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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Garballey of Arlington 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. Garballey), the members, guests 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. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Robert Tarantino on his retirement from the Massachusetts Department of Corrections [sic], were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Robert
Tarantino.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, 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.

Petition.

Mr. D'Emilia of Bridgewater presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo L. D'Emilia for legislation to further regulate the transfer and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Bridgewater from the Department of Correction to the Department of Fire Services; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Bridgewater,—
land.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill preserving open space in the Commonwealth (House, No. 851), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had insisted on its amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2831) (in which the House had non-concurred).

Open space,—
protection.

The bill bore the further endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Senators DiDomenico, Eldridge and Tarr had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Conference
committee.

The House Bill protecting research animals (House, No. 901), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2992. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Research
animals,—
protection.

The House Bill further regulating the enforcement of illegal hunting practices (House, No. 4442), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2993. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Hunting,—
illegal
practices.

Bills

Protecting the health and safety of puppies and kittens in cities and towns (Senate, No. 2994) (on Senate bill No. 1322); and

Puppies and
kittens.

To expand access to high-quality, affordable early education and care (Senate, No. 2997) (on Senate bill No. 2973);

Early education
and care.

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

Bills

Further regulating sewer privilege fees in the town of Millbury (Senate, No. 1350) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Millbury,—
sewer fees.

Authorizing the investment of trust funds benefiting the town of Sherborn library (Senate, No. 1355) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received]; and

Sherborn,—
library.

Establishing a special fund for recaptured funds from demolition liens or related grants in the town of Templeton (Senate, No. 2575, amended in section 1, in lines 13 to 16, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Templeton,—
demolition
liens.

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

Reports of Committees.

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

To appoint retired police officers of the town of Saugus as special police officers (House, No. 4861) [Local Approval Received];

Saugus,—
police.

Authorizing the town of Dedham to continue the employment of William Spillane as Chief of the Fire Department (House, No. 4998) [Local Approval Received]; and

Dedham,—
William
Spillane.

Relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer in the town of Dedham (House, No. 4999) [Local Approval Received];

Dedham,—
police.

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.

Reports of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Authorizing a development surcharge for community housing in the town of Lexington (House, No. 4314) [Local Approval Received]; and

Lexington,—
surcharge.

Relative to dangerous dogs (House, No. 4854);

Dangerous dogs.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the following House bills ought to pass:

Transferring Bridgewater State Hospital from the Department of Corrections [sic] to the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 2063) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

Bridgewater State Hospital.

To expand access to patient centered care for substance use disorders (House, No. 2128) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

Substance use disorders.

Restricting toxic PFAS chemicals in consumer products to protect our health (House, No. 4818) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

PFAS chemicals.

To require public universities to provide medication abortion (House, No. 4821) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]; and

Medication abortion.

Relative to veteran health, opportunity, notification, observance and respect (House, No. 4873) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Veterans,— health.

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

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on Senate, No. 2556 and House, No. 4187, a Bill authorizing the town of Dudley to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises (House, No. 5015) [Local Approval Received].

Dudley,— liquor licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4845, a Bill authorizing the town of Wellesley to grant certain licenses for the temporary sale of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 5016) [Local Approval Received].

Wellesley,— liquor licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4862, a Bill authorizing the Devens Enterprise Commission to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5017).

Devens,— liquor license.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill establishing an Indigenous Peoples day (House, No. 3191) [Representative Barrows of Mansfield dissenting].

Indigenous Peoples day.

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

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the licensing authority of the town of Hull to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4667), 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.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Harvard to establish a cap on property taxes for means tested senior citizens (House, No. 3734), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Harvard,— property taxes.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5019), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill 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 tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.