Tuesday, April 27, 2021 (at 11:00 o’clock A.M.).

At the request of the Chair (Ms. Hogan), the members and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Message from the Governor.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to improving safety on the roads of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3706), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, April 26. The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Transportation. 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 Mr. Philips of Sharon) congratulating Sharon Police Chief John Ford upon his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Santiago of Boston) congratulating Edward A. Kelly on his election as the General President of the International Association of Fire Fighters; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Whelan of Brewster) congratulating William E. Crowell, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement from the town of Dennis;

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.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of William N. Brownsberger for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to select boards, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 2440) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill authorizing Trevor J. Seaboyer to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 98) [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.

**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 160 members were recorded as being in attendance.

[See Yea and Nay No. 24 in Supplement.]

Therefore a quorum was present.

**Orders of the Day.**

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2022 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. 4000, amended), was considered.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House moved to amend it in section 2, in item 4000-0005, in line 15, by inserting after the word “years” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Merrimack Valley Public Safety Youth Center in the city of Lawrence to provide a safe space for structured education, health and recreational programming for at-risk youth throughout the Merrimack Valley; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Violence Intervention and Prevention program at Haverhill high school”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “10,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,075,000”;

In item 4000-0300, in line 23, by inserting after the word “rates” the following: “and shall make a supplemental payment not less than $3,000,000 to any pediatric chronic and rehabilitation long-term care hospital in the commonwealth, above base rates, to compensate for high-complexity pediatric care”; in line 117, by inserting after the year “2022” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for the MetroWest Free Medical Program Inc.; provided further, that not less than $235,000 shall be expended for Health Care For All, Inc. for the additional costs associated with operating its free statewide non-profit consumer assistance helpline during the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic, also known as COVID-19, in order to provide health coverage eligibility, enrollment and navigation assistance and to operate an online support platform for enrollment assistance across the state; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for the Brookline Community Mental Health Center, Inc. to expand the Healthy Lives program; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for a western Massachusetts academic medical center with a neonatal intensive care unit within an acute hospital in the county of Hampden to support, enhance and expand programming associated with its rooming-in program for infants and mothers with opioid use disorder; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for the purposes defined in item 1599-2009 in section 2 of chapter 182 of the acts of 2008; provided further; that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Martha’s Vineyard Community Services, Inc. for the purpose of increasing access to health and human services on Martha’s Vineyard; provided further, that not less than $90,000
shall be expended to Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Needham, Inc. for behavioral health services; provided further, that not less than $550,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health, Inc. for the purpose of maintaining the Network of Care, as the singular place where all mental health, substance use, and related social services programs and organizations are curated into a state-wide online, searchable tool”; by adding the following: “; provided further, that for fiscal year 2022 and beyond, in establishing Medicaid reimbursement rates for Medicaid eligible inpatient services provided by chronic disease rehabilitation hospitals located in the commonwealth that serve solely children and adolescents, the executive office of health and human services shall apply a multiplier of 1.5 times the hospital’s fiscal year 2021 current inpatient per diem rate in fiscal year 2022”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “114,234,923” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “118,534,923”;

In item 4000-0500, in line 49, by inserting after the year: “2022” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be appropriated to Community Care Cooperative, Inc. to support the startup of its work to establish federally qualified health care pharmacies that will support high quality and cost effective patient care and supporting health centers ongoing efforts in reducing health disparities”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “6,046,311,783” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,048,311,783”;

In item 4003-0122, in line 15, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to Casa Dominicana, Inc. to assist in citizenship education, citizenship application assistance, English as a second language classes and computer training for low-income adults; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the Lawrence Family Development and Education Fund, Inc. to assist in citizenship education, citizenship application assistance, English as a second language classes and computer training for low-income adults”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,100,000”;

In item 9110-1636 by striking out the figures: “35,571,728” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “35,871,728”;

In item 9110-1900, in lines 1, 2 and 3, by striking out the following: “the amount appropriated in item 9110-1900 of section 2 of chapter 38 of the acts of 2013” and inserting in place thereof the following: “$750,000 shall be expended for Meals on Wheels; and provided further, that not less than $75,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “9,658,808” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “10,483,808”;

