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JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.

Monday, January 29, 2007.

Met at nine minutes past one o'clock P.M.

The President, members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Prayer.

The Senator from Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Mr. Brewer, offered the following prayer:

In the name of the All Holy and Eternal God . . . to Whom be all glory, praise and thanksgiving, we open this Senate of the Great and General Court of Massachusetts.

In the newness of this moment, in the dawning of a new year, welcoming new Senators, inaugurating a new Governor . . . among all things new, may there come to us all, O God, a newness of vision, new and brighter hope for tomorrow. Help us to capture anew the reality of faith and to bow in unswerving devotion to Thy cause, and link our will in joyful fidelity to Thy commandments . . . then the strength of Thy everlasting arms will guide us into the unknown.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, bless the honorable President and members of this venerable Senate.

Our Father Who art in heaven . . . in this moment of national crisis...in face of the inevitable trials, burdens, obstacles of this new session, be Thou our light and our strength.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, guard us and help us through the new year and each year that is to come until we come to that home above to abide in peace and joy for eternity. Amen.

Committee Assignments.

The Senate President announced the following leadership appointments:

Senator Frederick E. Berry	Majority Leader
Senator Stanley C. Rosenberg	President Pro Tem
Senator Marian Walsh	Assistant Majority Leader

Senator Joan M. Menard Majority Whip

Senator Robert A. Assistant Majority
Havern Whip

In response to the voting of the Democratic Caucus on Monday, January 29, 2007, and the Republican Caucus on January 29, 2007, the Senate membership of the various committees is as follows:

Ethics and Rules. — Senators Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex, Travaglini of Suffolk and Middlesex, Menard of Bristol and Plymouth and Murray of Plymouth and Barnstable, Tisei of Middlesex and Essex and Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire. (the membership of the committee on Ethics and Rules also being the membership to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, on the part of the Senate.)

Ways and Means. — Senators Murray of Plymouth and Barnstable, Panagiotakos of Middlesex, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex, Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex, Augustus of Worcester, Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Chandler of Worcester, Fargo of Middlesex, Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Pacheco of Plymouth and Bristol, Resor of Middlesex and Worcester, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Tucker of Essex and Middlesex, Wilkerson of Suffolk, Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Senators Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin, Moore of Worcester and Norfolk, Montigny of Bristol and Plymouth and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Post Audit and Oversight. — Senators Pacheco of Plymouth and Bristol, Fargo of Middlesex, Baddour of Essex, Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Moore of Worcester and Norfolk, Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

Children's Caucus. — Senator McGee of Essex and Middlesex.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES:

Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets. — Senators Montigny of Bristol and Plymouth, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, Moore of Worcester and Norfolk, Wilkerson of Suffolk and Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire.

Children and Families. — Senators Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, McGee of Essex and Middlesex, Baddour of Essex, Jehlen of Middlesex, Resor of Middlesex and Worcester and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Community Development and Small Business. — Senators Chandler of Worcester, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex, McGee of Essex and Middlesex, Buoniconti of Hampden and Hampshire, Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. — Senators Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Montigny of Bristol and Plymouth, Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Economic Development and Emerging Technologies. — Senators Hart of Suffolk, Montigny of Bristol and Middlesex, Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk, Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, Tucker of Essex and Middlesex and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Education. — Senators Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex, Augustus of Worcester, Resor of Middlesex and Worcester, Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, Wilkerson of Suffolk and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Elder Affairs. — Senators Jehlen of Middlesex, Candaras of Hampden and Hampshire, Tucker of Essex and Middlesex, O'Leary of Cape and Islands, Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Election Laws. — Senators Augustus of Worcester, Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, Baddour of Essex, Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Creedon of Plymouth and Bristol and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. — Senators Resor of Middlesex and Worcester, Pacheco of Plymouth and Bristol, Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Creedon of Plymouth and Bristol, O'Leary of Cape and Islands and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Financial Services. — Senators Buoniconti of Hampden and Hampshire, Wilkerson of Suffolk, Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin, Montigny of Bristol and Plymouth, Tucker of Essex and Middlesex and Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire.

