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## **UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.**



Monday, January 28, 2002.

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

### ***Reports.***

The following reports were severally read and placed on file:

A report of the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (under the provisions of Section 21(3)(f) of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) relative to the cost of living adjustments for retirees and beneficiaries (received Thursday, January 17, 2002);

A report of the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (under the provisions of Section 5(1) of Chapter 152 of the Acts of 1997) relative to all contracts regarding the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center Project entered into by said authority (received Friday, January 18, 2002); and

A report of the Attorney General (under the provisions of Section 99R of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) relative to warrants sought for wire and oral communications (received Tuesday, January 22, 2002).

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

A report of the Bureau of Special Investigations (under the provisions of Section 11(8) of Chapter 14 of the General Laws) submitting its report for the month of December, 2001 (received Friday, January 18, 2002); and

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 the Bridgewater Complex Kitchen (received Friday, January 18, 2002).

### *Petition.*

Mr. O’Leary presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. O’Leary, Therese Murray, Demetrius J. Atsalis, Shirley Gomes and other members of the General Court for legislation to authorize Barnstable County to make loans for the repair, replacement and upgrade of septic systems,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

### *Reports of Committees.*

Ms. Menard, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to dairy farming in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2182),— ought to pass;

**Referred, under Senate Rule 27, to the committee on Ways and Means.**

By Mr. Pacheco, for the committee on Commerce and Labor, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 108), a Bill relative to consumers and workers (Senate, No. 2231);

**Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

Ms. Resor, 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 voter registration certificates (House, No. 430);

Relative to credit counseling services (House, No. 579); and

Relative to assistant town clerks in certain towns (House, No. 3151);

### *Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) “congratulating Joseph Michael Almeda of Walpole upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Sprague) “congratulating Matthew Christopher Almeda of Walpole upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

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

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4876) of Thomas J. O'Brien and other members of the General Court relative to imposing a moratorium on the granting of charters for charter schools in the Commonwealth;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education, Arts and Humanities.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4877) of Patricia A. Walrath and Robert A. Antonioni relative to the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor setting apart March 7 as Luther Burbank Day;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration.**

### *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 Senate Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Sharon as the Lance Corporal Daniel J. Dabreu Memorial Bridge (Senate, No. 2190),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

### *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, Michael J. Rodrigues, George N. Peterson, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation to further define loaded shotgun and loaded rifle.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, 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 Linda J. Melconian, Cheryl A. Rivera, Gale D. Candaras, Benjamin Swan and other members of the General Court for legislation to designate the Western Massachusetts Visitor Information Center as the William C. Sullivan Visitor Information Center.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

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 Linda J. Melconian, Brian P. Lees, Steven A. Tolman, Stephen M. Brewer and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to commemorating September 11th as a day of remembrance.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was**

**considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

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 Stanley C. Rosenberg and Nancy Flavin for legislation to release certain land in Hadley from the operation of an agricultural preservation restriction.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

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 Stanley C. Rosenberg and Nancy Flavin for legislation to release certain land in Hadley from the operation of an agricultural preservation restriction.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

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 Stanley C. Rosenberg and Stephen Kulik for legislation to release certain land in Deerfield from the operation of an agricultural preservation restriction.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

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 Stanley C. Rosenberg for legislation to release certain land in Hatfield from the operation of an agricultural preservation restriction.

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Baddour, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration.**

**Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

***Order Adopted.***

On motion of Ms. Melconian,—

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Wednesday 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. Hedlund, at five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.

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