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Thursday, June 22, 2000.

Met at twenty-eight minutes past one o'clock P.M.

Petition.

Mr. Creedon presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert S. Creedon, Jr., Michael W. Morrissey, Kathleen M. Teahan and Geraldine Creedon for legislation to authorize municipalities to petition for public involvement plans in cases of hazardous material sites,— **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. Antonioni, for the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2137), a Bill relative to the Board of Education's competency determination for tenth graders (Senate, No. 2216);

By Mr. Creedon, for the committee on the Judiciary, on petition, a Bill relative to Plymouth county assistant clerk magistrates (Senate, No. 2220);

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill requiring the retirement board to pay to Marjorie Sheehan, widow of John W. Sheehan, certain retirement benefits (Senate, No. 2072); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill directing the State Board of Retirement to pay a certain retirement benefit to the surviving spouse of State Trooper Michael Brugman (Senate, No. 2224);

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A communication from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (under the provisions of section 12(i) of Chapter 81A of the General Laws) submitting the Central Artery/Tunnel Project Finance Plan Update, the Central Artery/Ted Williams Tunnel Project Partnership Agreement, and the seventh Amendment to Agreement for the payment of certain costs for services (having been sent by the House to the Senate for its information),— **was returned to the House to be placed on file.**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5266) of Daniel F. Keenan (with the approval of the mayor and town council) relative to the appointment of special police officers in the city known as the town of Agawam,— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.**

A Bill making appropriations to fund collective bargaining agreements between the Hampden County Sheriff's Department and the Hampden County Superior Correctional officers Association and between said department and the Non-Uniformed

Correctional Association (printed in House, No. 5117, changed,— being a message from His Excellency the Governor),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

Bills

Requiring certain municipal inspectors to report certain cases of child abuse (House, No. 796,— on petition); and

Relative to construction safety training (House, No. 3030,— on petition) ;

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy

Bills

Authorizing the city known as the town of Methuen to grant certain easements (House, No. 4212,— on petition) [Local approval received];

Authorizing the town of Scituate to use certain forest land for a fire station (House, No. 5113,— on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Authorizing the town of North Reading to grant an easement in certain recreational land (House, No. 5127,— 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 Bill relative to the filling of vacancies on the board of selectmen in the town of Spencer (printed in House, No. 5229,— being a message from His Excellency the Governor),— was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Brewer, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: “An Act appointing the clerk of the town of Spencer to the board of selectmen of the town.”

A Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2000 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 5268,— on House, No. 5243, in part),— was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Montigny, and, after remarks, the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill relative to the terms of certain bonds and notes issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 5202,— being a message from His Excellency the Governor),— was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Montigny, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were considered, as follows:

The Senate Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land located in the towns of Becket and Otis in exchange for certain other land located in the town of Otis (Senate, No. 2222),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to dog guides (House, No. 3973),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The Senate Bill making it a felony to commit assault and battery on emergency room personnel (Senate, No. 169),— was read third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Lynch moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled “An Act relative to assault and battery on emergency medical personnel, firefighters and police officers” (Senate, No. 2223).

This amendment was adopted.

After remarks, the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at twelve minutes before two o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Lynch, as follows, to wit (yeas 39 — nays 0):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.
Bernstein, Robert A.
Berry, Frederick E.
Brewer, Stephen M.
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Glodis, Guy W.
Havern, Robert A.
Hedlund, Robert L.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.
Knapik, Michael R.
Lees, Brian P.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.
Melconian, Linda J.
Menard, Joan M. — 39.

Montigny, Mark C.
Moore, Richard T.
Morrissey, Michael W.
Murray, Therese
Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.
Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Shannon, Charles E.
Sprague, Jo Ann
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R.
Tolman, Steven A.
Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.
Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne

NAYS — 0.