Health Care Financing. — Senators Moore of Worcester and Norfolk, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex, Jehlen of Middlesex, Fargo of Middlesex, Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, Candaras of Hampden and Hampshire and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Higher Education. — Senators O’Leary of Cape and Islands, Panagiotakos of Middlesex, Moore of Worcester and Norfolk, Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, Rosenberg of Hampshire and Franklin and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Housing. — Senators Tucker of Essex and Middlesex, O’Leary of Cape and Islands, Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, Chandler of Worcester, Panagiotakos of Middlesex and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

The Judiciary. — Senators Creedon of Plymouth and Bristol, Baddour of Essex, Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex, Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, McGee of Essex and Middlesex and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Labor and Workforce Development. — Senators McGee of Essex and Middlesex, Resor of Middlesex and Worcester, Jehlen of Middlesex, Augustus of Worcester, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse. — Senators Candaras of Hampden and Hampshire, Antonioni of Worcester and Middlesex, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex, Hart of Suffolk, Wilkerson of Suffolk and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Municipalities and Regional Government. — Senators Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk, Jehlen of Middlesex, Baddour of Essex, Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, Fargo of Middlesex and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Public Health. — Senators Fargo of Middlesex, Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, Buoniconti of Hampden and Hampshire, Chandler of Worcester and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

Public Safety and Homeland Security. — Senators Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Buoniconti of Hampden and Hampshire, Candaras of Hampden and Hampshire, Jehlen of Middlesex and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Public Service. — Senators Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex, Hart of Suffolk, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Candaras of Hampden and Hampshire and Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire.

Revenue. — Senators Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Buoniconti of Hampden and Hampshire, O’Leary of Cape and Islands, Panagiotakos of Middlesex and Knapik of Hampden and Hampshire.

State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. — Senators Wilkerson of Suffolk, Jehlen of Middlesex, Creedon of Plymouth and Bristol, Fargo of Middlesex, Tolman of Suffolk and Middlesex and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. — Senators Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Tucker of Essex and Middlesex, Creem of Middlesex and Norfolk, Pacheco of Plymouth and Bristol, Chandler of Worcester and Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development. — Senators Joyce of Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth, Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk, Morrissey of Norfolk and Plymouth, Resor of Middlesex and Worcester, Wilkerson of Suffolk and Tisei of Middlesex and Essex.

Transportation. — Senators Baddour of Essex, Chandler of Worcester, Barrios of Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex, McGee of Essex and Middlesex, Montigny of Bristol and Plymouth, Timilty of Bristol and Norfolk and Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk.

Veterans and Federal Affairs. — Senators Brewer of Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, Augustus of Worcester, Downing of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin, Hart of Suffolk, McGee of Essex and Middlesex and Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Senate prior to five o’clock P.M. in the afternoon on Wednesday, January 10, 2007) were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Creedon, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 5) of Robert S. Creedon, Jr. (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to prohibit certain dumping in the city of Brockton [Local approval received];

By Mr. Joyce, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 6) of Brian A. Joyce, Joseph R. Driscoll, Bruce J. Ayers and Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the representative form of the town meeting in Randolph [Local approval received];

By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 7) of Mark C. Montigny (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relating to the railroad depot contamination remediation and redevelopment project in the city of New Bedford [Local approval received]; and

By Mr. McGee, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 10) of Thomas M. McGee and Douglas W. Petersen (by vote of the town) for legislation to defer the acceptance in the town of Marblehead of chapter 40n of the Massachusetts general laws until

acceptance by a majority vote of town meeting [Local approval received];
Severally referred to the committee on Senate Ethics and Rules.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Morrissey, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 8) of Michael W. Morrissey (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Rockland to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises [Local approval received]; and

By Ms. Resor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 9) of Pamela P. Resor and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town of Boxborough) for legislation to further regulate the residency requirements for regular fire and police officers [Local approval received];

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Senate Ethics and Rules.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Baddour) “honoring the life and memory of Charles Edward Taylor, the world’s first airplane mechanic”;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fargo) “recognizing February 2007 as American Heart Month in Massachusetts”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O’Leary and Ms. Murray) “congratulating State Representative Shirley Gomes”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Tisei) “honoring United States Navy Commander Emery Haskell upon his return from active military service in Iraq”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Travaglini) “congratulating Albert Sherman on receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Jewish Community Relations Council.”

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill authorizing the abatement of certain property tax assessments in the town of Danvers (printed in House, No. 2023,—
being a message from His Excellency the Governor) was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Murray, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. After remarks, the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Buoniconti, for the temporary committee on Ethics and Rules, reported, recommending that the temporary Rule of the Senate be adopted as the permanent rule of the Senate for the 2007-2008 session with the following change:

In Senate Rule 65, by striking out the words “third Friday” and inserting in place thereof the following words “fourth Friday”.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tolman, and the report was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on acceptance of the report, Messrs. Tisei, Knapik, Tarr, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the report in Rule 12A by inserting before the first sentence the following:—

“There shall be a standing Committee on Ethics and Rules consisting of six members, three of whom shall be appointed by the Senate President and three of whom shall be appointed by the Senate Minority Leader in the beginning of the first year of the biennial session of the General Court”; and in Rule 13 by adding at the beginning of the second sentence of paragraph (b), before the words “the President,” the following: — “Except as provided in Rule 12A.”

