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Met at six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., under 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.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Speaker took the Chair, declared a brief recess and introduced the North Quincy High School Quiz Bowl Team and congratulated them for winning WGBH's 13th season of High School Quiz Show. The win capped off years of hard work from the whole team, learning facts about everything from math and science, to mythology and pop culture. To win the quiz show, the team won four straight matches, ultimately defeating Andover in the final match. The Speaker congratulated the team for making Quincy incredibly proud. They were the guests of the Speaker, Representatives Ayers of Quincy and Chan of Quincy, and Senator Keenan.

North Quincy
High School
Quiz Bowl
Team.

Before the noon recess, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced the Clerk Magistrate of the Wrentham District Court, Michelle L. Kelley, a former House Page. Magistrate Kelley was accompanied by Executive Councillors Terrence W. Kennedy and Paul DePalo. They were the guests of Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House Raymond J. Amaru, and the House Court Officers.

Magistrate
Michelle L.
Kelley and
Counsellors
Kennedy and
DePalo.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kushmerek of Fitchburg) recognizing atomic veterans and their service in defending the United States of America;

Atomic
veterans.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) congratulating Henry Wicks on receiving the Eagle Scout Award of the Boy Scouts of the United States of America; and

Henry
Wicks.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Scanlon of North Attleborough) congratulating Castor "Castenzio" Salemi on his one hundredth birthday;

Castor
Salemi.

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. Linsky, 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 Wagner of Chicopee and Senator Lesser, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4860) of Joseph F. Wagner and Eric P. Lesser (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to voting precincts in the city of Chicopee. To the committee on Election Laws.

Chicopee,—
voting
precincts.

By Representatives Giannino of Revere and Wong of Saugus, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4861) of Jessica Ann Giannino and Donald H. Wong (by vote of the town) that the town of Saugus be authorized to appoint retired police officers of said town as special police officers. To the committee on Public Service.

Saugus,—
police
officers.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Hendricks of New Bedford presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Christopher Hendricks (with the approval of the county commissioners) that the Bristol County Retirement Board grant creditable service to Michael Cioper; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Michael
Cioper,—
creditable
service.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill designating a certain boat launch area in the town of Rutland as the Detective John D. Songy boat launch (Senate, No. 535) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Rutland,—
Songy boat
launch.

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:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Danillo A. Sena and James B. Eldridge for legislation to authorize the Devens Enterprise Commission to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Devens,—
liquor
license.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of William C. Galvin for legislation to limit rent increases and create a rental arbitrator within the office of the Attorney General. To the committee on Housing.

Rent.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Edward F. Coppinger relative to the establishment and maintenance of blood banks, so-called. To the committee on Public Health.

Blood banks.

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. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill relative to certain voting precincts in the town of Middleton (printed in House, No. 4823). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Middleton,—
voting
precincts.

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

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Barber of Somerville, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

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:

Establishing a building permit surcharge and special revenue fund in the town of Winchester (House, No. 4632) [Local Approval Received]; and

Providing for the retirement of Richard Seibert, a police officer in the city known as the town of Braintree (House, No. 4752) [Local Approval Received];

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. Madaro of Boston, for the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, on a petition, a Bill establishing a commission on the history of state institutions for people with developmental and mental health disabilities in the Commonwealth (printed as Senate, No. 1257).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill transferring Bridgewater State Hospital from the Department of Corrections [sic] to the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 2063).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to update mental health parity (House, No. 2065).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill ensuring access to addiction services (House, No. 2066).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to behavioral health urgent care (House, No. 2083).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide more timely treatment of inpatient mental health care (House, No. 2106).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing access to full spectrum addiction treatment services (House, No. 2116).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to harm reduction and racial justice (House, No. 2119) [Representative Tucker of Salem dissenting].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill helping overdosing persons in emergencies (House, No. 2125).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to expand access to patient centered care for substance use disorders (House, No. 2128).

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

By Ms. Domb of Amherst, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on House Nos. 878 and 948, a Bill to save recycling costs in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4851).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House No. 988, a Bill to assess the future of mattress recycling in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4852).

By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on Senate, No. 1171 and House Nos. 1935 and 2026, a Bill to require policies and training to prevent unlawful harassment, including sexual harassment (House, No. 4853).

Winchester,—
surcharge.

Braintree,—
Richard Seibert.

Institutions,—
developmental
disabilities.

Bridgewater
State
Hospital.

Mental health
parity.

Addiction
services.

Behavioral
urgent care.

Mental
health care.

Addiction
treatment.

Controlled
substances,—
possession.

Responders,—
opioids.

Substance use
disorders.

Recycling
costs.

Mattresses,—
recycling.

Harassment,—
prevention.

By Mr. Tucker of Salem, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to puppy mills (House, No. 2130).

Puppy mills.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill relative to public transit electrification (House, No. 3559).

Public transit,—
electrification.

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

By Ms. Domb of Amherst, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill dedicating the grove at Heritage State Park in the city of Fall River as the David Almond Grove, in honor of the late David Almond (House, No. 4832).

Fall River,—
David Almond grove.

By Mr. Tucker of Salem, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing a development surcharge for community housing in the town of Lexington (House, No. 4314) [Local Approval Received].

Lexington,—
housing surcharge.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2209, a Bill relative to dangerous dogs (House, No. 4854).

Dangerous dogs.

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

Motions to Discharge Certain Matters in the Orders of the Day

The following Senate bills, having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to correctly drawn, were discharged from their position in the Orders of the Day, and read a third time forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington:

Establishing the minimum years of service required to be promoted to fire lieutenant in the fire department of the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 1747);

Fairhaven,—
fire department.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Dr. Heidi Tarr Henson, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (Senate, No. 2863) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Heidi Tarr Henson,—
sick leave.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jacquelyne Foley, an employee of the Department of Early Education and Care (Senate, No. 2884);

Jacquelyne Foley,—
sick leave.

And they severally were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Susanne Cleveland, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 4808), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day, and read a third time forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington.

Susanne Cleveland,—
sick leave.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of transitional assistance, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4808, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House bills

Changing the Board of Selectmen of the town of Tyngsborough to a Select Board (House, No. 4483);

Tyngsborough,—
select board.

Establishing the position of town manager in the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 4484); and

Tyngsborough,—
town manager.

Relative to recall elections in the town of Granby (House, No. 4549);

Granby,—
elections.

Severally were discharged from their positions in the Orders of the Day and read a second time, under suspension of Rule 47, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Recess.

At eighteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at nineteen minutes after one o'clock P.M., the House was called to order with the Speaker in the Chair.

Recess.

Quorum.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

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 155 members were recorded as being in attendance.

Quorum,—
yea and nay
No. 194.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 194](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore a quorum was present.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Dr. Heidi Tarr Henson, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (see Senate, No. 2863), 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.

Heidi Tarr
Henson,—
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 43 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jacquelyne Foley, an employee of the Department of Early Education and Care (see Senate, No. 2884), 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.

Jacquelyne
Foley,—
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 56 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill establishing the minimum years of service required to be promoted to fire lieutenant in the fire department of the town of Fairhaven (see Senate, No. 1747) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be

Bill
enacted.

rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted, there being no objection; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge a Certain Matter in the Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill relative to work and family mobility (see House, No. 4805), which had been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (for message, see House, No. 4822), was considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett.

Drivers licenses.

The question on passing the bill, notwithstanding the said objections, was determined by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II, of the Constitution; and on the roll call 119 members voted in the affirmative and 36 in the negative.

Bill passed over veto,—
yea and nay
No. 195.

[See Yea and Nay No. 195 in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same). Sent to the Senate for its action.

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.

Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day at eight minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.