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Tuesday, May 16, 2006.

Met at two minutes past one o'clock P.M., in an informal session, under the provisions of Senate Rule 5A (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

The Senator from Hampden and Hampshire, Mr. Knapik, led the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), members, guests and employees in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Reports.

A report of the committee on Post Audit and Oversight (pursuant to Section 63 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by Chapter 557 of the Acts of 1986) submitting a report entitled "Decades of Neglect: Recommendations to Improve Dam Safety and Maintenance in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 2549) (received Tuesday, May 16, 2006),— **was placed on file.**

The following reports were severally read and placed on file:

A report of the Division of Unemployment Assistance (under the provisions of Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for the month of April 2006 (received Monday, May 15, 2006); and

A report of the Special Commission to Study Tuition and Fee Waiver Programs for Veterans (pursuant to the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 130 of the Acts of 2005) relative to tuition and fee waiver programs for veterans (received Monday, May 15, 2006);

A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of the North Central Correctional Institution (received Friday, May 12, 2006),— **was read and sent to the House for its information.**

Petitions.

Mr. Moore presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2548) of Richard T. Moore, Paul Kujawski, Paul K. Frost and Mark J. Carron (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Oxford to provide certain water supply improvements [Local approval received],— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. Sent to the House for concurrence.**

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard T. Moore and George N. Peterson, Jr. for legislation relative to flood control and regulation of discharge into rivers and streams; and

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Barry R. Finegold, Susan C. Tucker, Geoffrey D. Hall and

other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the Northeast Solid Waste Committee;
Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to certain capital spending authorizations (House, No. 4961),— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.**

A Bill relative to the boundaries of the Cherry Valley and Rochdale Water District (House, No. 4677,— on petition),— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.**

A Bill relative to recall elections in the town of Framingham (House, No. 4694,— 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 considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Buoniconti) “commending Roberta Page.”

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Murray, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the veteran status of Michael L. Buckley (Senate, No. 2468),— ought to pass.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: “An Act providing veteran status to Michael L. Buckley.”

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Order — Amended.

The following House Order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered forthwith, as follows:

Ordered, That notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight shall be granted until Wednesday, May 10, 2006, within which to report on Senate, Nos. 1750, 1768, 2120 and 2064 and House, Nos. 3455, 4152 and 4690.

Pending the question, on adoption of the order, Ms. Wilkerson presented an amendment striking out the words “Wednesday, May 10, 2006” and inserting in place thereof the words “Monday, May 22, 2006”.

The amendment was adopted.

The order, as amended, was then adopted.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill designating the South Boston Court House as the Chief Justice Joseph F. Feeney Courthouse (see House, No. 3445), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,— was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 3 to 0.

The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Rosenberg) and sent to the House for enactment.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Knapik,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday next at one o'clock P.M., and that the Clerk be directed to print the same calendar that would have been used at the session of Tuesday, May 16, 2006.

On motion of Ms. Fargo, at six minutes past one o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at one o'clock P.M.