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Monday, December 30, 2024.

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.

## *Communications.*

### Communications

From the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (see Section 79 of Chapter 6C of the General Laws) submitting a report regarding the proposal of a fee for the licensing of concrete aggregate manufacturers;

Concrete  
aggregate  
manufacturers.

From the Office of the Child Advocate (see Section 14 of Chapter 18C of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of the Childhood Trauma Taskforce for calendar year 2024;

Childhood  
trauma.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 34 of Chapter 22C of the General Laws) submitting its Hate Crimes in Massachusetts report for fiscal year 2023;

Hate  
crimes.

From the Department of Labor Relations (see Section 9U of Chapter 23 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for fiscal year 2024;

Labor  
relations.

From the Executive Office of Economic Development (see Section 3B of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitting the Massachusetts Office of Business Development's (MOBD) Center for Employee Ownership annual report for fiscal year 2024;

Employee  
ownership.

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see item 1599-1213 contained in Section 2A of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 2024) submitting the Temporary Respite Center monthly report from December 19, 2024 to December 30, 2024;

Temporary  
respite  
centers.

From the Executive Office for Administration and Finance and the Executive Office for Housing and Livable Communities (see item 1599-0514 of Section 2 of Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2023 and Section 19 of Chapter 88 of the Acts of 2024) submitting the December 19, 2024 biweekly report on the emergency housing assistance program;

Emergency  
housing  
assistance.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see item 8000-0125 of Section 2 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024) submitting the Sex Offender Registry Board (SORB) annual report for fiscal year 2024; and

Sex Offender  
Registry  
Board.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see item 4513-1136 of Section 2 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting the Department of Public Health's report entitled 'Recommendations to address Drink Spiking and Substance Facilitated Sexual Assault in the Commonwealth';

Sexual  
assault.

Severally were placed on file.

*Annual Reports.*

Annual Reports

Of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (under Section 35XX of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report on the Horseneck Beach Reservation Trust Fund for fiscal year 2024;

Horseneck  
Beach.

Of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (under Section 35BBB of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report on the Douglas State Forest Maintenance Trust Fund for fiscal year 2024;

Douglas  
State  
Forest.

Of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (under Section 35FFF of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report on the Nickerson State Forest Maintenance Trust Fund for fiscal year 2024; and

Nickerson  
State  
Forest.

Of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (under Section 35PPP of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report on the Wellfleet Hollow State Campground Trust Fund for fiscal year 2024;

Wellfleet  
Hollow State  
Campground.

Severally were placed on file.

*Petitions.*

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Arriaga of Chicopee, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Shirley B. Arriaga for legislation to make the charter of the city of Chicopee gender neutral.

Chicopee,—  
city charter.

By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of John Barrett, III relative to establishing recall elections in the town of Lanesborough.

Lanesborough,—  
recall elections.

By Representative Durant of Spencer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Peter J. Durant and Ryan C. Fattman relative to the town charter for the town of Southbridge.

Southbridge,—  
town charter.

By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Patricia A. Haddad that the town of Somerset be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town.

Somerset,—  
liquor licenses.

By Representative Hamilton of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Ryan M. Hamilton for legislation to authorize a special election in the city of Methuen to fill a vacancy in the office of Mayor.

Methuen,—  
mayoral  
election.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

*Papers from the Senate.*

A report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the House amendments (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of House document numbered 4910; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: An Act promoting access and affordability of prescription drugs) of the Senate Bill relative to pharmaceutical access, costs and transparency (Senate, No. 2520), recommending passage of a bill with the same title (Senate, No. 3012), came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been accepted by said branch; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Prescription  
drugs.

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. Lawn of Watertown, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

The same member then moved that this vote be reconsidered; and the motion to reconsider was negated.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Hopkinton to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption for school building construction projects (House, No. 4848), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, in line 3, striking out the words “actual cost of” and inserting in place thereof the words “amount that an applicant’s total annual property tax increases as directly caused by the town of Hopkinton”; and

Hopkinton,—  
property tax.

By adding the following 2 sections:

“SECTION 6. The board of assessors may grant exemptions pursuant to this act until the town of Hopkinton has retired the full debt encumbered by any borrowing, including principal and interest, in any fiscal year, for certain school building construction projects as provided under section 1.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.”.

The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Subsequently, the amendments (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

A Bill relative to embarkation fees (Senate, No. 3016) (on Senate bill No. 2873) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Embarkation  
fees.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 152 of Chapter 127 of the General Laws) submitting a list of pardons granted during the calendar year 2024 (Senate, No. 3007), was read for the information of the House and returned to the Senate to be placed on file.

