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

Silent Prayer.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and at the request of Representatives Whipps of Athol and Saunders of Belchertown, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Greenfield Fire Captain John Daniel Whitney, who passed away Wednesday, July 22nd, following a courageous year-long battle with brain cancer at 56 years old.

John Daniel
Whitney.

John passed peacefully at home, with the love of his life, Emily, lying by his side and the pride of his life, his three boys, Jake, Sam, and Cooper, beside them.

John was an inspiration. A protector by nature, he handled the transition from a lifetime as a caregiver to the humble role of needing so much care, embracing every opportunity to be present in public with dignity, determination, and grace.

Guests of the House.

During the session, Mr. Rogers of Norwood took the chair, declared a brief recess and introduced students from Catholic Memorial High School in the West Roxbury neighborhood of the city of Boston, including members of the Division 1 state champion baseball team, Division 2 state champion football team and state champion speech and debate team. The students were joined by the school president Adam Lewis, head of athletics and performance Jephthe Soulouque, and Board of Directors member Paul Rogers. They were the guests of Representatives Rogers of Norwood, Consalvo of Boston, MacGregor of Boston, Honan of Boston, Lawn of Watertown and Senator Rush.

Catholic
Memorial High
School students
and administration.

Remarks of a Member.

There being no objection, during the session, Representative Rogers of Norwood addressed the House relative to An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to take by eminent domain certain land in the town of Norwood (House, No. 5553).

Norwood,—
land.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representative Chaisson of Foxborough) commending the town of Foxborough and state agency partners for their diligence, commitment to public safety and playing host to the world during the Boston 2026 FIFA World Cup, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Foxborough,—
World Cup.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill relative to primary care for you (Senate, No. 3141, amended), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had non-concurred with the House in its amendments (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5630; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act strengthening primary care and advancing health care affordability.”).

Primary
care.

The bill bore the further endorsement that the Senate had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Senators Friedman, Cronin and Tarr had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of
conference.

On motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the House insisted on its amendment; and concurred with the Senate in the appointment of a committee of conference. Representatives Michlewitz of Boston, Kilcoyne of Clinton and Kane of Shrewsbury were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be noted.

Id.

The House Bill promoting transparency and public access in state government (House, No. 5469), 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 3244.

Legislative
audit and
public records.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell, the amendment was considered forthwith. The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendment; and on further motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Representatives Peisch, Vargas of Haverhill and Muradian of Grafton were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent to the Senate to be joined.

Committee of
conference.

Subsequently notice was received from the Senate that said branch had insisted on its amendment, concurred with the House in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Senators Creem, Friedman and Dooner had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Id.

The Senate Bill regarding free expression (Senate, No. 2726, amended), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in its amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5489, amended), with a further amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 3241. The Senate further amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Free
expression.

Said committee then reported that the further amendment was correctly drawn; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill relative to educational requirements for class 2 motor vehicle licenses (House, No. 3641), be scheduled for consideration by the House with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by substitution of a Bill with the same title (House, No. 5623),— pending.

Motor
vehicle
licenses.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Arciero of Westford, 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.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill relative to the Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation (House, No. 3933), be scheduled for consideration by the House with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by substitution of a Bill with the same title (House, No. 5625),— pending.

Credit union
share insurance
corporation.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, 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.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill providing equal opportunity for residents to vote on establishment of the Great River Regional School District (Senate, No. 3181), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Great River
regional
schools.

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

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, that the Bill establishing a special commission to ensure the safety and sustainability of non-profit public events (House, No. 2724), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Public events,—
safety

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the following bills ought to pass:

Relative to proper classification of health care workers during a public health emergency (House, No. 2463) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

To address conflicts of interest in the use of temporary nursing agencies at skilled nursing facilities (House, No. 2498) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

Relative to LGBTQ+ health disparities (House, No. 2501) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00];

To support behavioral health prevention for children (House, No. 4893) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]; and

To further define medical necessity determinations (House, No. 4894) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Vaccine access.

Nursing facilities.

LGBTQ+ health disparities.

Children,—behavioral health.

Medical necessities.

By Ms. Barber of Somerville, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, on a petition, a Bill relative to Great Brook State Park Trust Fund (House, No. 5587). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Great Brook State Park.

By Ms. Barber of Somerville, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Groton to prohibit the use of second generation anticoagulant rodenticides (House, No. 5532) [Local Approval Received].

Groton,—rodenticides.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Boxborough to prohibit the use or sale of second-generation anti-coagulant rodenticides (House, No. 5533) [Local Approval Received].

Boxborough,—rodenticides.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Ayer to prohibit the use or sale of second-generation anti-coagulant rodenticides (House, No. 5563) [Local Approval Received].