Ms. Melconian in the Chair, the yeas and nays having been completed at eight minutes before two o'clock P.M., the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate Bill prohibiting certain liability waivers as against public policy (Senate, No. 837) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. Lees, the further consideration thereof was postponed until Thursday, July 6.

The Senate Bill creating a municipal police training committee (Senate, No. 2221),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to contracts between court reporters and an attorney, party or party having a financial interest in an action (House, No. 4807),— was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending motion, previously moved by Mr. Joyce, to lay the bill on the table, was considered; and it was *negatived*.

The bill was then considered; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bills — Land Taking for Conservation, Etc.

An engrossed Bill relative to the transfer of land in the town of Russell (see Senate, No. 2078) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage,— was put upon its final passage; and, 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, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at one minute past two o'clock P.M., as follows, to wit (yeas 39 — nays 0):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.	Montigny, Mark C.
Bernstein, Robert A.	Moore, Richard T.
Berry, Frederick E.	Morrissey, Michael W.
Brewer, Stephen M.	Murray, Therese
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.	Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.	Pacheco, Marc R.
Creem, Cynthia Stone	Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Fargo, Susan C.	Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Glodis, Guy W.	Resor, Pamela
Havern, Robert A.	Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Hedlund, Robert L.	Shannon, Charles E.
Jacques, Cheryl A.	Sprague, Jo Ann
Jajuga, James P.	Tarr, Bruce E.
Joyce, Brian A.	Tisei, Richard R.
Knapik, Michael R.	Tolman, Steven A.
Lees, Brian P.	Travaglini, Robert E.
Lynch, Stephen F.	Tucker, Susan C.
Magnani, David P.	Walsh, Marian
Melconian, Linda J.	Wilkerson, Dianne
Menard, Joan M. — 39.	

NAYS — 0.

The yeas and nays having been completed at three minutes past two o'clock P.M., the bill was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having agreed to pass the same, and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

An engrossed Bill establishing an Agricultural Preservation Trust Fund in the town of Dartmouth (see House, No. 4696, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage,— was put upon its final passage; and, 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, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at four minutes past two o'clock P.M., as follows, to wit (yeas 39 — nays 0):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.	Montigny, Mark C.
Bernstein, Robert A.	Moore, Richard T.
Berry, Frederick E.	Morrissey, Michael W.
Brewer, Stephen M.	Murray, Therese
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.	Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.

Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Glodis, Guy W.
Havern, Robert A.
Hedlund, Robert L.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.
Knapik, Michael R.
Lees, Brian P.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.
Melconian, Linda J.
Menard, Joan M. — 39.

Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Shannon, Charles E.
Sprague, Jo Ann
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R.
Tolman, Steven A.
Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.
Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne

NAYS — 0.

The yeas and nays having been completed seven minutes past two o'clock P.M., the bill was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having agreed to pass the same, and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Chelmsford to convey an easement in certain conservation land (see House, No. 5043) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage,— was put upon its final passage; and, 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, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at eight minutes past two o'clock P.M., as follows, to wit (yeas 39 — nays 0):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.
Bernstein, Robert A.
Berry, Frederick E.
Brewer, Stephen M.
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Glodis, Guy W.
Havern, Robert A.
Hedlund, Robert L.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.

Montigny, Mark C.
Moore, Richard T.
Morrissey, Michael W.
Murray, Therese
Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.
Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Shannon, Charles E.
Sprague, Jo Ann
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R.

Knapik, Michael R.
Lees, Brian P.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.
Melconian, Linda J.
Menard, Joan M. — 39.

Tolman, Steven A.
Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.
Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne

NAYS — 0.

The yeas and nays having been completed at ten minutes past two o'clock P.M., the bill was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having agreed to pass the same, and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the terms of certain bonds and notes issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5202), 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 10 to 0. The bill was signed by the President and sent to the House for enactment.**

Engrossed Bill — State Loan.

