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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. 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, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Guests of the House.

Subsequent to the noon recess, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow), declared a brief recess to introduce and welcome five legislative interns from her office and invite them to the Rostrum. The interns had joined her office for the summer to gain first-hand experience in state government and a chance to learn about the various public service jobs and careers that exist in the Commonwealth. The interns, Brianna Moran from Hudson, attending St. Anselm College; Gracie Gilligan from Maynard, attending American University; Larissa McMahon from Stow, attending San Diego State University; Calvin Cochrane from Bolton, attending Long Island University Global; and Harper Hellerman from Hudson, taking a gap year before studying at Mt. Holyoke College, were the guests of Speaker pro Tempore Hogan.

Legislative interns.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4845) of Kathleen R. LaNatra (by vote of the town) that the town of Pembroke be authorized to issue one additional license for the sale of all alcohol beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town; and

Pembroke, liquor license.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4846) of Kathleen R. LaNatra (by vote of the town) that the town of Pembroke be authorized to issue one additional license for the sale of all alcohol beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. By Representative Arena-DeRosa of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4847) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) relative to amending the charter of the town of Hopkinton to correct a statutory reference. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Hopkinton,—charter.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4848) of James C. Arena-DeRosa (by vote of the town) that the town of Hopkinton be authorized to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption for school building construction projects. To the committee on Revenue.

Hopkinton,—property tax exemption.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Barrows of Mansfield and Senator Feeney presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to further regulate use restrictions on certain state owned property in the town of Foxborough; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Foxborough State Hospital.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the Affordable Homes Act (House, No. 4726), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had insisted on its amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2850) (in which the House had non-concurred).

Housing,—bond.

The bill bore the further endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Senators Brownsberger, Edwards and Durant had been joined as the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of conference.

The House Order relative to extending until Monday, July 1, 2024 the time within with the committee on Cannabis Policy is authorized to report on current Senate and House documents (House, No. 4692), came from the Senate adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, in line 2, striking out the date: "Monday, July 1" and inserting in place thereof the date: "Wednesday, July 31".

Cannabis
Policy,—
extension of
time for making
reports.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the amendment was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2855) of Marc R. Pacheco and Angelo L. D'Emilia (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Raynham, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Raynham, retired police officers.

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:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Michael J. Barrett for legislation to further regulate certain easements granted to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority for the extension of the Metrowest water supply. To the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Metrowest water supply,—easement.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of David T. Vieira, Susan L. Moran and Steven George Xiarhos (by vote of the town) that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain easements to the town of Bourne for subsurface waterline purposes. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Bourne,—land.

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

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the regulation of money transmission by the Division of Banks (House, No. 1106), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4840). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Money transmissions.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to forthwith regulate money transmissions by the division of banks, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."; and

By inserting after section 7 the following section:

"SECTION 8. Section 4 shall take effect 90 days after the effective date of this act.".

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4840, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to preserve special needs trusts for disabled seniors (House, No. 1202), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4841). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been 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. The bill (House, No. 4841) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure (House, No. 3880), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4842). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

Disabled seniors.

Dental hygienists,—licensure.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been 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. The bill (House, No. 4842) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, No. 2483 and House, Nos. 1488 and 4103, a Bill relative to civil rights and technology (House, No. 4832).

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 941 and House, No. 1438, a Bill relative to access to justice (House, No. 4833).

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 972 and House, No. 1445, a Bill relative to retirement reporting (House, No. 4834).

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 991 and House, No. 1453, a Bill concerning furnishing transcripts of notes and fees (House, No. 4835).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1805, a Bill to implement recommendations of the commission on structural racism in the parole process (House, No. 4837).

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to Brockton school police (House, No. 2458).

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill relative to fusion investment and research for sustainable technology to be known as the FIRST Act (printed as Senate, No. 2810).

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill relative to chapter 30B procurement parity (House, No. 3127).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3106, a Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Tewksbury (House, No. 4839).

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill allowing for temporary license plates (House, No. 3352).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3358, a Bill relative to airplane noise data collection and Good Neighbor Policy (House, No. 4838).

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

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, No. 1060 and House, No. 1760, a Bill to establish a DNA exception rule for victims of rape (House, No. 4836).

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a petition, a Bill relating to improvements to residential properties (House, No. 4710).

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, Nos. 3444 and 3834, a Bill promoting safety in the use of off-highway vehicles (House, No. 3834).

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

Civil rights and technology.

Justice.

Retirement reporting.

Transcript notes and fees.

Parole, structural racism.

Brockton school police.

Fusion technology.

Procurement parity.

Tewksbury,—land.

Temporary license plates.

Beverly Regional Airport.

Rape victims,— DNA exception.

Residential property.

Off-highway vehicles.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Waiving the maximum age requirement for appointment as a police officer for Luigi D'Addieco (see House, No. 4071); and

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to increase certain parking fines (see House, No. 4264);

(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.

Motion to Discharge a Certain Matter in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a resident taxpayer assistance fund in the town of Eastham (House, No. 2097), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day, and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Eastham,—fund.

Recess.

At two minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at nine minutes after two o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 4496, reported, in part, a Bill providing protections for reproductive or gender-affirming care location information (House, No. 4844). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Location information,—protections.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After debate on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett moved to amend it in section 1, in line 26, by inserting after the word "individual" the words "or is contained or installed in a vehicle"; and in line 33 by inserting after the word "broadcast" the words "or Global Positioning System satellite signal".

The amendments were rejected.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by year and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 159 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 133 in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 4844) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill passed to be engrossed, yea and nay No. 133.

Bolton,—land.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),—By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to dispose of certain parcels of land in the town of Bolton (House, No. 4183), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain parcels of land to the town of Bolton (House, No. 4843). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Owens of Watertown, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, the bill (having been 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. The bill (House, No. 4843) then was 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 tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

Mr. Jones of North Reading then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at eleven minutes before three o'clock P.M. (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.