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Monday, August 30, 1999.

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

Engrossed Bill — Laid Before the Governor.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 1999 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 4706, amended) (which originated in the House) (having been passed to be enacted by the Senate and signed by the Acting President on Thursday, August 26, 1999),— was laid before the Governor for his approbation on Friday, August 27, 1999.

Communication.

A communication from the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 48 of the Acts of 1997) relative to the costs being absorbed by the Commonwealth for the former Essex County (received Monday, August 30, 1999),— was placed on file.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Antonioni, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. Antonioni for legislation relative to temporary certification of teachers holding valid teaching certificates from other states; and

By the same Senator, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. Antonioni for legislation relative to the Board of Education's competency determination for tenth graders;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Clancy, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Senate Bill relative to a special commission to develop 401(k) plans for small businesses (Senate, No. 1961),—ought to pass;

Referred, under Senate Rule 27, to the committees on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Local Affairs, on petition, a Bill validating the authorization of certain bonds by the Holmes Park Water District (Westminster) (Senate, No. 1969, changed in line 5 by striking the figure "\$110,000" and inserting in place thereof the figure "\$143,000");

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

Further regulating the billboards in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 1967); and

Authorizing school committees to award diplomas to veterans of World War II (Senate, No. 1972).

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 relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of various Senate documents relative to Group 4 of the retirement system (Senate, No. 1797); and

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing and directing the joint committee on Education, Arts and Humanities to make an investigation and study of current Senate and House documents relative to various education matters (Senate, No. 1971); And recommending that the same severally be referred to the Senate committee on Rules.

Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were severally considered forthwith and accepted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to town meetings in the town of Burlington (see House, No. 4430) (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.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4716) of Francis L. Marini, Ronald W. Gauch, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., George N. Peterson, Jr., and Mary S. Rogeness for legislation to establish a board of registration of home improvement contractors within the Division of Registration,— was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Government Regulations.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—Resolutions (filed by Mr. Creedon) "in honor of those held as prisoners of war and of those missing in action"; and Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) "commemorating the Suffolk Resolves."

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Clancy, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Steven C. Panagiotakos and Thomas A. Golden, Jr., for legislation relative to city or town zoning ordinances or by-laws to allow a facility to be used as a community-based human service facility.

Senate Rule 36 as 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 Local Affairs.

By Mr. Clancy, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Richard R. Tisei, Christopher G. Fallon, Anthony P. Giglio, Kathi-Anne Reinstein and Edward G. Connolly for legislation to direct the Armory Commission and the Commonwealth to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Malden. Senate Rule 36 as 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 State Administration. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Sprague,—

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. Tisei, at five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.