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# UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Monday, August 7, 2000.

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

#### Reports.

The following reports were severally read and placed on file:

A report of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 86 of the Acts of 2000) submitting its quarterly status report on the Central Artery/Tunnel Project (received Tuesday, August 1, 2000); and

A report of the Commission on Judicial Conduct (under the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 211C of the General Laws) submitting its annual report (received Wednesday, August 2, 2000).

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain easements in the towns of Groton and Pepperell (House, No. 5219,— on petition),— was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill authorizing the town of Mansfield to use certain conservation land for road and bridge purposes (printed in House, No. 5209,—being a message from His Excellency the Governor),— was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.

# Bill Previously Recalled from the Governor

## Laid Before the Senate.

The engrossed Bill relative to the charter of the town of Walpole (see Senate, No. 2062) which, at a previous session, had been returned by His Excellency the Governor, at the request of the Senate,—was laid before the Senate.

There being no objection, on motion of Mr. Knapik, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule 49 was suspended.

Mrs. Sprague presented an amendment in section 2, by striking out the words "said Article I" and inserting in place thereof the following words:— "Article III".

The amendment was adopted.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Engrossed Bill — Amended.

An engrossed Bill relative to Health Alliance and Burbank Hospital (see House, No. 5194) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage,— was laid before the Senate. On motion of Ms. Fargo, Senate Rule 49 was suspended.

Mr. Antonioni presented an amendment by 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 studying the feasibility of a full-service emergency room at Burbank Hospital, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and convenience."

The amendment was adopted.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to needlestick injury prevention (see House, No. 5394) (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 President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

## Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Melconian,-

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

On motion of Mr. Knapik, at seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.