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Monday, October 2, 2017.

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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Reports.

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

Report of the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (pursuant to Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its financial statements and supplementary information for the year ended June 30, 2017 (received September 29, 2017); and

PVTA,-- financial statements. SD2338

Report of the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation (pursuant to Section 10 of Chapter 221A of the General Laws) submitting its FY17 Annual Report (received September 29, 2017).

MLAC,-- FY17 annual report. SD2339

Petition.

Mr. Brownsberger presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William N. Brownsberger for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Elizabeth O'Brien, an employee of the Department of the Attorney General;

Elizabeth O'Brien,-- sick leave. SD2337

Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Moore, for the committee on Higher Education, on petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 714), a Resolve establishing a special commission relative to reducing costs associated with the purchase of college textbooks (Senate, No. 2169);

College textbooks,-- cost.

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

By Mr. Moore, for the committee on Higher Education, on petition, a Bill expanding the community college training incentive program (Senate, No. 676);

Community colleges,-- training.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to uniform financial aid information (Senate, No. 680, changed in section 2, in line 30, by striking out the figure "20198" and inserting in place thereof the figure "2019");

Uniform financial aid.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill establishing an education loan repayment program for social workers in areas of need (Senate, No. 683);

Social workers,-- loan repayment.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to breaking generational cycles of poverty (Senate, No. 701);

Career pathways,-- trust fund.

By Mr. Brownsberger, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, Nos. 755, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 769, 770, 777, 790, 791, 792, 815, 816, 817, 819,

Criminal justice,-- reform.

827, 834, 837, 842, 845, 847, 852, 857, 858, 871, 873, 874, 876, 878, 881, 909, 916, 941, 944, 947, 975, 979 and 2050 and House, Nos. 716, 725, 728, 730, 741, 742, 745, 754, 755, 756, 760, 793, 794, 805, 819, 820, 821, 839, 843, 853, 860, 863, 874, 875, 883, 884, 885, 886, 888, 895, 907, 940, 941, 943, 953, 963, 967, 969, 988, 989, 990, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2261, 2308, 2309, 2323, 2337, 2338, 2359, 3037, 3047, 3050, 3071, 3072, 3075, 3077, 3078, 3079, 3084, 3092, 3098, 3100, 3110, 3116, 3120, 3126, 3494, 3579, 3586 and 3650, a Bill relative to criminal justice reform (Senate, No. 2170); and

By Ms. Friedman, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Donna Paul, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2166);

Donna Paul,-- sick leave.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3931) of Lori A. Ehrlich and Thomas M. McGee (by vote of the town) that the town of Swampscott be authorized to issue additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises,-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.**

Swampscott,-- liquor license.

A Bill supporting local business retention (House, No. 3352, amended),-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Local business,-- retention.

Bills

Relative to certain affordable housing in the East Boston section of the city of Boston (House, No. 2243,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

East Boston,-- affordable housing.

To amend the town charter of Concord (House, No. 3930,-- on House, No. 1097) [Local approval received on House, No. 1097];

Concord,-- charter.

Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “congratulating Michel Douglas of the town of Hanover on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”;

Michel Douglas.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Lewis, Barrett and Brady, Ms. Chandler, Ms. Creem, Messrs. deMacedo and DiDomenico, Ms. Donoghue, Ms. Forry, Mr. Fattman, Ms. Friedman, Ms. Gobi, Mr. Hinds, Ms. Jehlen, Ms. L’Italien and Messrs. McGee, Montigny, Moore, O’Connor, Rodrigues, Ross, Rush, Timilty and Welch) “commending Jane Doe Inc. on its recognition of October, 2017 as Domestic Violence Month”; and

Jane Doe Inc.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) “congratulating Blanche H. Shaw on her one hundredth birthday.”

Blanche H. Shaw.

Communication.

The Clerk read the following communication:

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

Senator Linda
Dorcena Forry,--
absence from
Chamber.

September 29, 2017

Mr. William Welch
Senate Clerk
Office of the Clerk of the Senate
24 Beacon St - Room 335
State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk,

Due to a conflict I was unable to attend part of the Senate Formal Session held on September 28, 2017. If I had been in attendance at this session, I would have voted in the affirmative and respectfully ask to be recorded as such on Roll Calls #77-99.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (617) 722-1150.

Sincerely,
LINDA DORCENA FORRY
State Senator

On motion of Mr. Tarr, the above communication was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Ordered printed.

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 relative to the traffic commission in the city of Woburn (House, No. 2779),-- **was read third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Woburn,--
traffic commission.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Dracut to grant four additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3754, amended),-- **was read a second time, ordered to third reading, read 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 town of Dracut to grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises".**

Dracut,-- liquor
licenses.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Dracut to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3755),-- **was read a second time, ordered to third reading, read 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**

Id.

authorizing the town of Dracut to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises”.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Dedham to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3897), - **was read a second time, ordered to third reading, read third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Dedham,-- liquor licenses.

Report 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 authorizing the Plymouth County retirement board to acquire real property in Plymouth County (House, No. 1334, amended).

Plymouth County land acquisition.

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.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3932) of Thomas M. Petrolati for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Amanda Rodrigues, an employee of the Trial Court;

Amanda Rodrigues,-- sick leave.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3933) of Amanda Ricko relative to housing services for chronically homeless individuals;

Homeless,-- housing services.

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

Moment of Silence.

After remarks, at the request of Mr. Tarr, the members, guests and staff joined in a moment of silent reflection for those who were killed and injured in the senseless shooting in Las Vegas, Nevada yesterday.

Moment of silence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Wednesday next at one o'clock P.M., in a full formal session with a calendar.

Time of meeting.

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