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Monday, February 29, 2016.

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

Report.

Report of the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative (pursuant to Section 8 of Chapter 40J of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2015 annual report (received February 25, 2016),-- was placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. O'Connor Ives, for the committee on Community Development and Small Business, on Senate, Nos. 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117 and 120, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Community Development and Small Business to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to **community development and small business issues (Senate, No. 2145);**

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

By Mr. Lewis, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate No. 1140 and House No. 1963, a Bill modernizing emergency medical services oversight (Senate, No. 1140);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate No. 1205 and House No. 1992, a Bill establishing a Board of Registration in Naturopathy (Senate, No. 2148); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate No. 1218 and House No. 1956, a Bill relative to liability protection for disaster volunteers (Senate, No. 2149);

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

By Mr. Lewis, for the committee on Public Health, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1147), a Bill establishing a commission on malnutrition prevention (Senate, No. 2147);

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

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Revenue, on Senate Nos. 343 and 1602 and House Nos. 2482 and 2504, a Bill relative to the modernization of boat registration and marine vessels (Senate, No. 2150); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate Nos. 1539 and 1540 and House Nos. 2491 and 2643, a Bill clarifying deadlines for submission of applications for land under Chapter 61a (Senate, No. 2151);

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

By Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Easthampton to grant eight additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2055) [Local approval received]; and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises and one additional license for the sale of an all alcoholic beverages to be drunk off the premises in the town of West Bridgewater (Senate, No. 2072) [Local approval received];
Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committees Discharged.

Ms. O'Connor Ives, for the committee on Community Development and Small Business, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 119) of Michael J. Rodrigues and Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. for legislation to improve housing opportunities and the Massachusetts economy,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Housing; and**

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 121) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to establish the Massachusetts Capital Partnership Program,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies;**

Mr. Brownsberger, for the committee on the Judiciary, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 747) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to the age of tobacco purchase,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health;**

Mr. Lewis, for the committee on Public Health, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1207) of Marc R. Pacheco, William M. Straus, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., David Paul Linsky and other members of the General Court for legislation to remove the restrictions on the licenses of nurse practitioners and certified registered nurse anesthetists as recommended by the Institute of Medicine and the Federal Trade Commission,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing;**
Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were considered forthwith and accepted.
Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the position of poet laureate for the commonwealth of Massachusetts (House, No. 2927,-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

A Bill validating the actions taken at a certain town meeting held in the town of Rochester (printed in House, No. 3918,-- **being a message from His Excellency the Governor**),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Reports

Of the committee on Community Development and Small Business, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3381) of Carlos Gonzalez and others for legislation to establish the micro and minority business strategy committee to develop strategies for supporting micro businesses in inner city communities,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies;**

Of the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1687) of Michael D. Brady and others relative to health care worker safety,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security; and**

Of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1958) of Denise C. Garlick and others relative to the maximum number of patients assigned to registered nurses or hospital care attendants;

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1989) of Louis L. Kafka and others relative to public health dental hygienists; and

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2025) of David M. Nangle that the Center for Health Information and Analysis be directed to study potential cost savings for certain physical therapy treatments;

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Were severally considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

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 Mark Bell for legislation relative to moving violations.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

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 Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to local public housing authorities access to the dental insurance plan managed by the group insurance commission.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, 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.

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 Ryan C. Fattman and Kevin J. Kuros for legislation relative to the small commercial tax exemption.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue.

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 Michael D. Brady, Chris Walsh, James B. Eldridge, Linda Dean Campbell and others for legislation relative to the establishment of a Massachusetts municipal lobbying policy.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Eric Burton, an employee of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department (see House, No. 3823), 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 3 to 0. The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Brownsberger) and sent to the House for enactment.**

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., in a full formal session with a calendar.

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