An engrossed Bill providing for an accelerated transportation development and improvement program for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (see House, No. 4865, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage; and, this being a bill providing for the borrowing of money, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined, after remarks, by a call of the yeas and nays, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock P.M., as follows, to wit (yeas 34 — nays 4):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.
Bernstein, Robert A.
Berry, Frederick E.
Brewer, Stephen M.
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Glodis, Guy W.
Havern, Robert A.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.

Montigny, Mark C.
Moore, Richard T.
Morrissey, Michael W.
Murray, Therese
Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.
Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R.
Tolman, Steven A.
Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.

Melconian, Linda J.
Menard, Joan M.

Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne — 34.

NAYS.

Hedlund, Robert L.
Knapik, Michael R.

Lees, Brian P.
Sprague, Jo Ann — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Shannon, Charles E. — 1.

The yeas and nays having been completed at nineteen minutes past two o'clock P.M., the bill was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having agreed to pass the same, and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bill Returned to House by Governor with

His Objections Thereto.

The President in the Chair, the engrossed Bill improving teacher recruitment, retention and retirement (see House, No. 5116) which, on Thursday, June 1, 2000, had been laid before His Excellency the Governor for his approbation,— came from the House, the same having been returned by His Excellency, under Article II of Section I of Chapter I of Part the Second of the Constitution to the House, the branch in which it originated, with his objections thereto in writing, and having passed that branch, notwithstanding said objections.

The message (House, No. 5250) was read; and the Senate proceeded to reconsider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

After debate, the question on passing the bill, in concurrence, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at a quarter before three o'clock P.M., as follows, to wit (yeas 38 — nays 1):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.
Bernstein, Robert A.
Berry, Frederick E.
Brewer, Stephen M.
Clancy, Edward J., Jr.
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Glodis, Guy W.
Havern, Robert A.
Hedlund, Robert L.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.
Knapik, Michael R.

Menard, Joan M.
Montigny, Mark C.
Moore, Richard T.
Morrisey, Michael W.
Murray, Therese
Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.
Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Shannon, Charles E.
Sprague, Jo Ann
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R.
Tolman, Steven A.

Lees, Brian P.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.
Melconian, Linda J.

Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.
Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne — 38.

NAYS.

Rauschenbach, Henri S. — 1.

The yeas and nays having been completed at twelve minutes before three o'clock P.M., the bill was passed by Senate, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor, two-thirds of the members present having approved the same.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Tolman, it was voted that a messenger be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the composition of the licensing board of the city known as the town of Watertown (see House, No. 4421, amended).

Mr. Tolman was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned to the Senate.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Antonioni) “congratulating Lula Stevens on the occasion of her 100th birthday”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Bernstein) “congratulating Patrick J. Burke on the occasion of his retirement”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Birmingham) “commending Guy A. Santagate”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “congratulating Carol Blute”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Magnani) “congratulating Alma Hutchinson”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Terrence L. Dorsey of Taunton on the occasion of his retirement from the Taunton Police Department”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating the Kiwanis Club of Taunton on 75 years of service to the community”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Arnold Salley of Middleborough on the occasion of being named the Kiwanis Club’s man of the year 2000”; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Resor) “honoring John Fallon.”

Petition.

On motion of Mr. Joyce, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Mr. Joyce (accompanied by bill) of Brian A. Joyce and Walter F. Timilty for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Joseph McMann, an employee of the Trial Court,— **and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bills.

An engrossed Bill appointing the Clerk of the town of Spencer to the Board of Selectmen of the town (see printed in House, No. 5229) (which originated in the House), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having voted in the affirmative, and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

The following engrossed bills (the first 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 Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Relative to certain tobacco manufacturers (see Senate, No. 2157);

Expanding the powers of the licensing authority of the town of Brookline (see House, No. 4512);

Relative to the enterprise fund for the golf course in the town of Brewster (see House, No. 4950);

Relative to school closings in the city of Woburn (see House, No. 4987, amended);

Relative to the terms of certain bonds and notes issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5202); and

Making appropriations for the fiscal year 2000 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 5268).

