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Thursday, November 21, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Petrucci 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. Petrucci), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Engrossed Bills — Laid Before the Governor.

An engrossed Bill to clarify the joint use and operation of Spectacle Island (see Senate, No. 1488) (which originated in the Senate), having been passed to be enacted and signed by the President on Wednesday, November 20, 2013,— **was laid before the Governor for his approbation on Thursday, November 21, 2013.**

An engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Gardner to convey certain land to the New England Power Company (see Senate, No. 1893) (which originated in the Senate), having been passed to be enacted and signed by the President on Wednesday, November 20, 2013,— **was laid before the Governor for his approbation on Thursday, November 21, 2013.**

An engrossed Bill designating and transferring certain land in the towns of Norfolk and Walpole for conservation, open space, water supply protection, and recreational purposes (see Senate, No. 1936) (which originated in the Senate), having been passed to be enacted and signed by the President on Wednesday, November 20, 2013,— **was laid before the Governor for his approbation on Thursday, November 21, 2013.**

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1930) of Stephen M. Brewer and Denise Andrews (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt part-time call firefighters in the town of Athol from the civil service law [Local approval received];

**Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Public Service.
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

By Mr. Joyce, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian A. Joyce, Stanley C. Rosenberg, Ruth B. Balser, John F. Keenan and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure parity for mental health and substance abuse treatment,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 913), a Bill to update the definition of cocaine (Senate, No. 1934);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 919), a Bill relative to synthetic marijuana (Senate, No. 1935);

By Mr. Keenan, for the committee on Public Health, on petition, a Bill relative to the practice of athletic training (Senate, No. 1832);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 351), a Bill to protect children and families from harmful flame retardants (Senate, No. 1931);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on House, No. 1950 and Senate, No. 1013, a Bill to prohibit clinical laboratory self-referrals (Senate, No. 1932); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on House, No. 1928 and Senate, No. 1088, a Bill relative to baseline concussion testing for student athletes (Senate, No. 1933);

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Ms. Forry, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill to exempt the Harbor and Shellfish Advisory Board membership from conflict of interest regarding discussion of shellfish licensing (Senate, No. 979) [Local approval received];

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

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A Bill financing information technology equipment and related projects (House, No. 3770, amended,-- on House, No. 3330), -- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26C, referred to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.**

Bills

Relative to portable electronics insurance (House, No. 3541,-- on House, No. 955); and

Relative to emergency scheduling of addictive substances by the Commissioner of Public Health (House, No. 3711,-- on Senate, No. 917);

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

Bills

Relative to manslaughter (House, No. 1534,-- on petition); and

Further limiting the liability of persons rendering certain emergency medical care (House, No. 1577) (also based on Senate Bill, No. 829);

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

Resolutions

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Eldridge) "commending the town of Maynard on becoming a Purple Heart town"; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kennedy) "congratulating Petti's Market in the city of Brockton on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary."

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Cynthia (Bouchard) White, an employee of the Trial Court (Senate, No. 1915),-- **ought to pass, with an amendment substituting a new draft entitled "An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Cynthia Bouchard White, an employee of the Trial Court" (Senate, No. 1937).**

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. 1937) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

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 Robert K. Barry, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (House, No. 3668),-- **ought to pass.**

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.

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Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the secretary of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to convey and acquire certain parcels of land in the city of Beverly (see Senate, No. 1901), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,-- **was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.**

The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Petrucci) and sent to the House for enactment.

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the Senate, came from the House with the endorsement that it had been enacted in that branch.

The Senate then passed the bill to be enacted; and it was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Petruccelli) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House), 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 (Mr. Petruccelli) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Authorizing the town of Barnstable to lease land for use as a for-profit museum (see House, No. 3521); and

Authorizing the city of Springfield to exchange parcels of land (see House, No. 3784).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Donnelly,--

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.

On motion of the same Senator, at nineteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.