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Wednesday, October 16, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair).

Students from the Forestdale School in Sandwich, Massachusetts, led the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), members, guests and staff in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Communication.

The following communications were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Communication from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting notice of a proposed fee change for the 90-Day elevator re-inspection fee under 801 CMR 4.02 (524) (received October 11, 2013); and

Communication from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting notice of a proposed fee change for civil fines issued by the Department of Public Safety under 801 CMR 4.02 (520) (received October 11, 2013).

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Barrett, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Barrett for legislation to protect public health during unseasonably warm weather;

By Mr. DiDomenico (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Peter Puopolo for legislation relative to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority fares; and

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Robert L. Hedlund, Richard J. Ross, Linda Campbell and other members of the General Court for legislation to protect animal welfare and safety;

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

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Joyce, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1508), an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets to make an investigation and study into the sale or lease of the National Guard armory in the city of Worcester (Senate, No. 1883);

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3696) of Benjamin Swan and Mayor Domenic J. Sarno (with the approval of the

mayor and city council) relative to filling vacancies in ward seats of the city council by special election in the city of Springfield;
To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3697) of Christopher M. Markey (by vote of the town) relative to certain roadways in the town of Dartmouth;

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Brewer offered the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That pursuant to the provisions of Senate Rule 27A, all amendments to the supplemental appropriations bill (for original House bill, see House, No. 3700) as will be reported by the Committee on Ways and Means (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 1890) shall be filed electronically in the office of the Clerk of the Senate by 12:30 P.M. on Thursday, October 17, 2013;

All such amendments shall be second-reading amendments to the recommended Senate Ways and Means new text (Senate, No. 1890) but further amendments in the third degree to such amendments shall be in order. The Clerk shall further specify the procedure and format for filing all amendments, consistent with this order.

After the bill as amended is ordered to a third reading, it shall immediately be read a third time and the question shall then immediately be on passing it to be engrossed, and no amendments shall be in order at the third reading of the bill unless recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Under the rules, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Rosenberg, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the order ought to be adopted.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. O'Connor Ives, and the order was considered forthwith and adopted.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M., in a full formal session with a calendar.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of former Newburyport Mayor George H. Lawler, Jr.

Adjourn In Memory of George H. Lawlor, Jr.

The Senator from Essex, Ms. O'Connor Ives, and the Senator from First Essex and Middlesex, Mr. Tarr, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory of George H. Lawlor, Jr.

Former Newburyport Mayor George H. Lawler, Jr., passed away February 12, 2013.

George was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who served the city of Newburyport in numerous capacities for more than a half-century and played a pivotal role in the preservation of the historic downtown business district.

Mr. Lawler was elected mayor in 1963 after serving 10 years on the City Council, including four years as council president. He served as mayor from 1964 to 1968. Mayor Lawler's efforts to convince federal and state agencies to allow the use of grant funds for restoration, rather than demolition, of the downtown area led to changes in the law resulting in Newburyport's revitalization, ultimately serving as a national model for historic preservation in urban renewal.

Following his tenure as mayor, George served as city clerk from 1971 until his retirement. After his retirement, George was elected to the City Council again, serving from 1988 to 1992. Mr. Lawler also served numerous city boards and commissions, including his recent service as chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners from 2002 until his death. As the result of his lengthy municipal service and broad institutional knowledge of the city's history, George was called upon by several mayors and city leaders for his wisdom and counsel over the years.

In addition to his municipal service, Mr. Lawler also contributed his time to other notable civic organizations in Newburyport. All of his contributions to the city he loved are too numerous to mention. His devotion to his city was only surpassed by his love of his wife, children and grandchildren.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect in memory of George H. Lawlor, Jr., at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Ross, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.