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Monday, November 24, 2014.

Met at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Keenan 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. Keenan), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Keenan) handed the gavel to Mr. Humason for the purpose of an introduction. Mr. Humason then introduced, in the rear of the Chamber, his wife, Janice and son, Quinn. They were accompanied by Bob, Connie and Katherine Knapik, family members of Senator Knapik, who were visiting from Florida. The group was welcomed with applause and withdrew from the Chamber.

Communication.

Communication from Dupere Law Offices relative to the Gateway Regional School District (received November 21, 2014),-- **was placed on file.**

Report.

Report of the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (pursuant to Section 21(3)(f) of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) submitting a report relative to cost of living adjustments for retirees (received January 8, 2014),-- **was placed on file**

Petition.

Mr. Joyce presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2397) of Brian A. Joyce, Mark J. Cusack, Bruce J. Ayers and Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Randolph to designate a check-off on its tax bills [Local approval received];
Under Senate Rule 20, referred to the committee on Revenue.
Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4533) of Paul J. Donato (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Malden be authorized to change the composition of the Stadium and Athletic Field Commission in said city; and
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4534) of Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) that the town of Provincetown be authorized to designate a check-off box on its tax bills for affordable housing donations;
Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4535) of William M. Straus and Mark C. Montigny (by vote of the town) that the town of Mattapoisett be authorized to credit the boat excise tax to the Municipal Waterway Fund;
To the committee on Revenue.

A Bill relative to the town clerk in the town of Edgartown (House, No. 4340,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders the Day and considered as follows:
The House Bill relative to firefighters in the town of Merrimac (House, No. 4223),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The House Bill authorizing the board of assessors of the town of Sturbridge to grant tax abatements to certain military personnel (House, No. 4262),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE
Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Christopher Johnson, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2384), 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. Keenan) and sent to the House for enactment.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Alexis Baez, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see Senate, No. 2394), 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. Keenan) and sent to the House for enactment.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Brewer, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill establishing a commission on the status of children and youth (Senate, No. 2080),- ought to pass, with an amendment substituting a new draft of the same title (Senate, No. 2398).
There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Humason, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.
The bill (Senate, No. 2398) 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 Mystic River watershed water quality commission (House, No. 4262),- **ought to pass, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2399.**
There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Humason, 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 in the amendment.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4537) of Gloria Fox for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Stephanie Shanen, an employee of the Department of Children and Families,-- **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

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 (Mr. Keenan) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:
Establishing a sick leave bank for Dean Bassett, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (see Senate, No. 2391); and
Designating the street hockey arena in Marine Park in the South Boston section of the city of Boston (see House, No. 4201).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Humason,--

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