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Tuesday, October 5, 1999.

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

Communication.

A communication from the Corporation for Business, Work, and Learning submitting their fiscal year 1999 annual report (received Friday, October 1, 1999),— **was placed on file.**

Reports.

The following reports were severally read and placed on file:

A report of the Department of Economic Development (under the provisions of Section 3C of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitting the annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1999 (received Friday, October 1, 1999); and

A report of the Nantucket Regional Transit Authority (under the provisions of Section 8 of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report (received Monday, October 4, 1999).

A report of the trustees of the Boston Metropolitan District (under the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 383 of the Acts of 1929) submitting its annual report for the year 1998 (Senate, No. 1999) (received Monday, August 30, 1999),— **was read and sent to the House for its information.**

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Ms. Jacques, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cheryl A. Jacques, Scott P. Brown, Barbara C. Hyland, David P. Linsky and other members of the General Court for legislation to authorize the transfer of a certain parcel of land in the Wrentham Developmental Center to the state reclamation and mosquito control board; and

By Mr. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Richard T. Moore and Angelo M. Scaccia for legislation relative to annual service plan filings by health maintenance organizations and certain prescription price disclosures;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lynch, for the committee on Commerce and Labor, on Senate, Nos. 21, 31, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 62, 68, 69, 70, 71, 74, 75, 79, 80, 81, 84, 85, 93, 102, 103, 105, 107, 111, 115, 117, 119, 120, 955 and 1843, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Commerce and Labor to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents (Senate, No. 2010);

Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Nuciforo, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on Senate, No. 8 and House, No. 573, a Bill relative to safety precautions for users of automated teller machines (Senate, No. 2001);
By Mr. Bernstein, for the committee on Insurance, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 732), a Bill prohibiting discrimination in insurance policies (Senate, No. 2004); and
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 644 and House, Nos. 276, 1373, 1574, 1575, 3095 and 4025, a Bill relative to mental health benefits (Senate, No. 2013);
Severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4794) of Cele Hahn and Michael R. Knapik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Westfield be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises to Michael Altobelli d/b/a Westfield Spirit Shop;

To the committee on Government Regulations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4795) of Paul C. Casey, Michael E. Festa and Richard R. Tisei (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Stoneham to grant an easement over certain open space land;

To the committee on Local Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4796) of J. Michael Ruane (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the retirement board of the city of Salem be authorized to grant certain retirement benefits to Marlene F. Soucy, the surviving spouse of Paul L. Soucy, a former custodian for the public schools in said city;

To the committee on Public Service.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Norma Jean Amaral, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4711,— on petition),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill relative to municipal lighting plants (House, No. 4427,— on Senate, No. 395 and House, Nos. 2696 and 3458),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

A report of the committee on Public Safety, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4460) of Nancy Flavin relative to requiring the exchange of certain information at the time of a motor vehicle accident and requiring reports by operators of injuries to passengers, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Insurance,— **was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.**

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Morrissey) "congratulating James Chet' Daiute upon his retirement from the city of Boston fire department."

Recess.

There being no objection, at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the President declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at eleven minutes before five o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, the President in the Chair.

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Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all 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:

Authorizing the town of Dennis to establish a capital improvements fund (see House, No. 4415);

Relative to the charter of the town of Yarmouth (see House, No. 4416); and

Relative to the conservation commission of the town of Weston (see House, No. 4628).

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4799) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo, George N. Peterson, Jr., Carol A. Donovan,

Michael E. Festa and Barbara C. Hyland relative to the annual selection of a teacher of the year by the Board of Education,—
was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tisei,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow 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 ten minutes before five o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.