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Monday, April 2, 2012.

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

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

Communication.

A communication from the Honorable Therese Murray, President of the Senate, announcing the appointment of Pamela Rivers to the Special Commission established (pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 197 of the Acts of 2010) to make an investigation and study of school nutrition and childhood obesity,-- **was placed on file.**

Petition.

Mr. Tarr presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr and Ann-Margaret Ferrante (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to designate a portion of the route 128 extension in the city of Gloucester as the Purple Heart Highway;

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

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Berry, for the committee on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, a Bill relative to veterans' access, livelihood, opportunity and resources (Senate, No. 2193), ---- **ought to pass;**

Referred, under Senate Rule 27, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McGee, for the committee on Transportation, a Bill establishing a special commission to identify, preserve and commemorate historic roadways in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 1727);

Read and, under Joint Rule 29, referred to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Kennedy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition, a Bill relative to home improvement contractor registration (Senate, No. 84);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill to consolidate the Massachusetts Identification Card and the Liquor Purchase Identification Card (Senate, No. 106);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill prohibiting the sale of lottery tickets on credit (Senate, No. 112);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to the certification of drain cleaners (Senate, No. 114);

By Mr. Downing, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on petition, a Bill relative to water company infrastructure projects (Senate, No. 1667);

By Mr. McGee, for the committee on Transportation, on petition, a Bill enhancing the administrative operations of the Registry of Motor Vehicles (Senate, No. 1716);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to stealing registration plates and the possession of stolen registration plates (Senate, No. 1723);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to motor vehicle registrations (Senate, No. 1747);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill to promote and advance motorcycle safety (Senate, No. 1761);
and
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill to provide for the issuance of a distinctive registration plate for congenital heart defects research and treatment (Senate, No. 1799);
Severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Kennedy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition, a Bill relative to anti-freeze and engine coolant (Senate, No. 88);

By Mr. McGee, for the committee on Transportation, on petition, a Bill relative to the transfer of boat registration between family members (Senate, No. 1756);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to designating a portion of Route 18 in New Bedford as Kennedy Boulevard (Senate, No. 1763);
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing the Massachusetts Highway Department to install certain signs (Senate, No. 1771); and
By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Raynham as the Cpl. Brian Oliveira Bridge (Senate, No. 1775);
Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

By Mr. McGee for the committee on Transportation, on petition, a Bill authorizing the City of Quincy to establish neighborhood speed reduction zones (Senate, No. 1926) [Local approval received];
Read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee 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 further clarifying the preservation of the Blackstone River and Canal (Senate, No. 362); and
Of the Senate Bill relative to the study of electronic ticketing (Senate, No. 1222);
**And recommending that the same severally be referred to the Senate committee on Ethics and Rules.
Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were severally considered forthwith and accepted.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Bills

Authorizing certain licensees of the Division of Banks to participate in a multi-state licensing system (House, No. 3911, amended,-- on House, No. 3727); and
Establishing a sick leave bank for Janet Ruggieri, an employee of the Department of Revenue (House, No. 3976, amended,-- on petition)
Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Notice was received from the Speaker of the House of Representatives announcing the following appointment:

That Representative Brodeur of Melrose had been appointed to the Financial Literacy Trust Fund established (pursuant to Section 35QQ of Chapter 10 of the General Laws) to encourage financial literacy and education for residents, institutions, community organizations and entities that will promote financial literacy;

That Ms. Lisa Donahue of Eastham had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 181 of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011) to conduct an investigation and study of the incidence and impacts of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases in the Commonwealth;

That Representatives Markey of Dartmouth and Khan of Newton had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 189 of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011) to study the Commonwealth's criminal justice system;

That Representative Brady of Brockton had been appointed to the special commission established (under Chapter 85 of the Acts of 2011) to investigate and report on current funding levels and municipal contractual obligations established by Section 108L of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, known as the police career incentive pay program; and

That Representatives Scibak of South Hadley and Brodeur of Melrose had been appointed to the special commission established (under Section 56 of Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2011) to study the Massachusetts public employees' pension classification system.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem, Messrs. Brewer, Brownsberger, Ms. Chandler, Ms. Clark, Messrs. DiDomenico and Donnelly, Ms. Donoghue, Mr. Downing, Ms. Fargo, Ms. Flanagan, Messrs. Hart and Hedlund, Ms. Jehlen and Messrs. Knapik, McGee, Michael O. Moore, Richard T. Moore, Pacheco, Rosenberg and Tarr) "honoring the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Debbie Araujo on being named the recipient of the 2012 Woman of Achievement Award by Girls Incorporated of Taunton";

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Tarr, and Berry, Ms. Clark and Mr. McGee) "congratulating the Independent Living Center of the North Shore and Cape Ann, Inc. on its twenty-fifth anniversary"; and

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Timilty and Ross) "congratulating William B. Vernon on being named the 2012 recipient of the Good Scout Award presented by the Annawon Council, Boy Scouts of America, Angle Tree District."

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 Senate Bill authorizing the town of Hawley to grant a license for the sale or service of wine to be drunk on the premises (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Sent to the House for concurrence.**

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A Bill validating the actions taken at a certain town meeting in the town of Abington (printed in House, No. 3843,-- being a message from his Excellency the Governor),-- **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4018) of Louis L. Kafka and others for legislation relative to establishing a Department of Environmental Protection Appeals Board;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4019) of Louis L. Kafka and others for legislation relative to the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor establishing the third week in October as Male Breast Cancer Awareness Week;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to maintain public water systems (Senate, No. 85),- **ought to pass.**

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

Subsequently, Mr. Berry, for the said committee on Ethics and Rules, reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, April 5th.

The bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, April 5, for a second reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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 nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.