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Thursday, September 12, 2002.

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

Petition.

Mr. Joyce presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian A. Joyce, Elyse Boyle, Michael W. Morrissey and Robert S. Creedon, Jr. for legislation to impose civil liability on persons who provide alcohol to minors,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5328) of Garrett J. Bradley and Robert L. Hedlund (by vote of the town) that the town of Hingham be authorized to issue certain pension obligation bonds,— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.**

Bills

Relative to the Nantucket Islands Land Bank (House, No. 3659,— on petition) and

Relative to the payment of betterment assessments (House, No. 3835,— on petition);

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

A Bill relative to the terms of certain bonds and notes to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 5311,— being a message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor),— was read.

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

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Baddour) “commending Chief Bruce A. MacDougall of the Methuen Police Department on the occasion of his retirement”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Berry) “on the occasion of the retirement of Dr. William C. Madaus”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Chandler and Mr. Glodis) “commemorating the anniversary celebration of the Worcester Centrum Centre Arena and Convention Complex”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fargo) “commending Mary E. St. Hilaire for 30 years of distinguished service as the Chelmsford Town Clerk”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Murray) “on the occasion of National Alcohol and Drug Addition Recovery Month”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Avis T. and Edward L. Cayton, Sr. on the occasion of their sixtieth wedding anniversary”; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Resor) “on the occasion of State Barbecue Championship Day in Massachusetts.”

Petition.

On motion of Mr. Tisei, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Mr. Moore (accompanied by bill) of Richard T. Moore, Bruce E. Tarr, Robert A. Havern, Joan M. Menard and other members of the General Court for legislation to protect Medicaid access to prescription medications,— **and the same was referred to the committee on Health Care.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Report 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 for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Myrna Lison, an employee of the Department of Mental Retardation.

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mrs. Sprague, 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.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5333) of Maryanne Lewis and James M. Murphy for legislation to authorize the Trial Court Department to establish a sick leave bank for Kevin J. Welch, an employee of the Boston Municipal Court,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.**

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all 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 Acting President and laid before the Acting Governor for her approbation, to wit:

Establishing a board of public works and a department of public works in the city of Northampton (see Senate, No. 2172);

Relative to the inspection, registration, construction and reconstruction of dams (see Senate, No. 2269, amended); and

Authorizing the city of Revere to pay the funeral and burial expenses of Patrolman James Hitaffer (see Senate, No. 2369).

Recess.

At twelve minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Chair (Ms. Melconian) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at twenty-one minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate reassembled, Ms. Melconian in the Chair.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the city of Boston voting equipment (printed in House, No. 5331,— being a message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor),— was read.

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

A Bill relative to certain housing in the town of North Andover (printed in House, No. 5332,— being a message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor),— was read.

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

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the terms of certain bonds and notes to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5311), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,— was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.

The bill was signed by the Acting President and sent to the House for enactment.

Recess.

At nineteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Chair (Ms. Melconian) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at twenty minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Senate reassembled, Ms. Melconian in the Chair.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bills.

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An engrossed Bill relative to the city of Boston voting equipment (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5331) (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, two-thirds of the members present having voted in the affirmative, and it was signed by the Acting President and laid before the Acting Governor for her approbation.**

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Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tisei,—

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 twenty-two minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.