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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



Monday, October 1, 2001.

Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M.

### ***Distinguished Guests.***

There being no objection, the President introduced, seated at the rear of the Chamber, Ms. Katerie Walsh and Ms. Judy Demos. Ms. Walsh is the head of the Springfield Women's Commission and a member of the statewide commission on the status of women. They were the guests of Senator Melconian.

### ***Communications.***

A communication from Thomas F. Birmingham, President of the Senate, announcing the appointment of the Senator from Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Mr. Brewer, to the fourteenth position on the Senate committee on Ways and Means to fill an existing vacancy. The membership of the committee is as follows: Senators Montigny of Bristol, Berry of Essex, Shannon of Middlesex, Magnani of Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester, Jacques of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex, Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex, Murray of Plymouth and Barnstable, Clancy of Essex, Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Wilkerson of Suffolk, Nuciforo of Berkshire, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Lynch of Suffolk, Pacheco of Plymouth and Bristol, Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire, Sprague of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth and Tisei of Middlesex.

A communication was received from the President announcing that the Senator from Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester, Mr. Magnani, has resigned (at his request) as a Senate delegate to the New England Board of Higher Education (established pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 589 of the Acts of 1954) and that Senator Robert A. Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex is appointed in his stead.

### ***Petitions.***

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Stephen M. Brewer and Charles Holtz for legislation to authorize the private taping of elected officials;

By the same Senator, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Stephen M. Brewer, Reed V. Hillman and Thomas M. Petrolati for legislation relative to retirement buy-back provisions for certain employees of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst; and

By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to provide for a civil service examination for the position of assistant deputy superintendent in the Department of Correction;  
**Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

## *Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Murray, for the committee on Insurance, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2087), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Insurance to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document numbered 2087, relative to insurance coverage in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2129);

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, on Senate Nos. 1223, 1302, 1306, 1340, 1364, 1405, 1426, 1427, 1428, 1429, 1430, 1432, 1463, 1487, 1494, 1508, 1519, 1525, 1527, 1822, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2069, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to public employment retirement (Senate, No 2127) [Local approval received on Senate, Nos. 1822, 2012, 2015 and 2020]; and

By Ms. Walsh, for the committee on Taxation, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1895), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Taxation to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document numbered 1895, relative to farm viability (Senate, No. 2128);

**Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill relative to eligibility for state group health insurance (Senate, No. 1425); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommitted petition, a Bill relative to police officers injured in the line of duty (Senate, No. 1811);

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

Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Steering and Policy, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

### **The House bills**

Providing for the annual observance of safe schools week (House, No. 2983);

Validating the action taken at the annual town election held in the town of Duxbury (printed in House, No. 4492); and

The Senate report of the committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 671) of Robert L. Hedlund, Brian P. Lees, Bruce E. Tarr and Michael R. Knapik for legislation to require the Department of Social Services to provide notice to foster parents of court proceedings affecting foster children.

## *Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Public Service, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1325) of Robert S. Creedon, Jr. and Brian A. Joyce for legislation relative to the salaries of chief court officers and first assistant court officers of the Trial Court; and

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1470) of Stanley C. Rosenberg for legislation to provide creditable service for Joseph A. Quinlan;

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means.

**Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were severally considered forthwith and accepted.**

**Severally sent to the House for concurrence in the discharge of the joint committee.**

## **PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

A Bill relative to exchange of interests in land located in the town of Hingham and for an improved waterfront park and improved access to water transportation facilities (House, No 4102, amended,- on Senate, No. 1549),- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill designating the conference room in the Everett Allied Rink as the Michael V. Fonzi Memorial Room (House, No. 4269,- on petition),- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

A Bill authorizing the town of Reading to establish an affordable housing trust fund (House, No. 4235,- on petition) [Local approval received],- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

### ***Resolutions.***

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Lees and Ms. Jacques) "commending the participants in the October 4, 2001 Interfaith Vigil Against Hate";

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Morrissey and Shannon) "honoring Lou Stifano for his contributions to the plumbing industry in Massachusetts";

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Murray) "congratulating Dennis R. Smith"; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Tolman and Ms. Fargo) "honoring J. Lee Gould."

### ***Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.***

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered, as follows:

The House Bill relative to the charter of the city known as the town of Watertown (House, No. 4478),- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The Senate Bill designating a portion of the Blackstone River and Canal Heritage Park as the Honorable William A. L. Bazeley Memorial Recreation Area (Senate, No. 1089) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

#### **Sent to the House for concurrence.**

The House Bill authorizing the conservation commission of the town of Dennis to establish fees for the employment of consultants (House, No. 4188),- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The House Bill authorizing the town of Hingham to convey certain conservation land (House, No. 4201),- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

### **PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.**

#### ***Engrossed Bill.***

An engrossed Bill providing requirements for appointment of the chief of police of the city of Revere (see Senate, No. 1886) (which originated in the Senate), **having been certified by the Assistant Clerk, Acting 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 Acting Governor for her approbation.**

#### ***Order Adopted.***

On motion of Ms. Melconian,-

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

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