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Thursday, June 7, 2007.

Met at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (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).

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

Reports.

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 March 2007 (received Wednesday, May 23, 2007);

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 May 2007 (received Wednesday, May 23, 2007);

A report of the Division of Professional Licensure submitting its Fiscal Year 2006 Annual Report (received Thursday, May 31, 2007);

A report of The Life Initiative (pursuant to Section 2(e) of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) submitting its 2006 Annual Report and. Statement of Financial Condition of the Massachusetts Life Insurance Community Investment Initiative, LLC (received Friday, June 1, 2007); and

A report of the Water Resources Commission (pursuant to Section 8C of Chapter 21 and 313 CMR 4.06(3)) submitting its Report of the Findings, Justifications and Decision of the Water Resources Commission relating to the approval of Avalon Bay's request for an Interbasin Transfer (received Friday, June 1, 2007).

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2256) of Patricia D. Jehlen and Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) for legislation relative to the sale of alcoholic beverages in the city of Somerville [Local approval received];

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Ms. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2257) of Marian Walsh (by vote of the town) for legislation exempting Brian J. Donoghue of Norwood from the maximum age requirements for appointment as a firefighter in the town of Norwood [Local approval received];

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on public Service.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Richard R. Tisei, Michael R. Knapik, Robert L. Hedlund and

other members of the General Court for legislation to increase special education reimbursement; and
By the same Senator, a petition (subject to Joint Rule, 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Richard R. Tisei, Michael R. Knapik, Robert L. Hedlund and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide for accountability and transparency in the finances of the Commonwealth;
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 Messrs. Berry, Baddour, Havern, McGee, Panagiotakos, Tarr, Tisei and Ms. Tucker) “honoring President Nancy D. Harrington on her retirement from Salem State College”;
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hart) “congratulating Bishop Archie Livingston Foxworth”;
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Havern) “on the retirement of Nate Greenberg”;
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “congratulating Dr. Irene Sherry Kaplan on the occasion of her retirement as Superintendent of the Canton Public Schools”; and
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Morrissey) “recognizing the one hundredth twenty-fifth anniversary of the Thomas Crane Public Library.”

Order Adopted.

Mr. Tarr presented the following order, to wit:—

Ordered, That by the authority of article IV of section II of chapter 1 of the Constitution, the Senate declares that, by reason of the resignation of Jarrett T. Barrios as Senator from the Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex district, the office of Senator from the Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex district is vacant as of July 5, 2007. By the authority of article XXIV of the Amendments to the Constitution, the Senate directs the president of the Senate to issue a precept setting forth October 9, 2007, as the day for holding an election to fill the vacancy in the Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex district, comprising of ward 3, precinct 2, ward 6, all precincts, ward 7, all precincts, ward 8, precincts 1 and 2, ward 9, precinct 1, ward 10, precinct 2 in the city of Cambridge; the city of Everett; ward 1, precinct 1, ward 2, precinct 1 in the city of Somerville, in the county of Middlesex; ward 2, all precincts, ward 21, precincts 4, 6 and 7, ward 22, precincts 1, 2 and 5 in the city of Boston; the city of Chelsea; ward 6, all precincts, in the city of Revere, in the county of Suffolk; precincts 2, 6 and 10 in the town of Saugus, in the county of Essex.

Under the rules, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

Subsequently, Ms. Menard, for the said committee on Ethics and Rules, reported, recommending that the order ought to be adopted.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to certain real property in the city of Northampton (see House, No. 3975) (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 and was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Havern) 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 seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M.