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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



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*Monday, March 14, 2011.*

Met at three 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 Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader, announcing his appointment to the Special Committee on Redistricting,-- **was placed on file.**

#### *Petitions.*

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Rosenberg, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1883) of Stanley Rosenberg (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to preliminary elections in the town of Greenfield [Local approval received];

**Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Election Laws.**

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1882) of Stephen Brewer and Kimberly Ferguson (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to debt payments in the town of Rutland [Local approval received];

**Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

**Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

By Mr. Joyce, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian Joyce for legislation relative to the classification of homeowners associations; and

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard T. Moore and George N. Peterson, Jr. for legislation relative to the surrender of firearms and ammunition to licensing authorities;

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

#### *Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Michael O. Moore, for the committee on Higher Education, on petition, a Bill authorizing Holyoke Community College to borrow funds for the acquisition and renovation of certain real property in the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 572);

**Read and, under Senate Rule 26C, referred to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.**

#### *Committee Discharged.*

Ms. Donoghue, for the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1712) of Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to expedite the transfer of cases to the permit session of the Land Court,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.**

**Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.  
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

#### **PAPER FROM THE HOUSE**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3255) of Timothy R. Madden and David T. Vierira (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish an affordable housing trust fund in the town of Falmouth,-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the 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. Knapik) “honoring Loretta Brennan Glucksman as the 2011 Ambassador Award recipient”; and Resolutions (filed by Mr. Knapik) “honoring David McCullough as the 2011 John F. Kennedy National Award recipient.”

#### *Reports of Committees.*

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 Benjamin B. Downing for legislation relative to volunteer ambulance service.

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

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 Benjamin B. Downing and Gailanne M. Cariddi for legislation relative to an exclusive and perpetual easement within Monroe State Forest.

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knapik, 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.**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3250) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Daniel Murphy, an employee of the Department of Correction ,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

#### *Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Knapik,--

*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.

On motion of the same Senator, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.