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Wednesday, October 8, 2025.

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 Tributes.

During the session (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), at the request of Representatives Hogan of Stow and Kushmerek of Fitchburg, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute for Bolton Chief of Police, Amos Luke Hamburger, who died unexpectedly on Sunday, October 5.

Amos Luke
Hamburger.

Over the past two decades, Chief Hamburger served the Bolton community with unwavering dedication, professionalism and integrity. Chief Hamburger had deep roots in the community – he was a Lunenburg resident, who grew up in nearby Lancaster and graduated from Nashoba Regional High School in Bolton and the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

He served in the Army National Guard and attended the reserve police academy before joining the Bolton Police Department in 2005 – where he worked for 19 years and was named Chief in early 2024. As a leader, he combined warmth with strength and his commitment to community policing and public safety made our town a better place.

We are grateful for Chief Hamburger's dedication and service to the town of Bolton, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to the United States of America. His loss will be felt deeply by all who cared for him, including his wife Ruth, their son Ethan and Chief Hamburger's family of fellow police officers.

During the session (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), at the request of Representatives Howard of Lowell, Elliott of Lowell, Hong of Lowell, Garry of Dracut and Scarsdale of Pepperell, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silence in memory of Senator Edward J. Kennedy, Jr.

Senator Edward
J. Kennedy, Jr.

Senator Kennedy of Lowell, 74, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 1, 2025. Senator Kennedy was the eldest of the late Edward James Kennedy, Sr. and Kathleen (Kay) (Heslin) Kennedy and was born and raised in Lowell, graduating from Lowell High School before earning a bachelor's degree in history from Boston University and a master's degree in public administration from Fitchburg State University.

Senator Kennedy was a lifelong Lowell resident who dedicated himself to public service, holding the offices of State Senator for the First Middlesex District, Mayor of Lowell, Lowell City Councilor, County Commissioner for Middlesex County.

Senator Kennedy is survived by his wife Susan, two children and their spouses, three beloved grandchildren, two brothers, and his sister and brother-in laws, as well as many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and a close group of cousins.

Statement of Representative Decker of Cambridge.

A statement of Ms. Decker of Cambridge was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I am unable to be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to a family emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on Yea and Nay Nos. 74 to 88, inclusive. My missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Decker of
Cambridge.

Statement of Representative Field of Taunton.

A statement of Ms. Field of Taunton was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I am unable to be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to a previously scheduled family and religious commitment. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on Yea and Nay Nos. 74 to 88, inclusive. My missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Field of
Taunton.

Statement of Representative Walsh of Peabody.

A statement of Mr. Walsh of Peabody was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I am unable to be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to a previously scheduled family commitment. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on Yea and Nay Nos. 74 to 88, inclusive. My missing of roll calls today is due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of
Representative
Walsh of
Peabody.

Remote Participation.

Notice had been received from House Counsel that, under the provisions of House Rule 49, Representative Muradian of Grafton had been approved to participate remotely for today's formal sitting.

Remote
participation.

Guests of the House.

During the session, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) declared a brief recess, turned the gavel over to Representative Diggs of Barnstable. Mr. Diggs then recognized Mary LaClair who was in the Chamber to celebrate the legacy of Mercy Otis Warren. Mercy Otis Warren was a celebrated poet, playwright and author who helped to write the Bill of Rights. Mary is a former Barnstable County Treasurer and Commissioner. She was the guest of Representative Diggs of Barnstable.

Mary
LaClair.

Orders.

The following orders were referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules:

Order (filed by Representatives Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Hawkins of Attleboro) relative to extending until Friday, November 14, 2025 the time within which the committee on Advanced Information Technology, the Internet and Cybersecurity is authorized to report on current House documents (House, No. 4592).

Order (filed by Representatives Lawn of Watertown and Kilcoyne of Clinton) relative to extending until Wednesday, March 18, 2026 the time within which the committee on Health Care Financing is authorized to report on current House documents (House, No. 4594).

Order (filed by Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Kerans of Danvers) relative to extending until Friday, November 7, 2025 the time within which the committee on Public Health is authorized to report on current House documents (House, No. 4593).

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported that the orders ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the orders were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Extensions
of time for
committees to
make reports.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Consalvo of Boston and Turco of Winthrop, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Rob Consalvo for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jeanne McCarron, an employee of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

By Representative Davis of Great Barrington and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Leigh Davis relative to the board of water commissioners of the Dalton fire district.

By Representatives Sangiolo of Newton and Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Amy Mah Sangiolo relative to taxes for zero-emission vehicles.

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

Jeanne
McCarron,—
sick leave.

Dalton,—
water
commissioners.

