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Thursday, April 24, 2003.

Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Berry in the Chair).

The Chair (Mr. Berry), members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Berry) introduced members of Girl Scouts of America Brownie Troops 1103 and 1074 from Everett, Revere and Chelsea. They were accompanied by Mr. Joe Giannino, legislative assistant to Governor Romney, and various troop leaders. The scouts and leaders were the guests of Senators Travaglini and Barrios.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Ms. Chandler, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Harriette L. Chandler, Robert Spellane, John J. Binienda, Richard T. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to authorize and direct the reinstatement of Sandra L. Kurtinitis as a member in service of the state employees' retirement system;

By Mr. Glodis, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Guy W. Glodis and Jo Ann Sprague for legislation to restrict the property tax exemption for private higher education institutions;

By Mr. Joyce, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian A. Joyce, Barry R. Finegold, Richard T. Moore and Robert L. Hedlund for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to abolish the Governor's Council; and

By Mr. O'Leary, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert A. O'Leary, Frank M. Hynes, Stephen Kulik and J. James Marzilli, Jr. for legislation to phase out the so-called Quinn bill and establish educational requirements for new police hires;
Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. O'Leary, for the committee on Energy, on petition, a Bill establishing a special commission to study energy consumption by the government of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 375);

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

Ms. Jacques, 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 Senate Bill relative to the manufacture of food products (printed as House, No. 697).

Committee Discharged.

Ms. Resor, for the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1208) of Harriette L. Chandler, Guy W. Glodis, John P. Fresolo, John J. Binienda and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District, its voting procedures, buy-in costs for new members and other matters concerning the district,— and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the discharge of the joint committee.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fargo) “honoring the original continuing members of the 1966 Lincoln Minute Men”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hart) “congratulating Corina Carleton”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hedlund) “commemorating the three hundred and eightieth anniversary of the Zildjian Cymbal Company”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “on the occasion of the Milton Hospital Centennial”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Murray) “congratulating Francis H. Smith on receiving the Environmental Hero Award”; and

Resolutions (field by Messrs. Rosenberg, Brewer and Nuciforo) “commending Greenfield Community College for its contribution to the Franklin County Reinventing Justice Project.”

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Brewer, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Thomas M. McGee, Robert A. DeLeo and Michael E. Festa for legislation relative to pilot services and requirements for vessels.

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

By Mr. Brewer, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Thomas M. McGee, Robert A. DeLeo and Michael E. Festa for legislation relative to rates for pilot services for vessels using the Port of Boston.**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.**

By Mr. Brewer, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Thomas M. McGee, Robert A. DeLeo and Michael E. Festa for legislation to exempt sales of pilot boats from sales tax requirements.**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Taxation. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Sprague,—

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.