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Thursday, August 30, 2018.

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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Communications.

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

Communication from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader, announcing the appointment (pursuant to Section 2A of Chapter 4 of the General Laws) of Ms. Catherine T. J. Howe, Psy.D., as his appointment to the Special Commission to review the qualifications and scope of practice of qualified examiners, as defined in section 1 of chapter 123A of the General Laws;

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Section 2E of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the Fiscal Year 2019 transfer schedules for the following accounts:

1595-1069 Health Information Technology Trust Fund

1595-1100 Unified Carrier Registration Trust Fund (received August 23, 2018);

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Section 2E of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) submitting the Fiscal Year 2019 transfer schedules for the following accounts:

1595-1075 Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund

1595-9168 Social Innovation Trust Fund

1595-1105 Energy Facilities Siting Board Trust Fund

1595-7066 (formerly 7066-0035) Massachusetts Science, Technology Engineering, and Mathematics Grant Fund (received August 29, 2018).

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating George and Johanna Leighton on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary".

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 amending the charter of the city of Everett to reduce the amount of time that a former city councilor is required to wait before holding other compensated city employment (Senate, No. 2516) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. DiDomenico presented an amendment striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the

Qualified examiners.

Comptroller,-transfer schedules. SD2754

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George and Johanna Leighton.

Everett,-- city charter.

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following section:-

"SECTION 2. The third sentence of said subsection (a) of said section 2-3 of said article 2 is hereby amended by striking out the words 'at least 1 year' and inserting in place thereof the following words:- 30 days."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill (Senate, No. 2516, amended) was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Thomas Millett, an employee of the Worcester county sheriff's office (Senate, No. 2638) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Fattman presented an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2659).

The amendment was adopted.

The bill (Senate, No. 2659) was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Newton to lease the John W. Weeks School (House, No. 4262) [Local approval received],-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Daisy F. Bolden, an employee of the Teachers' Retirement Board (House, No. 4448),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David Palazzo, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4508),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Keri Volk, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4616),— was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill authorizing the town of Tyngsborough to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4430,-on House, No. 4255) [Local approval received on House, No. 4255],-- was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

A Bill establishing an appointed highway superintendent in the town of Groveland (House, No. 4620,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

A Bill relative to the Orleans affordable housing trust fund (House, No. 4645, - on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Thomas Millett,-sick leave.

Newton,-- John W. Weeks School.

Daisy F. Bolden,--sick leave.

David Palazzo,-- sick leave.

Keri Volk,-- sick leave.

Tyngsborough,--liquor license.

Groveland,-highway superintendent.

Orleans,-- housing trust fund.

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Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Time of meeting.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Boncore), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Walter A. McKinnon.

Moment of silence.

Adjourn In Memory of Walter A. McKinnon.

The Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. O'Connor, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Walter A. McKinnon of Bridgewater.

Mr. O'Connor in the Chair, on August 10, 2018, Walter A. McKinnon of Bridgewater passed away with his loving family by his side at the age of 94.

Walter was born and raised in Quincy, and after high school, he enlisted in the United States Army and served from 1943-1946 in the 75th Infantry in Germany, where his division engaged in defensive combat. He was awarded the Bronze Star during his service for bravery and acts of merit. When Walter returned, he married his wife, Dorothy, and they settled in Weymouth to start their family.

During this time, Walter attended Northeastern University, where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering. He went on to own and operate Walter A. McKinnon Associates, a Weymouth-based engineering firm, for over 25 years.

Walter was known throughout the South Shore community for his engagement in the Weymouth Rotary Club and the Hatherly Country Club in Scituate, where he loved to play golf.

Walter was predeceased by his beloved wife of 66 years, Dorothy (Faunce) McKinnon and his son Richard McKinnon. He is the loving father of Wally McKinnon and his late wife Elaine of Braintree, Leslie Lydon and her late husband William of Bridgewater, Nancy McKinnon and her partner Rebecca Robinson of Stetson, Maine, and his daughter-in-law Barbara McKinnon of Whitman. He is the cherished grandfather to Cheryl and Jeffrey Larson, Karen and Laura McKinnon and great-grandfather to Will and Ava Larson.

Mr. Boncore in the Chair, accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Walter A. McKinnon, at twelve minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.