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Thursday, February 22, 2007.

Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Tolman 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. Tolman), members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Communications.

The following communications were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

A communication from the Honorable Robert E. Travaglini, President of the Senate, announcing the membership of the Senate committee on Global Warming and Climate Change.

The membership of the committee is as follows:

Senator Marc R. Pacheco — Chairman
Senator Pamela P. Resor — Vice Chairman
Senator Michael W. Morrissey
Senator Steven A. Baddour
Senator John A. Hart, Jr.

A communication from the Honorable Richard R. Tisei, Senate Minority Leader, announcing his appointment of Senator Robert L. Hedlund of Plymouth and Norfolk, as the minority member on the Senate committee on Global Warming and Climate Change.

A communication from the Joint Committee on Transportation (under the provisions of Joint Rule 1) relative to the rules of procedure for said committee for the 2007-2008 legislative session (received Thursday, February 15, 2007).

Reports.

A report of the Executive Office of Transportation (pursuant to line items 6000-0100 and 6010-0001 of the General Appropriation Act for Fiscal Year 2005 and Chapter 87 of the Acts of 2000) submitting various reports (received Friday, February 16, 2007),— **was placed on file.**

The following reports were severally read and sent to the House for its information:

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 Berkshire County Jail and House of Correction (received Wednesday, February 14, 2007); and

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 Worcester County House of Correction and Jail (received Thursday, February 15, 2007).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from His Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating the actions taken at a certain election held in the town of Wareham (House, No. 3747),— **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.**

A Bill relative to the Swansea Water District (House, No. 2031,— on petition,— **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.**

A Bill relative to a certain tax exemption in the town of Montague (House, No. 2027,— 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. Barrios) “for the proclamation of Dominican Republic Independence Day in the city of Boston.”

Motion to Reconsider.

There being no objection, on motion of Mr. Pacheco, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which it had adopted the Senate Rules for the 2007-2008 legislative session.

Pending the recurring question on adoption of the Senate Rules, Mr. Pacheco moved to amend the Senate Rules in Rule 12 by inserting before the words “A Committee on Ways and Means” the following:—

“A Committee on Global Warming and Climate Change;
To consist of six members.”

The amendment was **adopted.**

The recurring question on adoption of the Senate Rules was then considered; and the Senate Rules were again **adopted.**

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relating to the railroad depot contamination remediation and redevelopment project in the city of New Bedford (see Senate, No. 7, 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 re-enacted and was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Tolman) and again laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of Mr. Montigny, the Chair (Mr. Tolman), members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of the crew of the Lady of Grace.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pacheco,—

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 Mr. Brown, at twelve minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M.