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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. 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.

Silent Tributes.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow), declared a brief recess; and at the request of Representative Barrows of Mansfield, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of longtime Mansfield resident Walter R. "Mike" Gilbert, Jr., who passed away on July 16th, 2024, at the age of 101.

Walter "Mike" Gilbert.

Mr. Gilbert was a highly respected WWII veteran and Staff Sargeant who served and fought in France, Luxembourg, and Belgium. His admirable service is a testament to his bravery and dedication to protecting our country. He was honorably discharged in August of 1945. For his heroism, Mr. Gilbert was awarded various honors, including the French Legion D'Honneur, the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and 2 Purple Hearts. Mr. Gilbert's dedication and service is admirable, and Mr. Barrows is grateful to have called him his friend.

Mr. Gilbert will be greatly missed. His passing is a great loss for Mansfield, and he will be deeply missed by his daughters Marcia, Elizabeth, and Janet, his grandchildren, Kathryn, Christian, and Venessa and his great-grandchildren, Ella, Patrick, and Viven.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess; and at the request of Representatives Straus of Mattapoisett, Galvin of Canton and Philips of Sharon, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of longtime Stoughton resident David "Spanky" Sousa, who was tragically struck and killed while on the job for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation on July 27, 2024, at the age of 57.

David was a 15 year employee of the Highway Division where he worked on the maintenance team as a foreman of the Bridgewater depot and a lifelong resident of Stoughton with his wife Maria and 2 children. He was very active in the community. He served a number of years as a selectman and was the board chair. He was known as someone who was generous with his time, especially around Christmas when he would participate in the town parade and dress as Santa for area kids. He was a well-respected hard worker, a problem solver, and was always available to lend a hand and give advice.

David will be greatly missed.

David Sousa.

Message from the Governor — Disapprovals and Recommendations of Amendments in General Appropriation Bill.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor returning with her disapproval of certain items, with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, board, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements [see House, No. 4800] (for message, see House, No. 4935), filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, July 29, was read.

General Appropriation Bill, disapprovals and amendments.

So much of the message as relates to the disapprovals were referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

So much of the message as relates to the sections returned with recommendations of amendments were referred, as follows:

Section 116 - Printed as House, No. 4933; and

Sections 219 and 220 — Printed as House, No. 4934.

Severally, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Order.

The Order (filed by Mr. Gordon of Bedford) relative to extending until Tuesday, December 31, 2024 the time within which the committee on Public Service is authorized to report on a current House document, was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Public Service, extension of time for reporting.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4936), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch, as follows:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Judiciary be granted until July 31, 2024, within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 906, 920, 938, 942, 955, 962, 973, 977, 982, 1009, 1011, 1016, 1036, 1040, 1050, 1053, 1098, 1101, 1104, 1114, 1129, 1140, 2809, and 2835, relative to judicial matters.

Judiciary, extension of time for reporting.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the order (Senate, No. 2849) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Bills

Providing for equal access to certain roadways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (Senate, No. 2895) (on Senate bill No. 2557);

DCR roadways.

Authorizing the release of certain parcels of land in the town of Raynham from certain agricultural preservation restrictions and certain recreational use restrictions (Senate, No. 2901) (on Senate bill No. 2872);

Raynham—land.

Relative to the reduction of certain toxic chemicals in firefighter personal protective equipment (Senate, No. 2902) (on Senate bill No. 1502); and

Firefighters,—equipment.

To mandate domestic violence and sexual assault awareness education (Senate, No. 2904) (on Senate bill No. 2477);

Domestic violence.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Further regulating the maintenance of physical examinations records for public safety personnel (Senate, No. 1666) (on House, No. 2529); and

Police, etc.,—physicals.

Providing for the humane protection of animals (Senate, No. 2908) (on Senate bill No. 2757);

Animals,—protection.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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 Michael J. Soter and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kimberly Martinelli, an employee of the Department of Correction. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the 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.

Kimberly Martinelli, sick leave.

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

Relative to accrued leave while awaiting a determination of 111F (House, No. 2535);

Sick time.

Amending the town charter in the town of Grafton relative to appointments by the town select board and the town administrator and the reference to the town's website (House, No. 4682) [Local Approval Received];

Grafton,— appointments.

Amending the town charter in the town of Grafton relative to the town school committee and the Grafton housing authority (House, No. 4683) [Local Approval Received]; and

Grafton, school committee.

Authorizing the town of Northfield to continue the employment of Floyd Dunnell, III (House, No. 4687) [Local Approval Received];

Northfield,— Floyd Dunnell.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill prohibiting license revocation for student loan default (House, No. 3045), ought

License revocation prohibition.

to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4937). 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. Donato of Medford, 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. O'Day of West Boylston, 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. 4937) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill concerning the safety of school children embarking and disembarking school buses (House, No. 4450), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4940). 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. Donato of Medford, 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 the same member, 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. 4940) 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 boater safety to be known as the Hanson Milone act (House, No. 4489), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4941). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendment pending.

