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Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

Met at three minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Tolman in the Chair)

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

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Tolman) introduced, seated in the Senate Gallery, Yassiel Montero, Jennifer Ridder, Regina Snowden and Devante Jackson, who are students from the Dearborn Middle School in Boston. The students were touring the State House with the Partners for Youth with Disabilities.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Tolman) introduced, seated in the rear of the Chamber, members of Boy Scout Troop 20 from Middleborough. They were the guests of Senator Pacheco.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fargo and Ms. Resor) "congratulating the League of Women Voters of Sudbury."

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

House Order — Amended.

The House Order relative to the adoption of permanent joint rules for the years 2007-2008 (House, No. 3746, amended),—came from the House with the endorsement that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment in rule 1E by inserting after the second sentence the following additional sentences:—

"Any matter reported favorably by such joint standing committee shall be referred to the joint committee on Health Care Financing, provided, however, that notwithstanding the provisions of any rule to the contrary, any such matter so reported shall not be read a first time in the branch in which the report was received. The next favorable report on any such matter, if made by a joint committee, may be made to either branch. Such next favorable report shall be considered the first reading. The branch of origin for any such bill so reported shall be the branch receiving such favorable report."; and in Rule 4 by inserting in the third sentence following the words "When a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee" the following additional words:— ", except for the committee on Health Care Financing," with a further amendment striking out in Rule 1E the words "inserting after the second sentence the following additional" (inserted by amendment by the Senate) and inserting in place thereof the words "striking out the third sentence and inserting in place thereof the following four".

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hedlund, and the Senate concurred in the further House amendment.

Orders Adopted.

The following House Order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence, to wit:

Ordered, That matters referred to the former committee on Children and Families, shall be considered by the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

On motion of Mr. Pacheco,-

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

On motion of Ms. Fargo, at sixteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.