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Thursday, June 15, 2000.

Met at seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Melconian in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on State Administration, on Senate, No. 2219 and House, No. 5182, a Bill providing for the disposition of certain surplus waterworks facilities of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority and the Metropolitan District Commission located in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 2219);

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill establishing a land bank fund in the town of Mendon (House, No. 5125,— on petition) [Local approval received],— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5244) of Nancy Flavin and Michael R. Knapik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the licensing authority of the city of Easthampton be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to The Log Cabin Banquet & Meeting House, Inc.,— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Government Regulations.**

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Creedon) “congratulating Kenneth Robert Johnson on the occasion of his retirement.”

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Rosenberg, for the committee on Rules, to whom was referred the communication from the Counsel to the Senate and the Counsel to the House of Representatives submitting (under the authority of section 53 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) proposed legislation making certain corrective changes in certain general and special laws (printed in Senate, No. 2212), reported recommending that the bill accompanying said communication ought to pass.

The bill was read. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Moore, 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.

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered, as follows:

The House Bill authorizing the town of Chelmsford to convey an easement in certain conservation land (House, No. 5043),— **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The House Bill relative to the contributory retirement system for public employees (House, No. 5110),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5248) of Gerald S. Doyle, Jr. (mayor), Peter J. Larkin, Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., and others (with the approval of the city council) for legislation to establish the Pittsfield civic authority,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Local Affairs.**

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 Jo Ann Sprague and Scott P. Brown for legislation to provide job preference at the Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Cedar Junction, to residents of the town of Walpole.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Ms. Resor, 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.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to enter into a contract with the New England Center for Children, Inc. (see House, No. 5023, amended) (which originated in the House), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed by the Acting President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rosenberg,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill including the West Groton Mill within the Ayer economic target area and the economic opportunity area (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4620) (which originated in the House), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having voted in the affirmative, and it was signed by the Acting President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill providing for an accelerated transportation development and improvement program for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (see House, No. 4865, amended), 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 3 to 0.**

The bill was signed by the Acting President and sent to the House for enactment.