Governor,—  
pardons.

### *Reports of Committees.*

Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendments (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2881; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act enhancing the health care market review process.”) of the House Bill enhancing the market review process (House, No. 4653), reported a bill with the same title (House, No. 5159). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Health care  
market review.

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. Moran of Lawrence, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

The same member then moved that this vote be reconsidered; and the motion to reconsider was negated. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill prohibiting inhumane feline declawing (Senate, No. 2552), ought to pass with an amendment by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5160. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Felines,—  
declawing.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, 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 bill (Senate, No. 2552, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on further 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Resolve to establish a commission to investigate and study the feasibility of establishing a Massachusetts Cabo Verdean Cultural Center (Senate, No. 2995), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Cabo Verdean  
Cultural Center,—  
commission.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the resolve was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on further motion of the same member, the resolve (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 engrossed, in concurrence.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to employment within the Oxford police department (House, No. 5152) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Oxford,—  
police  
department.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, there being no objection,— the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate bills

Amending the charter for the town of Nantucket (Senate No. 2438) [Local Approval Received];

Nantucket,—  
charter.

Further regulating the amendment of a conservation restriction in the town of Hanson (Senate No. 2854) [Local Approval Received]; and

Hanson,—  
easement.

Authorizing the town of Pembroke to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate No. 2935) [Local Approval Received]; and

Pembroke,—  
liquor  
license.

House bills

Establishing a linkage exaction program in the city of Medford (House, No. 5141) [Local Approval Received]; and

Medford,—  
linkage exaction.

Authorizing the continued employment of Steven A. Hilliger, firefighter of the town of Lancaster (House, No. 5153) [Local Approval Received].

Lancaster,—  
Steven Hilliger.

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. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on House, No. 4232, a Bill relative to the maximum age requirement for firefighters for the town of Bedford (House, No. 5158) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bedford,—  
civil service.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, 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; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on Senate Nos. 1646, 1654, 1665, 1707, 1721, 1722, 1754, 2396 and 2453 and House Nos. 2447, 2530, 2539, 2540, 2615, 2640, 2680, 2690, 3731, 3748, 3749, 3871, 3877, 3878, 3999, 4028, 4059, 4122 and 4894, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents relative to civil service exemptions, hiring preferences and other related matters (House, No. 5123).

Public service  
matters,—  
study.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on Senate, Nos. 1834, 1836 and 1869 and House, Nos. 2824, 2865 and 2963, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents relative to payments in lieu of taxes and rental vehicle company sales tax (House, No. 5161).

Payment in lieu  
of taxes and  
rental vehicle  
sales tax,—  
study.

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

Subsequently, 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. Gordon of Bedford, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Acton to increase the residency limit for members of its police and fire departments (House, No. 2657) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Acton,—  
residency  
limit.

### *Emergency Measures.*

The engrossed Bill prohibiting license revocation for student loan default (see House, No. 4937), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared

License  
revocations,—  
loan default.

for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

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 5 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 preserving the competitiveness of group auto and homeowners insurance plans (see House, No. 5133), 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.

Insurance  
plans.

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 5 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.

#### *Engrossed Bills.*

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Lunenburg to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (see House, No. 3911, amended) (which originated in the House) (which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be re-enacted, in its amended form; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
re-enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to pharmaceutical access, costs and transparency (see Senate, No. 3012) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted. Mr. Lawn of Watertown then moved that this vote be reconsidered; and the motion to reconsider was negatived. The bill then was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
enacted.

The engrossed Bill enhancing the market review process (see House, No. 5159) (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. Mr. Lawn of Watertown then moved that this vote be reconsidered; and the motion to reconsider was negatived. The bill then was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Id.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Senate amendments of the House Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Stoneham (House, No. 4965), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were adopted, in concurrence.

Land  
transfers.



The Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to the recall of elected officials in the town of Williamstown (House, No. 5002), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Williamstown,—  
recall elections.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Sandwich to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2985), 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.

Third  
reading  
bill.

