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Thursday, January 9, 2025.

Met according to adjournment at 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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting requests for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 51), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, January 6.

Supplemental appropriations.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the temporary committee on Ways and Means.

Member Qualified.

The Chair announced that the special committee of the House appointed at the preceding sitting, relative to the qualification of Carol A. Doherty, member-elect from the Third Bristol District, Ann-Margaret Ferrante, member-elect from the Fifth Essex District had reported, in part, that on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, Representative Ferrante had taken and subscribed the necessary oaths of office, and was now duly qualified as a member of the House of Representatives.

Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante,— qualification.

Change of Name of a Member of the House.

Notice was received that Representative Brandy Fluker Oakley of Boston had officially changed her name to Brandy Fluker-Reid. Said name change to be effective for legislative record keeping purposes beginning on January 9, 2025.

Representative Brandy Fluker-Reid.

Appointments of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had made the following appointments:
That (under Section 32 of Chapter 197 of the Acts of 2024) he had appointed Mathew Muratore of Plymouth to the Assisted Living Residences Commission;
That (under Section 214 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024) he had appointed Representative Muradian of Grafton to the Correctional Consolidation and Collaboration Commission. Mr. Muradian replaces Kevin Flanagan on the commission; and

Assisted living.

Corrections Consolidation Commission.

That (under Section 305 of Chapter 238 of the Acts of 2024) he had appointed Representative Vaughn of Wrentham to the special working group on youth sports.

Youth sports working group.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) congratulating Lucas Budiansky on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout of the Boys Scouts of America; and

Lucas
Budiansky.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Kerans of Danvers) recognizing David P. McKenna for his three decades of service to the Danvers Committee for Human Rights and Inclusion;

David
McKenna.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications

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From the Hate Crimes Task Force (see Section 221(e) of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) addressing the mission of the task force, targeted objectives, options, recommended actions and metrics to measure the effect of such recommendations on hate crimes for calendar year 2024;

Hate
crimes.

From the Executive Office of Economic Development (see Section 16G of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on the Office of Performance Management Oversight (OPMO) for fiscal year 2024;

Office of
Performance
Management.

From the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (see Section 12A of Chapter 6C of the General Laws) submitting the annual progress report on the performance and asset management system for calendar year 2024;

Performance
and asset
management.

From MassDevelopment (see Section 34 of Chapter 23G of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2024 annual report; and

MassDevelopment.

From the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (see Section 5 of Chapter 23J of the General Laws) submitting the 2024 industry report (accompanied by financial statements for fiscal year ended June 30, 2024) [copies of the communication were forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means, Economic Development and Emerging Technologies and Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, as required by said law];

Clean
Energy
Center.

Severally were placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

Representatives Donato of Medford, Barber of Somerville and Garballey of Arlington then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of John R. Granara, a member of the House from Medford in 1977 and 1978; and the motion prevailed.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

Accordingly, at five minutes after eleven A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.