

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.**



**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2019.**

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Thursday, November 21, 2019.

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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Engrossed Bill — Laid Before the Governor.

An engrossed Bill modernizing tobacco control (see House, No. 4196) (which originated in the House), having been passed to be enacted and signed by the President on Thursday, November 21, 2019 (being the legislative session of Wednesday, November 20, 2019),-- was laid before the Governor for his approbation on Thursday, November 21, 2019.

Bill laid before the Governor.

Petitions

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2421) of Patricia D. Jehlen and Christine P. Barber (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to further define the purposes of the affordable housing trust in the city of Somerville [Local approval received]

Somerville,-- affordable housing.

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Housing.

By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2419) of Dean A. Tran and Stephan Hay (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize removing an easement interest in a certain portion of parkland located at 0 Elm Street in the City of Fitchburg from the protection of Article 97 of the Constitution [Local approval received];

Fitchburg,-- parkland.

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4100) of Michael J. Moran and another (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to grant one additional license for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said city;

Boston,-- liquor license.

To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4214) of James J. O'Day and Harriett L. Chandler (by vote of the town) that the town of West Boylston be authorized to rename the board of selectmen in said town to the select board;

West Boylston,-- board of selectmen.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A Bill regarding breakfast after the bell (House, No. 4218,-- on House, No. 591),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Breakfast before the bell.

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. 92) of Daniel Cahill, Timothy R. Whalen and Sean Garballey relative to Division of Medical Assistance coverage for the treatment and continuity of care for patients living with HIV,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Health Care Financing; and

HIV,-- treatment and care.

Of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1497) of Julian Cyr, Sal N. DiDomenico, Denise Provost, Mike Connolly and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the membership of the forensic science oversight board,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Forensic science oversight board,-- membership.

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

*Communication.*

The Clerk read the following communication:

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

Senator Marc R. Pacheco-- absence from Chamber.

November 20, 2019

The Honorable Michael D. Hurley  
*Senate Clerk*  
State House, Room 335  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Clerk Hurley:

On Wednesday, October 30, I was unable to vote on the engrossment of S2392, a bill relative to the closure of higher education institutions. At the time, I was leading an international mission for the National Conference of State Legislatures, of which the Massachusetts Legislature is a member. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative.

Sincerely,  
**MARC R. PACHECO**  
*Dean of the Senate*  
*Massachusetts State Senate*

**On motion of Mr. Tran, the above communication was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.**

Ordered printed.

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “congratulating Michael Doucette of the town of Hanson on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”;

Michael Doucette.

**UNCORRECTED PROOF.**

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) “commending Salem State University for its recognition of the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child”; and

Salem State  
University.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O’Connor) “congratulating Joseph Kenneway on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Joseph Kenneway.

*Report of a Committee.*

Ms. Lovely, 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 validating certain proceedings of the town of Sharon (printed in House, No. 3826).

Sharon,-- town  
elections.

**There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tran, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Tran,--

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

Time of meeting.

On motion of the same Senator, at eleven minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.