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Monday, May 6, 2002.

Met at seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Melconian in the Chair).

Communications.

A communication from the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (under the provisions of Section 20 of Chapter 21A of the General Laws) relative to the Environmental Joint Powers Agreement (Senate, No. 3) (received Monday, May 6, 2002),— **was referred to the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The following communications were severally placed on file:

Communication from the Commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance submitting (under Section 40K of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) a copy of the Massachusetts Real Property Report for the fiscal year 2002 (received Friday, May 3, 2002);

Communication from Wonderland Greyhound Park, Inc. (under the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 128C of the General Laws) submitting copies of simulcasting contracts entered into by Wonderland (received Tuesday, April 30, 2002);

Communication from the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) submitting a copy of the Actuarial Valuation Report for the State Employees Retirement System, as of January 1, 2002 (received Friday, April 26, 2002);

Communication from the Division of Professional Licensure (under the provisions of Section 469 of Chapter 149 of the Acts of 2000) submitting an updated version of the

report of the special commission on complementary and alternative medical practitioners (received Wednesday, May 1, 2002);

Communication from the Department of Transitional Assistance (under item 4408-1000 of Section 2 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2001) submitting a determination by the Secretary of Health and Human Services that available appropriations for certain programs administered by said department will be insufficient to meet projected expenses (received Friday, April 19, 2002);

Communication from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (under the provisions of Section 12(i) of Chapter 81A of the General Laws) submitting the cost/schedule status of the Central Artery/Tunnel Project in compliance with a partnership agreement with the Federal Highway Administration (received Wednesday, April 17, 2002);

Communication from the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Highway Department submitting a report (filed pursuant to item 6010-1000 of Section 2 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2001) relative to detailing projects funded through the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Chapter 90 expenditures, quarterly capital payroll expenditures and listing of personnel classifications (received Tuesday, April 30, 2002);

Communication from the Assistant Superintendent of the Western Massachusetts Correctional Alcohol Center relative to a plan of correction in response to an inspection of said facility (received Monday, April 8, 2002);

Communication from the Sheriff of Hampshire County in response to the deficiencies cited in the report on the condition of the Hampshire County Jail (received Tuesday, April 16, 2002); 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 entered into by Wonderland (received Friday, April 12, 2002).

Quarterly Report.

Quarterly report of the Massachusetts Convention Center (under Section 5(1) of Chapter 152 of the Acts of 1997) relative to contracts regarding the Boston Convention Center and Exhibition Center project entered into by said authority (received Friday, April 26, 2002),— **was placed on file.**

Reports.

The following reports were severally read and sent to the House for its information:

A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of Berkshire County HOV and Jail Facility (received Wednesday, May 1, 2002);

A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to an inspection of the Hampden County Correctional Facility (received Wednesday, May 1, 2002);

A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to an inspection of the Plymouth County Correction Facility (received Wednesday, April 17, 2002);

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the enhancement of revenues in the Commonwealth (House, No. 5054,— on Senate, No. 1703),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Menard, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Stephen M. Brewer, Mark C. Montigny, Brian P. Lees, Stanley C. Rosenberg and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a missing child prompt response and notification plan. **Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Safety.**

By Ms. Menard, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Stephen M. Brewer and John J. Binienda for legislation to authorize payroll deductions for certain contributions to the State Police Museum Fund. **Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.**

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5064) of Thomas N. George relative to the granting of furloughs to committed offenders for the purpose of attending certain funerals;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5065) of Thomas N. George, Scott P. Brown and Philip Travis relative to the protection of certain real estate from the removal of minerals;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rosenberg) “commending Safe Passage on the occasion of its twenty-fifth anniversary.”

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 authorizing the town of Amherst to acquire easements for the construction of sewerage pumping stations and related facilities (House, No. 4462) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Knapik,—

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. Tarr, at ten minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o’clock A.M.