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. Scanlon of North Attleborough, 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. O'Day of West Boylston, 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. 4941) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the transfer of real property from the Silver Lake regional school district to the town of Kingston (House, No. 4874).

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to means tested senior citizen property tax exemptions in the town of Westford (House, No. 4920) [Local Approval Received].

School children,—bus safety.

Boater safety.

Kingston,—land.

Westford,—senior tax exemptions.

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

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Alicia Orlow, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 4749), 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.

Alicia Orlow,—sick leave.

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 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gabriella Ruocco, an employee of the Department of State Police (see House, No. 4755), 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.

Gabriella Ruocco, sick leave.

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 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill enacted.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Motions to Discharge Certain Matters in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendments of the House Bill authorizing the town of Canton to grant temporary and permanent easements over certain conservation land situated in the town of Stoughton for highway purposes (House, No. 3937, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were discharged from their position in the Orders of the Day, and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Fiola of Fall River.

Canton,— easement.

Mr. Walsh of Peabody then moved that the House concur with the Senate in its amendments with a further amendment striking out all after the enacting clause (inserted by amendment by the Senate) and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4948; and the further amendment was adopted.

The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendments, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the further amendment.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to the direct wine shipper license (House, No. 4698), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was taken from its position in the Orders of the Day, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Chan of Quincy; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Direct wine shipper licenses.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Orange to convey certain parcels of land in the town of Orange (House, No. 4882) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and read a third time forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Fiola of Fall River; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orange,—land.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Brookline to convey a parcel of land to the Pierce School Building Committee to install subsurface geothermal wells (House, No. 4723), 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 read a third time forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Fiola of Fall River.

Brookline,—land.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4944), which was read.

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

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill relative to the direct wine shipper license (see House, No. 4698, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Recess.

At twenty-three minutes before one o'clock P.M. (Tuesday, July 30), on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at a half past one o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Engrossed Bill — Land Taking.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Eastham to convey a conservation restriction on a certain parcel of land to the Eastham Conservation Foundation, Inc. (see House, No. 4012, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Eastham,—land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 158 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted (land taking),—yea and nay No. 147.

[See Yea and Nay No. 147 in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,— By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to property tax classification in the city of Boston (House, No. 4805) [Local Approval Received], ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4942). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendment pending.

Boston,—property tax.

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. Scanlon of North Attleborough, 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 (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Consalvo 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 remarks on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 133 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

Bill passed to be engrossed, yea and nay No. 148.

[See Yea and Nay No. 148 in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 4942) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 county of Nantucket to convey certain land situated in the town and county of Nantucket for purposes of conveyance to the town of Nantucket (House, No. 4120) [Local Approval Received], ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill authorizing the county of Nantucket to convey certain parcels of land in the town and county of Nantucket to the town of Nantucket (House, No. 4938) [Representative Sullivan-Almeida of Abington dissenting]. 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. Garballey of Arlington, 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 (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on further motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, 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. 4938) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 Massachusetts Department of Transportation to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 4174), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with Nantucket, land.

Pittsfield,—

the same title (House, No. 4939). 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. Garballey of Arlington, 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 (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, 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. 4939) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill providing for the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Marlborough (House, No. 4864), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to issue a confirmatory deed for a certain parcel of land in the city of Marlborough (House, No. 4943). 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. Garballey of Arlington, 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 (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, 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. 4943) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At nine minutes after three o'clock P.M. (Tuesday, July 30), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at ten minutes before five o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Quorum.

Mr. Jones of North Reading thereupon asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow), having determined that a quorum was not in attendance, then directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to secure the presence of a quorum.

Subsequently a roll call was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a quorum; and on the roll call 154 members were recorded as being in attendance.

[See Yea and Nay No. 149 in Supplement.]

Marlborough,—

Recess.

Quorum.

Quorum, yea and nay No. 149. Therefore a quorum was present.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 1231-1000 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General Appropriation Bill.

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

Ms. Peisch of Wellesley moved that Rule 7A be suspended in order that the matter be taken up forthwith.

On the motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Jones of North Reading; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

Rule 7A suspended, yea and nay No. 150.

[See Yea and Nay No. 150 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 1231-1000 (contained in section 2) (sewer rate relief), which had been vetoed by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

Sewer rate relief item 1231-1000 stands, yea and nay No. 151.

[See Yea and Nay No. 151 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 1231-1000 passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 2511-0100 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General Appropriation Bill.

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

Mr. Schmid of Westport moved that Rule 7A be suspended in order that the matter be taken up forthwith.

On motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by year and nays, at the request of Mr. Frost of Auburn; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

Rule 7A suspended,—yea and nay No. 152.

