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Monday, November 24, 2008.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair).

The Senator from Essex and Middlesex, Mr. Tarr, then led the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), members, guests and employees in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Creedon, for the committee on the Judiciary, on petition, a Bill to establish a sick leave bank for Sharon Brady (Senate, No. 2888):

Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5149) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others (by vote of the town) that the town of Chelmsford be authorized to establish a minimum number of years to be eligible for a civil service promotion to the position of captain within the fire department of said town,— was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

A Bill relative to concurrent jurisdiction over the former Devens military base (House, No. 4415,— on House, No. 47),— was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Notice was received from the House announcing the following appointments:

That the Speaker of the House of Representatives has appointed Mr. Charles Harak, Staff Attorney at the National Consumer Law Center to the special commission established (under Section 89 of Chapter 169 of the Acts of 2008) to study the siting of energy facilities in the Commonwealth;

That Representative Koutoujian of Waltham has been appointed to the Statewide Insurance Advisory Committee established (under Section 26 of Chapter 305 of the Acts of 2008) to ensure uniformity and consistency in the submission and processing of claims for health care services; and

That Ms. Christie Hager has been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 44 of Chapter 305 of the Acts of 2008) to investigate reforming and restructuring the health care payment system to provide incentives for efficient and effective patient-centered care and to reduce variations in the quality and cost of care.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) "congratulating Joshua Philip Kotlik of Stoughton Boy Scout Troop 516 on earning the Eagle Scout Award":

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Menard and Mr. Moore) "commending the Federal Advisory committee on Immunization Practices on its designation of the week of December 8, 2008, as Influenza Awareness Week";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Kevin Eugene Pollard on the occasion of his Eagle Scout Court of Honor";

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Walsh) "congratulating Raeef Istfan on the occasion of his Court of Honor"; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Walsh) "congratulating Christopher Sullivan-Trainor on the occasion of his Court of Honor."

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 authorizing the late filing of tax abatement applications for the owners of 3 Fuller Place in Cambridge (House, No. 4226) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),— was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5150) of Stephen L. DiNatale relative to the retirement of certain employees classified under Group 4 within the Department of Correction; and

Joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5151) of John A. Lepper and Scott P. Brown that the Department of Mental Retardation be authorized to establish a sick leave bank for Michael German, an employee of said department; Severally, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Wednesday 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 ten minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.