In item 9110-9002, in line 6, by inserting after the word “per-elder;” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $60,000 shall be expended for the town of Millis for the purchase of a vehicle to provide transportation for seniors in the community; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Douglas adult social center in the town of Douglas for improvements to its facility; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Sutton senior center in the town of Sutton for improvements to its facility; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the town of Boxford for the construction of a combined community and senior center; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Billerica council on aging for improvements; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the city of Leominster for the design of a new elevator in the senior center building; provided further, that not less than $20,000 shall be expended to the Wareham council on aging for its meals and nutrition programs; provided further, that not less than $20,000 shall be expended for the Carver council on aging for improvements at the council on aging
facility; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the city of Melrose for building refurbishments for the Milano senior center to support seniors during the 2019 novel coronavirus recovery and ensure safe access to communal space; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Andover senior center in the town of Andover for improvements to its facility and infrastructure to best serve its residents; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the city of Salem for the Salem council on aging for improving and expanding its memory café program; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the South Hadley council on aging for an electric vehicle to enhance transportation services; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for furniture and furnishings at the Easthampton council on aging; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for education and enrichment programs at the council on aging in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the cost associated with care and services provided at Whipple senior center in the town of Weymouth; provider further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the town of Needham for a feasibility study on retrofitting the kitchen at the center at the heights; provided further, that not less than $15,000 shall be expended for the Amherst senior center to support a physical exercise program for Amherst and Pelham seniors”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “17,066,651” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “17,766,651”;

By inserting after section 12 the following section:

“SECTION 12A. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:

Section 243. (a) The department shall establish a Parkinson’s disease registry for the collection of information necessary to determine the incidence and prevalence of Parkinson’s disease in the commonwealth.

(b) There shall be within the department a Parkinson’s Disease Registry Advisory Committee to advise and assist in the development, implementation and progress of the Parkinson’s disease registry established in subsection (a). The committee shall review and submit recommendations on: (i) what data shall be collected, including, but not limited to, demographic information, data by areas and regions of the commonwealth, with specific data from urban, low and median income communities and minority communities of the commonwealth; (ii) the means of collecting and disseminating data; (iii) how to ensure privacy and confidentiality of data; (iv) the purpose, design and functionality of the registry; and (v) the implementation of the registry. The committee shall recommend to the department any information deemed necessary and appropriate for the statistical identification and planning for treatment and education of health care providers and persons diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease.

The committee shall consist of the commissioner, or a designee, and 10 members to be appointed by the commissioner as follows: 3 physicians, 1 of whom shall be a general neurologist, 1 of whom shall be a movement disorder specialist and 1 of whom shall be a primary care physician; 1 health informaticist; 2 population health researchers familiar with registries; 2 Parkinson’s disease researchers; and 2 persons diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease. The committee shall meet at least bi-annually to assess registry progress and recommend changes.”;

By inserting after section 24G (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 24H. Section 8 of chapter 220 of the acts of 2018 is hereby amended by striking out the figure ‘2021’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-2022.”;
By inserting after section 48 the following section:
“SECTION 48A. The commissioner of the department of public health shall appoint the members of the Parkinson’s Disease Registry Advisory Committee, established by section 243 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, not later than 90 days after the effective date of this act.”; and

By inserting after section 49D (inserted by amendment) the following section:
“SECTION 49E. Section 12A shall take effect on July 1, 2022.”.

After remarks on the question on adoption of the amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F; and on the roll call 160 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 25 in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (health and human services and elder affairs) were adopted.

Representatives Jones of North Reading, Gifford of Wareham and Vieira of Falmouth then moved to amend the bill by inserting after section 50 the following section:

“SECTION 51. Notwithstanding any general provisions or special laws to the contrary, there is hereby established a commission to study the effects drawn from the implementation of Chapter 115 of the Acts of 2020. The study shall include, but not be limited to: the change in the number of voters who turned out to vote in the 2020 primary and general elections compared with that of past election cycles, the use of each voting option compared with past election cycles, the impact on voter accessibility for all methods of voting, the change in the number of required poll and election workers for each municipality, the costs related to security for mail-in balloting and election day voting, and any change in the level of voting irregularities as compared with past election cycles. The commission shall provide a financial analysis of the cost associated with the implementation and execution of each method of voting during the 2020 election cycle along with a comparative analysis, which provides information on previous election costs. The commission shall also consider whether it would be advantageous for the Commonwealth to permanently extend the number of voting options for federal, state, county, and municipal elections for future election cycles. In doing so, the commission shall consider the constitutionality of a permanent change to mail-in voting procedures.