[See <u>Yea and Nay No. 152</u> in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 2511-0100 (contained in section 2) (Agricultural Resources administration), which had been disapproved (in part) by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$12,701,244 to \$11,901,244.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

re and 2 in the negative. [See Yea and Nay No. 153 in Supplement.] stands yea an

Therefore item 2511-0100 passed, notwithstanding the actions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 2511-0111 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston moved that Rule 7A be suspended in order that the matter be taken up forthwith.

On motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield; and on the roll call 129 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 154 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 2511-0111 (contained in section 2) (food security infrastructure), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$15,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by year and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 155 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 2511-0111 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Agricultural Resources administration item 2511-0100 stands, yea and nay No. 153.

General Appropriation Bill.

Rule 7A suspended, yea and nay No. 154.

Food security infrastructure item 2511-0111 stands,—
yea and nay
No. 155.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 3000-7066 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

General Appropriation Bill.

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

Mr. Garballey of Arlington moved that said rule be suspended so the report may be considered forthwith.

On motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Howitt of Seekonk; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

Rule 7A suspended,—yea and nay No. 156.

[See Yea and Nay No. 156 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 3000-7066 (contained in section 2) (EEC provider higher education opportunities), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$8,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

EEC provider higher education opportunities item 3000-7066 stands, yea and nay No. 157.

[See Yea and Nay No. 157 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 3000-7066 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

General Appropriation Bill.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 5920-3010 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Mr. Garballey of Arlington moved that said rule be suspended so the report may be considered forthwith.

On motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by year and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 131 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 158 in Supplement.]

Rule 7A suspended,—yea and nay No. 158.

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 5920-3010 (contained in section 2) (autism division), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$11,007,296 to \$10,007,296.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 159 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 5920-3010 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 7002-0012 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Mr. Garballey of Arlington moved that said rule be suspended so the report may be considered forthwith.

On suspension of Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 160 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 7002-0012 (contained in section 2) (youths-at-risk summer jobs), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$16,415,000 to \$15,915,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 136 members voted in the affirmative and 21 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 161 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7002-0012 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and

Autism division item 5920-3010 stands, yea and nay No. 159.

General Appropriation Bill.

Rule 7A suspended,—yea and nay No. 160.

Youths-at-risk summer jobs item 7002-0012 stands, yea and nay No. 161.

General Appropriation Bill. certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 7002-0036 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Mr. Garballey of Arlington moved that said rule be suspended so the report may be considered forthwith.

On suspension of Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 162 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 7002-0036 (contained in section 2) (urban agenda grants), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$2,500,000 to \$1,000,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 163 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7002-0036 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4935), returning with her disapproval of certain items and parts of certain items, and reductions in certain items, and also with recommendation of amendment of certain sections contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4800), reported, in part, that item 7007-0801 (contained in section 2) stand (as passed by the General Court). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

Mr. Garballey of Arlington moved that said rule be suspended so the report may be considered forthwith.

On motion to suspend Rule 7A, the sense of the House was taken by year and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 164 in Supplement.]

Therefore Rule 7A was suspended.

Item 7007-0801 (contained in section 2) (microlending), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$1,500,000 to \$850,000.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the action of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by

Rule 7A suspended,—yea and nay No. 162.

Urban agenda grants item 7002-0036 stands, yea and nay No. 163.

General Appropriation Bill.

Rule 7A suspended yea and nay No. 164.

Microlending

Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 165 in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7007-0801 passed, notwithstanding the action of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

item 7007-0801 stands, yea and nay No. 165.

Petition.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

Representatives Cabral of New Bedford and Hendricks of New Bedford presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mark C. Montigny, Antonio F. D. Cabral and Christopher Hendricks that a pedestrian overpass spanning state Route 18 in the city of New Bedford be designated as the Andre Lopes Korean War veteran overpass; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

New Bedford,—overpass.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing a change of use of certain parcels of park land in the town of Cohasset (House, No. 4037), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2911; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act authorizing the change of use of a certain parcel of park land in the town of Cohasset".

Cohasset, land.

The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Said committee then reported that the amendments were correctly drawn; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill criminalizing sexual assault by fraud of a medical professional (House, No. 4350), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2905.

Medical professionals,—sexual assault.

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Said committee then reported that the amendment was correctly drawn; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to retirement benefits for Rebecca J. Vanderstelt (House, No. 2436), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4946). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendment pending.

Rebecca Vanderstelt, retirement. 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. O'Day of West Boylston, 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.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to improve and modernize planning and community development in the city of Boston (House, No. 4676) [Local Approval Received], ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 4947). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendment pending.

Boston,—planning.

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. O'Day of West Boylston, 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.

Recess.

At twenty-five minutes before eight o'clock P.M. (Tuesday, July 30, 2024), on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the following day at twelve o'clock noon; and at seventeen minutes after twelve o'clock noon the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.