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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 and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington) and Representatives Rogers of Cambridge and Parisella of Beverly, the members and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Genevieve Adelaide "Jean" (Manfredonia) Fitzpatrick, age 88, of Falmouth, Massachusetts, and Orlando, Florida, who passed away on November 18th.

Genevieve
Fitzpatrick.

Genevieve served as a Naval Officer, professor, and author. She was the beloved wife of Robert A. Fitzpatrick for 61 years. Born in Boston, MA, daughter of Salvatore and Stella (Passaro) Manfredonia. Genevieve was predeceased by her maternal aunts and uncles who cared for her and her late brother, Joseph, from an early age. Genevieve graduated early from the Brighton (MA) High School at age 16 and then received her R.N. Diploma from the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing. She was also a Double Eagle, graduating with B.S. (cum laude) and later M.S. degrees from Boston College. A life-long scholar, she later earned her Ph.D. in sociology from Boston University. For many years she was a Professor, at Bridgewater State College (now University), being honored as an Emeritus on her retirement from the College. She also authored two widely used nursing textbooks (for gynecological and oncological nursing), wrote articles for many professional journals, and was a nursing consultant for the American Cancer Society.

At age 56 Genevieve volunteered as a medical officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve, receiving her commission from her husband, Robert (also a Naval Reserve officer), during a ceremony aboard the U.S.S. Constitution. She served on overseas duty assignments for Naval Patrol Squadron VP-92 (Naval Air Station, South Weymouth, Massachusetts). Genevieve was a decorated veteran of Operation Desert Storm and retired as a Commander from the Navy aboard the same ship on which she previously received her officer's commission, the Constitution.

In addition to her husband, Genevieve is survived by her children, John of Arlington, Lawrence and his wife Sunette of Maui, Hawaii, and Susan Fitzpatrick Bradbury and husband Kenneth of Apex, North Carolina. She also leaves six grandchildren, Captain Katharine Fitzpatrick (U.S. Army), Timothy Fitzpatrick, Nia May Fitzpatrick, and Caley, Clancy, and Patrick John Bradbury.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Ultrino of Malden) congratulating Daniel J. O’Leary on his retirement as Chief Executive Officer of Mystic Valley Elder Services, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Daniel
O’Leary.

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.

Monthly Report.

A report of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (under Section 2(c) of Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2020) submitting the monthly report on the number of actions for summary process entered and filed with each court having jurisdiction over an action for summary process for the month of October, 2021, was placed on file.

Trial Court,—
summary
process.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4283) of Denise C. Garlick (by vote of the town) that the town of Needham be authorized to grant licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises and wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town; and

Needham,—
liquor
licenses.

By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4284) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Northampton be authorized to appoint members to the Northampton License Commission without regard to party affiliation;

Northampton,—
license
commission.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Mr. Carey of Easthampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4285) of Daniel R. Carey, Mindy Domb and Eric P. Lesser (by vote of the town) relative to recall elections in the town of Granby. To the committee on Election Laws.

Granby,—
recall
elections.

By Representative Meschino of Hull and Senator O’Connor, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4286) of Joan Meschino and Patrick M. O’Connor (by vote of the town) for legislation to make the charter of the town of Hull more gender neutral. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Hull,—
charter.

By Representative Rogers of Norwood and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4287) of John H. Rogers and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) that the town of Norwood be authorized to continue the employment of David Hayes, fire chief of said town. To the committee on Public Service.

Norwood,—
David Hayes.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler that the intersection of Tremont Street, state Route 3A, and St. George Street in the town of Duxbury be designated as the Charlotte Bradford square.

Duxbury,—
Bradford
square.

By Mr. Holmes of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Russell E. Holmes for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for John Coleman, an employee of the Department of Correction.

John
Coleman,—
sick leave.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2598) of Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Patrick M. O'Connor, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and other members of the General Court for legislation to protect children. To the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Children,—
electronic
backpack.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2599) of Lori Bowen for legislation relative to preventing abuse of restraining orders by a third party. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Restraining
orders.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2597) of Bruce E. Tarr and Bradley H. Jones, Jr., for legislation relative to pharmacy testing; and

Pharmacies,—
testing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2600) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to personal health information portability and accessibility;

Personal health
information.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

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 the building or rebuilding of bridges on land that falls under the jurisdiction of more than one municipality (House, No. 2133);

Bridges,—
jurisdiction.

To improve the local infrastructure development program (House, No. 2135);

Infrastructure.
Fences.

Relative to partition fences (House, No. 2138);

Authorizing the establishment of a regional old colony communications center enterprise fund by the town of Duxbury (House, No. 3748) [Local Approval Received]; and

Duxbury,—
fund.

Authorizing senior water and sewer discounts in the town of Arlington (House, No. 3749) [Local Approval Received];

Arlington,—
seniors.

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

By Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill regarding mandatory land use board training (House, No. 2174). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Board
members,—
training.

By Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on Senate, No. 1321 and House, No. 2150, a Bill relative to tax title expense (House, No. 2150, changed by striking out sections 1 and 2).

Tax title
expenses.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the establishment of sustainable water resource funds (House, No. 2152).

Water
resource funds.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill requiring the master plans of cities and towns to address climate change and renewable energy (House, No. 2159).

Municipal
climate master
plans.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to further regulate the attendance by police officers at police association executive board meetings (House, No. 2163).

Police associations,— board meetings.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing cities and towns to establish reduced maximum tow rates during certain declared emergencies (House, No. 2165).

Emergencies,— tow rates.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to veterans housing advantage (House, No. 2185).

Veterans' housing.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the preservation of wetlands and water resources in Chapter 40B applications (House, No. 2198).

Housing,— wetlands and water.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1336 and House, No. 2199, a Bill authorizing municipal use of the prudent investor standards (House, No. 2199).

Municipal prudent investor standards.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to courtesy retail parking spaces designed for non-handicapped veterans (House, No. 2203).

Veterans,— parking.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to assessor certificates (House, No. 2206).

Assessor certificates.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to additional inspectors; inspector engaging in plumbing or gas fitting work (House, No. 2207).

Plumbing and gas inspectors.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the maintenance of private roads, beaches and amenities in municipalities (House, No. 2208).

Private roads, etc.,— maintenance.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for municipal meeting postponement due to inclement weather (House, No. 4035).

Municipal meetings.

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

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Amending the charter of the town of North Andover (see Senate, No. 2561) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the town of Dracut to pay a certain bill to WhiteWater, Inc. (see House, No. 3726); and

Providing for the recall of elected officers in the town of Wenham (see House, No. 3746);

(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 relative to investment of certain trust funds in the town of Weston (House, No. 3894), 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.

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.