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

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Rebecca Riley on receiving the Gold Award of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Rebecca
Riley.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Linsky, 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 report of the committee on Revenue, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1973) of Michael J. Rodrigues, Jason M. Lewis, Joan B. Lovely, Joanne M. Comerford and other members of the General Court for legislation to advance and promote genocide education, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Genocide
education.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, 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 2442) of the House Bill financing the reconstruction of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke (House, No. 3701), reported, a bill with the same title (House, No. 3770) [Bond Issue: \$600,000,000.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Holyoke
Soldiers'
Home.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. 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 by the House:

Establishing a sick leave bank for Autumn Fugere, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 2775);

Autumn
Fugere.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Charles E. McCabe, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 2777); and

Charles
McCabe.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Linda R. Berube, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 3769);

Linda
Berube.

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.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill financing the reconstruction of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke (see House, No. 3770), 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.

Holyoke
Soldiers'
Home.

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 2 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At five minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Berlin to continue the employment of Paul Kenneth Clark (printed in House, No. 92), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

At four minutes after one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.