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Monday, December 23, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

The Senator from Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex, Mr. Ross, led the Chair (Mr. Rosenberg), members, guests and staff in the recitation the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Communication.

Communication from Martin J. Benison, Comptroller, (pursuant to item 1599-2040 of Section 2B Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2012 as well as Section 2B Chapter 38 of the Acts of 2013) submitting a report on prior year deficiencies through chargebacks to FY2013 and FY2014 funds (received Wednesday, October 16, 2013),-- was placed on file.

Report.

Report of the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (under the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 4 of the Acts of 2003) submitting a plan for expenditure from the County Registers Technological Fund (copies will be forwarded as required to the Senate Committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight) (received Monday, December 23, 2013),-- was placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred, as follows:

By Ms. Murray, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1964) of Therese Murray and Randy Hunt (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt supervisory positions in the police department of the town of Sandwich from the civil service law [Local approval received]:

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

By Mr. Michael O. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael O. Moore for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the town of Millbury as the Joseph R. Bianculli Bridge; and

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, James M. Cantwell, Matthew A. Beaton, Antonio F. D. Cabral and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Seafood Marketing Program;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, 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. 3818) of Anne M. Gobi and Stephen M. Brewer (by vote of the town) that the town of Hardwick be authorized to change the parks and recreation commission from an elected board to an appointed board;

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3819) of Todd M. Smola, Stephen M. Brewer and Anne M. Gobi (by vote of the town) that the town of Ware be authorized to appoint Michele Moorhouse a police officer in said town, notwithstanding the maximum age requirement:

To the committee on Public Service.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Joseph W. Teta, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3781,-- on petition); and Establishing a sick leave bank for Beth-Ann Litchfield, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (House, No. 3808,-- on petition);

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

Authorizing the town of Lincoln to grant a license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3531,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Authorizing the town of Belmont to grant licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3780, amended,-- on House, No. 3655) [Local approval received on House, No. 3655];

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

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Rosenberg, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, reported, that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The House Bill authorizing alternate members on local historical commissions (House, No. 3679).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the bill 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.

A Bill authorizing the City of Leominster to pay a certain unpaid bill (House, No. 3379,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, 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. 3824) of Randy Hunt for legislation to enhance enforcement of laws banning the delivering drugs or articles to prisoners in correctional institutions or jails;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3825) of Randy Hunt and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to mandated treatment and monitoring of nonviolent offenders with substance addictions;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3826) of Jennifer E. Benson and Jennifer L. Flanagan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for James Cooney, an employee of the Department of Correction;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3827) of Randy Hunt, Cory Atkins and others for legislation to authorize income tax filers to make voluntary contributions to the Massachusetts Cultural Development Fund on their annual income tax returns;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Revenue.

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. Rosenberg) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Authorizing the town of Holliston to establish an other post-employment benefits trust fund (see House, No. 2303); and Relative to the Milk Producer's Security Fund reimbursement (see House, No. 3785).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

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