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Met at thirteen 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.

## *Appointment of the Speaker.*

The Speaker announced that he had appointed (under Section 32 of Chapter 23B(c) of the General Laws) Representative Diggs of Barnstable, to the Seasonal Communities Advisory Council.

Seasonal  
communities.

## *Communications.*

### Communications

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2SSSS of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the second quarter of fiscal year 2024 legislative report for the MassHealth Delivery System Reform Incentive Platform (DSRIP);

MassHealth,—  
DSRIP.

From the Massachusetts Technology Development Corporation (Mass Ventures) (see Section 6 of Chapter 40G of the General Laws) submitting financial statements for fiscal year 2024;

MassVentures.

From the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (see Section 4 of Chapter 40V of the General Laws) submitting its Housing Development Incentive annual report for fiscal year 2024;

Housing  
Development  
Incentive.

From the Department of Mental Health (see Section 35 of Chapter 123 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of facilities other than the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Bridgewater being used for treatment of certain males and the number of persons so committed to such facilities for calendar year 2023; and

Bridgewater,—  
MCI.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 5042-5000 of Section 2 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the Department of Mental Health's Program for Assertive Community Treatment for Youth (PACT-Y) annual report for fiscal year 2024;

Mental Health,—  
PACT-Y.

Severally were placed on file.

## *Petitions.*

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Balser of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5085) of Ruth B. Balser and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to residency requirements for members of the regular police or fire

Newton,—  
residency  
requirements.

departments and fire alarm division of the city of Newton. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Kassner of Hamilton and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5086) of Kristin E. Kassner and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) that the town of Ipswich be authorized to increase income limits for the real property senior tax deferral program in said town. To the committee on Revenue.

Ipswich,—  
senior tax  
deferral  
program.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Paper from the Senate.*

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2973) of Barry R. Finegold, Tram T. Nguyen, David Allen Robertson and Vanna Howard (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the residency requirement for the town manager of the town of Tewksbury, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Tewksbury,—  
town manager.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 5055, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to public service matters (House, No. 5083) [Senator Collins dissenting].

Pamela  
Anderson,—  
study.

By Mr. Gordon, for the same committee, on House No. 5065, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of a certain House document relative to public service matters (House, No. 5084).

Wayne Taylor,—  
study.

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 reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to Machado-Joseph Disease awareness day (House, No. 5078). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Machado-Joseph  
disease day.

*Quorum.*

Mr. Jones of North Reading then asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was in attendance. A quorum not being present, under the provisions of Rule 82, the Chair (Mr. Garballey of Arlington), at fourteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., declared an adjournment of the House until Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.