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JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.

Monday, March 7, 2016.

Met at seven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M.

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

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the President introduced, in the rear of the Chamber, a group of parliamentarians from Quebec City. Among the group were M. Guy Leclair, M. Guy Ouellette, M. Ghislain Bolduc, M. Simon Jolin-Barette, and M. Richard Daignault. They were visiting the United States to participate in a Massachusetts/Quebec conference that promotes the two countries to work together on various issues. The Senate welcomed them with applause, they each signed the guest book and withdrew from the Chamber.

Communication.

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Sections 1A and 1B of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014 and Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting its non-tax revenue report for final balances for FY2015 and the first two quarters of FY2016 (received March 4, 2016),-- **was placed on file.**

Petition.

Mr. Barrett presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Barrett and Cory Atkins for legislation to authorize the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Concord,-- **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Flanagan, for the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, on petition, a Bill to require health care coverage for emergency psychiatric services (Senate, No. 1027);

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

By Mr. Downing, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on petition, a Bill relative to bonding authority for the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (Senate, No. 1783);

Read and, under Senate Rule 26C, referred to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

By Mr. Moore, for the committee on Higher Education, on petition, (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 672), a Bill creating higher education opportunities for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities (Senate, No. 2157);

By Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill relative to preventing discriminatory land use and permitting decisions (Senate, No. 1059);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to regional stabilization funds (Senate, No. 1082);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill allowing for the decriminalization of minor offenses (Senate, No. 1093);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill creating a commission to study the effects of unfunded mandates on municipalities (Senate, No. 1096);

By Mr. Timilty, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1439), a Bill relative to post-retirement employment (Senate, No. 2158);

By Mr. Downing, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on Senate No. 1766 and House No. 2909, a Bill further promoting energy efficiency and green jobs (Senate, No. 1766);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate No. 1767 and House No. 2871, a Bill requiring gas leak repairs during certain road projects (Senate, No. 1767);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate No. 1778 and House No. 2849, a Bill relative to utility data transparency and access (Senate, No. 1778);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate No. 1751 and House No. 2878, a Bill improving outdoor lighting and increasing dark-sky visibility (Senate, No. 2159);

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

By Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill relative to local disability commission expansion (Senate, No. 1057);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill amending the municipal ticket law (Senate, No. 1065);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to streamlining municipal finance (Senate, No. 1068);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill increasing recycling by landlords and tenants (Senate, No. 1073);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill encouraging municipal recycling and composting (Senate, No. 1074);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to the effective enforcement of municipal ordinances and bylaws (Senate, No. 1076);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill creating the Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls (Senate, No. 1080);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill strengthening the enforcement of certain dog laws (Senate, No. 1085);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to Parking Advancements for the Revitalization of Communities (PARC) (Senate, No. 1094);

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

Committees Discharged.

Ms. Donoghue, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 213) James B. Eldridge, Jason M. Lewis, Peter V. Kocot, Lori A. Ehrlich and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to corporations, shareholders, and political expenditures,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Election Laws; and

Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1105) Bruce E. Tarr, Jennifer L. Flanagan and Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to confidentiality of reports of rape and related offenses,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary;**

Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were considered forthwith and accepted.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill providing for recall elections in the town of Shirley (House, No. 3784,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Report of the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1214) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the feasibility of establishing state-owned title insurance,-- **and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Financial Services,-- was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.**

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Robert Albany, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2073, 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 President and sent to the House for enactment.**

An engrossed Bill to comply with the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (see House Bill, printed in House No. 3848, 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 President and sent to the House for enactment.**

Communication.

Communication from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader, announcing the following appointments and changes to various committees that have been ratified by the Republican Caucus:

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

Post Audit and Oversight (2 Members)	Tarr (Ranking Member)/Fattman
Global Warming and Climate Change	Fattman

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES

Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture	Fattman
Housing	Ross
Municipalities and Regional Government	DeMacedo
Transportation	Humason

On motion of Mr. Ross, the above communication as ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:
The House Bill authorizing the town of Shrewsbury to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises. (House, No. 3880) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, 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 John F. Keenan, Mark J. Cusack and Ronald Mariano for legislation to establish Peace Day in the Commonwealth.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, 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. Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to Dartmouth Fire District No 2 (House, No. 3875,-- on petition),--**was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4052) of Peter J. Durant and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to prohibit a municipality or regional school district from using public funds or other public resources for the recruitment of students from outside the municipality or regional school district;

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4053) of Mark J. Cusack for legislation to further regulate domestic workers;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4054) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Jason M. Lewis and James J. Dwyer for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Steven Everton, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4055) of Thomas M. Petrolati for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Donna Juarez, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services;

Severally, 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 President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Establishing a sick leave bank for Robert Albany, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2073, amended);

Authorizing the town of Canton to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3768, amended);

Authorizing the town of Canton to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3769, amended);

To comply with the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (see House Bill, printed in House No. 3848, amended); and

Authorizing the town of Hull to issue certain bonds for terms of 30 years (see House, No. 3855).

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., in a full formal session with a calendar.

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