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Wednesday, April 15, 2009.

Met at two 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) handed the gavel to Mr. Timilty for the purpose of an introduction. Mr. Timilty then introduced, seated in the Senate Gallery, the third grade class from Boyden Elementary School in Walpole. The class was on a field trip to the State House and was accompanied by teacher Mrs. Amy Oram.

Petition.

By Mr. Hart, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2032) of John A. Hart, Jr. and Thomas M. Menino (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the appointment of a certain civil service class as firefighters in the city of Boston;
Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Public Service.
Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

A message from His Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating a certain election in the town of Orange (House, No. 4058),-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4055) of Katherine M. Clark and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Melrose be authorized to establish traffic safety zones**,-- was referred, in concurrence, to committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "honoring Maria Manuela Freitas Bairos, Consul General of Portugal in Boston"; and Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Tolman and Montigny, Ms. Spilka, Mr. Tisei and Ms. Tucker) "on the occasion of the Day of Remembrance for the Armenian Genocide of 1915 to 1923."

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill modernizing the transportation systems of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2024),— **came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, *with an amendment* striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof a duplicate of the text contained in House document numbered 4051.**
Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, and the House amendment was considered forthwith and the Senate NON-concurred therein.
The same Senator asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and Senators Baddour, Brewer and Hedlund were appointed to the committee on the part of the Senate.
The bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Panagiotakos, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill transferring county sheriffs to the commonwealth (Senate, No. 2031),— ought to pass, with an amendment in subsection (a) of section 7, by adding the following words:- "The Commonwealth shall take all necessary steps to ensure continued access, availability and service to any assets transferred to the Commonwealth under this subsection, to any local or regional organizations that currently use such assets".;
In section 10, by inserting at the end of the second paragraph, the following:- "Amounts in this paragraph shall be as determined by the secretary of administration and finance, in consultation with the appropriate sheriff and county officials."; and
In section 22, by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- "There shall be established a special commission to consist of 10 members, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Massachusetts Sheriffs' Association, 1 of whom shall be a county commissioner of a county of a transferred sheriff, 2 of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, 2 of whom shall be appointed by the president of the senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate and 2 of whom shall be appointed by the governor for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the reorganization or consolidation of sheriffs' offices, to make formal recommendations regarding such reorganization or consolidation and to recommend legislation, if any, to effectuate such recommendations relating to the reorganization, consolidation, operation, administration, regulation, governance and finances of sheriffs' offices."
There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.
The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hedlund,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M., in a full formal session.

Adjournment in Memory of Paul A. M. Hunt

The Senator from Norfolk and Plymouth, Mr. Morrissey, requested that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Paul A. M. Hunt of Quincy.
Paul Hunt was a Marine Corp Veteran of World War II and served from 1942-1945. He participated in the Battles of Guam and Iwo Jima. Paul graduated from Harvard College in 1949 and Harvard Law School in 1952. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney and for many years was an Assistant General Counsel to the Massachusetts Senate. Paul was a student of the law and an active member of the Norfolk County and Massachusetts Bar Association. He is survived by his wife Barbara and their children, Patricia, Paul, Mary and William.
Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Paul A. M. Hunt, at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Knapik, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.