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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. 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.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Berthiaume of Spencer) commending the Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration for its recognition of the week of September 22, 2024 as Frontotemporal Degeneration Awareness week; and

Resolutions (filed by Representative Duffy of Holyoke) honoring the retirement and services of Joseph M. McGiverin;

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications.

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From the Department of Higher Education (see item 7066-9600 of Section 2 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI) report for fiscal year 2024; and

From the Department of Higher Education (see Sections 165(b) and 168 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting the final report of the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI) Task Force on Higher Education for Students with Severe Developmental Disabilities;

Severally were placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

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

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Westport to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises (Senate, No. 2858) [Local Approval Received]; and Pledge of allegiance.

Frontotemporal degeneration week.

Joseph McGiverin.

Higher Education, enrollments.

Id.

Westport, liquor license. House bills

Relative to the operations of local housing authorities (House, No. 1326);

To expedite multifamily housing construction (House, No. 1336);

Relative to reducing damage caused by the current foreclosure crisis in the historic districts of Massachusetts (House, No. 1382);

Exempting the office of chief of police in the town of Leicester from the civil service law (House, No. 4651) [Local Approval Received];

Relative to extending the period of the service of the current police chief in the town of Leicester (House, No. 4652) [Local Approval Received];

Authorizing the town of Sherborn to grant 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4990) [Local Approval Received];

Authorizing the town of Rowley to continue employment of call firefighter Donald Dupray (House, No. 5024) [Local Approval Received]; and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Michael David (House, No. 5037);

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

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, for the committee on Housing, on Senate Nos. 850, 853, 863, 869, 870, 871, 872, 882, 891, 894, 895, 898, 902, 903, 1299, 2545 and 2623 and House, Nos. 1300, 1304, 1306, 1314, 1315, 1318, 1319, 1320, 1321, 1322, 1323, 1325, 1342, 1343, 1344, 1345, 1346, 1348, 1352, 1353, 1355, 1356, 1357, 1358, 1360, 1361, 1363, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1376, 1381, 1383, 2028, 2103, 3744, 3777, 3923, 3940, 3941 and 3963, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents relative to housing in the Commonwealth (House, No. 5035).

By Mr. Diggs of Barnstable, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on House, No. 1991, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Labor and Workforce Development to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to railroad workers (House, No. 5042).

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on Senate, Nos. 1821, 1823, 1832, 1833, 1844, 1850, 1852, 1870, 1871, 1874, 1878, 1881, 1884, 1903, 1909, 1913, 1923, 1924, 1935, 1938, 1943, 1945, 1952 and 1954, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of certain Senate documents relative to commuter transit benefits, child tax credit, and other related matters (House, No. 4736).

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, Nos. 3255, 3281, 3290, 3295, 3312, 3322, 3327, 3349, 3351, 3354, 3380, 3389, 3401, 3406, 3408, 3411, 3412, 3461, 3468, 3474, 3958 and 4211, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Transportation to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to tolls, traffic and license plates (House, No. 4737).

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Housing. Id. Foreclosures, historic areas. Leicester.—

police chief. Id.

Sherborn,---

liquor license.

Rowley,— Donald Dupray. Michael David.

Housing, study.

Railroad workers, study.

Transit benefits, child tax credit, etc., study.

Tolls, traffic and license plates, study.

Engrossed Bills.

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Directing the city of Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis (see House, No. 3732);

Directing the city of Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Terrance Joseph Williams (see House, No. 4212); and

Directing the city of Boston police department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Nuias Daveiga (see House, No. 4431);

(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 Senate amendment of the House Bill validating the actions of the town of Worthington relative to the provision of health insurance for eligible town employees (House, No. 4231), having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill designating a portion of United States highway Route 7 in the town of Sheffield as the Brigadier-General John G. Barnard highway (House, No. 4617, amended), having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill establishing appointed positions of district clerk and district treasurer for the Raynham center water district (Senate, No. 2857), 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, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of an associate member of the town of Bernardston board of health (House, No. 4886), 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. 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 on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in the House Chamber.

Bills enacted.

Worthington, health insurance.

Brigadier-General John G. Barnard highway.

Third reading bill.

Id.

Next sitting.

Representative Cruz of Salem then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Bruce J. McLaughlin, a member of the House from Salem in 1977 and 1978; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in the House Chamber, in an Informal Session.