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Thursday, July 6, 2023.

Met at six minutes after 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, the Women Warriors of Cabo Verde and Guinea-Bissau. Ana Maria Cabral, widow of Bissau-Guinean revolutionary Amilcar Cabral, then addressed the House briefly. The Women Warriors of Cabo Verde and Guinea-Bissau and Ana Maria Cabral were the guests of Representative Cabral of New Bedford and the Portuguese American Legislative Caucus.

The Women  
Warriors of  
Cabo Verde and  
Guinea-Bissau.

## *Resolutions.*

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Speaker Mariano of Quincy and Representative Wong of Saugus) reaffirming friendship between Massachusetts and Taiwan, support a United States-Taiwan bilateral trade agreement and Taiwan's international participation, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Taiwan.

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.

## *Communications.*

### Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 30 of Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022) submitting an update on the progress towards achieving the goals of the comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination equity plan; and

COVID-19,—  
vaccination  
equity plan.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4000-0300 contained in Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its quarterly MassHealth Pharmacy Pipeline Report;

MassHealth  
Pharmacy  
Pipeline.

Severally were placed on file.

## *Appointment of the Minority Leader.*

The Minority Leader announced that he had appointed Representative DeCoste of Norwell to the special legislative commission established (under Section 107 of

Commission  
on Civil

Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020, as amended by Section 72 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) to study and examine the Civil Service Law.

Service Law.

*Petitions.*

An additional petition (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the House, previously to five o'clock P.M., on Friday, January 20, 2023) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to classifying cheerleading as a school sport and providing for student participation in cheerleading, was referred, under Rule 24 and Joint Rule 13, to the committee Education. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cheerleading,—  
classification.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3968) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to grant an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Chatham,—  
liquor  
license.

By Representative Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3969) of Christine P. Barber (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission of said city.

Somerville,—  
licensing  
commission.

By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3970) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Bruce E. Tarr and Sally P. Kerans (by vote of the town) relative to amending the charter of the town of Middleton.

Middleton,—  
charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Peake of Provincetown and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3971) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to establish two special revenue accounts to support the development of attainable housing in said town and the administration and operation of the Chatham elementary school. To the committee on Revenue.

Chatham,—  
revenue  
accounts.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others for legislation to establish coordinated management guidelines for public forest lands.

Public  
forests.

By Representative Hogan of Stow and Senator Robyn K. Kennedy, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kate Hogan and Robyn K. Kennedy that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain parcels of land in the town of Bolton to said town for general municipal purposes.

Bolton,—  
land.

By Representative Kilcoyne of Clinton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Meghan Kilcoyne that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles be authorized to establish distinctive license plates for Army combat veterans.

Army combat  
veterans,—  
license plate.

By Representative Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to retiree work hours and pay limits.

Retirees,—  
pay limits.

By Representative Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., for legislation to establish an income tax credit for zero-emission and hybrid mobile machinery.

Zero-emission  
tax credit.

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

*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 following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Daniel J. Ryan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to improve and modernize planning and community development in the city of Boston. To the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses.

Boston,—  
community  
development.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Tackey Chan relative to certain ticket transactions. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Ticket  
transactions.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kay Khan relative to pharmacists as healthcare providers. To the committee on Financial Services.

Pharmacists.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Department of Correction. To the committee on Public Service.

Anastasios  
Milonopoulos,—  
sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Daniel J. Ryan relative to the distribution of federal pandemic funds received by executive offices, state agencies, state authorities or quasi-state authorities and constitutional offices. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Pandemic  
funds.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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:

Authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 2555) [Local Approval Received]; and

Leominster,—  
police.

Authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant abatement of real estate taxes for the daughter of fallen firefighter Christopher Roy (House, No. 3906) [Local Approval Received];

Shrewsbury,—  
Christopher  
Roy.

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

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Hartley, an employee of the department of corrections [sic] (House, No. 3966). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Thomas  
Hartley,—  
sick leave.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3821, amended) (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn), was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its amendment.

Michael  
Grant,—  
sick leave.

The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and the bill was returned to the Senate for its action.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers within said city for paid detail assignments (House, No. 2677) (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 Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next  
sitting.

Ms. Decker of Cambridge then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Sandra Graham, a member of the House from Cambridge from 1977 to 1988, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at twenty-one 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 Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.