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Monday, July 13, 2009.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

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

Petition.

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2108) of Stephen M. Brewer and Geraldo Alicia (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Charlton to acquire certain dams within the town [Local approval received]; Under Senate Rule 20, referred to the committee on the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Papers from the House.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1890) of John D. Keenan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing the city of Salem to grant a liquor license to Green Land Café, LLC;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1891) of Karyn E. Polito and others (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Westborough to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises; Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1892) of Karyn E. Polito (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Westborough to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to Spyro Economou d/b/a Westborough House of Pizza;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1898) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) that the town of North Andover be authorized to impose fines to license holders for violations of rules or regulations;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1905) of Jason Lewis and Patricia D. Jehlen (by vote of the town) that the licensing authority of the town of Winchester be authorized to issue five additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to certain restaurants;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1906) of Jason Lewis and Patricia D. Jehlen (by vote of the town) that the licensing authority of the town of Winchester be authorized to issue four additional licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises to certain restaurants;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1907) of Timothy Madden and Robert A. O'Leary (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Tisbury to grant licenses for the sale of beer and wine in restaurants, inns and hotels; and Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1908) of William Straus (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Fairhaven to issue a common victualer beer and wine license to Katherine Psichopaidas, Manager, Mermaids Seafood Restaurant & Grille in said town;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1893) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to the recall of elective officers in the town of North Andover; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1909) of Carolyn Dykema and Karen E. Spilka (by vote of the town) relative to the election of the members of the board of public works of the town of Hopkinton;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1894) of Paul Kujawski and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish a town administrator and a municipal finance department in the town of Douglas;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1895) of Timothy Madden and Robert A. O'Leary (by vote of the town) that the town of Nantucket be authorized to establish a separate board of health;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1896) of Tom Sannicandro, Karen E. Spilka and Pam Richardson (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish a limited town meeting form of government in the town of Framingham;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1897) of of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to removing certain spending limits in the town of North Andover;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1899) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to the distribution of the simplified rules of procedure for special town meetings in the town of North Andover;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1900) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to the distribution of copies of the warrant in the town of North Andover;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1901) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to the conduct of public hearings on capital improvements plans in the town of North Andover; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1902) of David M. Torrisi and others (by vote of the town) relative to conservation restrictions on land known as "Town Farm" in the town of North Andover;

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1903) of Thomas P. Conroy (by vote of the town) relative to real estate taxes in the town of Wayland:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1904) of Tom Sannicandro and Karen E. Spilka (by vote of the town) relative to property tax exemptions in the town of Ashland based on household income limits; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1910) of William Straus (by vote of the town) relative to the interest rate to be charged upon apportioned betterment assessments for water and sewer projects in the town of Mattapoisett;

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Margaret Freddie Purcell, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (see House, No. 4080, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Rosenberg) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Recess.

There being no objection, at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at twenty-four minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair.

Paper from the House. Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to the town of Norton Water and Sewer Commission (see House, No. 3698) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Rosenberg) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,—

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

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Francis X. Norton of Milton.

Adjournment in Memory of Francis X. Norton

The Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. Hedlund, requested that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Francis X. Norton of Milton.

Francis X. Norton of Milton, passed away on July 8, 2009 at the age of 82. Mr. Norton was a lifelong resident of Massachusetts who loved the Red Sox and visiting his childhood neighborhood in South Boston. Mr. Norton was a successful small business owner and he served his country proudly as a Navy Corpsman with the United States Marines. He is lovingly survived by his wife of 52 years, Agnes Holzworth Norton; his two children, John Norton and Susan Norton Langill; his sister, Claire Burke; and his six grandchildren.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Francis X. Norton, at twenty-two minutes before two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.