section 2, in line 21, by striking out the words “Subject to appropriation, every” and inserting in place there of the word “Every”, and in lines 25 to 30, inclusive, by striking out the text contained in those lines) (on Senate bill No. 1445); and

Menstrual products,—
access.

Relative to expanding equitable access to maternal postpartum care (Senate, No. 2731, amended in line 5 by inserting after the word “eligible” the words “for MassHealth”) (on Senate bill No. 2583);

Maternal postpartum care.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 33, the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Exempting Marcel Cuffy and John R. Baker from the maximum age requirements for firefighters in the town of North Andover (Senate, No. 2498) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received]; and

North Andover,—
firefighters.

Raising the income threshold for senior real property tax deferments in the town of Milton (Senate, No. 2498) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Milton,—
property taxes.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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 Jamie Zahlaway Belsito and Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish a paid pregnancy loss leave program for employers to provide three days of paid leave to certain workers experiencing a pregnancy loss. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Pregnancy loss,—
paid leave.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Jamie Zahlaway Belsito and Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish a pregnancy loss awareness program within Department of Public Health. To the committee on Public Health.

Pregnancy loss,—
awareness.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kip A. Diggs (with the approval of the county commissioners) that Gregory S. Shopshire be authorized to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable County Retirement Board. To the committee on Public Service.

Gregory Shopshire,—
retirement.

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

To update expungement (House, No. 1515);

Court records.

Concerning the arrest without a warrant of persons on probation and temporary custody (House, No. 1516); and

Arrests warrants.

Relative to increasing the fine for handicap parking violations for city/town implementation and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (House, No. 3394);

Handicap parking violations.

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.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on a petition, a Bill to create and implement a Massachusetts flexible housing subsidy pool program to address the medically complex needs of disabled men, women and children experiencing homelessness in Massachusetts (House, No. 3838, changed in section 2, in line 189, by inserting after the word “as” the word “individual”, and in line 227, by striking out the words “the percentages”).

Flexible housing program.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to transform the Commonwealth’s emergency response system and create housing strategies to end the homelessness of unaccompanied adults (House, No. 3959).

Homelessness,—
MassHealth data.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 2793, a Bill relative to the advisory board to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (House, No. 4495).

MBTA,—
advisory board.

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

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Financial Services, on a petition, a Bill establishing uniform safeguards and public protections for consumers conducting bank transactions at automated teller machines (House, No. 1034).

ATMs,—
safeguards.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill expanding automobile insurance coverage options to include the diminished value of automobiles (House, No. 1070).

Motor vehicle insurance,—
coverage.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill requiring licensed auto insurance damage appraisers to provide safety notices to the owners of damaged motor vehicles (House, No. 1084).

Appraisers,—
notices.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on Senate, No. 871 and House, No. 1448, a Bill relative to housing production (House, No. 1448).

Housing production.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ensure senior home safety and security (House, No. 3960).

Senior home security.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill securing housing options for eligible tenants with a history of criminal justice involvement (House, No. 4071).

Formerly incarcerated,—
housing.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a first-time home buyers bill of rights (House, No. 4072).

Homebuyers’
guide.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 2612, a Bill allowing Joseph Barbati, a retired member of the Massachusetts Trial Court, an accidental disability retirement option (House, No. 4494).

Joseph Barbati,—
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2800, a Bill authorizing the State Retirement Board to retire Jamie J. Magarian, a uniformed member of the Department of State Police at the regular rate of compensation (House, No. 4496).

Jamie Magarian,—
retirement.

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 providing mortgage customers additional mandatory information regarding their accounts (House, No. 1035).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to relative to an underinsurance issue (House, No. 1046).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to motor vehicle service contracts (House, No. 1065).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to Commonwealth automobile reinsurers (House, No. 1080).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill expanding the use of video conferencing (House, No. 1109).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for temporary emergency licensing of appraisers of motor vehicle damage covered by auto insurance policies (House, No. 1139).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill making changes to certain references in the banking laws of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1140).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to insurance company rebates (House, No. 1141).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill expanding the use of video and telephone conferencing (House, No. 1146).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to add a compulsory death benefit to automobile liability insurance (House, No. 1169).

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on a joint petition, a Bill to support families on Nantucket (House, No. 4203) [Local Approval Received].

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 4232, a Bill authorizing the town of Oakham to continue the employment of fire lieutenant Russel Willette (House, No. 4497) [Local Approval Received].

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

A report of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the House Bill relative to expired licenses (House, No. 3534), be scheduled for consideration by the House. Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

A report of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the report of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2186) of Marc T. Lombardo and others for legislation to prohibit cities or towns from failing to enforce federal immigration laws by designating themselves as sanctuary cities and to withhold unrestricted general government aid to cities and towns for non-compliance, be scheduled for consideration by the House. Under said rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance.

Mortgage statements,—information.

Motor vehicle underinsurance.

Vehicle service contracts.

Automobile reinsurers.

Mortgages,—video.

Temporary qualified appraisers.

Banking,—changes.

Insurance rebates.

Mortgages,—conferencing.

Insurance,—death benefit.

Nantucket Housing Authority.

Oakham,—Russel Willette.

Expired licenses.

Sanctuary cities and towns.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Wareham to grant an additional license for the sale of malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 2587, amended) (which originated in the Senate); and

Bills
enacted.

Amending the residency requirement for the executive assistant in the town of Hudson (see House, No. 3919) (which 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.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2609) of the House Bill authorizing the use of Article ninety-seven land for roadway improvements in the town of Dunstable (House, No. 3936), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was considered.

Dunstable,—
land.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, in concurrence, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved that the House concur with the Senate in its amendment with a further amendment in section 5, in line 40, by striking out the words “upon its passage” and inserting in place thereof the following: “as of May 27, 2021”.

The further amendment was adopted. The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendment, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the further amendment.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Deerfield to continue the employment of police officer Gary Sibilgia (House, No. 3988), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Deerfield,—
Gary Sibilgia.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it in section 1, in line 3, by inserting after the word “until” the following: “he reaches 75 years of age;”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3988, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

At thirteen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Gifford of Wareham (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o’clock A.M.