Ayer,—rodenticides.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill prohibiting the application of generation anticoagulant rodenticides in the town of Nahant (House, No. 5570) [Local Approval Received].

Nahant,—rodenticides.

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

Motions to Discharge Certain Matters in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of fire department member Howard Boyden (House, No. 4506), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Conway,—Howard Boyden.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police department member Michael Habel (House, No. 4525), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Conway,—Michael Habel.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to take by eminent domain certain land in the town of Norwood (see House, No. 5553, 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.

Norwood,—
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 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.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

The engrossed Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds for transportation purposes to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House, No. 5568), 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.

Bonding
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 75 to 1. 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.

Recess.

At twenty-eight minutes before one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth (Mr. Donato being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-seven minutes before two o'clock the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Engrossed Bill.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

The engrossed Bill regarding free expression (see Senate, No. 2726, amended) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Free
expression.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Garballey of Arlington; and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 1 in the negative.

Bill enacted,—
yea and nay
No. 254.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 254](#) in Supplement.]

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

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill establishing a Medal of Fidelity license plate (House, No. 3706), be scheduled for consideration by the House with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5624),— pending.

License plates,—
Medal of
Fidelity.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 255.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 255](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 5624) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill mandating access to cancer screenings for firefighters through health care benefits plans or programs provided by the public employer (House, No. 4946), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 5631). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Firefighters,—
cancer
screenings.

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. Day of Stoneham, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cusack of Braintree, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill passed to
be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 256.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 256](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill (House, No. 5631) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill to improve outcomes for persons with limb loss and limb difference (House, No. 4549), be scheduled for consideration by the House with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— to amend the bill by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5626),— pending.

Limb loss and
difference.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. González of Springfield, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and after remarks it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to school choice (House, No. 5502), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 5632). Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

School
choice.

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. Hunt of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Barrett of North Adams, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and after remarks it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill – Land Taking.

The engrossed Bill authorizing a change of use to a portion of James J. O'Neill Park in the city of Lawrence (see House, No. 5531) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Lawrence,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair) 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 257.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 257](#) in Supplement.]

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

Reports of Committees.

Prior to the noon recess (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair),— By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill updating the move over law (Senate, No. 2653), be scheduled for consideration by the House with the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means pending.

Move
over
law.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Ms. Scarsdale of Pepperell, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 5622,— was adopted. The bill (Senate, No. 2653, amended) then was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, the noon recess having terminated (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Arciero of Westford, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Arciero of Westford; and on the roll call (Mr. Donato being in the Chair) 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 258](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. The bill (Senate, No. 2653, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House amendment.

Bill passed to be engrossed,—
yea and nay
No. 258.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 3183) of the House Bill to improve Massachusetts home care (House, No. 4706, amended), recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5627), be scheduled for consideration by the House, the question being on acceptance.

Home care.

There being no object, the report was considered forthwith.

After debate on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by the yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Stanley of Waltham; and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair) 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 259](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Conference committee report accepted,—
yea and nay
No. 259.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill to improve Massachusetts home care (see House, No. 5627) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Home care.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Stanley of Waltham; and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 260](#) in Supplement.]

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

Bill enacted,—
yea and nay
No. 260.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting

Child welfare protections.

clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 3121) of the House Bill enhancing child welfare protections (House, No. 4646), recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5629), be scheduled for consideration by the House, the question being on acceptance.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Livingstone of Boston, the report was considered forthwith.

After debate on the question on acceptance of the report, the sense of the House was taken by the yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 157 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 261](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the report of the committee of conference was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Conference
committee
report
accepted,—
yea and nay
No. 261.

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill prioritizing patient access to care (see House, No. 5595) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by the yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call 121 members voted in the affirmative and 35 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 262](#) in Supplement.]

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

Pregnancies,—
care.

Bill enacted,—
yea and nay
No. 262.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of fire department member Howard Boyden (see House, No. 4506, amended);

Authorizing the town of Conway to continue the employment of police department member Michael Habel (see House, No. 4525, amended);

Enhancing child welfare protections (see House, No. 5629);

(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.

Bills
enacted.

Recess.

At five o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at fourteen minutes before eight o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill authorizing the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting by and through its Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance, to grant permanent easements over certain land in the town of Milton for highway purposes (Senate, No.

Milton,—
land.