House bills

Regarding the recall of elected officers of the town of Sharon (House, No. 4856);

Regarding the disability pension for Misael Rodriguez administered by the Springfield retirement board (House, No. 4988);

To increase the income limit for senior tax deferral program in Ipswich (House, No. 5086) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to certain powers of the board of water commissioners of the Cotuit Fire District (House, No. 5089) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Authorizing Brittany Sproule to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 5101);

Authorizing Javier Vargas to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 5102);

Authorizing Stephen Justice to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (House, No. 5103);

Designating a portion of state highway Route 7A in the town of Lenox as the Ross B. Dindio Memorial highway (House, No. 5118);

Creating select board-town manager form of government in the town of Holliston (House, No. 5119);

Directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for Pierre Charles Darius of Mattapan (House, No. 5120); and

Authorizing the town of Clinton to grant 6 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5140);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third  
reading  
bills.

*Recesses.*

At sixteen minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair.; and at twenty-nine minutes before three o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recesses.

The House thereupon took a further recess, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, subject to the call of the Chair; and at nineteen minutes before five o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.



*Papers from the Senate.*

The House Bill to modernize the Massachusetts insurer's insolvency fund (House, No. 4772), 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 3003. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Insurer's  
insolvency  
fund.

Subsequently, the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure (House, No. 4842), 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 3004. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Dental  
hygienists,—  
reciprocal  
licensure.

Subsequently, the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to certain loans by the Federal Home Loan Bank (House, No. 4905), 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 3010; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act further regulating certain loans by the federal home loan bank" (also based on Senate, No. 641). The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Federal Home  
Loan Bank.

Subsequently, the amendments (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill concerning the safety of school children embarking and disembarking school buses (House, No. 4940), 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 3005. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

School  
buses,—  
safety.

Subsequently, the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to boater safety to be known as the Hanson Milone Act (House, No. 4941), 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 3011. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Boater  
safety.

Subsequently, the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill amending the charter of the city of Chelsea (House, No. 4184), 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

Chelsea,—  
charter.

contained in Senate document numbered 3017. The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The House Bill relative to individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities (House, No. 4396), 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 3019; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the title: “An Act making corrective changes to certain general and special laws.”. The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Intellectual and  
developmental  
disabilities.

A Bill authorizing the town of Topsfield to grant licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 3014) (on Senate bill No. 2859) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Topsfield,—  
liquor  
licenses.

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 Ms. Kerans of Danvers, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill modernizing time-share extension and termination procedures (Senate, No. 3013) (on Senate bill No. 2591), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Time-share,—  
terminations.

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 Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

#### Bills

Providing for indigenous representation on the Martha’s Vineyard Commission (Senate, No. 465) (on a petition); and

PrEP,—  
pharmacists.

Amending the residency requirement for the town manager of the town of Tewksbury (Senate, No. 2973) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Tewksbury,—  
town manager.

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.

A Bill relative to crumbling concrete foundations (Senate, No. 3015) (on Senate bill No. 2559), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Concrete  
foundations.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to promote nature-based approaches for resiliency and climate change adaptation throughout the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2922), ought to pass with amendments striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5162; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act establishing a pilot program for nature-based solutions to climate change." Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, with the amendments pending.

Climate  
change,—  
pilot.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2922, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under 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, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill renaming the executive office of elder affairs to the executive office of aging and independence (Senate, No. 3006), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5163. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, with the amendment pending.

Elder affairs.

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

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 3006, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under 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, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Maynard (House, No. 3930), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Maynard,—  
special  
police.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the transfer of real property from the Silver Lake regional school district to the town of Kingston (House, No. 4874), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Kingston,—  
land.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill relative to commercial driver's licenses (House, No. 5139), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Commercial drivers,—  
revocation.

The House Bill to modify the rules for taking depositions outside the Commonwealth and to adopt the uniform interstate depositions and discovery act (House, No. 4327), 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.

Third  
reading  
bill.

*Recess.*

At twenty-six minutes before eight o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twelve minutes after eight o'clock, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

*Orders of the Day.*

Senate bills

Relative to a certain license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in the town of Rochester (Senate, No. 2714) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third  
reading  
bills.

Amending the charter of the town of Provincetown (Senate, No. 2745);

Further regulating the provision of health insurance and other benefits in the town of Carver (Senate, No. 2870); and

Changing the name of the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership to the Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts (Senate, No. 2993);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to employment within the Oxford police department (House, No. 5152), 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.

Third  
reading  
bill.

The Senate Bill relative to changing the name of Salisbury Beach State Reservation (Senate, No. 2701), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Salisbury  
Beach State  
Reservation.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Walsh of Peabody moved to amend it by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5164; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act relative to naming a lifeguard building at the Salisbury beach state reservation."

