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

Pledge of allegiance.

Petition.

Representative Fluker Oakley of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5120) of Brandy Fluker Oakley (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the appointment of Pierre Charles Darius as a police officer in the city of Boston, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,— Pierre Charles Darius.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill increasing the age limit for the appointment of special police officers in the city of Springfield (House, No. 4822), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by said branch with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2984. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Springfield,—special police.

Bills

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jonathan Turner, an employee of the Norfolk County sheriff's office (Senate, No. 2981) (on a petition); and

Authorizing the town of Sandwich to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2985) (on Senate bill No. 2861) [Local Approval Received];

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.

Jonathan Turner.

Sandwich, liquor licenses.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, Nos. 5071, 5072 and 5074, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain House documents relative to retirements (House, No. 5113). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Retirements,—study.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill extending residency requirements for members of the regular police or fire departments and fire alarm division of the city of Newton (House, No. 5085) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Cotuit Fire District (House, No. 5089).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Cotuit Fire District to raise and appropriate money for the Historical Society of Santuit and Cotuit (House, No. 5090).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District to convey certain land to the town of Charlton (House, No. 5091).

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

Quorum.

Mr. DeCoste of Norwell thereupon asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. The Chair (Mr. Donato), having determined that a quorum was not in attendance, at one minute after eleven o'clock A.M., under House Rule 82, declared an adjournment of the House, until Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

Newton, police and fire.

Cotuit,— water supply.

Cotuit, historical society.

Dudley-Charlton school district,—land.