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Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

Met at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Boncore in the Chair).

The Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. OConnor, led the Chair (Mr. Boncore), members, guests and staff in the then recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Bill relative to the use of crossbows in hunting (Senate, No. 414),-- and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Bills

Authorizing the lease of a certain property in the towns of Needham and Wellesley (House, No. 2803,-- on petition);

Authorizing Quincy College to confer baccalaureate degrees (House, No. 4403, amended-- on House, No. 3556) [Local approval received on House, No. 3556];

Establishing a task force on Massachusetts older adults of all incomes (House, No. 4460, amended,-- on Senate, Nos. 351, 357, 358 and 368 and House, Nos. 521, 533 and 534);

Establishing sick leave bank for William Horohoe, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4480, amended,-- on petition);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jamie Mascarello, an employee of the office of the commissioner of probation (House, No. 4481, amended,-- on petition); and

Relative to language opportunity for our kids (House, No. 4566,-- on House, Nos. 327, 498 and 3225);

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

Notice was received from the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives announcing that he has appointed Representative Muradian of Grafton as his designee to serve on the special commission established (under Section 187 of chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) to examine and make recommendations to the General Court regarding the Board of Higher Education entering into interstate reciprocity agreements that authorize an accredited, degree-granting institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth to voluntarily participate in an agreement to provide distance learning programs to students in other states in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

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 Elder Affairs, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2139) of Patricia D. Jehlen and Tackey Chan for legislation to provide limited health services for residents of assisted living residences.

On motion of Mr. OConnor, the petition was recommitted to the Joint Committee on Elder Affairs.

Matters 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 Orleans to lease a certain parcel of land (House, No. 3664),-- was read a third time. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Wolf presented an amendment in section 1, by striking out in line 1, the words "any general or special law to the contrary" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "chapter 30B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary but subject to paragraphs (a), (b) and (g) of section 16 of said chapter 30B".

The amendment was **adopted**.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Orleans to lease a certain parcel of land (House, No. 3957, amended) (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.**

The House Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to establish a program for enforcement against illegal dumping (House, No. 4262),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

The House Bill authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to grant to The Association for Community Living, Inc. certain parcels of land in the city of Springfield (House, No. 4522),-- **was read third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

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A Bill relative to land in Northampton (House, No. 4520, amended,-- on House, No. 4390),-- **was read.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. OConnor and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to exchange certain parcels of land with the city of Northampton".

The Senate Resolve establishing the special commission on local and regional public health (Senate, No. 2296),-- came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with an amendment by striking out the text of the Resolve and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4458, amended, in lines 5 to 25, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

"The commission shall consist of the following persons, or their designees: the secretary of administration and finance; the commissioner of public health, who shall serve as chair; the commissioner of environmental protection; the commissioner of agricultural resources; 2 members of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the house minority leader; 2 members of senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the senate president and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the senate minority leader; a representative of the Massachusetts Municipal Association; a representative of the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation; a representative of the Massachusetts Public Health Association; a representative of the Massachusetts Health Officers Association; a representative of the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards; a representative of the Massachusetts Environmental Health Association; a representative of the Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses; a representative of the Western Massachusetts Public Health Association; a representative of the Massachusetts Public Health Regionalization Project working group at Boston University School of Public Health; and 8 persons to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a representative of a research or academic institution with experience in public health data collection and analysis; 1 of whom shall be a representative of a community health center; 1 of whom shall be a representative of a hospital system; 1 of whom shall have expertise in public health workforce development; 1 of whom shall be a public health representative of a municipality with a population greater than 50,000; 1 of whom shall be a public health representative of a municipality with a population between 5,000 and 50,000; and 1 of whom shall be a public health representative of a regional service model that includes at least 1 town with a population of less than 5,000."; and by adding the following paragraph:

"The commission shall prepare and submit to the governor, the joint committee on public health and the house and senate committee on ways and means a report that includes: (i) a summary of the commission's findings; (ii) a review of local public health organization and financing in other states; (iii) a review of the strengths and weaknesses of the local public health system

as it currently exists in the commonwealth, with particular emphasis on capacity, functionality and efficiency; (iv) recommendations on organizational and fiscal models that would work to ensure capacity across municipalities; (v) recommendations on the sharing of resources across municipalities, including regionalization; (vi) recommendations to strengthen public health data reporting, gathering and analysis, including any recommendations on mandatory reporting of local health authorities to the department; (vii) recommendations on resources needed to effectively meet statutory responsibilities at the state and local level; and (viii) recommendations to strengthen the local public health workforce and ensure training of the next generation of local public health professionals, including leveraging academic partnerships. The commission shall submit its final report by July 31, 2017.”

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. OConnor and the House amendment was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. OConnor,--

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