The commission shall consist of thirteen members: the secretary of state or a designee, the president of the senate or a designee, the speaker of the house or a designee, the senate minority leader or a designee, the house minority leader or a designee, the chairs of the committee on election laws or two designees, the director of the office of campaign and political finance or a designee, the chairs of the Democratic and Republican parties of Massachusetts or two designees, and three members to be selected by the Governor, one of which shall be a professor of political science, one of which shall be a representative of a grassroots advocacy organization based in Massachusetts, and one of which shall be a town clerk. The office of the secretary of state and its subdivisions shall provide technical support to the commission. The commission shall meet not less than twelve times. The commission shall draw expert testimony from voter stakeholders during their deliberations including, but not limited to: the ACLU of Massachusetts, Common Cause Massachusetts, MassVOTE, the Massachusetts AFL-CIO, the Pioneer Institute, the Beacon Hill Institute, the Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance, and the League of Women Voters. The commission shall file a report with the legislature on their findings and any recommendations by December 31, 2021.”.

The amendment was rejected.
Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, at twenty-five minutes before one o’clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 27), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at one minute before four o’clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill in section 2, in item 0321-1510, by adding the words “, prior appropriation continued”;

In item 0330-0300, in line 30, by inserting after the word “litigants” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for pro-bono legal services to low-income residents of the city of Chelsea provided by Chelsea Legal Services, Inc.; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for community outreach clinics and pro bono activities of the University of Massachusetts School of Law to provide direct legal assistance in the area of tenants’ rights”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “291,254,992” and inserting in place thereof the following figures: “291,404,992”;

In item 0330-0613, in line 44, by striking out the figures: “1,200,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,300,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “7,562,500” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,662,500”;

In item 0337-0002 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for a grant to One Can Help, Inc. for the purpose of providing assistance and resources for families in juvenile courts statewide; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended on the Worcester county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than $136,000 shall be expended on the Franklin and Hampshire county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than $180,000 shall be expended on the Hampden county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than $167,000 shall be expended on the Essex county court-appointed special advocates program; provided further, that not less than $240,000 shall be expended on the Boston court-appointed special advocates program; and provided further, that not less than $64,000 shall be expended on the Berkshire county court-appointed special advocates program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “19,128,605” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “20,265,605”;

In item 0339-1001, in line 21, by inserting after the word “substances” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the expansion of Communities for Restorative Justice, Inc. pursuant to chapter 276B of the General Laws”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “159,855,587” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “159,955,587”;

In item 0340-0400, in line 6, by inserting after the word “item” the words “; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Worcester district attorney’s office may expend money under this item for the legal defense of prosecutors for conduct arising during the course of their employment”;

In item 0840-0100, in lines 2 and 3, by striking out the words “training programs for victim witness advocates in district attorneys’ offices” and inserting in place thereof the words “the operation and administration of trainings and educational programming that advances the goals of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance”;

In item 8000-0313 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended to the town of Shrewsbury for public safety improvements including the purchase of 40 police-worn body cameras; provided further, that not
less than $50,000 shall be expended for mental and behavioral health training and clinical consultation to support police department personnel in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than $40,000 shall be expended to the town of Pembroke for public safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended to the town of Rehoboth for funding for building code upgrades for the fire alarm and security system at the Rehoboth public safety building; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for assisting with the creation of a diversity, equity and inclusion task force in the town of Wellesley; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for a public safety grant in the town of Topsfield; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for a public safety grant in the town of Rowley; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for a public safety grant in the town of Wenham; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for a public safety grant in the town of Ipswich; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Lynn police department’s behavioral health unit; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the Dismas House of Massachusetts, Inc. in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than $22,500 shall be expended for public safety radio communication improvements in the town of Sudbury; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the construction of a fiber optic network in the town of Middleton to connect the fire, police and other municipal buildings and enable the town to join a regional IT collaborative; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for public health and safety improvements in the town of Grafton; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for public health and safety improvements in the town of Northbridge; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for public health and safety improvements in the town of Upton; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Everett police department for communications upgrades; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended to the town of Middleborough for the police department to implement measures intended to build positive relationships with the community, including the purchasing of body cameras for officers; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended to the town of Braintree for public safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the town of Holbrook for public safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the town of Randolph for public safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $20,000 shall be expended for the police department in the town of Brookfield; provided further, that not less than $20,000 shall be expended for the police department in the town of Oakham; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for the town of Tewksbury for services provided by the police department to the Tewksbury state hospital; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for emergency roadway repairs in the town of Acushnet; provided further, that not less than $60,000 shall be expended for the procurement and implementation of a body camera program in city of Marlborough’s police department; provided further, that not less than $38,404 shall be expended for the continued implementation of a body camera program in the town of Westborough’s police department; provided further, that not less than $60,000 shall be expended for the procurement and implementation of a body camera program in the town of Northborough’s police department; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended to the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council, Inc. to provide mental health, wellness and suicide prevention services to emergency service providers in northeastern Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the
town of Watertown for public safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the Woburn police department to modernize its emergency equipment; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the town of Boylston for hosting a municipal police training academy; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a new police and/or fire department equipment in the town of Dracut; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item of appropriation; and provided further, that funds shall be expended fully and on a schedule consistent with the provisions of section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws"; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,415,904”;

