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Monday, May 15, 2000.

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

Distinguished Guests.

The President introduced the third grade class from the Baker Elementary School in Brookline. The students were accompanied by the Assistant Principal, Joy Sacca, and their teachers, Ms. Nyugen and Ms. Stackhouse. Also accompanying the students was Kathleen Corrigan, a former aide to the Senate President. Kathleen Corrigan's twin sons, Matthew and Patrick, are members of the third grade class.

The President also introduced the fifth grade class from the Maurice A. Donahue School in Holyoke. The students were accompanied by their teacher, Anne Shields. They were the guests of Senators Melconian and Knapik.

Report.

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 1999 (Senate, No. 2184) (received Monday, May 1, 2000),— **was read and sent to the House for its information.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5159) of Cheryl A. Jacques and David P. Linsky (by vote of the town) relative to validating the acts and proceedings of the annual town election in the town of Sherborn on May 9, 2000;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5160) of Carol A. Donovan, Robert A. Havern and Charles E. Shannon (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing the city of Woburn to use certain park land for school purposes;

To the committee on Local Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5161) of Mary Jeanette Murray, Robert L. Hedlund and others (by vote of the town) that the town of Hingham be authorized to provide cost-of-living adjustments to retired employees of said town; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5162) of Ruth W. Provost and Therese Murray (by vote of the town) that the town of

Wareham be authorized to pay funeral and burial expenses of certain employees of said town who are killed in the line of duty;
Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5163) of Peter J. Koutoujian, Ruth B. Balsler, Rachel Kaprielian, Kay Khan, Cynthia S. Creem and another (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) that the city of Newton be authorized to charge fees for the issuance of certain documents by the treasurer-collector of said city;
To the committee on Taxation.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brewer) “congratulating Rene A. Giard”;
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brewer) “in recognition of the one hundredth anniversary of the Templeton Developmental Center”;
and
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Travaglini) “celebrating the one hundred and first anniversary of the Hotel Bellevue.”

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Engrossed Bills.

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 the water and light departments of the town of Templeton (see Senate, No. 2146); and

Relative to the annual observance of Candle Safety Day (see House, No. 5041).

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for an employee of the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office (see House, No. 5040), 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 2 to 0. The bill was signed by the President and sent to the House for enactment.

Orders Adopted.

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

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Commerce and Labor be granted until Friday, May 26, 2000 the time within which to make its final report on current House Bill 5128 for legislation to further regulate the change of liquid fuel heating systems, and House Bill 5129 for legislation to authorize the Attorney General to suspend certain labor laws for minors over the age of sixteen in an emergency.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Local Affairs be granted until Friday, May 19, 2000 within which time to make its final report on Senate document numbered 2168 and House document numbered 5087.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5165) of David M. Torrasi, Susan C. Tucker and Barry R. Finegold (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Lawrence to enter into contracts for the sale or lease and operation and maintenance, financing, repair and replacement, design and construction, and modifications for the water works

system and sewer works system;

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5166) of George N. Peterson, Jr., Richard T. Moore, Ronald W. Gauch, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., David H. Tuttle and Paul K. Frost for legislation to provide immunity from prosecution to owners of relocated shooting ranges for noise pollution violations;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5167) of Robert Correia and Joan M. Menard that the State Retirement Board be authorized to grant certain creditable service to Harvey J. Chopp;

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

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 for legislation relative to the optional retirement program for certain public employees. Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Bernstein, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

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The Senate Bill providing for the annual observance of the month of June as Portuguese-American Month (Senate, No. 2073),— came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with 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 for the annual observance of the month of June as Portuguese-American Month, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Moore, and the House amendment was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Ms. Melconian offered the following order to wit:—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M., and that full consideration shall be allowed by the Senate on the report of the committee on conference, the adoption of the emergency preamble and the enactment of the House Bill providing additional funding for the Central Artery/Tunnel project (House, No. 5104); and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

The order was considered forthwith; and, there being no objection, it was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Knapik, at twelve minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.