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2701, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

*Emergency Measures.*

The engrossed Bill renaming the executive office of elder affairs to the executive office of aging and independence (see Senate, No. 3006), 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.

Elder affairs,—  
renaming.

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

Bill  
enacted.

The engrossed Bill designating February 4 as Rosa Parks Day (see House, No. 3075), 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.

Rosa Parks  
day.

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 3 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 authorizing the transfer of real property from the Silver Lake regional school district to the town of Kingston (see House, No. 4874, amended), 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.

Kingston,—  
land

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 3 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 concerning the safety of school children embarking and disembarking school buses (see House, No. 4940, amended), 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.

School  
buses,—  
safety.

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 3 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 relative to commercial driver's licenses (see House, No. 5139, amended), 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.

Commercial  
drivers,—  
revocation.

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 3 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 providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House bill printed in House, No. 5142), 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.

Bonds,—  
terms.

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 5 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.

*Engrossed Bills and Resolve.*

The engrossed Bill further regulating a certain alcoholic beverage license in the town of Southamptton (see House bill printed in House, No. 5079) (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 (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
enacted.

Engrossed bills

Further regulating the Nantucket Sewer Commission (see Senate, No. 2436);

Prohibiting inhumane feline declawing (see Senate, No. 2552, amended);

Relative to naming a lifeguard building at the Salisbury Beach State Reservation (see Senate, No. 2701);

Relative to a certain license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in the town of Rochester (see Senate, No. 2714);

Amending the charter of the town of Marshfield to make references to the board of selectmen gender neutral (see Senate, No. 2715, amended);

Amending the charter of the town of Provincetown (see Senate, No. 2745);

Further regulating the provision of health insurance and other benefits in the town of Carver (see Senate, No. 2870);

Relative to bus lane enforcement (see Senate, No. 2884);

Providing for the humane protection of animals (see Senate, No. 2908);

Amending the charter of the city known as the town of Southbridge (see Senate, No. 2943);

Relative to applied behavioral analysis therapy (see Senate, No. 2970);

Authorizing the town of Sandwich to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 2985);

Changing the name of the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership to the Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts (see Senate, No. 2993);

To increase access to blood donation (see Senate, No. 2994);

Bills  
enacted.



Modernizing time-share extension and termination procedures (see Senate, No. 3013);

Authorizing the town of Topsfield to grant licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 3014);

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Designating the Rumney Marsh Reservation area of critical environmental concern as the Joseph T. James area of critical environmental concern (see House, No. 913);

Authorizing the town of Bedford to adopt alternative methods for notice of public hearings (see House, No. 2062);

Authorizing the city known as the town of Franklin to utilize alternative methods for notice of public hearings (see House, No. 2108);

Establishing a surcharge on specific commercial development activities for the purpose of funding the creation of community housing (see House, No. 2740);

Designating a portion of state highway route 28 in the town of Harwich as the Alphonso Palmer Rogers highway (see House, No. 3838);

Further regulating the regular compensation of certain active and retired employees of the city of Fitchburg (see House, No. 3864);

Authorizing the appointment of special police officers in the town of Maynard (see House, No. 3930, amended);

Authorizing print-free digital legal notices for the town of Arlington (see House, No. 4027);

Further regulating the acceptance of certain types of identification to purchase alcohol (see House, No. 4131);

Allowing electronic delivery receipts for certain bulk sale customers (see House, No. 4132, amended);

Relative to the charter of the town of Wrentham (see House, No. 4237);

Further regulating recall elections in the town of North Brookfield (see House, No. 4272);

Authorizing the town of Dracut to adopt alternative methods for notice of public hearings (see House, No. 4430);

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Harwich as the United States Army Private First Class Joseph C. Blute memorial bridge (see House, No. 4485);

Increasing the maximum amount of penalties which may be imposed for violations of ordinances in the city of Boston (see House, No. 4507);

Further regulating the filling of vacancies in the office of mayor of the city of Revere (see House, No. 4551);

Amending the charter of the town of Scituate (see House, No. 4559, amended);

Further regulating city employment and candidacy in the offices of mayor, city councillor-at-large, ward councillor and school committee of the city of Revere (see House, No. 4638);

Allowing print-free digital legal notices for the town of Lexington (see House, No. 4650);

Further authorizing the town of Leicester to continue the employment of Kenneth M. Antanavica (see House, No. 4652);

Allowing print-free digital legal notices for the town of Lincoln (see House, No. 4664);