In item 8000-1127 by striking out the figures: “1,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,250,000”;

In item 8100-1001, in line 23, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $1,030,000 shall be expended for the payroll costs of the state police directed patrols; provided further, that of said amount, not less than $30,000 shall be expended for Troop A to conduct mounted, directed patrols throughout Revere beach, the Lynn Fells and the Middlesex Fells reservation park among other identified areas; provided further, that, of said amount, not less than $50,000 shall be expended for directed patrols in the South Boston section of the city of Boston including, but not limited to, Day boulevard, Carson beach, M street beach and Castle island; provided further, that, of said amount, not less than $25,000 shall be expended for directed patrols at Constitution beach in the East Boston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that, of said amount, not less than $95,000 shall be expended for designated seasonal state police patrols in the Wollaston beach and Quincy Shore drive area and Furnace Brook parkway in the city of Quincy from May 31 to September 1; provided further, that subject to appropriation communities receiving funds for directed patrols in fiscal year 2008 shall receive an equal disbursement of funds in proportion to the current appropriation in fiscal year 2022”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “298,754,896” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “299,784,896”;

In item 8324-0050 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for the purchase of equipment necessary to upgrade the infrastructure of public safety radio equipment to improve the public safety in the town of Southwick; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Boston Sparks Association, Inc. canteen program to serve and assist first responders during emergency situations; provided further, that not less than $5,000 shall be expended for fire department security repairs in the town of Norwood; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for updated surveillance and rescue equipment for the fire department in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than $8,000 shall be expended for the purpose of the maintenance of the Sandwich fire department fire boat; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the town of North Andover to purchase a vehicle for the fire department; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the town of Tewksbury for services provided by the fire department to the Tewksbury state hospital; provided further, that not less than $40,000 shall be expended to the Duxbury fire department in the town of Duxbury for fire safety improvements; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for the town of Saugus fire department for EFJ VP portable radios; provided further, that the amount expended for the Norfolk county regional fire and rescue dispatch center in item 8324-0000 of section 2 of chapter 182 of the acts of 2008 shall be expended in fiscal year
2022; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the Everett fire department for communications upgrades; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended to the Norfolk fire department for the purchase of a battery powered extrication tool; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Taunton fire department for roof repairs at fire stations in the city of Taunton; provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for public safety communication and alarm equipment upgrades in the city of Beverly; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for a municipal grant program administered by the fire marshal for firefighter cancer screenings including advance blood testing and imaging; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for emergency radio communications upgrades for the Fire Chiefs’ Association of Bristol county to cover 1/3 of the cost for the full implementation of developing and upgrading the emergency radio communications system in Bristol county; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item of appropriation; and provided further, that funds shall be expended fully and on a schedule consistent with the provisions of section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “753,000”;

In item 8700-0001, in line 9, by inserting after the word “services” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts veterans oral history project to be conducted by Home of the Brave, Inc., in conjunction with the Massachusetts National Guard museum and archives”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “11,152,525” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “11,177,525”;

In item 8900-0001, in line 17, by inserting after the word “level” the following: “; provided further, that the department shall expend not less than $500,000 for municipalities hosting department of correction facilities”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “696,482,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “696,982,000”;

In item 8900-1100, in line 5, by inserting after the word “prisons” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for the department of correction to cover costs associated with coordinating and supporting partnerships with higher education institutions that provide post-secondary education programs in state prisons”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,530,000”;

