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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.

#### Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, Jason Zahlaway of Torrance, California, the brother of Representative Belsito. He was the guest of Ms. Belsito of Topsfield.

Jason Zahlaway.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey) declared a brief recess, and introduced a group of 15 Israeli students, seated in the House Chamber, who are in Grades 10 and 11, and 2 instructors. The students, from Haifa, Israel attend the Huggim High School, a large and excellent public school in Haifa. The guests were part of a school-match program in existence for 15 years between the Huggim High School and several of the Boston MetroWest synagogues. The program is an educational and relational school-match in which students learn about Jewish life both in the United States and in Israel. The Israeli students visit here in October and the American students go to Israel in February. The students are being hosted by our American students' families. While the Americans are in school, the Israelis travel and get to know Massachusetts and American Jewish life. The Israeli students will spend one morning at school with their American partners, go to synagogues, visit college campuses in the area and explore Boston. They were the guests of Mr. Madaro of Boston.

Israeli students.

#### Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Duffy of Holyoke) honoring the retirement and service of Margaret "Maggie" Feyre, Recreation Program Coordinator for the Holyoke Soldiers' Home;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Logan Casasanta on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Noah Der Garabedian on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America;

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

Margaret Feyre.

Logan Casasanta.

Noah Der Garabedian. instance, 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. Connolly of Cambridge presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mike Connolly and others for legislation to further regulate tax credits from net state tax revenues in excess of allowable state tax revenues; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Tax credits.

#### Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land to the city of Fitchburg (House, No. 4902), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, in line 6, inserting after the word "maintenance." the following sentence: "The conveyance shall include a historic covenant on the deed.". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Fitchburg,—land.

#### Reports of Committees.

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

The Senate Bill exempting Jesus Melendez from the maximum age requirement for appointment as a firefighter in the town of North Andover (Senate, No. 3024) [Local Approval Received]; and

North Andover,— Jesus Melendez.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Belmont to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5215) [Local Approval Received];

Belmont, liquor licenses.

Relative to establishing the Eastham community fund in the town of Eastham (House, No. 5299) [Local Approval Received]; and

Eastham,—fund.

Facilitating the appropriation and expenditure of community preservation funds for community housing purposes in the town of Eastham (House, No. 5300) [Local Approval Received];

Eastham, housing.

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

Police training committee.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to exempt the Executive Director of the Municipal Police Training Committee from earnings limitations (House, No. 5290). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Conway,— Kenneth Ouimette.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Kenneth Ouimette (House, No. 5295) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Randell Williams (House, No. 5296) [Local Approval Received].

Conway,— Randell Williams.

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

#### Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the leasing of a certain parcel of land in the city of Gardner (see House, No. 4980), 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.

Gardner,—land.

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 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Eliminating the requirement for the geriatric authority to make payment to the town of Milford in lieu of taxes (see House, No. 3023);

Bills enacted.

Changing the board of selectmen of the town of Milford to a select board (see House, No. 4556); and

Authorizing the town of Clinton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4669);

(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 Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to Revere and Son Heritage Trust Corporation (House, No. 5054), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Revere and Son Heritage Trust.

The House Bill relative to restricted vital records (House, No. 3027), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Vital records.

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. 5355), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the theft of vehicle catalytic converters (House, No. 4722), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Vehicle catalytic converters.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by substitution of a Bill relative to the sale of old metals and vehicle catalytic converters (House, No. 5356), 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 on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At thirteen 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.