2968), 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 5633; by striking out the emergency preamble inserting in place thereof the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to authorize forthwith the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the commissioner of conservation and recreation, to grant certain easements to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for highway purposes to support the intersection improvement project being undertaken by the commonwealth at the intersection of Randolph avenue, state highway route 28, and Chickatawbut road, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety and convenience.”; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to grant permanent easements over certain land in the town of Milton for highway purposes.”. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, 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. 2968, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 amendments adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill authorizing the Buzzards Bay Water District to convey certain non-exclusive easements over a certain parcel of land (Senate, No. 3188), 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 5634. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Buzzards Bay
Water District,—
land.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, 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. 3188, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to acquire interests in certain portions of land owned by the town of Andover which were acquired by the town for Article XCVII purposes (Senate, No. 3230), 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 5635; by striking out the

Andover,—
land.

emergency preamble and inserting in place thereof the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to authorize forthwith the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to acquire certain portions of land owned by the town of Andover which were acquired by the town of Andover for Article XCVII purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety and convenience.”; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to acquire interests in certain portions of land owned by the town of Andover.”. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, 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. 3230, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 amendments adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the Pilgrim Memorial Park in Plymouth (Senate, No. 3235), 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 5636; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to enter into a lease with the town of Plymouth for purposes of maintaining the Pilgrim Memorial state park in the town of Plymouth.”. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Pilgrim
Memorial
state park.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 3235, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 amendments adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game to convey easements over certain parcels of land (Senate, No. 3236), 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 5637; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act authorizing the department of fish and game to convey easements over certain parcels of land in the town of Bourne.”. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bourne,—
land.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 3236, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 amendments adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Bourne to convey a right-of-way and easement (Senate, No. 3237), 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 5638 [Local Approval Received]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Bourne,—
land.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, 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. 3237, amended) was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Ultrino of Malden, 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 adopted by the House.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the town of Nantucket conservation commission to convey a certain parcel of land situated in the town for purposes of conveyance to the town of Nantucket under the care, custody, management and control of the select board and the town of Nantucket to convey certain land in the town of Nantucket held for open space, passive recreation or conservation purposes to the Nantucket islands land bank for the purposes pursuant to its legislation and/or to the Sconset Trust, Inc. For open space, conservation and passive recreation purposes (House, No. 4523), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill authorizing the town of Nantucket conservation commission to convey a certain parcel of land situated in the town for purposes of conveyance to the town of Nantucket under the care, custody, management and control of the select board and the town of Nantucket to convey certain land in the town of Nantucket held for open space, passive recreation or conservation purposes to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank for the purposes pursuant to its enabling legislation for open space, conservation and passive recreation purposes (House, No. 5639) [Local Approval Received]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Nantucket,—
land.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on 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.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill authorizing the town of Hingham to grant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts certain parcels of land in the town of Hingham for highway purposes (House, No. 5504), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 5640) [Local Approval Received]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Hingham,—
land.

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. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the substituted bill was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on 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.

Engrossed Bills – Land Takings.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the Nantucket conservation commission to convey a certain parcel of land to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank (see House, No. 5639) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Nantucket,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 263.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 263](#) in Supplement.]

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

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Hingham to transfer to the commonwealth for highway purposes certain parcels of park land in the town of Hingham for highway purposes (see House, No. 5640) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Hingham,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 264.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 264](#) in Supplement.]

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

The engrossed Bill authorizing the Buzzards Bay Water District to convey non-exclusive easements over a certain parcel of land (see Senate, No. 3188, amended) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Buzzards Bay
Water District,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 265.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 265](#) in Supplement.]

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

The engrossed Bill authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to enter into a lease with the town of Plymouth for purposes of maintaining the Pilgrim Memorial state park in the town of Plymouth (see Senate, No. 3235, amended) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Plymouth,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 266.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 266](#) in Supplement.]

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

The engrossed Bill authorizing the department of fish and game to convey easements over certain parcels of land in the town of Bourne (see Senate, No. 3236, amended) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Bourne,—
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 267.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 267](#) in Supplement.]

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

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to grant permanent easements over certain land in the town of Milton for highway purposes (see Senate, No. 2968, 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.

Milton,—
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 32 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 put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 268](#) in Supplement.]

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

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 268.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to acquire interests in certain portions of land owned by the town of Andover (see Senate, No. 3230, 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.

Andover,—
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 31 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 put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 152 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 269](#) in Supplement.]

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

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 269.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Bourne to convey a right-of-way and easement (see Senate, No. 3237, 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.

Bourne,—
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 37 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 put upon its final passage.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 270](#) in Supplement.]

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

Bill enacted
(land taking),—
yea and nay
No. 270.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

Mr. Frost of Auburn then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without proceeding to consideration of the matters in the Orders of the Day, at twenty-two minutes after eleven o'clock P.M. (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.