In item 8910-0102, in line 15, by striking out the figures: “25,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “75,000”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “76,824,582” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “76,874,582”;

By inserting after section 8 the following section:

“SECTION 8A. Section 17 of chapter 37 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

The sheriffs of the counties of Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk, Plymouth and Suffolk and of the former counties of Berkshire, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex and Worcester shall each receive a salary equal to 90 per cent of the amount of the annual salary of district attorneys set forth in section 15 of chapter 12. The sheriff of the county of Dukes shall receive a salary equal to 71 per cent of the amount of the annual salary of district attorneys set forth in said section 15 of said chapter 12. The sheriff of the county of Nantucket shall receive a salary
equal to 57 per cent of the amount of the annual salary of district attorneys set forth in said section 15 of said chapter 12.”;

By inserting after section 9 the following five sections:

“SECTION 9A. Section 111M of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the words ‘city or town’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— city, town or political subdivision thereof.

SECTION 9B. Said section 111M of said chapter 41, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘town’, in line 11, the following words:— or political subdivision thereof.

SECTION 9C. Said section 111M of said chapter 41, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word ‘town’, in lines 25 and 28, in each instance, the following words:— or political subdivision thereof.

SECTION 9D. Said section 111M of said chapter 41, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 36, the word ‘town,’ and inserting in place thereof the following words:— town or political subdivision thereof.

SECTION 9E. Section 111N of said chapter 41, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the words ‘or town’, in lines 8, 13, 15, 24, 26, 43, 50, 53 and 59, in each instance, the words:— or political subdivision thereof.”;

By inserting after section 24H (inserted by amendment) the following section:

“SECTION 24I. Section 2A of chapter 5 of the acts of 2019 is hereby amended by striking out item 8100-1014, as amended by section 40 of chapter 142 of the acts of 2019, and inserting in place thereof the following item:

8100-1014 For costs associated with the collection and testing of all previously untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits by the crime laboratory within the department of state police or by an accredited private crime laboratory designated by the secretary of public safety and security; provided, that all previously untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits shall be tested within 180 days of the effective date of this act; provided further, that for the purposes of this item, ‘previously untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits’ shall mean any sexual assault evidence kit or additional evidence collected contemporaneously with such kit that has not been subjected to a forensic DNA analysis intended to develop an autosomal DNA profile that is eligible for entry into CODIS and the state DNA databases; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available for the purpose of this item until June 30, 2022.........................$8,000,000”;

By inserting after section 28 the following section:

“SECTION 28A. (a) Notwithstanding section 11 of chapter 211D of the General Laws, or any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2022, the rates of compensation payable to all counsel who are appointed or assigned to represent indigents within the private counsel division of the committee for public counsel services in accordance with subsection (b) of section 6 of said chapter 211D, shall, subject to appropriation, be as follows: for homicide cases the rate of compensation shall be $105 per hour; for superior court non-homicide cases, including sexually dangerous person cases, the rate of compensation shall be $71.50 per hour; for district court cases and children in need of services cases the rate of compensation shall be $56.50 per hour; for children and family law cases and care and protection cases the
rate of compensation shall be $65 per hour; and for sex offender registry cases and mental health cases the rate of compensation shall be $56.50 per hour.

(b) The committee for public counsel services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than December 15, 2021 regarding the status of staffing in the private counsel division of the committee due to disruptions resulting from the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, or the effects of the governor’s March 10, 2020 declaration of a state of emergency. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following information for each type of case: (i) the number of cases delayed due to court closures; (ii) the number of cases handled by private counsel; (iii) the anticipated number of private counsel needed to handle cases through fiscal year 2024; and (iv) proposed pay rates for private counsel under section 11 of chapter 211D of the General Laws necessary to achieve the anticipated staffing needs of the private counsel division of the committee.”;

By inserting after section 44 the following two sections:

“SECTION 44A. (a) Not later than December 1, 2021, the sheriff’s office in each county shall file a report with the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and with the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include: (i) the costs, revenues and reimbursements associated with any (A) agreement made pursuant to 8 U.S.C. section 1357(g), and (B) intergovernmental service agreement for housing federal detainees; and (ii) the performance of the functions thereof, for fiscal years 2018 to 2021, inclusive. For fiscal year 2022, the sheriff’s office in each county shall file additional reports with such information on a quarterly basis beginning on October 1, 2021, with the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than 15 days after the last day of the quarter.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2021, the department of correction shall file a report with the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and with the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include: (i) the costs, revenues and reimbursements associated with any (A) agreement made pursuant to 8 U.S.C. section 1357(g), and (B) intergovernmental service agreement for housing federal detainees; and (ii) the performance of the functions thereof, for fiscal years 2018 to 2021, inclusive. For fiscal year 2022, the department shall file additional reports with such information on a quarterly basis beginning on October 1, 2021, with the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than 15 days after the last day of the quarter.

