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Wednesday, October 17, 2001.

Met at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair).

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Stephen M. Brewer and Mary S. Rogeness for legislation relative to retirement benefits for David Burgess; and

By Ms. Creem, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia S. Creem, Frank I. Smizik and Gregory L. Holmes, M.D., for legislation to establish and encourage donations to the Massachusetts Epilepsy Research Fund;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

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 Senate Bill authorizing the Superintendent of State Office Buildings to install and maintain plaques commemorating the Commonwealth's 236 Congressional Medal of Honor winners (Senate, No. 1894); and

The House Bill relative to the signing of death certificates (House, No. 1005).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4660) of Colleen M. Garry and Steven C. Panagiotakos (by vote of the town) that the licensing authority of the town of Tyngsborough be authorized to issue two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises;

To the committee on Government Regulations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4650) of Peter J. Larkin, Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., and Shaun P. Kelly (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to exempting certain positions in the city of Pittsfield from provisions of the civil service law; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4651) of Benjamin Swan, Paul E. Caron, Cheryl A. Rivera and Christopher P. Asselin (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the retirement board of the city of Springfield be authorized to pay certain

surviving spouse benefits to Gloria Sears;
Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4661) of Colleen M. Garry and Steven C. Panagiotakos (by vote of the town) that the town of Tyngsborough be authorized to reimburse Ronald F. Desjardins a certain sum of money paid to said town as real estate taxes;

To the committee on Taxation.

A Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to transfer certain parcels of land in the town of Medfield (House, No. 4108,— on House, No. 2077),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill relative to clinical reports in certain actions for the appointment of guardians and conservators (House, No. 3367,— on petition),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Steering and Policy.**

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “congratulating Thomas G. Joyce, Sr.”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Shannon) “congratulating Ligia Taylor upon receiving the 2001 James ‘Cotton’ Tingle, Sr. Volunteer Award.”

Petition.

On motion of Mr. Moore, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Mr. Moore (accompanied by bill) of Richard T. Moore, Peter J. Koutoujian, James R. Miceli, Shirley Gomes and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide for the training of health professions students with respect to the identification and referral of victims of domestic violence and sexual assault,— **and the same was referred to the committee on Health Care.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4666) of Salvatore F. DiMasi relative to authorizing the Commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to transfer certain land to the city of Boston,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration.**

Communication.

The Clerk read the following communication:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1053

October 15, 2001.
Patrick F. Scanlan
Clerk of the Senate
State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

On October 11, 2001, due to a conflict, I was unable to be present for the roll call vote on five bills. Those bills are:

S-2139 “An Act Providing Equitable Coverage of Services

H-4426 “An Act Authorizing the Town of Grafton to Convey a

S-4201 “An Act Authorizing the Town of Hingham to Convey

S-1985 “An Act Authorizing the Department of Environmental

H-4010 “An Act Authorizing the Town of Plymouth to Use

Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative for all five bills.

I would appreciate your noting this for the record. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

CHERYL A. JACQUES,
State Senator.

On motion of Mr. Tolman, the above statement was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 0000) of Robert Correia, Joan M. Menard and Michael J. Rodrigues (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing the housing authority of the city of Fall River to transfer a certain parcel of land for the development of affordable housing, notwithstanding the uniform procurement law,— came from the House, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, referred to the committee on State Administration.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of Joint Rule 12, and NON-concurred in the reference to the committee on State Administration. On motion of Mr. Tisei, the petition was referred to the committee on the Housing and Urban Development.

Sent to the House for its action.

Report of a Committee.

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 Bill validating action taken at the town election held in the town of Buckland (printed in House, No. 4341).

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.

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 validating the action taken at the annual town election held in the town of Duxbury (printed in House, No. 4492),— **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Chandler,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow 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 ten minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.
