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# UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Tuesday, June 15, 1999.

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

#### Reports.

The following reports were severally read and sent to the House for its information: A report of the Bureau of Special Investigations (under the provisions of Section 15D(6) of Chapter 22 of the General Laws) submitting a report of its activities for the month of May, 1999 (received Friday, June 11, 1999); and A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of the MCI-Shirley (received Monday, June 14, 1999).

## Communications.

The following communications were severally placed on file:

Communication from the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting notice of the Secretary's intention to amend 801 CMR 4.02 relative to fees charged by state agencies (received Wednesday, June 9, 1999); and

Communication from Michael J. Ashe, Jr., Sheriff, Hampden County, submitting a plan of action letter in response to the inspection of the Hampden County Sheriff's Office and Correctional Center (received Monday, June 14, 1999).

There being no objection, the Clerk read the following communication:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS SENATE STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1053

June 10, 1999.

Mr. Patrick F. Scanlan Clerk of the Massachusetts Senate Room 335, State House Boston, Massachusetts 02133 Dear Mr. Clerk:

At the time of the roll call vote on Amendment No. 549 to the Fiscal Year 2000 State Budget (House, No. 4401) (relative to a senior volunteer tax credit), I was outside the building and unable to cast a vote at that time. I desire to be recorded in the affirmative and subsequently place said vote in the official Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely, EDWARD J. "CHIP" CLANCY, JR.

On motion of Mr. Shannon, the above statement was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

#### Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Walsh, for the committee on Taxation, on Senate, Nos. 1493, 1512, 1516, 1553, 1555, 1556, 1559, 1560, 1562, 1574, 1587, 1599, 1600, 1602, 1631, 1645, 1655 and 1657, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Taxation to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents, relative to corporate taxation (Senate, No. 1824);

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, Nos. 6, 12 and 19 and House, Nos. 1132, 1133 and 2083, a Bill relative to charges for electronic fund transfers (Senate, No. 19, changed by striking out section 2) (Representative Greene of Billerica dissenting);

Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Magnani, for the Senate committee on Science and Technology, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1397), a Bill relative to insurance and genetic testing and privacy protection (Senate, No. 1825);

Read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.

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

The Senate bills

Relative to exempting boards of health (Senate, No. 1443); and

To enhance procurement expertise (Senate, No. 1449).

## Committee Discharged.

Ms. Melconian, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Order authorizing the joint committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of Senate documents relative to survivor benefits and retirement options (Senate, No. 1817),— and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Rules.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the sex offender registry (House, No. 4387, printed as amended,— on Senate, Nos. 136, 147, 159, and 202 and House, Nos. 1520, 2482, 3022, 3035, 3216, 3217, 3622 and 3628,— was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill validating a certain vote passed by the town of Westborough (printed in House, No. 4393,—being a message from His Excellency the Governor),—was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.

Bills

Authorizing the city of Boston to convey certain land to the Boston Housing Authority (House, No. 4218,— on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Establishing the office of treasurer-collector in the town of Westborough (House, No. 4235,— on petition) [Local approval received];

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to certain capital spending and bonded debt of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4397),—was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Transportation.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4423) of Shaun P. Kelly and Stanley C. Rosenberg relative to the election of town officials in the town of Shelburne,— was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 7B, to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4414) of Theodore C. Speliotis and Frederick E. Berry (by vote of the town) that the town of Danvers be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises; **To the committee on Government Regulations.** 

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4415) of Thomas N. George (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Dennis to establish a capital improvements fund; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4416) of Thomas N. George (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the charter of the town of Yarmouth relative to the appointment of department heads and division heads;

## Severally to the committee on Local Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4417) of Cele Hahn and Michael R. Knapik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Westfield to regulate motor vehicle speed limits on all streets and roadways within said city;

#### To the committee on Public Safety.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4418) of Ronald Mariano and Robert L. Hedlund (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Weymouth to classify the positions of harbor master and dog officer under Group 4 of the contributory retirement system;

#### To the committee on Public Service.

#### Reports

Of the committee on Insurance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1967) of Louis L. Kafka relative to the health insurance of children of divorced parents, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary,—was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

Of the committee on State Administration, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the message from His Excellency the Governor (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4185) recommending legislation relative to compliance with life safety codes, remediation of environmental hazards, and the preservation and management of the Commonwealth's real property assets,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on House Long-Term Debt and Capital Expenditures. Of the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1775) of Robert A. DeLeo and other members of the General Court relative to the infiltration/inflow treatment facilities of the Water Resources Authority located at Deer Island and Nut Island; and Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3534) of Ronald Mariano for legislation to increase funding for the Commonwealth Sewer Rate Relief Fund;

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Ways and Means.

Were severally considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence, insomuch as relates to the discharge of the joint committees.

## Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brewer) "congratulating the town of Barre on the occasion of the two hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of its incorporation";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hedlund) "congratulating Eugene Cavanaugh";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Magnani) "recognizing James Carlin";

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Murray) "on the occasion of the Wareham Council on Aging Volunteer Recognition Day";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Joseph E. Fernandes";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco "congratulating Joseph Paul Bedard upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Christon John Riendeau upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating John E. MacLaine of Foxboro upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle

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Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Eric J. Slater of Foxboro upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) "congratulating Ryan C. Slater of Foxboro upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Walsh) "congratulating Gary D. Wilson, Jr., on the occasion of his Court of Honor."

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 239) of Robert L. Hedlund, Brian P. Lees, Richard R. Tisei, Michael R. Knapik and other members of the General Court for legislation to require the teaching of certain historical documents in public elementary and high school history and civic classes,— came from the House with the endorsement that the House had accepted the report of the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities asking to be discharged from further consideration and recommending that the petition be referred to the committee on Public Service.

The report was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and the Senate NON-concurred in the discharge of the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities.

Sent to the House for its action.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4421) of Rachel Kaprielian (by vote of the town council) relative to the composition of the licensing board of the city known as the town of Watertown;

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4422) of Emile J. Goguen and Brian Knuuttila that the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey certain land to the city of Fitchburg for the widening of North Street in said city;

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

# Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rosenberg, 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 to increase accessibility at polling places.

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

By Mr. Rosenberg, 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 (by vote of the town council) for legislation relative to salaries of Watertown town councillors [Local approval received].

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Brewer, 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.

# Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Travaglini,-

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. Tarr, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.