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

Pledge of allegiance.

Report.

Report of the Provider Directory Task Force (pursuant to Section 4(f) of Chapter 124 of the Acts of 2019) submitting its findings and recommendations (received October 23, 2020),-- was placed on file.

Provider Directory Task Force,-- report. SD3088

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5069) of Nicholas A. Boldyga (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city known as the town of Agawam be authorized to exempt certain public school system positions from the civil service law,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Agawam,-- public school positions.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem) "recognizing the Consulate General of Israel to New England for its observing of the twenty-fifth anniversary of former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's death."

Consulate General of Israel.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to additional unemployment benefits for the neediest recipients currently excluded from the Lost Wages Assistance program (Senate, No. 2930),-- ought to pass, with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2934).

Lost Wages Assistance program.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

After remarks, the bill (Senate, No. 2934) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Ms. Gobi, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on petition, a Bill designating a certain boat launch area in the town of Rutland as the Detective John D. Songy Boat Launch (Senate, No. 2932);

Rutland,-- Songy Boat Launch.

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

**UNCORRECTED PROOF.**

By Mr. Finegold, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill to provide certain retirement benefits to the widow of Everett Police Captain Richard Basteri (Senate, No. 2914) [Local approval received];

Everett,-- retirement benefits.

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

*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 Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marshall Bickford, an employee of the department of unemployment assistance (Senate, No. 2925),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Marshall Bickford,-- sick leave.

**Sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5076) of Patricia A. Haddad, Michael J. Rodrigues and Steven S. Howitt relative to elections of the Swansea water district; and

Swansea water district,-- elections.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5077) of Mark J. Cusack and others for legislation to establish the Tri-Town Water District in the towns of Braintree, Holbrook and Randolph;

Tri-Town Water District.

**Severally, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Debra Hill, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 5036,-- on petition),-- was read.

Debra Hill,-- sick leave.

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

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Manning, an employee of the Department of Correction (House, No. 5044,-- on petition),-- was read.

William Manning,-- sick leave.

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

*Order.*

The following House Order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered forthwith as follows:

*Ordered*, that notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on the Judiciary be granted until Thursday, November 12, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 4978.

Judiciary,-- extension order.

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Timilty, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 5050) was considered forthwith; and was adopted, in concurrence.**

The Senate Bill relative to the transfer and sale of a certain parcel of land in the town of Tewksbury (Senate, No. 2384),-- came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence *with an amendment* striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4889.

Tewksbury,-- land transfer.

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

*Moment of Silence.*

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Tarr), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of John L. Good, III.

Moment of silence.

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A Bill making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2021 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (printed in House, No. 5065,-- being a message from his Excellency the Governor),-- was read.

Supplemental appropriations.

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

*Emergency Preamble Adopted.*

An engrossed Bill relative to additional unemployment benefits for the neediest recipients currently excluded from the Lost Wages Assistance program (see Senate, No. 2934), 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.

Lost Wages Assistance program.

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

*Engrossed Bills.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), 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. Collins) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Relative to additional unemployment benefits for the neediest recipients currently excluded from the Lost Wages Assistance program (see Senate, No. 2934); and

Bills laid before the Governor.

Making certain appropriations for fiscal year 2021 before final action on the General Appropriation Bill (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5065).

*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 that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Time of meeting.

*Adjournment in Memory of John L. Good, III.*

The Senator from Essex and Middlesex, Mr. Tarr, and the Senator from Essex, Ms. Lovely, moved that when the Senate adjourns today it does so in memory of Mr. John L. Good, III, 77, of Essex who passed away peacefully on October 18, 2020, surrounded by his loving family.

Mr. Good was born on May 12, 1943, in Melrose to the late John Leon Good, Jr. and Pearl Maclean (Phelps) Good. Jack graduated from Lowell High School and earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Gordon College in 1966. He continued his education

earning his Master of Business Administration from Southern New Hampshire University, a Master of Religious Education degree from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, and an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Endicott College.

Mr. Good married Susan Butterfield a classmate from Gordon on April 9, 1967. They were active members of the Immanuel Baptist Church in Ipswich. John's professional career included serving as Vice President and Community Service manager for People's United Bank, as the First Vice President of Danversbank, as Executive Vice President of Beverly National Bank and, for 25 years, as Vice President for development, public relations and marketing for Northeast Health System.

Mr. Good was active on numerous boards and committees. He was past President of the New England Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, as well as the organization's board chairman and current fellow. Additionally, John served as the chairman of the board for the American Heart Association, Massachusetts affiliate, and has served as president of the Beverly Rotary Club, the Greater Beverly Chamber of Commerce, Beverly Communication Council, North Shore United Way and he was the founding chairman of the North Shore Chamber of Commerce.

John served as the past president of the North Shore YMCA, the Essex National Heritage Commission, and was the chairman of the board with Life Bridge student mentoring program in New Hampshire and Vermont.

Mr. Good has consulted with such organizations as the Open Door Food Pantry, North Shore River House, and the Beverly School for the Deaf. He also served as an adjunct faculty member at both Gordon College and North Shore Community College. His life of service also included 40 years as a call firefighter/EMT for the town of Essex.

Mr. Good was recognized for his work in the community. He received the American Red Cross Enduring Hero Award, the North Shore Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Citizen Award, and the Beverly Rotary Club's Four Avenues of Service Award. He has been named to the Top 100 North Shore Leaders by the Salem News

In addition to his loving wife Susan of 53 years, John is survived by one son Travis J. Good and his wife Jennifer "JJ" of Essex; a daughter Bonnie E. Kennedy and her husband Mathew of Anacortes, Washington; five grandchildren, Brandon Good of Essex, Keegan, Garrett, Erin and Owen Kennedy all of Washington; a brother James P. Good of Chelmsford; a sister Maryanne Young of Lowell; a nephew John Young of Dracut and a niece Tammy Gagnon of Pelham, New Hampshire He was the brother of the late infant Roger Good.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of John L. Good, III., at thirteen minutes past twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.