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Thursday, July 2, 2015.

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

The Chair (Mr. Petrucci), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Communication.

Communication from the Honorable Michael J. Rodrigues, Chair of the Special Committee of the Senate to Conduct Regional Public Forums submitting a copy of the committee's report entitled: Commonwealth Conversations: A Report on Our Findings Supporting Healthy Families, Vibrant Communities, and a Prosperous Economy; and

Communication from the Department of Public Utilities (under the provisions of Section 1G(g) of Chapter 164 of the General Laws) submitting a copy of its 2014 Annual Report concerning self-generation (received June 30, 2015).

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Report of the Metropolitan Beaches Commission (pursuant to Section 70 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report (received June 30, 2015);

Report of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (pursuant to Section 49 of Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014) submitting the domestic violence data report relative to prosecution statistics (received June 30, 2015); and

Report of the Department of Public Utilities (under the provisions of Section 8 of Chapter 251 of the Acts of 2014) submitting its report on net metering by hydroelectric facilities (a copy having been forwarded to the Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy) (received June 30, 2015).

Petition.

Petitions were severally presented and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1960) of Richard J. Ross and Shawn Dooley (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish a department of public works in the town of Plainville [Local approval received];

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1961) of Richard J. Ross and Shawn Dooley (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the creation of a treasurer-collector in the town of Plainville [Local approval received]; and

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1962) of Richard J. Ross and Shawn Dooley (by vote of the town) for legislation to create a town administrator in the town of Plainville [Local approval received];

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Revenue, on petition (accompanied by bill Senate, No. 1460), a Bill relative to senior citizen property taxes (Senate, No. 1958);

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

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Revenue, on petition (accompanied by bill Senate, No. 1533), a Bill relative to tax abatements for deaf residents (Senate, No. 1959);

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the charter of the city of Newton (House, No. 3563,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Notice was received from the Speaker of the House of Representatives announcing the following appointment: That that (under the provisions of Paragraph (l) of Section 29A of Chapter 23G of the General Laws) he has appointed Tom Daniel of Manchester-by-the Sea, Economic Development Director of the city of Gloucester (municipal representative); Jessica Anders of Lawrence, Executive Director, Lawrence Community Works (CDC representative); Joseph Kriesberg of Boston, Executive Director, Mass. Association of CDCs (CDC representative); David E. Leone, LSP, of Millis of GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Professional); and that he had reappointed Michael Crawford of Needham, Executive Vice-President and COO, Commercial Bank & Trust, Worcester (lending community representative) to the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund Advisory Group.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:- Resolutions (filed by Ms. Flanagan) “commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the Greenwood Memorial Pool in the city of Gardner”;

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. L’Italien and Ms. Donoghue) “congratulating William Zounes on the occasion of his retirement”;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating Samuel Dorian Barnett of the town of Bridgewater on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) “congratulating James Daniel Moriarty of the town of Bridgewater on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Spilka, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Valerie Loiacono Daley, an employee of the trial court (House, No. 3606),-- **ought to pass.**

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hedlund, 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 Harriette L. Chandler and James J. O’Day for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anthony Hart, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hedlund, 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 James E. Timilty for legislation relative to group insurance costs for certain public retirees.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hedlund, 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. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3643) of Benjamin Swan and others for legislation to designate the Hampden County Superior Court as the Roderick L. Ireland courthouse,-- **was referred in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on the Judiciary.**

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hedlund,--

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