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Monday, October 27, 2008.

Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Timilty in the Chair).

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

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Timilty) introduced a group of students from Medfield High School. The group of seniors were on a field trip to the State House and learning about the different aspects of state government. They were accompanied by teacher, Melinda Tufel and assistant, Jessica Safer. The Senate welcomed them with applause as Senator Timilty and Senator Knapik walked over to address the group.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the Community Development Authority in the city of Marlborough (House, No. 4132,— 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. Antonioni) “congratulating Michael John Hermanson on the occasion of his retirement.”

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows: The House Bill relative to the appointment of certain persons to the police and fire department of the city of Malden (House, No. 3974),— **was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Tisei, by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2883. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.**

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Downing, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Bruce E. Tarr and Harriett L. Stanley (by vote of the town) for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the town of Newbury as the William L. Plante Memorial Bridge [Local approval received].

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Transportation. Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5123) of David M. Nangle for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Margie Murphy, an employee of the Department of Children and Families,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

Recess.

There being no objection, at eighteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Chair (Mr. Timilty) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at four minutes past three o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Tolman in the Chair.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill extending the grace period for voter registration (House, No. 5121,— on House, No. 688),— **was read. There being no objection, rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, 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 on the Third Reading to read as follows: “An Act temporarily extending the grace period for voter registration”.**

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Panagiotakos, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Brenda De Los Santos, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (Senate, No. 2882),— **ought to pass. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, 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. Panagiotakos, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Linda McKinley, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 5045),— **ought to pass. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

By Mr. Panagiotakos, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Claire Smallcomb, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. leave. 5110),— **ought to pass. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, 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 joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5129) of Harriett L. Stanley and Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to designate a certain bridge over the Little River in the town of Newbury as the William L. Plante Bridge,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Transportation.**

Recess.

There being no objection, at ten minutes past three o'clock P.M., the Chair (Mr. Tolman) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at twenty-four minutes past four o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, 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).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Linda McKinley, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (see House, No. 5045, amended), 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 2 to 0. The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Tolman) and sent to the House for enactment.**

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Claire Smallcomb, an employee of the Trial Court (see House, No. 5110), 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 2 to 0. The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Tolman) and sent to the House for enactment.**

An engrossed Bill temporarily extending the grace period for voter residency (see House, No. 5121), 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 2 to 0.
The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Tolman) and sent to the House for enactment.**

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Tolman) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Establishing a sick leave bank for Gary Tuck, an employee of the Department of Revenue (see House, No. 4754, amended);
Validating the actions taken at a certain special town meeting in the town of Hopkinton (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 4888);

Adjusting transfers to account for timing discrepancies in federal reimbursements (see House, No. 5117); and

Temporarily extending the grace period for voter residency (see House, No. 5121).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tisei,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday 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 sixteen minutes before five o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.