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Met at one minute past eleven o'clock A.M.

Report.

Report of Center for Health Information and Analysis (pursuant to Section 132 of Chapter 47 of the acts of 2017) submitting its report related to costs associated with the hospitalization of medically complex pediatric home care patients (received May18, 2018,), -- was placed on file.

CHIA, -- pediatric home care patients report. SD2656

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Welch, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Senate Bills

To promote choice for people with cognitive disabilities and their families (Senate, No. 26) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Relative to spouses as caregivers (Senate, No. 55) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Establishing the licensure of interpreters and oral transliterators for the deaf (Senate, No. 174) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Directing the administration to amend the Frail Elder Home and Community-Based Waiver to permit eligible older adults to choose to reside in Certified Assisted Living Residences (Senate, No. 344) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Providing health insurance coverage for scalp and facial hair prosthesis (Senate, No. 553) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

To promote public health through the prevention and wellness trust fund (Senate, No. 643) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Relative to the practice of acupuncture (Senate, No. 1198) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

To reduce healthcare costs by promoting non-biased prescriber education (Senate, No. 1215) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Requiring protection for the continuous skilled care of fragile children in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 1273) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000]; and

Authorizing the board of directors of Metacomet Emergency Communications Center to accept chapter 32B of the General Laws (Senate, No. 1453) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Severally ought to pass;

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

Committees Discharged.

Mr. Boncore, for the committee on Transportation, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4499) of Patricia A. Haddad relative to gender identity on certain state identification,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate

Cognitive disabilities,-- choice.

Spouses,-- paid caregivers.

Interpreters,--licensure.

Frail Elder Home and Community-Based Waiver.

Health insurance,--hair prosthesis.

Prevention and wellness trust fund.

Acupuncture,--practice.

Prescriber education,-- promote.

Fragile children,--care.

Metacomet Emergency Communications Center.

State ID's,-- gender identification.

committee on Ways and Means;

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted. Sent to the House for concurrence in the discharge of the joint committee.

Mr. Montigny, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document relative to foster care (Senate, No. 2421);

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document relative to auto repairer labor rates (Senate, No. 2524);

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Education to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to student nutrition (Senate, No. 2527);

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Rules:

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4504) James Arciero and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Littleton be authorized to increase the accidental disability retirement allowance payable to Scott Holt, a retired fire fighter of said town,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

A Bill authorizing the town of Holliston to convert a license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises to a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No., 4431,-- on House, No. 4307) [Local approval received on House, No. 4307],-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Report of the committee on Public Health asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4467) of Diana DiZoglio relative to products used on newborn infants,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities,-- was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

There being no objection, at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the President declared a recess, subject to the call of the Chair; and at six minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, the President in the Chair.

The President, members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Committee of Conference Report.

A report of the committee of conference of the disagreeing votes of the two

CFPD committee,--study.

FS committee,--study.

EDU committee,--study.

Littleton,-- Scott Holt.

Holliston,-- liquor license.

Infants,-- products.

Recess.

Pledge of allegiance.

Supplemental

branches, with reference to the Senate amendments to the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2018 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 4382) (amended by the Senate by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2493), reported, in part, the accompanying bill (House, No. 4514).

The rules were suspended, on motion of Me. Ross, and, after remarks, the report was accepted, in concurrence.

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 House Bill relative to the operation of trailers and semi-trailers (House, No. 4105) (the committee on Rules having recommended that the bill be amended by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to permit forthwith certain exempted persons to occupy a trailer or semi-trailer in motion upon any way, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.")

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Lovely, and the bill was read a second time, and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act permitting certain exempted persons to occupy a trailer or semi-trailer that it is being towed, pushed, drawn or is otherwise in motion upon any way."

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Resolutions

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Lewis) "congratulating Father Edward T. Malone on his retirement"; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) "commending the Salme Rotary Club on the occasion of its one-hundreth anniversary."

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A Bill designating the Houghs Neck Maritime Center in the city of Quincy as the Francis X. McCauley Houghs Neck Maritime Center (House, No. 4435,-- on House, No. 4339),-- 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. 4523) of David T. Vieira and Viriato M. deMacedo relative to the terms of the water commissioners in the Buzzards Bay Water District;

appropriations.

Hayrides.

Father Edward T. Malone.

Salme Rotary Club.

Quincy,-- Francis X. McCauley Houghs Neck Maritime Center.

Buzzards Bay Water District.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4524) of Paul F. Tucker that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Salem to the Salem Redevelopment Authority;

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

Protecting the rights of custodial and other non-teaching employees of school districts (see House, No. 1390);

Increasing the maximum age to be eligible for appointment as a special police officer in the city of Somerville (see House, No. 4085);

Authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers for paid detail assignments in the city of Cambridge (see House, No. 4143, amended); and

Authorizing the town of Lynnfield to grant 5 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4370).

Recess.

There being no objection, at four minutes past two o'clock P.M., the President declared a recess, subject to the call of the Chair; and at seven minutes past three o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Rodrigues in the Chair (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

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Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2018 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 4514), 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 Acting President (Mr. Rodrigues) and sent to the House for enactment.

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the House, came from the House with the endorsement that it had been enacted in that branch.

The Senate then passed the bill to be enacted; and it was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Rodrigues) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Salem,-- land.

Bills laid before the Governor.

Recess.

Supplemental appropriations.

Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Humason, at sixteen minutes past three o'clock P.M., pursuant to an order previously adopted, and, under the provisions of Senate Rule 38B, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at ten o'clock A.M., in a full formal session and that the only matter to be placed on the calendar will be the general appropriation bill.

Adjournment, time of meeting.