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Monday, September 12, 2016.

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Report

Report of the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (under the provisions of Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure from the County Registers Technological Fund. (copies having been forwarded as required to the Senate Committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight) (received September 9, 2016),-- was placed on file.

Registry of Deeds,--  
Norfolk County.  
SD2678

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Revenue, on Senate, No. 2479, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document relative to veteran property tax exemptions (Senate, No. 2487) [Senator Fattman dissenting];

Revenue committee,-  
- study.

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

By Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill authorizing assessment of sewer betterments and privilege fees in the town of Salisbury (Senate, No. 2481) [Local approval received];

Salisbury,--  
assessments.

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

Resolutions

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. L'Italien) "honoring the legacy of Andrew Coburn and his contributions to literature and journalism"; and

Andrew Coburn.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross and Ms. Spilka) "congratulating Helen Huang on her receipt of the 2016 Distinguished Young Woman of Massachusetts Award."

Helen Huang.

Reports of Committees.

The following report was laid before the Senate, the time within which the said committee was required to report having expired:---

Of the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2458) of Joan B. Lovely and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the Ellen Story Commission on Postpartum Depression.

Ellen Story  
Commission,--  
postpartum  
depression.

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr; and, on motion of the same Senator, the petition was recommitted to the Joint Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse.**

By Ms. Spilka, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jose Valencia, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 4579),-- **ought to pass.**

Jose Valencia,-- sick  
leave.

**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.**

By Mr. Montigny, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Anne M. Gobi and Todd M. Smola for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Karen Tavernier, an employee of the Department of Transportation.

Karen Tavernier,--  
sick leave.  
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**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 Public Service.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4608) of Thomas P. Walsh, Joan B. Lovely and others relative to establishing a daily log of all responses to calls for assistance relating to opiate overdoses;

Opiate overdose,--  
log.

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee Public Safety and Homeland Security.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4607) of Angelo L. D'Emilia for legislation to designate a certain intersection in the town of Bridgewater as the as the Bryan K. McSheffrey corner;

Bridgewater,-- Bryan  
K. McSheffrey  
corner.

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee Transportation.**

*Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.*

An engrossed Bill establishing Massachusetts Farm-to-School Month and commending farm-to-school programs (see House, No. 2782, amended), 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. Boncore) and sent to the House for enactment.

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the House, 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. Boncore) and laid before the Governor for his**

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**approbation.**

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

*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.

Time of meeting.

On motion of the same Senator, at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock, A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.