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Monday, March 10, 2003.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair).

The Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. Hedlund, led the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), members, guests and employees in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Distinguished Guests.

The Chair (Mr. Rosenberg) introduced the South Shore Regional Vocational Technical High School 2002 Football Team, which won the Division 7 State Championship. The team was accompanied by head coach Derek Mariani, other assistant coaches and school officials. The Chair noted that Mr. John Creed, who accompanied the team, was a noted statistician, and particularly adept at predicting elections. The team was also accompanied by Representative Robert Nyman of Hanover. They were the guests of the entire South Shore legislative delegation.

Petitions.

The following petitions (having been deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate prior to five o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, December 4, 2002) were referred, as follows:

By Mr. Berry, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Frederick E. Berry for legislation to adopt protections for Salem's governmentally-involved housing stock;

By Mr. Hart, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of John A. Hart, Jr. and Martin J. Walsh for legislation relative to a community service center in South Boston;

By Mr. Hedlund, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Robert L. Hedlund and Michael A. Maresco for legislation to authorize the town of Marshfield to reduce sewer fees in return for senior citizens' volunteer services;

By Mr. Knapik, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Michael R. Knapik and Donald F. Humason, Jr. for legislation to designate Robert L. Pais as a permanently disabled police officer;

By Mr. Lees, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Brian P. Lees for legislation to reinstate retirement benefits payment to Doris Shecrellah by the Springfield retirement board;

By the same Senator, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Brian P. Lees for legislation relative to police cadets in Springfield;

By Mr. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Richard T. Moore, Paul K. Frost, Mark J. Carron and Paul Kujawski for legislation to amend the Oxford town charter to create a development and industrial commission;

By the same Senator (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Rosaire J. Rajotte for legislation relative to chapter 90 funds in Northbridge; and

By Mr. Nuciforo, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 7B) of Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr. for legislation to authorize the town of Stockbridge to abate certain personal property taxes;

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

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Ms. Menard, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joan M. Menard, David L. Flynn, Steven C. Panagiotakos, Vincent A. Pedone and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish the Massachusetts gaming control act; and

By Ms. Wilkerson, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dianne Wilkerson and Benjamin Swan for legislation to establish fair compensation in the payment of expense premium commissions;

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

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Magnani) "honoring State Commander Thomas M. Davitt for his service to the Massachusetts AMVETS"; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Panagiotakos) "congratulating Boy Scouts of America, Troop 159, in the town of Westford."

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Chandler,—

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 Ms. Tucker, at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.