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UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Monday, September 25, 2000.

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

Distinguished Guest.

The President introduced, seated in the galley, Noel Carey from Dublin, Ireland. During his stay in Massachusetts, Mr. Carey has been working on Cape Cod. He was accompanied by Mrs. Marjorie Bernstein, the mother of Senator Robert A. Bernstein, and was the guest of Senator Bernstein.

Communication.

A communication from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director, Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission, submitting a copy of its actuarial valuation report (received Monday, September 25, 2000),— **was placed on file.**

Report.

A report of Stephen V. Price, Executive Director, Office of Community Corrections (under the provisions of item 0339-1004 of section 2 of Chapter 159 of the Acts of 2000) submitting a copy of its spending and management plan (received Tuesday, September 19, 2000),— **was placed on file.**

Committees Discharged.

Ms. Melconian, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Taxation to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of Senate document numbered 2281, relative to open space in Saugus (Senate, No. 2287),— and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Rules.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to standardizing dental claim forms (printed as Senate, No. 675, changed,— on Senate, No. 675 and House, No. 4789, in part),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

A Bill authorizing the town of Longmeadow to offer a senior discount in the fee charged for the use of the town's recycling center (House, No. 5293,— on petition) [Local approval received],— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Bernstein and Glodis) “commending Edward P. Gardella”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Berry) “congratulating Robert R. Fanning, Jr., on his tenure as chairman of the board of the Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem, Ms. Tucker, Ms. Melconian, Ms. Jacques, Ms. Resor, Mrs. Sprague, Ms. Fargo, Ms. Murray, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Wilkerson and Ms. Menard) “memorializing Congress to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Jacques and Mrs. Sprague) “on the occasion of the Kacey Gaffey and Friends Run-Walk for Life”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Morrissey) “on the occasion of the sixth annual Harriet Quimby Research Conference in the city of Quincy”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Shannon) “congratulating Leon W. “Mickey” Curtin on the occasion of his retirement.”

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Order Adopted.

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 Public Service be granted until Friday, September 29, 2000, the time within which to make its final report on current House document numbered 5410.***

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House), 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:

Establishing the Upper Cape regional water supply cooperative (see House, No. 4596, amended); and

Designating state highway route 213 in Methuen as the Loop Connector (see House, No. 5443, amended).

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered, as follows:

The House Bill relative to zoning by-laws (House, No. 5217),— was read a second time.

Mr. Rosenberg presented an amendment, inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:—

“*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith an alternative procedure for the attorney general to review zoning by-laws, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

The House Bill authorizing a payment in lieu of taxes agreement between the town of Dracut and Nickel Hill Energy, LLC (House, No. 5283),— **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Melconian,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o’clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

On motion of Mrs. Sprague, at twelve minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o’clock A.M.
