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Thursday, April 14, 2016.

Met at three 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).

Students from Coehlo Middle School in Attleboro, led the Chair (Mr. Brownsberger), members, guests and staff in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Reports.

Report of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development submitting its report on the strategy for administration and allocation for the Health Care Workforce Transformation Fund and activities supported in FY14 and FY15 (received April 13, 2016),-- was placed on file.

Petition.

By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2225) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Christine P. Barber, Denise Provost and Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to contracts in the city of Somerville [Local approval received];

**Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on petition, a Bill establishing Peace Day in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2181);

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

Committees Discharged.

Mr. Montigny, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Bill authorizing a study of starting times and schedules (Senate, No. 2221),-- **and**

recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Rules;

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

Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules, to whom was referred the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Higher Education to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to higher education matters (Senate, No. 2214), reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate No. 679) of Michael O. Moore, Linda Dorcena Forry, Tom Sannicandro, Daniel M. Donahue and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to sexual violence on higher education campuses,-- **and recommending that the same be**

referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

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

Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Rules, to whom was referred the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to economic development and emerging technologies issues (Senate, No. 2215), reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate No. 224) of Michael O. Moore, Mary S. Keefe, James J. Dwyer, Chris Walsh and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a special commission on the Dover amendment,-- **and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Rules.**

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

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Tarr) "commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the Pontian Greek Genocide";

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Ross and Timilty) "congratulating Ian A. Ganley of the city of Attleboro on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Ross and Timilty) "congratulating Connor Place of the city of Attleboro on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; and

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Ross and Timilty) "congratulating Nicholas Vitorino of the city of Attleboro on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout."

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all 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. Brownsberger) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Providing for the annual observance of the month of May as the official month of kindness (see House, No. 2747, amended);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Nicole Medina, an employee of the Department of Public Health (see House, No. 3874);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Brian Sheehan, an employee of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office (see House, No. 3921); and

Designating the Sunday preceding the third Monday in April as First Responder Day (see House, No. 4161).

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 Senate Bill increasing the membership of the board of selectmen of the town of Milton (Senate, No. 2112),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill further regulating the Position of Highway Surveyor in the Town of Hanson (House, No. 3738) (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 a Committee.

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

The Senate Bill relative to the retirement benefits of Robert H. Miner (Senate, No. 2131).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Rosenberg presented an amendment substituting a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the town of Erving" (Senate, No. 2227).

The amendment was **adopted.**

The bill (Senate, No. 2227) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

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

The House Bill designating the Massachusetts Hospital School as the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children (House, No. 2739, amended).

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.

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

The House Bill designating a certain traffic island in the town of Hingham as The Frank Massa Memorial Island (House, No. 3808).

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.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4222) of Tackey Chan and John F. Keenan for legislation to waive certain fees for retired registered nurses;

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4221) of Tackey Chan for legislation to classify court officer I, court officer II and court officer III in Group 4 of the contributory retirement system for public employees;

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

The following House Order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered as follows:

Ordered, That notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Judiciary be granted until Monday, May 2, 2016, within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 4098.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the order (House, No. 4218) was considered forthwith; and, after remarks, was adopted, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with a printing of a calendar.

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