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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Thursday, September 7, 2000.

Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M.

### *Communications.*

The following communications were severally placed on file

Communication from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 8 of Chapter 34B of the General Laws) submitting a revised amortization schedule for the former Berkshire County (received Friday, September 1, 2000);

Communication from Matthew J. Amorello, Commissioner, Massachusetts Highway Department, listing contracts to be fully or partially funded from account 6033-9900, as required by said item, contained in Section 2F of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1999 (a copy having been forwarded to the chairman of the committee on Ways and Means and the Senate chair of the committee on Transportation) (received Friday, September 1, 2000);

Communication from the office of Thomas M. Hodgson, Sheriff of Bristol County, submitting a recently executed bargaining agreement between the Bristol County Sheriff's Office and NAGE Local RI-163 (received Friday, September 1, 2000); and

Communication from Wonderland Greyhound Park, Inc. (under the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 128C of the General Laws) submitting copies of simulcasting contracts (received Tuesday, September 5, 2000).

### *Reports.*

The following reports were severally read and placed on file:

A report of the Division of Employment and Training (under the provisions of Chapter 233 of the Acts of 1983) submitting its quarterly reports on the condition of the Commonwealth's unemployment insurance trust fund (received Thursday, August 24, 2000);

A report of the Boston University/Chelsea Partnership (under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 1989) submitting their year 2000 report (received Friday, September 1, 2000);

A report of the Massachusetts Capital Resources Company (under the provisions of Section 12 of chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) relative to its current status (received Friday, September 1, 2000); and

A report of the special commission on oral health (as authorized section 42 of Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1997 and by Chapter 201 of the Acts of 2000) relative to its findings and recommendations (received Wednesday, September 6, 2000).

### *Petition.*

Mr. Antonioni presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. Antonioni and Brian Knuuttila for legislation relative to including Ashburnham in the territorial jurisdiction of the Winchendon district court,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

### *Order.*

Ms. Fargo presented an Order relative to establishing a special committee to study the effectiveness and impact of the act relative to job retention and economic expansion in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2285),— **and the same was referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

### *Reports of a Committee.*

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 House bills

Designating certain bridges in the town of Westport and the town of Natick (House, No. 4812, amended); and

Designating a certain causeway connecting the town of Westport and Goosebury Island as the Thomas Edward Pettey Causeway (House, No. 5111).

### **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

A Bill relative to the filing deadline for property tax appeals (House, No. 4958,— on petition),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

A Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages in the town of Belmont (House, No. 5369,— on petition) [Local approval received],— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

### *Bill Recalled from the Governor.*

On motion of Mr. Tarr, it was voted that a messenger be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the charter of the town of Sutton (see Senate, No. 2108).

**Mr. Tarr was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned to the Senate.**

### *Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Berry) “honoring Robert R. Fanning, Jr.”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Birmingham and Ms. Wilkerson) “honoring the celebration of 272nd Field Artillery Battalion”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Herb Lemon upon his retirement from The United States Department of Justice after 30 years of dedicated service”; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Wilkerson) “honoring Bishop Vashti McKenzie.”

### **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

#### **Engrossed Bills.**

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Relative to certain sewer betterments in the city of Gloucester (see Senate, No. 2204, amended);

Authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of New Braintree in the town of New Braintree (see Senate, No. 2250);

Relative to gifts of personal property to municipalities (see House, No. 824, amended);

Authorizing the town of Kingston to acquire certain land in the town of Pembroke (see House, No. 4190); and

Authorizing the town of Kingston to accept certain streets (see House, No. 4448).

***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 bills

Relative to cost of living adjustments to retirees in the town of Hingham (House, No. 5161);

Authorizing the town of Mashpee to hold a fall annual town meeting (House, No. 5197); and

Authorizing the town of Walpole to issue two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5251);

**Were severally read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

***Order Adopted.***

On motion of Ms. Melconian,—

*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.

On motion of Mr. Bernstein, at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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