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Monday, May 22, 2000.

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

Petition.

Mr. Havern presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. Havern for legislation relative to regulating cost of living increases for retired town employees in the town of Arlington [Local approval received],—and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5184) of Walter A. DeFilippi (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of a special police force in the town of West Springfield,— was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

A report of the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the 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, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety,—was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Panagiotakos) "honoring Greater Lowell EMS";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Panagiotakos) "honoring George N. Tsapatsaris on the occasion of his retirement from the city of Lowell school department";

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Matthew Eamon Colleary of Stoughton upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Patrick Stevenson Colvin of Foxboro upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Scott Donavan of Norton upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Edward F. Turley on the occasion of his retirement";

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Roberta Willard on the occasion of her retirement"; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Tisei) "congratulating Daniel Wesley DeAmicis upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout."

Order Adopted.

Mr. Nuciforo presented the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Banks and Banking be given until Thursday, June 15, 2000, within which to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2202, and current House document numbered 4994.

There being no objection, the order was considered forthwith and adopted.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

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 establishing the month of April as the Commonwealth's public health month (Senate, No. 2190).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

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 House Bill authorizing the Attorney General to suspend certain labor laws in an emergency (House, No. 5172). There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Melconian, and the bill was read a second time. Ms. Melconian and Mr. Lynch offered an amendment, striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— The attorney general may, pursuant to Article XX of Part the First of the Constitution, suspend the application or operation of chapter 149 of the General Laws or any rule or regulation made thereunder which regulates, limits or prohibits the employment of minors over the age of 16, during the following periods: (a) May 26, 2000 to June 21, 2000, inclusive, on Friday and Saturday evenings only; (b) May 25, 2001 to June 21, 2001, inclusive, on Friday and Saturday evenings only; (c) June 21, 2000 to September 4, 2000, inclusive; (d) June 21, 2001 to September 3, 2001, inclusive; (e) September 5, 2000 to October 31, 2000, inclusive, on Friday and Saturday evenings only; and (f) September 4, 2001 to October 31, 2001, inclusive, on Friday and Saturday evenings only.

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.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5186) of Michael L. Beard for legislation to eliminate the foreign language testing requirement from the comprehensive assessment system for public schools;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5187) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and David M. Torrisi (by vote of the town) relative to the taxation of certain real property in the town of North Andover;

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

Adjournment in memory of James G. Mullen, Sr.

Mr. Joyce presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of former Representative James G. Mullen, Sr. Mr. Mullen served as the state representative from Milton from 1959-1966. Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of James G. Mullen, Sr., at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Lees, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at ten o'clock A.M.