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Thursday, December 8, 2022.

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.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had appointed (under section 2 of Chapter 76 of the Acts of 2022) Representative Kimberly Ferguson of Holden as his designee to the Women's Rights History Trail Task Force (effective January 4, 2023), replacing his current appointee, Representative Kane of Shrewsbury, who will continue to serve on the task force in her new capacity as the incoming co-chair of the Massachusetts Caucus of Women Legislators..

Women's Rights History Trail.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), declared a brief recess, and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, the 2022 Massachusetts State Champion Waltham Youth C Cheer Team, accompanied by coaches Jillian Lynch and Gloria Mills. They were the guests of Representatives Lawn of Watertown and Stanley of Waltham.

Waltham Youth C Cheer Team.

Communications.

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From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan;

Individual and family support plan.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Department of Developmental Services Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan;

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Department of Mental Health Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan;

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Department of Public Health Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan;

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan;

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual and Family Support Plan; and

Id.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 16F of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting the MassHealth Fiscal Year 2023 Chapter 171 Report and Annual Individual Family and Support Plan;

Id.

Severally were placed on file.

Reports.

Reports

Of the Department of Public Utilities (under Section 12Q of Chapter 25 of General Laws) submitting the Energy Facilities Siting Board Trust Fund report of the department's financial activities from October 13, 2021 through October 12, 2022; and

Energy
Facilities
Siting Board.

Of the Department of Public Utilities (under Section 12R of Chapter 25 of General Laws) submitting the Unified Carrier Registration Trust Fund report of the department's financial activities from October 13, 2021 through October 12, 2022;

Unified
Carriers
Trust Fund.

Severally were placed on file.

Petition.

Representative Meschino of Hull and Senator O'Connor presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5417) of Joan Meschino and Patrick M. O'Connor (by vote of the town) that the town of Hull be authorized to lease certain property and to extend leases on certain property to promote economic development and the more effective use of town property; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Hull,—
property.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill expanding the select board of the town of Wenham (Senate, No. 3147) (on Senate, bill No. 2843) [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.

Wenham,—
select board.

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 joint petition of Rob Consalvo and Sonia Chang-Diaz for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Christopher King, an employee of the Department of Public Health. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Consalvo of Boston, the

Christopher
King,—
sick leave.

report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate bills

Further regulating the Commission on Falls Prevention (Senate, No. 1446);

Authorizing the town of Brookline to spend \$500,000 from the town's Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund for the purpose of advancing racial equity in the town (Senate, No. 2529) [Local Approval Received]; and

Exempting the town of Brookline from in-person quorums (Senate, No. 3145) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills

Authorizing the town of Hampden to continue the employment of fire department member Peter Hatch (House, No. 5369) [Local Approval Received];

Authorizing the town of Hampden to continue the employment of police department member James Gormally (House, No. 5378) [Local Approval Received]; and

Relative to preliminary election dates and filling vacancies in the offices of mayor and councillor in the city of Salem (House, No. 5396) [Local Approval Received];

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

By Mr. Tucker of Salem, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on House, No. 5407, a Bill relative to the Lowell Civic Stadium Commission and Edward A. LeLacheur Park (House, No. 5416) [Local Approval Received].

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on House, No. 5384, a Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Lancaster (House, No. 5415) [Local Approval Received].

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

By Mr. Tucker of Salem, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill providing for alternate members of the conservation commission of the town of Lynnfield (House, No. 5400) [Local Approval Received].

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 5413, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for John Carlson, an employee of the Department of State Police (House, No. 5414).

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

Falls.
Brookline,—
racial equity.

Brookline,—
quorums.

Hampden,—
Peter Hatch.

Hampden,—
James
Gormally.

Salem,—
elections.

Lowell,—
LeLacheur
park.

Lancaster,—
land.

Lynnfield,—
conservation
commission.

John
Carlson,—
sick leave.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Amending the charter of the city of Amesbury (see Senate, No. 3133) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills
enacted.

Providing creditable service for fire department personnel in the city of Revere (see House, No. 4572, amended);

Exempting certain affordable housing in the South Boston section of the city of Boston from public procurement laws (see House, No. 5036);

Authorizing the town of Southampton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5223); and

Authorizing the city of Watertown to adopt an affordable housing linkage fee (see House, No. 5383);

(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 Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Philip Cloutier, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (Senate, No. 3134), 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

Establishing building trades recovery week (House, No. 3177);

Relative to the charter of the town of Dedham (House, No. 4878);

Relative to Historic District Commission in the town of Sudbury (House, No. 5037, changed);

Establishing the West County Senior Services District (House, No. 5068) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police officer Kenneth Ouimette (House, No. 5295); and

Authorizing the city known as the town of Franklin to grant an additional all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises alcoholic beverages license (House, No. 5395);

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. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bills.

The Senate Bill designating the Quabbin Visitor Center in the town of Belchertown as the Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center (Senate, No. 544); and

Second
reading
bills.

House bills

Relative to critical incident intervention by emergency service providers (House, No. 2429); and

Directing the Superintendent of State Office Buildings to install a permanent memorial in the Massachusetts State House in honor of Mercy Otis Warren (House, No. 4281);

Severally were read a second time; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

At fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.