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UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.

Wednesday, June 16, 1999.

Met at three minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Melconian in the Chair).

Report.

A report of the Department of Revenue (under the provisions of Section 38 of Chapter 63 of the General Laws) submitting a copy of the 1996 Defense Corporation Report (received Wednesday, June 16, 1999); copies having been transmitted to the Chairman of the Senate committee on Ways and Means and to the Senate Chair of the joint committee on Taxation,— **was placed on file.**

Communication.

The Clerk read the following communication:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1053

June 15, 1998.

Honorable Patrick Scanlan
Clerk of the Senate
Room 335
State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133
Dear Mr. Scanlan:

Although I was not present in the Senate Chambers on Friday, June 11 for the final vote to engross the recommended Fiscal Year 2000 state appropriations bill (S. 2000, as amended), had I been present I would have voted in the affirmative on this matter. Furthermore, had I been present I also would have voted in the affirmative to engross Senate Bill 1820, the Fiscal Year 1999 capital and supplemental appropriations bill.
I am respectfully requesting that my votes on these two matters be duly recorded and that a copy of this letter be printed in the Senate Journal as part of the official record. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
CHARLES E. SHANNON,
State Senator.

On motion of Ms. Fargo, the above statement was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Petition.

Ms. Jacques presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cheryl A. Jacques, Scott P. Brown and Elizabeth A. Poirier for legislation relative to the transfer of land within the town of Plainville from the King Philip Regional School District to the town of Plainville,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jajuga, for the committee on Public Safety, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1131), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate document 1131 relative to protecting small businesses (Senate, No. 1826);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1128), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate document 1128 relative to reducing government waste (Senate, No. 1827);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1120), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate document 1120 relative to bulletproof vests (Senate, No. 1828);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 1070, 1084, 1088, 1093, 1112, 1129, 1130, 1132, 1133, 1134, 1135, 1137, 1138, 1139, 1140 and 1173, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate documents relative to firearms (Senate, No. 1829);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1096), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate document 1096 relative to aboveground tank abandonment (Senate, No. 1830);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1063), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate document 1063 relative to state police operational control (Senate, No. 1831);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 633 and 634, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate documents relative to prisoners (Senate, No. 1832);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 1073, 1106 and 1124, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to make an investigation and study of Senate documents relative to fire safety (Senate, No. 1833); and
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 1061, 1068, 1119, 1122, 1125, 1142, 1151, 1153, 1157, 1166 and 1168, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to distinctive license plates (Senate, No. 1834);
Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Ms. Wilkerson, for the committee on State Administration, on petition, a Bill relative to certain public libraries (Senate, No. 1405);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing the commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management to acquire and/or transfer the ownership of a certain parcel of land in the town of Kingston (Senate, No. 1452); and
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Planning and Operations to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Waltham (Senate, No. 1479);
Severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Jajuga, for the committee on Public Safety, ought NOT to pass:
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1081) of Robert L. Hedlund and Jo Ann Sprague for legislation to modify the motorcycle safety fund;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1082) of Robert L. Hedlund for legislation relative to the modification of the driver school law to include motorcycle rider education schools;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1116) of Brian P. Lees, Dennis M. Murphy and Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation relative to the enforcement of the seat belt law;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1117) of Louis C. Marino for legislation relative to the operation of motor vehicles registered to dealers;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1143) of Jeffrey Dropo for legislation relative to defining pyrotechnics;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1161) of Henri S. Rauschenbach for legislation to increase the expenditure of the Barnstable County correctional facility;
On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1170) of Bruce E. Tarr and Anthony J. Verga for legislation relative to volunteer, non-profit fire departments; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1174) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to allow for contracting with private entities for the labor of prisoners; and
By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1277) of Richard T. Moore, Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., and Daniel E. Bosley for legislation to make technical changes in the optional retirement program;
Severally referred, under Senate Rule 36, to the committee on Steering and Policy.

Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Steering and Policy, reported that the following matters be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:
The Senate Bill relative to licensed veterans organizations (Senate, No. 1812);
The House Bill relative to the West Boylston Water District (House, No. 4041); and
The Senate report of the committee on Public Service, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1353) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to permit public disclosure of certain collective bargaining proposals.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills
Relative to a liquor license in the town of Ashland (House, No. 4137,— on petition) [Local approval received]; and
Authorizing the town of Rockport to pay a certain bill (House, No. 4170,— on petition) [Local approval received];
Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4420) of Francis H. Duehay (mayor), Timothy J. Toomey, Jr., and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing the city of Cambridge to grant a surface easement over certain land comprising the water works and reservoir facilities of said city located in the city known as the town of Watertown,— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Local Affairs.**

Reports
Of the committee on Insurance, asking to be discharged from further consideration
Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 682) of Mark C. Montigny, Richard T. Moore, Susan C. Fargo, Charles E. Shannon and Brian P. Lees for legislation relative to continuation of certain insurance by a surviving spouse or dependent;
Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 697) of Charles E. Shannon and John A. Stefanini for legislation to restructure the Group Insurance Commission; and
Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 723) of Marian Walsh and the Retired State, County and Municipal Employees Association of Massachusetts, by Ralph White, president, for legislation relative to the policies of the Group Insurance Commission;
And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Public Service.
Were severally considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

Report of Committees.

By Ms. Melconian, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Michael W. Morrissey, Robert S. Creedon, Jr. and Kathleen M. Teahan (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Abington to issue an additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages [Local approval received].
Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Moore, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Government Regulations.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Moore) "congratulating Donald Katz on his retirement after 30 years as the Men's Basketball Coach at Northbridge High School"; and
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Moore) "honoring the Northbridge High School Girls Track and Field Team".

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bernstein,—
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. Tisei, at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.