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Met at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Friedman in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Communication.

Communication from the Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development (under the provisions of Joint Rule 1) relative to the rules of procedure for said committee for the 2019-2020 legislative session (received May 31, 2019),-- was placed on file.

Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Reports.

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

Report of The Property and Casualty Initiative, LLC (pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) submitting its 2018 annual report (copies having been forwarded as required to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means and the Joint Committees on Financial Services and Revenue) (received May 29, 2019); and

PCI,-- 2018 annual report. SD2449

Report of the Department of Fish and Game (pursuant to Section 8 of Chapter 219 of the Acts of 2018) submitting its best practices related to trapping and pest control, alternatives to drowning (received May 30, 2019).

DFG,-- best practices report. SD2450

Petition.

Mr. Crighton (by request), presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kelechi (KC) Linardon for legislation relative to childless individuals with chronic disabilities experiencing homelessness;

Homelessness,-- childless individuals. SD2452

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

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Crighton, for the committee on Housing, on petition, a Bill restoring the Commonwealths public housing (Senate, No. 774);

Public housing,-- restoration.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill leveraging additional resources for local housing authorities (Senate, No. 785) [Representative Kearney of Scituate dissenting]; and

Housing authorities,-- resources.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill to prevent and respond to bullying of elderly and disabled residents (Senate, No. 984);

Elderly and disabled,-- bullying.

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

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By Mr. Crighton, for the committee on Housing, on petition, a Bill relative to local housing authority board member elections (Senate, No. 777);

Local housing,--
board members.

Read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

Committee Discharged.

Ms. Comerford, for the committee on Public Health, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1209) of Harriette L. Chandler, Michael J. Barrett, James T. Welch, Rebecca L. Rausch and other members of the General Court for legislation to remove obstacles and expand abortion access,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Abortion,-- access.

**Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.
Sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation validating certain proceedings of the town of Sharon (House, No. 3826),-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.**

Sharon,-- validating
proceedings.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3821) of Louis L. Kafka, Paul R. Feeney and Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) that the town of Sharon be authorized to grant four licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises;

Sharon,-- liquor
license.

To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3822) of Paul Brodeur (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) relative to the charter of the city of Melrose;

Melrose,-- charter.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3823) of William C. Galvin and Walter F. Timilty (by vote of the town) that the town of Avon be authorized to appoint retired police officers to serve as special police officers; and

Avon,-- special
police officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3824) of David M. Nangle and others (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Lowell be authorized to appoint retired police officers as special police officers within said city for paid detail assignments;

Lowell,-- special
police officers.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Reports

Of the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 109) of Shawn Dooley and Michael J. Soter that the Secretary of Health and Human Services promulgate a process for licensing and licensing renewal of personal care attendants,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure; and

Personal care
attendants,--
licensing.

Of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 167) of Paul F. Tucker that the Division of Medical Assistance ensure for same day drug screens and tests,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing;

Drug screens,-- same
day.

Of the committee on Higher Education, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3807) of Jennifer E. Benson and others for legislation to establish a student tuition recovery fund to be administered by the Attorney General, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure;

Student tuition
recovery fund.

Were severally considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maryanne Healey, an employee of the Middlesex Sheriff’s Office (see House, No. 3689), 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.

Maryanne Healey,-- sick leave.

The bill was signed by the Acting President (Ms. Friedman) and sent to the House for enactment.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “congratulating Andrew Michals-Brown on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”;

Andrew Michals-Brown.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “commending Kathleen A. Smith, JD on the occasion of her retirement as Superintendent of the Brockton Public Schools”; and

Kathleen A. Smith, JD.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Lewis) “commending the town of Reading on the celebration of its three hundred seventy-fifth anniversary.”

Town of Reading.

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:

A petition of Christopher M. Markey and Paul A. Schmid, III (subject to Joint Rule 12) (with the approval of the mayor and the city council) relative to the operation of a certain Commonwealth charter school in the city of New Bedford;

New Bedford,-- charter school.

The pending motion, previously moved by Ms. Jehlen, to lay the matter on the table,-- was considered; and it was negatived.

The petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3853) was then referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Education.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Denise Santos, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 3697),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Denise Santos,-- sick leave.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Antoinette Rodney, an employee of the Trial Court (House, No. 3744,-- on petition),-- was read.

Antoinette Rodney,-- sick leave.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tran, 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. 3852) of Jack Patrick Lewis relative to the provision of water services to the town of Ashland by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority; and

Ashland,-- water services.

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Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3851) of Kate Hogan, Jennifer E. Benson and others for legislation to establish a task force to review and investigate water and ground contamination of per-and polyfluoroalkyl substance;

Ground contamination,-- task force.

Severally, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3850) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jennifer Desjardins, an employee of the Department of Children and Families; and

Jennifer Desjardins,-- sick leave.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3849) of Joseph F. Wagner and James T. Welch for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Debra Messier, an employee of the Department of Revenue;

Debra Messier,-- sick leave.

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

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maryanne Healey, an employee of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office (see House, No. 3689) (which originated in the House), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Ms. Friedman) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Bill laid before the Governor.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tran--

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 seventeen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M.