Exempting the redevelopment of certain affordable housing in the town of Westborough from public procurement laws (see House, No. 4679);

To modernize the Massachusetts insurer's insolvency fund (see House, No. 4772, amended);



Authorizing the town of West Brookfield to continue the employment of Daniel Santos as deputy fire chief (see House, No. 4780);

Authorizing the town of West Brookfield to continue the employment of George Kenneth Collette (see House, No. 4781);

Establishing a minimum years of service requirement for a civil service promotion to the position of fire lieutenant in the town of Milford (see House, No. 4782);

Relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure (see House, No. 4842, amended);

Making corrective changes to the charter of the town of Hopkinton (see House, No. 4847);

Authorizing the town of Hopkinton to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption for school building construction projects (see House, No. 4848, amended);

Authorizing the town of Sharon to adopt alternative methods for notice of public hearings (see House, No. 4857);

Authorizing the town of Wrentham to grant 7 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4866);

Authorizing the town of Holliston to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4867);

Amending the charter of the city of Gardner (see House, No. 4868);

Establishing the position of appointed town clerk in the town of Westminster (see House, No. 4875);

Exempting the expansion of a branch of the Boston Public Library within an affordable housing development in the West End section of the city of Boston from public procurement laws (see House, No. 4880);

Authorizing raising the maximum retirement age of special police officers in the city of Methuen to 70 years old (see House, No. 4895, amended);

Authorizing the town of Milford to continue limited employment of certain police officers on superannuation retirement (see House, No. 4896);

Further regulating certain loans by the Federal Home Loan Bank (see House, No. 4905, amended);

Extending the time for the issuance of alcoholic beverage licenses in the town of Burlington (see House, No. 4909);

Further regulating means-tested senior citizen property tax exemptions in the town of Westford (see House, No. 4920);

Directing the Police Department of the city of Boston to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Elsie Barbosa (see House, No. 4932);

Relative to boater safety to be known as the Hanson Milone Act (see House, No. 4941, amended);

Authorizing the town of Sherborn to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4990);

Authorizing the city of Revere to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4991);

Authorizing the town of Fairhaven to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4992);

Amending the charter of the town of Bellingham (see House, No. 4998);

Relative to the recall of elected officials in the town of Williamstown (see House, No. 5002, amended);

Amending the charter of the town of Williamstown (see House, No. 5004);

Allowing the town of Williamstown to expand age eligibility for senior property tax exemption (see House, No. 5005, changed);

Establishing a means-tested senior property tax exemption in the town of Williamstown (see House, No. 5006);

Restructuring the department of public works and re-establishing the position of tree warden in the town of Southborough (see House, No. 5010);

Authorizing the appointment of retired police officers in the town of Sterling to serve as special police officers (see House, No. 5025, amended);

Further regulating the residency requirements for the town manager of the town of Lenox (see House, No. 5028);

Directing the city of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Alex Guzman (see House, No. 5054);

Amending the charter of the town of Saugus (see House, No. 5059);

Authorizing Gabriel Rosa to take the civil service examination for the position of police officer in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (see House, No. 5069);

Authorizing Juan Jimenez to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (see House, No. 5070);

Amending the charter of the town of Williamstown (see House, No. 5076);

Authorizing the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District to convey a certain land to the town of Charlton (see House, No. 5091);

Authorizing the city of Salem to convert a license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises to a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5093);

Authorizing the town of Tyngsborough to grant 3 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5094);

Authorizing the town of Uxbridge to grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises (see House, No. 5096);

Establishing select board-town manager form of government in the town of Holliston (see House, No. 5119);

Authorizing the town of Acushnet to continue the employment of Call Deputy Fire Chief David Makuch (see House, No. 5121);

Increasing membership of the select board of the town of Paxton (see House, No. 5134);

Authorizing the town of Clinton to grant 6 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5140); and

Relative to the transportation of vessels (see House, No. 5151);

(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.

The engrossed Resolve to establish a commission to investigate and study the feasibility of establishing a Massachusetts Cabo Verdean Cultural Center (see Senate, No. 2995) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve  
passed.

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At eleven minutes after one o'clock A.M. (Tuesday, December 31), on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donat of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned.

[Under the provisions of Article X of the Amendments to the Constitution, the second annual session of the 193rd General Court was dissolved on the day next preceding the first Wednesday of January, without any proclamation or other act of Her Excellency the Governor.]

Attest:

STEVEN T. JAMES,  
*Clerk.*