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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



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Thursday, May 6, 2004.

Met at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Berry in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

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

#### *Reports of a Committee.*

Mr. Magnani, 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 bills

Relative to the disposition of museum property (Senate, No. 244);

Concerning insubstantial, frivolous or bad faith claims in district and municipal court (Senate, No. 947);

Relative to the appointment of guardians of minors in the district and juvenile court departments (Senate, No. 1023);

Relative to crimes against the elders and persons with disabilities (Senate, No. 1083);

Relative to insurance rates (Senate, No. 2093); and

Authorizing the warrantless arrest for reckless or negligent vehicular homicide and reckless or negligent operation (Senate, No. 2286); and

#### The House bills

Relative to certain commercial contracts of insurance (House, No. 1700); and

Relative to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (House, No. 2108); and

#### The Senate reports

Of the committee on Insurance, ought NOT to pass:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 839) of Robert S. Creedon, Jr. for legislation to establish the office of the Commissioner of Insurance as an elected position;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 865) of Linda J. Melconian, Michael F. Kane and Joseph F. Wagner for legislation relative to minimum annuity payments;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 866) of Mark C. Montigny and Therese Murray for legislation to establish solvency requirements for health maintenance organizations; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 912) of John Hayes, Steven A. Tolman, Susan C. Fargo, John A. Hart, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a choice/no-fault bodily injury system in automobile insurance; and

Of the committee on Transportation, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1882) of Cheryl A. Jacques, Patricia A. Walrath, Guy W. Glodis, Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation to allow certain cities and towns to join regional transit authorities.

*Committees Discharged.*

Mr. Brewer, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Election Laws to make an investigation and study of a certain Senate document relative to local voting rights in Amherst (Senate, No. 2341),— and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Senate Ethics and Rules.

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

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Moore) “on the occasion of the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baron.”

*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 relative to certain conservation land in the town of Amherst (Senate, No. 2261),— **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

*Engrossed Bill.*

An engrossed Bill relative to the computerization of the examination for certification for the practice of public accountancy (see Senate, No. 2210, amended) (which originated in the Senate), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed by the Acting President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Tarr,—

*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.

On motion of the same Senator, at six minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.