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Met at twenty-eight minutes before twelve o'clock noon (Mr. Crighton in the Chair).

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Pacheco, for the committee on Global Warming and Climate Change, that the Senate Bills

Relative to environmental justice and toxics release inventory (Senate, No. 427);

Toxics release inventory,-- decrease expansion. Solid waste facilities.

Further regulating siting of solid waste facilities (Senate, No. 441);

For a competitive economy through safer alternatives to toxic chemicals (Senate, No. 474, changed);

Toxic chemicals,-- alternatives.

Promoting agricultural energy production and reducing greenhouse gases (Senate, No. 1829);

Energy production,-- greenhouse gases.

Relative to net metering (Senate, No. 1871);

Net metering.

Relative to energy storage procurement for 2025 and 2030 (Senate, No. 1874); and

Energy storage,-- procurement.

Relative to increasing the renewable portfolio standard (Senate, No. 2503);

Renewable energy standards.

Severally ought to pass;

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4580) of Christine P. Barber (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the construction of the state funded Clarendon Hill Public Housing Project by the Somerville Housing Authority in the city of Somerville;

Somerville,-- housing.

To the committee on Housing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4581) of Michael S. Day (by vote of the town) that the town of Stoneham be authorized to appoint retired police officers as special police officers in said town;

Stoneham,-- special police officers.

To the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4582) of Mike Connolly, Denise Provost and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to impose a real estate transfer fee of certain real estate transactions in said city;

Somerville,-- real estate.

To the committee on Revenue.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

A Bill authorizing the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical school district to lease certain land and buildings (House, No. 4503,-- on House, No., 4473),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical school district.

Bills

Authorizing the town of Norfolk to convey certain land on Priscilla Avenue (House, No. 4148,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Norfolk,-- Priscilla Avenue.

Relative to certain affordable housing in the Jamaica Plain section of the city of Boston (House, No. 4238,-- on petition) [Local approval received];

Jamaica Plain,-- affordable housing.

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 Ms. Lovely) “congratulating Ethan Michael McGrath on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and

Ethan Michael McGrath.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross) “congratulating Jessica Lynch of the town of Sherborn on receiving the Gold Award of the Girl Scouts of America.”

Jessica Lynch.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Feeney, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for James Lovett, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (Senate, No. 2539).

James Lovett,-- sick leave.

The bill 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.

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 Bruce E. Tarr, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Adam G. Hinds, Shawn Dooley and other members of the General Court for legislation to create a Special Commission on Sports Gaming.

Sports gaming,-- special commission. SD2659

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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 Jenne Sindoni for legislation relative to emotional support dogs for witnesses in court.

Witnesses,-- support dogs. SD2628

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

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 Patrick Comaneschi for legislation relative to firearms licensing fees.

Firearms,-- licensing fees. SD2671

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

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 Michael D. Brady for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jane M. Baker, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services.

Jane M. Baker,-- sick
leave.
SD2677

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, 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 Barbara A. L'Italien for the adoption of resolutions relative to preventing nuclear war.

Nuclear weapons,--
use.
SD2488

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

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

Time of meeting.

On motion of the same Senator, at twenty-five minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.