After debate, the amendment was rejected.

Messrs. Brown, Tisei, Knapik, Tarr, and Hedlund moved to amend the report by inserting the following new rule:

Senate Rule 67. The resignation of a Senator must become effective within 14 days from submission of a letter of resignation or a letter of intent to resign to the Senate President’s Office.

After remarks, the amendment was adopted.

Messrs. Tisei, Knapik, Tarr, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the report in Rule 56 by striking out the fifth sentence.

After debate, the amendment was *rejected*.

Messrs. Tisei, Tarr, Knapik, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the order by inserting the following new rule:—

“8A. The Clerk shall make a reasonable effort to make available on the internet the results of all roll call votes not later than 48 hours after such vote is taken, not including quorum calls, in a manner easily identifiable and conspicuously located. Said Clerk shall include the number of the roll call and the title of the matter voted upon.”

After remarks, the amendment was adopted.

Messrs. Tisei, Tarr, Knapik, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the order in Rule 27A by inserting at the end of the first paragraph the following:—

“Said presentation shall clearly indicate any reliance on non-recurring revenues and off budget-spending and shall also include a diagram that simply and clearly details all the spending recommendations and corresponding revenue sources, as well as indicate spending on each item each of the previous five fiscal years.

The committee shall in its presentation identify all new initiatives and major policy alterations within the general appropriations bill including what service shall be provided by said initiative, any associated spending recommendations, savings realized by the Commonwealth and revenue sources relied upon.”

After debate, the amendment was *rejected*.

Messrs. Tisei, Knapik, Tarr, Hedlund and Brown move to amend the report in Rule 27A by inserting in the second paragraph, after the first sentence, the following words:—

“The Committee shall also make available a description of the Commonwealth’s long-term obligations, including all pension and bond obligations, the present value of future liabilities, the projected growth of said liabilities and the contribution to funding said liabilities contained in the bill, as well as anticipated future repayment obligations.”

After remarks, the question on adoption of the amendment was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at twenty-four minutes before two o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Knapik, as follows, to wit (*yeas 36 — nays 0*) [**Yeas and Nays No. 2**]:

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A.	Knapik, Michael R.
Augustus, Edward M., Jr.	McGee, Thomas M.
Baddour, Steven A.	Menard, Joan M.
Barrios, Jarrett T.	Montigny, Mark C.
Berry, Frederick E.	Moore, Richard T.
Brewer, Stephen M.	Morrissey, Michael W.
Brown, Scott P.	Murray, Therese
Buoniconti, Stephen J.	Pacheco, Marc R.
Candaras, Gale D.	Panagiotakos, Steven C.
Chandler, Harriette L.	Resor, Pamela
Creedon, Robert S., Jr.	Rosenberg, Stanley C.
Creem, Cynthia Stone	Spilka, Karen E.
Downing, Benjamin Brackett	Tarr, Bruce E.
Fargo, Susan C.	Timilty, James E.
Hart, John A., Jr.	Tisei, Richard R.
Havern, Robert A.	Tucker, Susan C.
Hedlund, Robert L.	Walsh, Marian
Jehlen, Patricia D. .	Wilkerson, Dianne —

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NAYS — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Joyce, Brian A.

Tolman, Steven A. —
3.

O’Leary, Robert A.

The yeas and nays having been completed at twenty minutes before two o’clock P.M., the amendment was adopted.

Messrs. Tisei, Tarr, Knapik, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the order in Rule 27A by inserting in the fourth paragraph after the words “an executive summary which shall” the following:—

“identify the revenue source upon which the recommendation is based, identify the total appropriation for the fiscal year if an existing appropriation is being altered and”.

After debate, the amendment was *rejected*.

Messrs. Tisei, Tarr, Knapik, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the report in Rule 59A by inserting at the end thereof the following:—

“Not later than April 1 the special commission, authorized under section 37 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2006, shall issue its recommendations and findings for the coverage of formal Senate sessions.”

After remarks, the amendment was adopted.

Messrs. Tisei, Tarr, Knapik, Hedlund and Brown moved to amend the order in Rule 59A by inserting at the end thereof the following:—

“Prior to permanent arrangements being entered into for the broadcast of formal Senate sessions, any television carrier, who wishes to broadcast any formal Senate session shall make application to the committee on ethics and rules to do so, approval of which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any carrier may make arrangements to utilize a pool feed to be provided under guidelines and conditions set forth by the committee on ethics and rules.”

After remarks, the question on adoption of the amendment was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at six minutes before two o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Hedlund, as follows, to wit (*yeas 36 — nays 0*) [**Yeas and Nays No. 3**]:

YEAS.

Antonioni, Robert A. Knapik, Michael R.