Zero-emission
vehicles,—
taxes.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2628) of Robyn K. Kennedy and Kate Hogan (by vote of the town) to provide for alcoholic beverage licenses in the town of Bolton, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Bolton,—
liquor
licenses.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2636) of Ryan C. Fattman, Bruce E. Tarr, Kelly W. Pease, Manny Cruz and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish compact agreements between certain states allowing cosmetology licensees to move freely between member states. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Cosmetology,—
licensees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2637) of Paul W. Mark for legislation to increase first assistant clerks in Berkshire County. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Berkshire
County,—
court clerks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2638) of Thomas Button for legislation relative to retirement pension notarizations. To the committee on Public Service.

Pension
notarizations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2639) of Brendan P. Crighton for legislation to authorize automated curb enforcement and improving parking violation procedures. To the committee on Transportation.

Parking
violations.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Sean Garballey relative to Medicaid coverage for autism treatment and assistive technologies. To the committee on Health Care Financing.

Medicaid,—
Autism
treatment.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Michelle L. Badger for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate October 15th as lobular breast cancer awareness day. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Lobular
breast cancer
day.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Badger of Plymouth, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill to ensure access to medical parole (House, No. 2604).

Medical
parole.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to promote rehabilitation including guaranteed health, treatment, and safety for incarcerated LGBTQI+ People (House, No. 2656).

Incarcerated
LGBTQI+
people.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide reproductive health care to incarcerated individuals (House, No. 2658).

Incarcerated,—
reproduction.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to health education in women's correctional institutions (House, No. 2705).

Incarcerated,—
health education.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill concerning the Massachusetts probation service (House, No. 2583).

Probation
service.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 2606 and 4123, a Bill to save lives by distributing Narcan to individuals at risk for an opioid overdose (House, No. 2606).

Narcan,—
distribution.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to successful transition and re-entry to tomorrow for incarcerated persons (House, No. 2609).

Incarcerated
persons,—
re-entry.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ensure pay parity for county sheriffs' correction officers and jail officers (House, No. 2627).

Sheriffs,—
pay parity.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to lawfully owed DNA (House, No. 2632).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill implementing the recommendations of the Walsh-Kennedy Commission Report (House, No. 2692).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ensure compliance with the anti-shackling law for pregnant incarcerated women (House, No. 2703).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the postpartum treatment of women in correctional facilities (House, No. 2704).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to a fresh start (House, No. 2722).

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

DNA.

Fire safety.

Pregnant
incarcerated
women.

Incarcerated,—
post-partum.

Fresh start
program.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Establishing the position of appointed treasurer-collector in the town of Berkley (see House, No. 2320); and

Further regulating stabilization funds in the town of Leicester (see House, No. 4136);

(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 nineteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and two minutes after one o'clock, the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, on a message from Her Excellency the Governor (for message, see House, No. 4250), returning with her disapproval of parts of certain items contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2026 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4240), reported, in part, that parts of certain items stand (as passed by the General Court). Severally referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, reported, in each instance, that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the matters were considered forthwith, as follows:

Item 0330-0300 (contained in section 2) (administrative staff), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

General
Appropriation
Bill,
reductions
and
disapprovals.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$360,075,000 to \$350,736,748.

After remarks on the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 132 members voted in the affirmative and 23 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 74](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 0330-0300 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 1231-1000 (contained in Section 2) (sewer rate relief), which had been vetoed by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 143 members voted in the affirmative and 11 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 75](#) in Supplement.]

[Ms. Whipps of Athol answered "Present" in response to her name.]

Therefore item 1231-1000 passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 2810-0100 (contained in section 2) (state parks and recreation), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$113,820,049 to \$113,420,049.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 151 members voted in the affirmative and 3 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 76](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 2810-0100 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4000-0051 (contained in Section 2) (family resource centers), which had been vetoed by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 133 members voted in the affirmative and 22 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 77](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 4000-0051 passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 4000-0641 (contained in section 2) (nursing facility rate), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$650,073,456 to \$625,073,456.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter

Administrative
staff
item 0330-0300
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 74.

Sewer
rate relief
item 1231-1000
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 75.

State parks
and recreation
item 2810-0100
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 76.

Family
resource centers
item 4000-0051
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 77.

Nursing

I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 78 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 4000-0641 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

facility rate
item 4000-0641
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 78.

Item 4110-1000 (contained in section 2) (community services for the blind), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$9,164,721 to \$8,864,721.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 79 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 4110-1000 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Community
services
for the blind
item 4110-1000
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 79.

Item 4512-0200 (contained in section 2) (bureau of substance addiction services), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had stricken certain wording and reduced said item from \$187,177,798 to \$184,677,798.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 147 members voted in the affirmative and 8 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 80 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 4512-0200 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Bureau of substance
addiction services
item 4512-0200
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 80.

Item 4513-1020 (contained in section 2) (early intervention services), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$39,250,384 to \$37,719,649.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 139 members voted in the affirmative and 16 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 81 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 4513-1020 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Early intervention
services
item 4513-1020
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 81.

