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## UNCORRECTED PROOF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.



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*Thursday, August 18, 2011.*

Met at twelve minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Chang-Díaz 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 (Ms. Chang-Díaz), members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### *Report.*

A report of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (under the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 23J of the General Laws) submitting its annual Statement of Net Assets, Revenues, and Expenditures, Year Ended June 30, 2011 (received August 16, 2011) (copies having been forwarded as required to the committees on Ways and Means, the joint committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, the joint committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy and the joint committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture),-- **was placed on file.**

#### *Petition.*

Mr. Downing, presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Benjamin B. Downing, Cory Atkins, Steven A. Baddour, Matthew Beaton and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to certain State Police retirement benefits; **Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3674) of Marcos A. Devers and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to establish the maximum age for school attendance in the city of Lawrence,-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.**

A Bill authorizing the town of Canton to remove the position of deputy police chief from civil service (House, No. 3506,-- on petition) [Local approval received];-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

#### *Engrossed Bills.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Ms. Chang-Díaz) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Lanou, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 1341, amended); and

Authorizing the town of Norwood to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages (see House, No. 973).

#### *Report 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 Thomas P. Kennedy for legislation relative to real estate tax abatements;  
**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue.**

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Berry) "congratulating Chief William Anglin on the occasion of his retirement from the Salem State University Police Force";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brewer) "celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Ware";

Resolutions (filed by MS. Jehlen) "recognizing the International Hearing Society on the occasion of its sixtieth annual convention"; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Wolf) "recognizing the Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum on the occasion of the First-Day-of-Issue Party for the Edward Hopper Commemorative Stamp."

**PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.**

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3678) of Demetrius J. Atsalis for legislation to prohibit the development of wind electric generation facilities detrimental to the operation of structures used for the transmission of radio or telecommunications,—  
**was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy .**

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Lisa A. Sullivan, an employee of the Trial Court (Senate, No. 1968),-- **ought to pass, with an amendment by striking out, in lines 6, 8 and 11, each time it appears, the word "Michelle" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- "Michele"; and by striking out the title, and inserting in place thereof the following title:- "An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Michele Chandler, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services."**

**There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.**

**The bill (Senate, No. 1968, amended) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gina Rossi, an employee of the Parole Board (House, No. 3616),-- **ought to pass, with an amendment by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "executive office of health and human services" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts located in the city of Chelsea"; by striking out, in line 3, the words "in Chelsea"; by striking out, in lines 3 and 5, each time it appears, the word "office" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "Soldiers' Home"; by striking out, in line 9, the words "office of health and human services" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "Soldiers' Home "; by striking out, in the title, the word "Chelsea" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- "Massachusetts"; and by striking out in the emergency preamble the word "Chelsea" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- "Massachusetts".**

**There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.**

**The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Ms. Tarr,--

*Ordered,* That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Monday 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 Zelma Evelyn*

The Senator from Second Suffolk and Middlesex, Mr. Tolman requests that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Zelma Evelyn.

Zelma Evelyn, passed away peacefully on August 12, 2011 at the age of 90. Zelma was an employee of the city of Cambridge for over 40 years. During this time, she was affectionately known as “the unofficial mayor of Cambridge City Hall”.

For 39 years she worked in the Auditing Department, becoming the department’s first black supervisor. From her desk, Zelma had a “bird’s eye view” of the activities taking place in the city.

Just prior to her retirement, Zelma was the secretarial assistant to Mayor Ken Reeves, the first black mayor in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts during his two consecutive electoral terms.

Though known for her quiet ways, Zelma was a tireless organizer and activist, constantly working to improve the quality of life for people of all ages.

She has devoted her time and talents to numerous organizations in the city of Cambridge. She was a founding member of the Cambridge Black Cultural and Historical Association and the Cambridge African American Heritage Trail.

She has served as a member of the Board of Directors at the YWCA, Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House, Caspar and as a Regional Director of the Black United Fund.

Zelma was married to the late Frank Evelyn for 49 years. Her son Robert Evelyn resides in Framingham with his wife Lula and son Jared.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Zelma Evelyn, at twenty minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.