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Monday, August 8, 2011.

Met at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Petrucci in the Chair).

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

Communication.

A communication from the Honorable Martin J. Benison, State Comptroller, submitting transfer schedules pursuant to Section 2E of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011 (received in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate at ten minutes before four o'clock P. M. on Friday, August 5, 2011),-- **was placed on file.**

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Kennedy, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas P. Kennedy for legislation relative to real estate tax abatements; and

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard T. Moore for legislation to designate "Me and Paul Revere" as the revolutionary song of the Commonwealth;

Severally referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Senate bills:

Relative to surgical technology (Senate, No. 1069) [Estimated cost – more than \$100,000]; and

Adopting the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act (Senate, No. 1098) [Estimated cost – more than \$100,000];

Severally ought to pass.

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

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Senate Bill regarding proportional payments of the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Project (Senate, No. 1960),-- ought to pass [Estimated cost - \$0];

Read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on House, No. 3594, in part, a "Bill to increase routine screening for HIV" (Senate, No. 1997),-- **ought to pass;**

Read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

Committees Discharged

Mr. Berry, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Bill relative to robotic surgery in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 1143),-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Ethics and Rules.**
Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3655) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to eliminate the preliminary election in the city of Revere in 2011;
To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3656) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the term of office of the city clerk in the city of Revere; and
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3660) Mark James Cusack and Brian A. Joyce (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the town of Braintree be authorized to enter into certain contracts for the construction and maintenance of a recreational facility in said town;
Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gina Rossi., an employee of the Parole Board (House, No. 3575-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill authorizing the town of Truro to lease certain land to the town of Provincetown (House, No. 573-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Notice was received from the House announcing the following appointments by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives:

That Representative Winslow of Norfolk had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 189 of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011) for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the Commonwealth's criminal justice system; and

That Representative Diehl of Whitman had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 175 of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011) to make an investigation and study relative to home mortgage refinancing assistance to non-delinquent homeowners.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Berry, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The House Bill validating the Sherborn annual town election (printed in House, No. 3526).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, 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. Berry, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Thomas P. Kennedy, Michael J. Rodrigues, Cynthia Stone Creem, Robert L. Hedlund and other members of the General Court for legislation to further regulate the continuing education requirements for certain real estate appraisers and trainees.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

By Mr. Berry, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Patricia D. Jehlen, Patricia D. Haddad, Richard T. Moore and Thomas P. Conroy for legislation to extend hospice care to MassHealth basic and MassHealth essential programs.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Berry, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Stanley C. Rosenberg and Ellen Story for legislation to provide for a labor/management workplace and education trust fund at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Higher Education.

By Mr. Berry, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of John Lahoud for legislation relative to terms of employment.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Fargo, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross and Ms. Spilka) "honoring the Lilja brothers on the rededication of the Lilja Elementary School in the town of Natick."

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Fargo,--

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.

Adjournment in Memory of Dr. Edward Minnock.

The Senator from Plymouth and Bristol, Mr. Pacheco, and the Senator from Plymouth and Barnstable, Ms. Murray, requested that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Dr. Edward Minnock.

Dr. Edward Minnock, Bridgewater State University's vice president of external affairs passed away suddenly last Tuesday while in his office. He was 63.

He was born in Onset and lived in Buzzards Bay for the last 10 years. Dr. Minnock graduated from the University of Tampa, Emporia State University and Kansas State University where he received his PhD.

Ed was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. In 1990 he was inducted in the Military Intelligence Hall of Fame. He was an active participant in his community, serving on many boards and committees over the years.

As Vice President for External Affairs at Bridgewater State University, Dr. Minnock worked tirelessly to maximize the quality and frequency of international engagements on and off the Bridgewater State University campus, initiate institutional partnerships, establish strong ties between international and local communities, support visitors from and people traveling to foreign countries, and position the university to serve as a regional nexus of information for international engagement.

Ed leaves behind his wife Rose A. (Anderlonis) Minnock; his father, Edward W. Minnock, Sr. of Gulfport, Mississippi; a son, Edward W. Minnock, III and his wife Pantea of Glen Mills, Pennsylvania; a daughter, Kelly Barnett and her husband Thayne of Topeka, Kansas; 2 step daughters, Donna Lee Nehez of Lancaster, Pennsylvania and Sherri McCloskey of Bennezet, Pennsylvania; 4 sisters, Sharon Minnock of Denver, Colorado, Pat Mills of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, Linda Schwarz of Tallahassee, Florida and Judy Todd of Dallas, Texas; 6 grandchildren; several nephews and nieces.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Dr. Edward Minnock, at seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Ms. Fargo, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.