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Met at six minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Brownsberger 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 (Mr. Brownsberger), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Report.

Report of the Massachusetts Capital Resource Company (pursuant to Section 12 of Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) submitting its annual report on the current status of said corporation (received September 3, 2020) (a copy having been forwarded as required to the President of the Senate),-- was placed on file.

MCRC,-- annual report. SD3041

Petition.

Mr. Pacheco presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2907) of Marc R. Pacheco, Susan Williams Gifford and Norman J. Orrall (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Middleborough to lease to the town of Plympton land owned by Middleborough and located in Plympton [Local approval received];

Middleborough,-- land.

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

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

By Ms. Chang-Diaz, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on petition, a Bill concerning public assistance for working families and the creation of a pilot program to address the impacts of the cliff effect (Senate, No. 57); and

Working families,-- public assistance.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 77), a Bill relative to parentage to promote children's security (Senate, No. 2905);

Children's security,-- parentage.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4966) of Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen to select board in the town of Erving,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Erving,-- board of selectmen.

A Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Gardner as the Cpl. Lawrence L. Lukasevicius memorial bridge (House, No. 3191,-- on petition),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

Gardner,-- Cpl. Lawrence L. Lukasevicius bridge.

Matter 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 House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amanda Caruso, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 4657),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Amanda Caruso,--
sick leave.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The House Bill authorizing the transfer of care and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Bridgewater from the Department of Correction to the Department of Fire Services (House, No. 4178, amended),-- came from the House with the endorsement that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2801, *with a further amendment* in section 5 by adding the following sentence: "The city known as the town of Bridgewater shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred pursuant to this section as determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the department of correction. Such costs shall include, but not limited to, the costs of any engineering, surveys, recording fees and deed preparation related to the grant of the easement pursuant to this section."

Bridgewater,-- land
transfer.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the further House amendment was adopted, in concurrence.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4971) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Brian Bailey, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services;

Brian Bailey,--
sick leave.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4970) of Danielle W. Gregoire, Carolyn C. Dykema and Hannah Kane relative to authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to transfer the care and control of a certain parcel of land in the town of Westborough to the Department of Fish and Game;

Westborough,--
land transfer.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a memorial bench in Pope John Paul II Park in the city of Boston in memory of Robert M. "Bobby" Mudge (see House, No. 4195), 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.

Boston,--
memorial bench.

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

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maria Boverini, an employee of the trial court of the commonwealth (see House, No. 4837, amended), 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,

Maria Boverini,--
sick leave.

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the preamble was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.

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

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Brownsberger) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Exempting from taxation certain property under the historic curatorship program in the town of Hamilton (see House, No. 4193); and

Exempting the city of Northampton from appointing weighers of hay, weighers of coal, and fence viewers (see House, No. 4330, amended).

Bills laid before the Governor.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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

Time of meeting.

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