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Met at a quarter past eleven o'clock A.M. (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.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Crighton) handed the gavel to Mr. Tarr for the purpose of an introduction. Mr. Tarr then introduced, in the rear of the Chamber, a group of artists from Cape Ann. The artists were visiting the State House in recognition of having their artwork displayed in the Senate Lobby. Among the group were: Jeff Weaver, Phil Cusumano, Gayle Macklem, Eileen Oliver, Ken Knowles, T.M. Nicholas, Barbara Duggan, Jason Burroughs, Marty Swanson, Kathy Archer, Jill Armstrong and the families of Gordon and Judith Goetemann and John Nesta. They were accompanied by the Mayor of Gloucester Sefatia Romeo Theken and Karen Tibbetts, a founder and member of the Rocky Neck Art Colony Cultural Center. The Senate welcomed them with applause and they withdrew from the Chamber. They were also guests of Representative Ferrante of Gloucester.

Cape Ann artists.

Petition.

Mr. Pacheco presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2219) of Marc R. Pacheco and Angelo L. D'Emilia (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the appointing authority of the town of Bridgewater to appoint police cadets under certain circumstances to the police department of said town [Local approval received];

Bridgewater,-- police cadets.

Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

By Ms. Rausch, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Salisbury to assume control of the Ring's Island Water District (Senate, No. 1179) [Local approval received];

Salisbury,-- Ring's Island Water District.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to marijuana-related revenue in the town of Millbury (Senate, No. 1196) [Local approval received];

Millbury,-- marijuana revenue.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to a perpetual conservation restriction in the town of Middleborough (Senate, No. 1198) [Local approval received];

Middleborough,-- conservation land.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill establishing a selectmen-administrator form of government for the town of Newbury (Senate, No. 1201) [Local approval received]; and

Newbury,-- town government.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill crediting the stabilization fund for the sale of Fuller School in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 2195) [Local approval received];

Gloucester,-- Fuller School sale.

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

Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The Senate Bill relative to hands free cell phone devices (Senate, No. 2198),-- was read a second time.

Hands free devices.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Tarr, moved that all pending amendments to this bill be printed in the calendar pursuant to the provisions of Senate Rule 31; and the motion was seconded by Mr. O'Connor.

Accordingly, the matter was laid over under the provisions of Senate Rule 31 until the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3746) of Claire D. Cronin relative to insurance premium criteria;

Insurance premium criteria.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3745) of Claire D. Cronin relative to non-violation of parole for possession of valid prescriptions; and

Prescriptions,-- non-violation of parole.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3744) of William J. Driscoll, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Antoinette Rodney, an employee of the Trial Court;

Antoinette Rodney,-- sick leave.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3743) of Donald H. Wong for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the city of Lynn as the Army Specialist Antonio J. Syrakos foot bridge;

Army Specialist Antonio J. Syrakos bridge,-- Lynn.

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

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Time of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Tarr, at twenty-four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.