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Wednesday, December 29, 1999.

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

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

Relative to the intergovernmental agreement between the town of Millbury, the city of Worcester and the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (House, No. 3520); and

Repealing the law authorizing the town of Holbrook to establish a betterment reserve fund (printed in House, No. 4887).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4941) of Paul K. Frost and Guy W. Glodis (by vote of the town) relative to betterment assessments for sewerage facilities in the town of Millbury,— was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

Bills

Relative to business loans (House, No. 2470,- on petition); and

Relative to deceased depositors (House, No. 4586,- on House, No. 1509);

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.

Bills

Establishing a special revenue fund for the town of Monson for the purpose of acquiring open space and recreation land (House, No. 4148,— on petition) [Local approval received];

Authorizing the city of Westfield to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4794,— on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Relative to the number of licenses for the sale of wines and malts in the city of Somerville (House, No. 4885,— on petition) [Local approval received];

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill making appropriations to fund a collective bargaining agreement between the Commonwealth and the State Police Association of Massachusetts (Unit 5A) and to fund certain increased compensation costs for state police senior officers (printed in House, No. 4855),— ought to pass (Estimated cost — \$4,456,000);

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, in concurrence.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill making appropriations to fund collective bargaining agreements between the University of Massachusetts and National Association of Government Employees Local R1-233 and between the University of Massachusetts and National Association of Government Employees Local R1-245, and to fund certain other collective bargaining costs (printed in House, No. 4908),— ought to pass (Estimated cost — \$908,000);

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Bernstein, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed to read as follows: "An Act making appropriations to fund collective bargaining agreements between the University of Massachusetts and the National Association of Government Employees Local R1-233 and between the University of Massachusetts and the National Association of Government Employees Local R1-245 and to fund certain other collective bargaining costs".

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill making appropriations to fund a collective bargaining agreement between the Commonwealth and the Massachusetts Organization of State Engineers and Scientists (Unit 9) (printed in House, No. 4909),— ought to pass (Estimated cost — \$2,030,000);

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Melconian, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

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 election of town officials in the town of Shelburne (House, No. 4423),— was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

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Orders Adopted.

The following House orders (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence, to wit:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs be granted until Friday, December 31, 1999, the time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 2703, 2710 and 3272, relative to municipal recreation programs and the care and protection of children.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, December 31, 1999 the time within which to report on current House documents numbered 4858, 4859 and 4886.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4948) of Jean Perreault relative to establishing an adoption unit within the Department of Social Services,— was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

Recess.

There being no objection, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the President declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at sixteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate reassembled, the President in the Chair.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), 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:

Making appropriations to fund a collective bargaining agreement between the Commonwealth and the State Police Association of Massachusetts (Unit 5A) and to fund certain increased compensation costs for state police senior officers (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4855);

Making appropriations to fund collective bargaining agreements between the University of Massachusetts and the National Association of Government Employees Local R1-233 and between the University of Massachusetts and the National Association of Government Employees Local R1-245 and to fund certain other collective bargaining costs (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4908); and

Making appropriations to fund a collective bargaining agreement between the Commonwealth and the Massachusetts Organization of State Engineers and Scientists (Unit 9) (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4909).

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. Tisei, at fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.