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Friday, August 16, 2024.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in Room A-1 of the State House Extension, 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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (for message, see House, No. 5008) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, August 15.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bonds,—terms.

Communications.

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From the Massachusetts Technical Rescue Coordinating Council (see Section 2DDDDD of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2024;

From the Executive Office of Economic Development (see Section 14A of Chapter 94G of the General Laws) submitting the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund annual report for fiscal year 2024;

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see item 1599-0514 of Section 2 of Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the August 8, 2024 biweekly report on the Emergency Housing Assistance Program; and

From the Insurance Fraud Bureau (see Section 1(k) of Chapter 338 of the Acts of 1990, as most recently amended by Section 5 of Chapter 279 of the Acts of 2002) submitting a semi-annual report containing its 2024 IFB semi-annual report [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Financial Services and the committee on Labor and Workforce Development];

Severally were placed on file.

Technical Rescue Council.

Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund.

Emergency housing assistance.

Insurance Fraud Bureau.

Annual Reports.

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Of the Division of Administrative Law Appeals (under Section 4H of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) for calendar year 2023; and

Of the Department of Agricultural Resources (under Section 5A of Chapter 132B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on pesticide use for fiscal year 2023; Severally were placed on file.

Administrative Law Appeals. Pesticide use.

Petition.

Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5009) of Brandy Fluker Oakley (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to appoint Max Handerson a police officer, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,— Max Handerson.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2939) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wellfleet to enact a pesticide reduction bylaw, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Wellfleet,—pesticides.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a joint petition, a Bill regarding the recall of elected officers of the town of Sharon (House, No. 4856) [Local Approval Received]. Read; referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Sharon,—recall elections.

Engrossed Bills.

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Eliminating authorizing the town of Littleton to provide drinking water to the inhabitants of the town of Boxborough (see House, No. 4246); and

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the appointment of retired firefighters as special firefighters in the city of Quincy (see House, No. 4666);

(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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next sitting.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Soter of Bellingham (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in Room A-1, in an Informal Session.