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# UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Thursday, September 10, 1998.

Met at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M.

# Report of a Committee.

Mr. Berry, for the committee on Steering and Policy, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The House Bill relative to small claims protection procedures (House, No. 5326).

#### Papers from the House.

A Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Northbridge as the Corporal Richard J. and Sergeant John P. Moran Memorial Bridge (printed as Senate, No. 2105,— on petition),— was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.

A communication from the Division of Capital Asset Management (under Section 2 of Chapter 82 of the Acts of 1990) relative to a lease agreement between the Trustees of Boston University and the Commonwealth concerning a certain parcel of land and a boathouse in the city of Cambridge [copies of said communication forwarded to the committee on State Administration] (having been sent by the House to the Senate for its information),— was returned to the House to be placed on file.

A communication from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (under Section 9 of Chapter 48 of the Acts of 1997 and most recently amended by section 23 of Chapter 300 of the Acts of 1998) submitting a plan to recover the costs being absorbed by the Commonwealth in discharging certain costs and liabilities of the former Middlesex, Worcester and Hampden counties including an amortization schedule of the disbursements and assessments related to said costs and liabilities (House, No. 5806),— was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

## Committee Changes.

The President announced the resignation of Senator Jacques of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex as a member of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading and the appointment of Senator Nuciforo of Berkshire, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin to fill the vacancy.

#### Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to certain nongroup health insurance products (see House, No. 5797), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,— was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the

Constitution, the preamble was adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 4 to 0. The bill was signed by the President and sent to the House for enactment.

## Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Acting Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Relative to the Election Commission or Board of Registrars of Voters in the town of Swampscott (see Senate, No. 2238); Relative to the filling of vacancies in town meeting membership in the town of Swampscott (see Senate, No. 2239); and Providing for recall elections in the Dartmouth Fire District #2 (see House, No. 5004).

#### Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Amorello) "congratulating Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church upon the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brewer) "on the occasion of the dedication of the Theodore H. Curtis Recreation Field in the town of Hubbardston", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fargo) "on the retirement of Peggy Hilton", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Keating) "congratulating Justin D. Wanamaker on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Murray) "recognizing the observance of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month by the Massachusetts Organization of Americans for Recovery", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Panagiotakos) "honoring early exploration of the Commonwealth", were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Birmingham, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted; and they were considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Ms. Murray, and adopted.

## Committee Changes.

The President announced the resignation of Senator Nuciforo of Berkshire, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin as a member of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading and the reappointment of Senator Jacques of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex thereto.

## Order Adopted.

On motion	of Mr.	Moore,—
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Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

On motion of Mr. Tarr, at a quarter past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.