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# UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Monday, February 8, 1999.

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

#### Communication.

A communication from Senator Richard R. Tisei in compliance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 268A,— was placed on file.

### Petitions.

On motion of Ms. Fargo, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Ms. Fargo (accompanied by bill) of Susan C. Fargo, Jay R. Kaufman, Pamela P. Resor, Robert A. Havern and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to antique and replica weapons,— and the same was referred to the committee on Public Safety. Sent to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Morrissey (by request) presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mary Horrigan for legislation relative to the determination of paternity,— and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

The following petitions (having been presented prior to five o'clock P.M., on Wednesday, December 2, 1998) were referred, as follows:

By Mr. Bernstein, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Robert A. Bernstein for legislation relative to civil service preference of certain members of the family of James R. Coyne, retired from the Worcester Fire Department as a result of injuries;

By Mr. Hedlund, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Robert L. Hedlund for legislation relative to the zoning of child care facilities in the town of Weymouth;

By Mr. Lees, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Brian P. Lees for legislation to authorize the town of Wilbraham to lease the land and improvements known as the Wilbraham Country Club;

By Ms. Melconian, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Linda J. Melconian for legislation relative to retirement authorization for Paul Cavallo;

By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to ratify certain actions of the annual town meeting in the town of Rochester in 1964; and

By Mr. Rauschenbach, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Henri S. Rauschenbach, Thomas N. George and Therese Murray for legislation to authorize the town of Brewster to print separate tax rates for its educational costs and expenses; Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

# Reports 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 James P. Jajuga for legislation to protect consumers in telemarketing solicitation.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Panagiotakos, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Commerce and Labor.

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 Robert S. Creedon, Jr., Christine E. Canavan, Thomas P. Kennedy and Geraldine Creedon for legislation to establish the crime of trespass on a school bus.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Panagiotakos, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Criminal Justice.

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 Steven A. Tolman for legislation relative to notifying animal owners of motor vehicle accidents involving their pets.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Panagiotakos, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Local Affairs. Severally 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 Messrs. Brewer, Bernstein, Glodis and Antonioni) "honoring Paul X. Tivnan for his 45 years of service to the Paxton and Worcester area Little League";

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Jacques and Ms. Fargo, Messrs. Panagiotakos, Clancy, Bernstein, Creedon, Ms. Walsh, Mr. Jajuga, Ms. Murray, Messrs. Lynch, Shannon, Travaglini, Moore, Ms. Creem, Messrs. Havern, Joyce, Rosenberg, Ms. Wilkerson, Messrs. Pacheco, Lees and Nuciforo "memorializing the President of the United States to direct the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission to rescind the order closing the Boston Regional Office";

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Tarr and Rauschenbach) "congratulating Barbara Clementine Harris on the tenth anniversary of her consecration as Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts";

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Wilkerson) "honoring Lil' Williams of Dorchester"; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Wilkerson) "honoring Addie Hamilton of Mattapan."

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Messages were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to improving the operation of the sex offender registry (House, No. 3022);

To the committee on Criminal Justice.

Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to promoting affordable tuition and fee rates in Massachusetts institutions of higher education (House, No. 3023);

To the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities.

Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to improving the public's access to criminal record information (House, No. 3024);

To the committee on the Judiciary.

The following reports were severally referred, in concurrence, to wit:

The annual report of the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (under Sections 21, 102 and 103 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) relative to the percentum change in the average cost-of-living as shown by the United States consumer price index for the year 1998 compared with such index for the year 1997 (House, No. 1000).

To the committee on Public Service.

The biennial report the Commissioner of Revenue (under Section 10C of Chapter 58 of the General Laws) submitting an equalization and apportionment upon the several cities and towns of the amount of property and the proportion of every one thousand dollar of state or county tax which should be assessed upon each city and town (House, No. 1001).

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 Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

On motion of Mr. Knapik, at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.