Augustus, Edward M., Jr. McGee, Thomas M.

Baddour, Steven A. Menard, Joan M.

Barrios, Jarrett T. Moore, Richard T.

Berry, Frederick E. Morrissey, Michael W.

Brewer, Stephen M. Murray, Therese

Brown, Scott P. Pacheco, Marc R.

Buoniconti, Stephen J. Panagiotakos, Steven C.

Candaras, Gale D. Resor, Pamela

Chandler, Harriette L. Rosenberg, Stanley C.

Creedon, Robert S., Jr. Spilka, Karen E.

Creem, Cynthia Stone Tarr, Bruce E.

Downing, Benjamin Timilty, James E.
Brackett

Fargo, Susan C. Tisei, Richard R.

Hart, John A., Jr. Tolman, Steven A.

Havern, Robert A. Tucker, Susan C.
Hedlund, Robert L. Walsh, Marian
Jehlen, Patricia D. . Wilkerson, Dianne —
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NAYS — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Joyce, Brian A. O’Leary, Robert A.—
3.
Montigny, Mark C.

The yeas and nays having been completed at two minutes before two o’clock P.M., the amendment was adopted. The report, as amended, was then adopted.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, on petition, a Bill relating to the railroad depot contamination remediation and redevelopment project in the city of New Bedford (Senate, No. 7) [*Local approval received*].

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Montigny, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: “An Act relating to the railroad depot contamination remediation and redevelopment project in the city of New Bedford.”.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Rockland to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 8) [*Local approval received*].

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Morrissey, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: “An Act authorizing the town of Rockland to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises.”.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, on petition, a Bill relative to residency requirements for regular fire and police officers (Senate, No. 9) [*Local approval received*].

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Resor, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, on petition, a Bill prohibiting certain dumping in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 5) [*Local approval received*].

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Creedon, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Mr. Tolman, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, on petition, a Bill deferring the acceptance in the town of Marblehead of chapter 40n of the Massachusetts general laws until acceptance by a majority vote of town meeting (Senate, No. 10) [*Local approval received*].

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. McGee, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

There being no objection, the President recognized Senator Brown of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex for receiving the United States Army Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service; specifically for his dedicated service in homeland security efforts since September 11, 2001 and for his support in preparing Massachusetts National Guard troops for deployment.

The President also recognized Senator Brown for his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Massachusetts National Guard after 28 years of service and is now the most senior legislator/officer in New England and the third most senior in the entire East Coast. Senator Brown will serve as Staff Advocate General at Devens Reserves Forces Training area in Devens, Massachusetts, where he will be responsible for all legal operations for the 26th Brigade.

Recess.

There being no objection, at seven minutes past two o'clock P.M., the President declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at six minutes past three o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Havern in the Chair (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Papers from the House.
Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the abatement of certain property tax assessments in the town of Danvers (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 2023) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted, two-thirds of the members present having voted in the affirmative, and it was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Havern) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

A Bill authorizing the town of Monroe to exempt certain property from taxation (House, No. 2008,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill establishing an office of finance in the town of Spencer (House, No. 2013,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill relative to the procedures of town meeting in the town of Burlington (House, No. 2014,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill authorizing the town of Wellesley to establish a group insurance liability fund (House, No. 2015,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill authorizing the town of North Attleborough to enter into a certain lease (House, No. 2016,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill authorizing the town of Westborough to release an easement over land (House, No. 2017,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Downing, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill relative to health benefits in the town of North Andover (House, No. 2018,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill establishing a golf course capital improvement fund in the town of Dennis (House, No. 2019,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill relative to the sewerage facilities and betterments in the town of Millbury (House, No. 2024,— on petition) [*Local approval received*], **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill authorizing the town of Florida to exempt certain property from taxation (House, No. 2025,— on petition) [*Local approval received*],— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony Ferrara, an employee of the Department of Revenue (House, No. 2022,— on petition),— **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Chandler, and the bill 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 on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Adjournment in Memory of Reverend Robert Drinan.

The Senator from Middlesex and Norfolk, Ms. Creem, presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory of Reverend Robert Drinan, S.J.

The Jesuits pride themselves as men on the move — ready to change place, occupation, or method to accomplish their mission. During his extraordinary fifty-year career, Father Drinan played many roles: priest, professor, theologian, lawyer, activist, Congressman, and author. Regardless of the job his mission always remained the same: to educate, to nourish those around him spiritually, and to promote peace and social justice.

Father Drinan served his Church, the people of the Third Congressional District, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States of America with great distinction and he will be missed.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Reverend Robert Drinan, at twenty-five minutes past three o'clock P.M, on motion of Ms. Menard, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.