SECTION 44B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all previously untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits shall be tested within 180 days of the effective date of this act. Not later than January 1, 2022, the executive office of public safety and security shall issue a report with the clerks of the house of representatives and senate and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security on the status of testing untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits, which shall include, but not be limited to, the following information: (i) the number of untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits in the possession of public crime laboratories prior to the effective date of this act; (ii) the year each kit was collected; (iii) the date each kit was tested; and (iv) the date the resulting information was entered into CODIS and the state DNA databases. For the purposes of this section, ‘untested investigatory sexual assault evidence kits’ shall mean any sexual assault evidence kit or additional evidence collected contemporaneously with such kit that has not been subjected to a forensic DNA analysis intended to develop an autosomal DNA profile that is eligible for entry into CODIS and the state DNA databases. The
report shall be made publicly available on the executive office’s website no later than January 1, 2022.”; and

By inserting after section 49E (inserted by amendment) the following two sections:

“SECTION 49F. Section 28A is hereby repealed.

SECTION 49G. Section 49F shall take effect on July 1, 2022.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F; and on the roll call 158 members voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative. [See Yea and Nay No. 26 in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (public safety and judiciary) were adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, at twenty-three minutes after four o’clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 27), on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at sixteen minutes after nine o’clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz of Boston and others members of the House moved to amend it in section 2, in item 4120-0200, by striking out the figures: “7,847,455” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “7,947,455”;

In item 4510-0100, in line 8, by inserting after the word “Laws” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the North Quabbin Community Coalition, Inc.; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the town of Needham to apply for public health department accreditation; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for youth and family services programs in the town of Wayland; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for Community Servings, Inc. for the purposes of providing medically tailored meals to persons battling chronic illnesses, workforce training programs to those recovering from addiction, and opportunities for expanded services and locations; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for Volunteers in Medicine – Berkshires, Inc. to provide increased access to care for income-eligible residents”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “21,449,963” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “21,754,963”;

In item 4510-0710, in line 21, by inserting after the word “program” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended for the Perinatal-Neonatal Quality Improvement Network of Massachusetts to fund statewide quality improvement projects, including, but not limited to, perinatal opioid
projects, COVID-19 rapid response initiatives and efforts to address racial inequities in perinatal and neonatal health”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “13,547,011” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “13,847,011”;

In item 4510-0810, in line 4, by inserting after the word “examiners” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for hiring, training and employing qualified nurse practitioners to offer PEDI-SANE services at both the Franklin county and Hampshire county Children’s Advocacy Centers”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “6,200,448” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,300,448”;

In item 4512-0205 by adding the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Methuen Community Addiction Resource Engagement Services for the Methuen police department to provide resources for addiction recovery; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Billerica substance abuse committee to combat the opioid epidemic; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for programs for at-risk students in the Medway public schools including the T.H.R.I.V.E. substance abuse prevention program; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for Self Esteem Boston’s direct service and provider training programs; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for Metro Boston Alive’s efforts to provide culturally responsive addiction services to the people of Boston; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for Harbor Health Services for a grant program to prevent and treat addiction to opioid and related substances; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for a contract with the Gavin Foundation, Inc. to provide a total immersion program in conjunction with the probation departments of the South Boston division of the Boston municipal court department and other district courts; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Joseph Nee Collaborative center for substance abuse treatment and recovery programming; provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for the town of Braintree for Braintree Community Partnership on Substance Abuse; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for office-based addiction and opioid treatment, a program of the Greater New Bedford Community Health Center; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for East Bridgewater Hope, a substance abuse coalition, community-partnership providing substance abuse outreach and intervention drop-in center; provided further, that not less than $10,000 shall be expended for substance abuse and addiction awareness and education efforts at the Reading Coalition for Prevention and Support; provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be expended for RIZE Massachusetts Foundation, Inc. to assist in their work to end the opioid epidemic in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the operation of the Dimock Center’s behavioral health continuum of substance use care to provide comprehensive treatment for individuals suffering from substance use disorder and other behavioral health challenges; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Project R.I.G.H.T., Inc.’s substance use and trauma prevention initiative in the Grove Hall area of Boston; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Bridge Club of Greater Lowell to support the multi-cultural recovery coach program; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for One Life at a Time, Inc., located in the city known as the town of Braintree, for the facilitation of access to sober living programs and job training services for people in recovery and associated operational costs; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item of appropriation; and provided further,
that funds shall be expended fully and on a schedule consistent with the provisions of section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “100,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “3,290,000”;