The following House order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence, to wit:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Local Affairs be granted until Friday, July 7, 2000 the time within which to make its final report on current House documents numbered 5165, 5190, 5191 and 5209, relative to the construction of a water system and sewer system in Lawrence, conveyance of certain conservation land in Hingham, payment of a certain bill in Hanover, and the use of certain conservation land in Mansfield.

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 Cynthia S. Creem, Barbara Gardner, Peter J. Koutoujian, Kay Khan and Ruth B. Balser for legislation relative to extending a lease for a certain building in the city of Newton.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Ms. Creem, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill validating the proceedings of the annual town election in the town of Sherborn (House, No. 5159,— on petition) [Local approval received],— was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Ms. Walsh presented the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Senate be authorized to print as a Senate document a report signed by five Senate members of the committee on Taxation entitled: a “Report of the Joint Committee on Taxation on the Initiative petition of Argeo Paul Cellucci and others for an Act to roll back the state income tax to five percent by the year 2003 (see House, No. 4981) Minority Report”, which was filed in the office of the Clerk of the House on Tuesday, May 2; and be it further ordered that said document shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the Senate to the Secretary of the Commonwealth for the purpose of the voter information materials provided by part IV of the general provisions of Article XLVIII (48) of the Amendments to the Constitution.

After debate, the question on adoption of the order was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at seven minutes past three o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Lees, as follows, to wit (yeas 31 — nays 8):

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.

Bernstein, Robert A.

Berry, Frederick E.

Brewer, Stephen M.

Clancy, Edward J., Jr.

Montigny, Mark C.

Moore, Richard T.

Morrissey, Michael W.

Murray, Therese

Nuciforo, Andrea F., Jr.

Creedon, Robert S., Jr.
Creem, Cynthia Stone
Fargo, Susan C.
Havern, Robert A.
Jacques, Cheryl A.
Jajuga, James P.
Joyce, Brian A.
Lynch, Stephen F.
Magnani, David P.
Melconian, Linda J.
Menard, Joan M.

Pacheco, Marc R.
Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Resor, Pamela
Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Shannon, Charles E.
Tolman, Steven A.
Travaglini, Robert E.
Tucker, Susan C.
Walsh, Marian
Wilkerson, Dianne — 31.

NAYS.

Glodis, Guy W.
Hedlund, Robert L.
Knapik, Michael R.
Lees, Brian P.

Rauschenbach, Henri S.
Sprague, Jo Ann
Tarr, Bruce E.
Tisei, Richard R. — 8.

The yeas and nays having been completed at eleven minutes past three o'clock P.M., the order was adopted. [Note: For copy of printed report, see Senate, No. 2231.]

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill relative to charter schools (Senate, No. 2027, amended),— came from the House 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 House document numbered 5276.

Mr. Travaglini moved that the Senate NON-concur in the House amendment. Pending this motion, Mr. Tolman moved that the matter be laid upon the table; and, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule 24, the motion to lay on the table was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The Senate Bill further regulating the provision of electricity and other services (Senate, No. 2116),— came from the House passed to engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Melconian, and the House amendments were adopted, in concurrence, as corrected by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows:

By adding the following section:

“SECTION 3. Paragraph (1) of section 52A of chapter 63 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out subparagraph (c) and inserting in place thereof the following subparagraph:—

(c) ‘Taxable year’, any fiscal or calendar year or period for which the utility corporation is required to make a return to the federal government. [Note: Original section 3 renumbered as section 4 by House B.T.R.]

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5280) of Paul R. Haley for legislation to authorize the Superintendent of State office Buildings to install a plaque in the State House honoring the Massachusetts members of the U.S.S. LST amphibious landing craft;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5281) of William C. Galvin, Louis L. Kafka, Edward G. Connolly and Thomas M. McGee relative to the abatement of taxes for certain disabled veterans;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Taxation.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Melconian,—

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. Lees, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.
