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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 Representatives McMurtry of Dedham and Garlick of Needham) honoring Dr. Lester J. Hartman on his retirement, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Lester
Hartman.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Ms. Gouveia of Acton presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4117) of Tami L. Gouveia (by vote of the town) that the town of Concord be authorized to adopt and enforce local regulations restricting new fossil fuel infrastructure in certain construction in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Concord,—
fossil
fuels.

Ms. Duffy of Holyoke presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Duffy relative to the use of marijuana or marijuana products on the premises of where said products are sold; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Marijuana,—
point of
sale use.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill providing a tax exemption for certain qualifying real estate in the town of Hamilton (Senate, No. 1362) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Hamilton,—
tax exemption.

A report of the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2125) of Walter F. Timilty and Lindsay N. Sabadosa for legislation to the create the Massachusetts Board of Public Safety Building Authority, and

Public safety
building
authority.

recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2529) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund for [sic] purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Brookline,—
marijuana
fund.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Moran of Boston, 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 2489) of the House Bill relative to reprecincting (House, No. 3863), reported, a bill with the same title (House, No. 4118). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reprecincting.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on House, No. 3742, a Bill relative to the South Norwood General Business District (House, No. 4114) [Local Approval Received].

Norwood,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3861, a Bill authorizing the town of Wellesley to grant certain licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 4115) [Local Approval Received].

Wellesley,—
liquor
licenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3890, a Bill authorizing the town of Easton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages (House, No. 4116) [Local Approval Received].

Easton,—
liquor
license.

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

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the city of Gloucester to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (see Senate, No. 2479) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills
enacted.

Authorizing the town of Norwood to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3897); and

Changing the name of the members of the city council in the city of Woburn from alderman to councilor (see House, No. 3947);

(Which severally 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 House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Samantha Davignon, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4094), reported

Third
reading
bill.

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.

The House Bill finalizing the transfer of land in the town of Middleton (House, No. 3178), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Middleton,—
land.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Jones of North Reading moved to amend it by adding the following section:

“SECTION 3. The parcels of land in this act have been used for open space and conservation purposes. After the enactment of this act the land shall be restricted to use for conservation purposes in the town of Middleton.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3178, amended) 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 on Wednesday next 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. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.