In item 4512-0206 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Tapestry Health Systems Inc. to support its mobile health and harm reduction services”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “4,700,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,750,000”;

In item 4512-0500 by adding the following words: “; and provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for the Forsyth Institute’s center for children’s oral health to expand its ForsythKids programming focused on children and adolescents and to explore the emerging association between oral health status and academic performance”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,737,206” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,987,206”;

In item 4512-2020, in line 23, by inserting after the word “providers” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended for the purpose of employing 2 full-time mental health counselors within the Barnstable police department”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “530,000”;

In item 4512-2021, in line 17, by inserting after the year: “2021” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $35,000 shall be expended for the Marshfield fairgrounds mini state site vaccination distribution center to provide reimbursements for re-occurring costs not covered by the Plymouth county cares program, of additional tents, heat, lighting and equipment maintenance to accommodate distribution of vaccines”, in line 25, by striking out the date: “August 3” and inserting in place thereof the date: “December 1”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,035,000”;
violence investigations in the town of Salisbury; provided further, that not less than $5,000 shall be expended for the purpose of providing additional resources to police officers for domestic violence investigations in the city of Newburyport; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Association of Haitian Women, Inc. in the city of Boston”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “50,341,295” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “50,431,295”;

In item 4590-0915, in line 7, by inserting after the following: “2B” the following: “; provided further, that the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children shall maintain not less than 120 beds for clients in its inpatient setting to the extent feasible within the appropriation; provided further, that Tewksbury hospital shall maintain the same number of beds in fiscal year 2022 as maintained in fiscal year 2021; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children summer program”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “170,972,689” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “171,122,689”;

In item 4590-1507 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the YWCA organizations, which shall be distributed equally between the Alliance of YWCA’s member organizations; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the Parkway Community YMCA for youth development programs; provided further, that not less than $1,300,000 shall be expended for the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs, Inc. which shall be distributed between the alliance’s member organizations; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for programs, services or renovations at the Milford youth center; provided further, that not less than $1,700,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc.; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Sueños Basketball, Inc. summer league to support low-income youth in the city of Lawrence; provided further that, not less than $20,000 shall be expended for Lawtown boxing gym in the city of Lawrence to provide at-risk youth with health and wellness programming, as well as to foster community engagement; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for the Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc.; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Westfield Boys and Girls Club for its expansion project; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay, Inc. mentor 2.0 program; provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended for expanded 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic response activities at the Dalton community recreation association in the town of Dalton; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended for the Billerica Boys and Girls Club for capital and operational needs; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item of appropriation; and provided further, that funds shall be expended fully and on a schedule consistent with the provisions of section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,400,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “6,495,000”;

In item 5042-5000, in line 26, by inserting after the word “regulations” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health, Inc. and the BIRCh Center to continue collaborating on the establishment of a school-based behavioral health technical assistance center; provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for the NAN Project in the town of Lexington to increase mental health awareness and suicide prevention; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for
Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston YouthConnect program to provide community-based mental health services to high-risk youth and their families residing in the East Boston community; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Shrewsbury Youth and Family Services, Inc. for the organization’s continued implementation across the commonwealth of the National Council for Behavioral Health’s youth mental health first aid program; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Project for Moms statewide to support their PSI collaborative and improve the sustainability, data-collection and quality of services to Massachusetts families and providers; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Northwestern Juvenile Fire Intervention, Response, Education and Safety Partnership, Inc., also known as NOFires, for a juvenile firesetter intervention and prevention program in Hampshire and Franklin counties; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Amherst regional public schools to support on-site youth mental health services for Amherst regional high school students”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “97,134,089” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “97,684,089”;

