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Thursday, November 12, 2020.

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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Order.

Mr. Finegold presented an Order relative to granting the committee on the Public Service until December 31, 2020, within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2920, relative to special police officers in the town of Randolph (Senate, No. 2948);

Public Service,-- extension order.

Referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5118) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile, James B. Eldridge and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Sudbury be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town;

Sudbury,-- liquor license.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5119) of Sheila C. Harrington (by vote of the town) that the town of Dunstable be authorized to issue licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages; and

Dunstable,-- liquor licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5120) of Jeffrey N. Roy (with the approval of the town council) that the city known as the town of Franklin be authorized to grant an additional license for sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town;

Franklin,-- liquor license.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5121) of Sheila C. Harrington (by vote of the town) that the town of Dunstable be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land in said town to the Evangelical Church of Dunstable; and

Dunstable,-- land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5122) of Smitty Pignatelli and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) that the town of Becket be authorized to change the name of the board of selectmen in said town to the select board;

Beckett,-- board of selectmen.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Recess.

There being no objection, at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Chair (Mr. Brownsberger) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and at seven minutes past two o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Brownsberger in the Chair.

Recess.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Finegold, for the committee on Public Service, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2947), a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Alexis Orloff, an employee of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office (Senate, No. 2949).

Alexis Orloff,-- sick leave.

The bill was read. 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.

By Mr. Finegold, for the committee on Public Service, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2946), a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Glenn Rocco, an employee of the Worcester County Sheriff's Department (Senate, No. 2950).

Glenn Rocco,-- sick leave.

The bill was read. 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.

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 Anne M. Gobi and Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Keith Trudell, an employee of the department of mental health.

Keith Trudell,-- sick leave.
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Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, 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.

Ms. Lovely, for the committee on Rules, reported that the following matters be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The Senate Bill relative to agricultural commission input on board of health regulations (Senate, No. 2446).

Agricultural commission input.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, and, after remarks, was ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act providing for agricultural commission input on municipal board of health regulations".

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Gardner as the Cpl. Lawrence L. Lukasevicius memorial bridge (House, No. 3191).

Gardner,-- bridge designation.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act designating a certain bridge in the city of Gardner as the Corporal Lawrence L. Lukasevicius Memorial Bridge".

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:

The Senate Bill establishing a building permit surcharge in the town of Concord (Senate, No. 2317),-- was read a third time.

Concord,-- affordable housing.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Barrett presented an amendment, substituting a new draft entitled "An Act authorizing the town of Concord to establish an affordable housing surcharge" (Senate, No. 2951).

The amendment was adopted.

The bill (Senate, No. 2951) was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate Bill amending the charter of the town of Rockland (Senate, No. 2904),--
was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Rockland,-- charter.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

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 Revenue be granted until Monday, November 30, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2913.

Revenue,-- extension order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 5057) was considered forthwith; and, was adopted, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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

Time of meeting.

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