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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Monday, May 17, 1999.

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

### *Petition.*

Mr. Moore presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard T. Moore, the Massachusetts Nurses Association, by Gloria Craven, Cele Hahn, Carol A. Donovan and other members of the General Court for legislation to designate a plaque for Clara Barton,— **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. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, on Senate, Nos. 1223, 1225, 1227, 1241, 1255, 1260, 1261 and 1338, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of various Senate documents relative to disability presumptions and retirement benefits and returning to work (Senate, No. 1790); and By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 235, 1216, 1217, 1265, 1266, 1307, 1339, 1343, 1354, 1362, 1364, 1366, 1367, 1373, 1374, 1379, 1383 and 1388, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of various Senate documents relative to collective bargaining and binding arbitration (Senate, No. 1791); **Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Local Affairs, on petition, a Bill establishing the Scantic Valley Water District (Senate, No. 1724) [Local approval received];

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill promoting the protection of Cider Mill Park in the city of Worcester by approving the conveyance of a conservation restriction to the Greater Worcester Land Trust, Inc. (Senate, No. 1739) [Local approval received]; and

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill exempting the position of deputy chief of police in the town of Milton from the provisions of the civil service laws (printed as House, No. 4143) [Local approval received]; **Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1353) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to permit public disclosure of certain collective bargaining proposals; **Referred, under Senate Rule 36, to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Steering and Policy, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The Senate Bill authorizing the lease of certain parcels of land in the town of Natick (Senate, No. 1785).

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2000 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvement (House, No. 4401, printed as amended, — on House, No. 1, in part),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill relative to the West Boylston Water District (House, No. 4041,— on petition),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4309) of Evelyn G. Chesky, Michael R. Knapik and Walter A. DeFilippi relative to the municipal gas and electric commission of the city of Holyoke;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 7B, to the committee on Local Affairs.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4310) of Anthony J. Verga for legislation to authorize the city of Gloucester to regulate motor vehicle speed limits on all streets and roadways within said city;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 7B, to the committee on Public Safety.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4311) of Anthony J. Verga that the city of Gloucester be authorized to convey certain park land for residential purposes;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 7B, to the committee on State Administration.**

### ***Petition.***

On motion of Mr. Moore, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Ms. Fargo (accompanied by bill) of Susan C. Fargo, John A. Lepper, Linda J. Melconian, Kevin W. Fitzgerald and other members of the General Court for legislation to amend the child support enforcement act of 1998, relative to access to birth certificates,— **and the same was referred to the committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs.**

**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 Mr. Rosenberg) "congratulating Beverly D. Wood upon her retirement as Associate Chancellor for Campus Planning at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Travaglini) "commending eight individuals for 30 years of commitment to providing civil legal assistance to low income residents"; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Walsh) "congratulating David R. Lowry."

### ***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 Frederick E. Berry and Michael P. Cahill for legislation relative to certain retirement benefits.

**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.**

### **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4307) of Rachel Kaprielian and Steven A. Tolman for legislation to designate a certain playground under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission and located in the city known as the town of Watertown as the Pat and Gabriel Farren Playground;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Housing and Urban Development.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4308) of Richard F. McDermott that the State Retirement Board be authorized to allow said Richard F. McDermott to buy back certain retirement benefits;

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

### ***Order Adopted.***

On motion of Ms. Melconian,—

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. Lees, at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

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