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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



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*Monday, February 13, 2012.*

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

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

#### *Petitions.*

Mr. Hedlund presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2137) of Robert L. Hedlund and James M. Cantwell (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the transfer of land in Marshfield [Local approval received];

**Under Senate Rule 20, referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.  
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

The following petition (having been presented prior to five o'clock P.M., on Friday, January 21, 2011) was referred, as follows:

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Reverend Tonia Punheiro for legislation relative to modifying civil commitments for sexual offenders;

**Under Senate Rule 18, the petition was placed on file.**

#### *Reports of a Committee*

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Senate Bill relative to the modernization of optometric patient care (printed as House, No 2348) – **ought to pass, with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2135) [Estimated cost – more than \$100,000];**

**Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means with the amendment pending.**

By Mr. Brownsberger, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Carl Senna, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2131);

By Ms. Clark, for the committee on Revenue, on petition, a Bill relative to real estate tax abatements (Senate, No. 2027); and

By Mr. Downing, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2087), a Bill relative to the emergency service response of public utility companies (Senate, No. 2136);

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

By Mr. McGee, for the committee on Transportation, on petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Barre as the Purple Heart Bridge (Senate, No. 1724);

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

By Mr. Kennedy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Hawley to grant 1 license for the sale of wine to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 97) [Local approval received];

**Read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

A Bill relative to oversight of private occupational schools (House, No. 3625, amended,-- on House, No. 3512), -- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

### *Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-  
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hedlund) “congratulating Christopher Michael Collins of the town of Weymouth on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”;  
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hedlund) “congratulating Zachary Rohland of the town of Weymouth on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and  
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Robert A. Matthews-Forte on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

### *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 appointment of special police officers in the town of Watertown (House, No. 3434),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

### *Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the retirement of Penny Harvey (House, No. 3828),-- **ought to pass.**

**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, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: An Act relative to the retirement of Penelope Harvey”.**

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 Robert L. Hedlund for legislation to authorize the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to provide additional sewer services through the city known as the town of Weymouth to the town of Hingham;

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.**

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 Robert L. Hedlund for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Judith Christianson, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance;

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.**

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 Eileen M. Donoghue, Thomas A. Golden, Jr., Kevin J. Murphy and David M. Nangle for legislation to authorize the city of Lowell to acquire assessments over certain parcels of land;

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.**

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 Robert L. Hedlund for legislation to create the position of musician laureate;

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

## PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

### *Engrossed Bill.*

An engrossed Bill relative to a Uniform Anatomical Gift Act (see Senate, No. 2067) (which originated in the Senate), 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. Donnelly) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

### *Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

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