Item 7002-1091 (contained in section 2) (career technical institutes), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$9,235,600 to \$8,985,600.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter

Career technical
institutes

I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 142 members voted in the affirmative and 13 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 82 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7002-1091 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7003-0606 (contained in section 2) (Massachusetts Manufacturing Extension Partnership), which had been vetoed by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 141 members voted in the affirmative and 14 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 83 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7003-0606 passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7004-0109 (contained in section 2) (shelter workforce assistance), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$10,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 131 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 84 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7004-0109 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7004-3036 (contained in section 2) (housing services and counseling), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$5,850,000 to \$5,350,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 131 members voted in the affirmative and 24 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 85 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7004-3036 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7007-0150 (contained in Section 2) (regional economic development grants), which had been vetoed by the Governor, then was considered.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 153 members voted in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 86 in Supplement.](#)]

Therefore item 7007-0150 passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

item 7002-1091
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 82.

Massachusetts
Manufacturing
Extension
Partnership
item 7003-0606
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 83.

Shelter workforce
assistance
item 7004-0109
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 84.

Housing services
and counseling
item 7004-3036
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 85.

Regional
economic
development
grants
item 7007-0150
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 86.

Item 7061-9010 (contained in section 2) (charter school reimbursement), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$198,988,065 to \$179,089,258.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 155 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 87](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7061-9010 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Item 7077-0023 (contained in section 2) (Tufts Veterinary School), which had been reduced by the Governor, then was considered.

The Governor had reduced said item from \$6,200,000 to \$5,500,000.

On the question on passing said item, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required by Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution; and on the roll call 148 members voted in the affirmative and 7 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 88](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore item 7077-0023 passed, notwithstanding the reductions of the Governor (more than two-thirds of the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative). Sent to the Senate for its action.

Charter school
reimbursement
item 7061-9010
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 87.

Tufts Veterinary
School
item 7077-0023
stands,—
yea and nay
No. 88.

Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill relative to vital statistics (see House, No. 4249) (being a printed copy of Section 29 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2026 (see House, No. 4240), which had been returned by Her Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment C of House, No. 4250), was considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Chapter 46 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 1, as amended by section 1 of chapter 166 of the acts of 2024, and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 1. Each local clerk shall obtain and record the following facts set forth in this section, as well as such additional information that may be required under federal statutes or contracts, regulations promulgated pursuant to section 4 of chapter 17 or as the commissioner of public health may require, relative to births, marriages, acknowledgments and adjudications of parentage and deaths which occurred in the town or city and for certificates of marriage issued by the town or city:

In the record of births, name, date of birth, place of birth and sex of child; legal names, dates of birth, residences, places of birth and surname at birth or adoption of the parent or parents;

In the record of birth of a child born to parents not married to each other, the name of and other facts relating to the other parent or parents shall not be recorded except as provided in section 2 of chapter 209C where parentage has been

Vital statistics.

acknowledged or adjudicated under the laws of the commonwealth or under the laws of any other jurisdiction;

In the record of marriages, date of record, date and place of marriage, name, residence and official station of the person by whom solemnized; for each of the parties to be married the name, date and place of birth, residence, age, number of the marriage and if previously married, whether widowed or divorced and the name at birth or adoption of the parties' parents;

In the record of death, date of death, name of deceased, including surname at birth or adoption, social security number, gender, race, marital status, education, name of spouse if ever married, supposed age, residence, occupation, place of death, place of birth, surname at birth or adoption and places of birth of the deceased's parent or parents, disease or cause of death, defined so that it can be classified under the international classification of causes of death, and place and type of immediate disposition. As used in this section, the word 'residence' shall include the name of the street and number, if any, of the house. For purposes of this section, the social security number in a record of death shall not be made available except upon request from a person with a legitimate need, as defined in regulations promulgated pursuant to section 4 of chapter 17.

SECTION 2. The last sentence of section 1 of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as amended by section 1, shall take effect on July 1, 2026.”; and the report was accepted.

The amendment recommended by the Governor then was adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

House bills

Prohibiting employment discrimination based on legal use of cannabis (House, No. 159);

Clarifying the role of Governor's Councillor on the ballot (House, No. 805);

Relative to absentee voting (House, No. 822);

Relative to uniformity of ballots in polling places (House, No. 832);

Relative to election ballots (House, No. 837);

Relative to changing the two-year elected term for the Mayor of Chicopee to a four-year elected term (House, No. 4201); and

Regulating the use of credit reports by employers (House, No. 4450);

Severally were read a second time; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Second
reading
bills.

Order.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

Representatives Howard of Lowell, Elliot of Lowell and Hong of Lowell moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Edward J. Kennedy, Jr., a county commissioner for Middlesex County, a city councilor for the

city of Lowell, and mayor of Lowell in 2016, 2017, and 2018, and a member of the Senate from Lowell from 2018 to 2025, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, without further consideration of the remaining matters in the Orders of the Day, at nine minutes before three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.