In item 5046-0000, in line 23, by inserting after the word “measured” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for a grant to the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Inc., for the purpose of providing assistance in connecting consumers to licensed clinical social workers through the Therapy Matcher program; provided further, that not less than $12,500 shall be expended for the Framingham department of public health for a behavioral health system navigation and referral program; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the establishment of a Safe Haven location in Hampshire and Franklin counties”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “505,909,292” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “506,071,792”;

In item 5911-1003, in line 18, by inserting after the words “Congress, Inc.” the following: “; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Community Access to the Arts, Inc. in the town of Great Barrington”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “81,468,289” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “81,518,289”;

In item 5920-2010 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for Caring Health center to offset the cost of parking which is required as a direct result of parking limitations in downtown Springfield and to provide healthcare”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “240,537,466” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “240,637,466”;

By inserting after section 41 the following section:

“SECTION 41A. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of mental health shall post to the department’s website, on a monthly basis, data on the availability of adult and pediatric beds at inpatient continuing care facilities that are under the supervision or control of the department, including those operated by or contracted by the department. Such data shall include, but not be limited to: (i) per continuing care facility the: (A) number of operational beds; (B) number of beds that have been taken out of operation; (C) inpatient census data; (D) number of forensic patients admitted; (E) number of patients discharged; (F) number of patients who cannot be discharged from the continuing care facility to the community due to the acuity of their behavioral health diagnosis or forensic status; (G) number of patients appropriate for discharge from continuing care but who are awaiting an available community placement; and (ii) the number of patients that have been admitted from the waitlist for continuing care placement, disaggregated by the
continuing care facility that accepted the patient and by the inpatient facility the patient was accepted from. To the extent feasible, all data shall be disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age and other demographic information.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than January 1, 2022 the department of mental health shall post to its website historic data on the previous 15 years of operational continuing care beds, per continuing care facility operated by or contracted by the department, including, but not limited to, the operational status of beds.

(c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of mental health’s continuing care referral list, also known as the inpatient referral summary, shall include data on patients in acute psychiatric facilities awaiting acceptance to continuing care facilities including, but not limited to: (i) the length of time a patient has awaited a continuing care placement, and (ii) the number of patients awaiting placement for each inpatient psychiatric facility. In calculating the amount of time a patient has been awaiting a continuing care placement, the department shall include the time between the submission of an application and the acceptance to a continuing care facility in addition to the time the patient awaited transfer after acceptance for admission.”;

In section 43, in lines 751 and 752, by striking out the following: “and (v) substance use disorders” and inserting in place thereof the following: “(v) substance use disorders; and (vi) suicide”;

By inserting after section 43 the following section:

“SECTION 43A. The commission on autism established in section 217 of chapter 6 of the General Laws shall investigate and report on the impact of the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, on Black, Latinx, Asian American and Pacific Islander, Native American and other individuals of color who have a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder. The commission shall review all available data and information on the range of services and supports provided to individuals with autism spectrum disorder by each major racial and ethnic group, primary language, sex and economic status during the outbreak of COVID-19. The commission shall make recommendations to address any inequities caused by the outbreak of COVID-19 including, but not be limited to, establishing periodic benchmarks and cost estimates for a coordinated system-wide response to address the inequitable impact of the outbreak of COVID-19 and the recovery process on Black, Latinx, Asian American and Pacific Islander, Native American and other individuals of color with autism spectrum disorder. Not later than January 1, 2022 the commission shall submit a report of its investigation, including recommendations and any drafts of legislation necessary to carry those recommendations into effect, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities.”; and

In section 46, in line 808, by striking out the figures: “13” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “15”, in line 811, by striking out the figure: “5” and inserting in place thereof the figure: “7”; and in line 815, by inserting after the word “Inc.” the following: “, 1 of whom shall be a representative of 1199 SEIU United Health Care Workers East, 1 of whom shall be a representative of the Massachusetts chapter of the American Association for Retired Persons”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F; and on the roll call 160 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative. [See Yea and Nay No. 27 in Supplement.]
Therefore the consolidated amendments (public health, mental health and disability services) were adopted.

_Recess._

At seventeen minutes before ten o’clock P.M. (Tuesday, April 27), on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until the following day at eleven o’clock A.M.; and at that time, the House was called to order with Ms. Peake of Provincetown in the Chair.