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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Biele of Boston) congratulating the South Boston branch of the Boston Public Library on its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary; and

Boston Public
Library.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fluker Oakley of Boston) recognizing September 25, 2022 as the National Day of Remembrance for murder victims in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

Murder
victims.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, 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 Gouveia of Acton and Senator Barrett, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5293) of Tami L. Gouveia and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) relative to ranked choice voting in the town of Concord. To the committee on Election Laws.

Concord,—
ranked choice
voting.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5294) of Tami L. Gouveia and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Concord be authorized to establish a fee for checkout bags in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Concord,—
bag fee.

By Representative Blais of Sunderland and Senator Hinds, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5295) of Natalie M. Blais and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to continue the employment of Kenneth Ouimette, a member of the police department of said town; and

Conway,—
Kenneth
Ouimette.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5296) of Natalie M. Blais and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to continue the employment of Randell Williams, a member of the police department of said town.

Conway,—
Randell
Williams.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Whelan of Brewster presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Timothy R. Whelan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for John Carlson, an employee of the Department of State Police; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

John
Carlson,—
sick leave.

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:

Relative to real estate transfer fees and senior property tax relief (House, No. 4637) [Local Approval Received];

Boston,—
transfer fees.

Relative to the New Bedford Police Association (House, No. 5066);

New Bedford.

Amending the charter of the town of Walpole (House, No. 5140) [Local Approval Received]; and

Walpole,—
charter.

Relative to the employment contract for the director of public works in the town of Upton (House, No. 5191) [Local Approval Received];

Upton,—
public works.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on Senate, No. 860, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document relative to prohibiting discriminatory effects in housing (House, No. 5263) [Representative Diggs of Barnstable dissenting].

Housing
discrimination,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 861 and House, No. 1441, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate and a House document relative to fair housing (House, No. 5264) [Representatives Connolly of Cambridge, Elugardo of Boston and Diggs of Barnstable dissenting].

Fair
housing,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 865, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document relative to displacement prevention (House, No. 5265) [Representative Elugardo of Boston dissenting].

Displacement
prevention,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 874, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document relative to housing stability and homelessness (House, No. 5266) [Senators Keenan, Jehlen, Barrett, Chandler and Lovely and Representatives Connolly of Cambridge and Elugardo of Boston dissenting].

Housing
stability and
homelessness,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 885 and House, No. 1437, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document and a certain House document relative to stable housing (House, No. 5267) [Representative Diggs of Barnstable dissenting].

Housing
stability,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 891 and House, No. 1434, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document and a certain House document relative to COVID-19 evictions and equitable housing recovery (House, No. 5268) [Senator Jehlen and Representative Connolly of Cambridge dissenting].

COVID-19
evictions,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1372, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to promoting housing stability for families (House, No. 5269) [Representatives Connolly of Cambridge and Elugardo of Boston dissenting].

Housing stability,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1379, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to financing an emergency supplemental affordable housing bond (House, No. 5270) [Representative Connolly of Cambridge dissenting].

Affordable housing bond,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1387, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to adequate condominium reserve funds (House, No. 5271) [Representative DeCoste of Norwell dissenting].

Condominium reserve funds,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1388, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to manufactured homes (House, No. 5272) [Representative DeCoste of Norwell dissenting].

Manufactured homes,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1436, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to promoting housing stability and homelessness prevention (House, No. 5273) [Senators Keenan, Jehlen, Barrett, Chandler and Lovely and Representatives Connolly of Cambridge and Elugardo of Boston dissenting].

Housing and homelessness prevention,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1438, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to housing production goals (House, No. 5274) [Representative Connolly of Cambridge dissenting].

Housing production,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4057, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to local approval of condominium conversion ordinances (House, No. 5275) [Representative Connolly of Cambridge dissenting].

Condominium conversion ordinances,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 857, 858, 862, 864, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 881, 882, 883, 888, 892, 895, 896, 897, 901, 903, 905, 906, 907, 909, 910 and 1084 and House, Nos. 1375, 1380, 1383, 1384, 1386, 1389, 1390, 1391, 1392, 1393, 1394, 1395, 1397, 1398, 1399, 1400, 1403, 1405, 1406, 1414, 1418, 1419, 1420, 1421, 1422, 1423, 1424, 1425, 1427, 1430, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1443, 1445, 1446, 1449 and 1450, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents relative to housing matters (House, No. 5276).

Housing,— study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 869 and House, No. 1381, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document and a certain House document relative to reducing barriers to housing (House, No. 5277).

Housing barriers,— study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the treasurer of the town of Middleborough to pay from available funds to Middleborough High School students, parents or guardians amounts paid but not reimbursed for the costs of the 2020 senior trip (see Senate, No. 2518);

Bills enacted.

Exempting a certain affordable housing project in the city of Brockton from public procurement laws (see Senate, No. 2864);

(Which severally originated in the Senate); and

Authorizing the Devens Enterprise Commission to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5017) (which originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill relative to designating certain portions of Interstate Highway Route 495 as the Susannah North Martin Highway (Senate, No. 3015), 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, in concurrence.

Third reading bill.

House bills

Designating a certain intersection in the town of Duxbury as the Charlotte Bradford Memorial Square (House, No. 4335); and

Third reading bills.

Relative to certain affordable housing in the city of Worcester (House, No. 4850);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to representative town meeting in the town of Plymouth (House, No. 4988) was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Second reading bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next sitting.

At eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.