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Thursday, November 19, 2020.

Met at eight 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.

Committees Discharged.

Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on the Judiciary to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to judiciary issues (Senate, No. 2953),-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Rules.

Judiciary committee,-
- study.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

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Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Carissa Sinclair, an employee of the department of mental health (see House, No. 4875), 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.

Carissa Sinclair,--
sick leave.

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

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marshall Bickford, an employee of the department of unemployment assistance (see Senate, No. 2925) (which originated in the Senate), **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
Governor.

Resolutions.

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

Michael Collins.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Timilty) "congratulating Michael Collins on his 40 years of dedicated service to the town of Milton."

Report of Committees.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kara Turco, an employee of the Middlesex County Sherriff's Department.

Kara Turco,--
sick leave.
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Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

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 Marshall Johnson, an employee of the department of conservation and recreation (House, No. 5019) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Marshall Johnson,--
sick leave bank.

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A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5146) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for James F. King, an employee of the Department of Correction,-- **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

James F. King,- sick
leave.

Order.

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

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Higher Education be granted until Friday, November 20, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 737, 741, 744, 752, 754, 758, 765, 769 and 1089, and House documents numbered 43, 481, 1202, 1210, 1211, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1221, 1229, 1230, 1231, 1240, 1245, 1247 and 1248.

Higher Education,--
extension order.

The rules were suspended on motion of Mr. Fattman and the order (House, No. 4669) was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on adoption of the order, Ms. Gobi presented an amendment that the order be amended in line 2 by striking out the words:- "Friday, November 20, 2020" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "Thursday, December 31, 2020".

The amendment was adopted.

The order, as amended, was then adopted.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fattman,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Monday 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 twenty-seven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

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