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# UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Tuesday, October 12, 1999.

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

## Communications.

A communication from Michael J. Ashe, Jr., Sheriff of Hampden County submitting a response of corrective action to an inspection conducted by the Department of Public Health (received Friday, October 1, 1999),— was placed on file.

A communication from Mark P. Smith, Executive Director of the Water Resources Commission submitting a copy of its decision regarding the town of Stoughton's application for an interbasin transfer of water (received Friday, October 8, 1999),— was read and sent to the House for its information.

# Report.

A report of the Massachusetts Technology Development Corporation (under Section 6 of Chapter 40G of the General Laws) submitting their annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999 (received Thursday, September 23, 1999),— was placed on file.

## Petition.

Ms. Melconian presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2018) of Linda J. Melconian and Daniel F. Keenan (with the approval of the mayor and town council) for legislation to provide for the layout and acceptance of certain ways by the city known as the town of Agawam,— and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Local Affairs.

## Sent to the House for concurrence.

## Committees 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 the Judiciary to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents (Senate, No. 2002);

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Banks and Banking to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current House documents (Senate, No. 2003);

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Government Regulations 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 licensure (Senate, No. 2009);

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Commerce and Labor to sit during the recess of the General

Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents (Senate, No. 2010); and Of the Senate 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 Senate document numbered 1991, relative to income tax (Senate, No. 2012); 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.

#### Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:— Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem) "honoring Myrtle Baptist Church on the occasion of its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary celebration."

## Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered, as follows: The House Bill relative to the composition of the licensing board of the city known as the town of Watertown (House, No. 4421),—was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

An amendment, presented by Mr. Tolman, in section 1, by striking out the fourth and fifth sentences (as printed) and inserting in place thereof the following three sentences:— "Members shall be appointed in accordance with section 4 of chapter 138 of the General Laws and shall serve for terms of three years or until their successors are appointed and qualified. The town manager shall also appoint one alternate member, subject to the approval of the town council as provided in the Watertown home rule charter. The alternate member shall have been a resident of the town for at least two years immediately preceding appointment and shall be appointed without regard to party enrollment.",— was considered; and it was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

### Papers from the House.

## Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to the number of trustees of Williams College (see House, No. 4710) (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.

## 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 Robert A. Antonioni for legislation to authorize Fitchburg State College to construct a college arts center in the city of Fitchburg.

Senate Rule 36 was 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 Education, Arts and Humanities.

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 Charles E. Shannon for legislation relative to telephone company fees for elevator emergency telephone use. Senate rule 36 was 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 Government Regulations. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

## Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brewer,—

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