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Thursday, February 4, 2021.

Met at twenty-five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Timilty in the Chair).

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Report of the Department of Public Utilities (pursuant to Section 2 of Chapter 25 of the General Laws) submitting its 2020 Annual Report (received February 2, 2021);

Report of the Northwestern District Attorney's Office (pursuant to Section 99R of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of wiretap interceptions for the calendar year 2020 (received February 1, 2021);

Report of the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 232 of the Acts of 2010, Section 4 of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 2007 and Section 23(2A)(h) of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) submitting its annual reports on PRIM's divestment from Iran and Sudan restricted securities and its annual report on tobacco investments (received February 1, 2021); and

Report of the Department of Mental Health (pursuant to Section 35 of Chapter 123 of the General Laws) submitting its report on whether a facility other than the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Bridgewater is being used for treatment of males (received February 3, 2021).

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

The annual report of the Public Employee Retirement Commission (under sections 21, 102 and 103 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws) relative to the per centum change in the average cost-of-living as shown by the United States consumer price index for the year 2020 compared with such index for the year 2019 (accompanied by bill, House, No. 61),-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Lovely, for the temporary committee on Rules, a Report recommending proposed Senate Rules to be adopted as the permanent rules of the Senate for 2021-2022 (Senate, No. 10).

Order Adopted.

Ms. Lovely offered the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Senate Rule 7 or any other rule to the contrary, the Report of the Temporary Committee on Rules relative to the Rules of the Senate for 2021-2022 (Senate, No. 10), shall be placed in the Orders of the Day on Thursday, February 11, 2021. The question will be on acceptance of the report.

DPU,-- 2020 annual report. SD547

Northwestern DA,-wiretap. SD553

PRIM Board,-annual reports. SD610

DMH,-- MASAC treatment report. SD614

PERAC,-cost of living.

Proposed Senate Rules.

Procedural order.

All amendments shall be filed electronically in the office of the Clerk of the Senate by 2:00 P.M., on Monday, February 8, 2021. The Clerk shall further specify the procedure and format for filing all amendments, consistent with this order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the order was adopted.

The report (Senate, No. 10) was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 11.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Lovely, for the temporary committee on Rules, a Report recommending proposed Joint Rules to be adopted as the permanent Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for 2021-2022 (Senate, No. 11).

Order Adopted.

Ms. Lovely offered the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Senate Rule 7 or any other rule to the contrary, the Report of the Temporary Committee on Rules recommending proposed Joint Rules to be adopted as permanent rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for 2021-2022 (Senate, No. 11), shall be placed in the Orders of the Day on Thursday, February 11, 2021. The question will be on acceptance of the report.

All amendments shall be filed electronically in the office of the Clerk of the Senate by 2:00 P.M., on Monday, February 8, 2021. The Clerk shall further specify the procedure and format for filing all amendments, consistent with this order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the order was adopted.

The report (Senate, No. 11) was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 11.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Lovely, for the temporary committee on Rules, a Report recommending proposed Emergency Rules for the 192nd General Court (Senate, No. 12).

Order Adopted.

Ms. Lovely offered the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Senate Rule 7 or any other rule to the contrary, the Report of the Temporary Committee on Rules relative to Emergency Rules for the 192nd Session (Senate, No. 12), shall be placed in the Orders of the Day on Thursday, February 11, 2021. The question will be on acceptance of the report.

All amendments shall be filed electronically in the office of the Clerk of the Senate by 2:00 P.M., on Monday, February 8, 2021. The Clerk shall further specify the procedure and format for filing all amendments, consistent with this order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the order was adopted.

The report (Senate, No. 12) was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, February 11.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on

Proposed Joint Rules.

Procedural order.

Proposed Emergency Rules.

Procedural order.

Time of meeting.

Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Timilty), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection in memory of Patrick Michael Ambrose.

Adjournment in Memory of Patrick Michael Ambrose.

The Senator from Essex, Ms. Lovely, moved that when the Senate adjourns today it adjourn in memory of Patrick Michael Ambrose.

Mr. Patrick Michael Ambrose, 57, Chief of the Danvers Police Department, beloved husband of Wendy Leigh (Coviello) Ambrose, died unexpectedly, January 16, 2021 at Beverly Hospital following a medical incident.

Born in Salem, he was the son of the late Danvers Police Sergeant John Ambrose and the late Mary (Connell) Ambrose. He was raised and educated in Danvers and was a graduate of Danvers High School, Class of 1981. He continued his education earning his Bachelor's Degree from Hesser College. He earned his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Western New England College.

Chief Ambrose joined the town of Danvers Police Department in 1985 as a Reserve Officer. He was appointed as a full-time Officer in 1987. More promotions followed as he became a Sergeant in 1999, Lieutenant in 2003 and Captain in 2005. He was appointed Chief of Police for the town of Danvers in 2016 and held that office until the time of his retirement on January 8th, 2021.

Chief Ambrose was well respected by his fellow chiefs of police and especially revered by his fellow Danvers police officers. He was known for his steadfast commitment to his home-town and its residents. Chief Ambrose carried himself with great dignity and respect. A humble and true gentleman by nature, his guidance and leadership allowed the town of Danvers Police Department to provide exceptionally professional, ethical and engaging police services for all its citizens. He was a tremendous leader, a loyal friend, a steadfast mentor and dedicated public servant. His imprint on the Danvers Police Department will last for generations.

A loving husband, father, brother, uncle and friend, Pat enjoyed spending his free time riding his Harley and fishing. He had a great sense of humor and his dry wit and sarcastic humor will be remembered by all. He was a member of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association.

Pat was a great role model for his family as he possessed a steadfast quality of character. He was extremely close to his children and was proud of all of their achievements. He appreciated spending time with his kids watching sports, cooking and completing projects around the house. He was a devoted husband, partner and best friend to his beloved Wendy. He dedicated his life to others: his family, his friends, his fellow officers and the town of Danvers.

Patrick is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Wendy Leigh (Coviello) Ambrose and his children, Danvers Police Officer Patrick Ambrose Jr., Brenna Ambrose, and Aidan Ambrose, all of Danvers; his sisters, Mary Dumais and her husband Bert of Winthrop, Maine, and Kathy MacDonald and her husband Brian of Danvers; his brother, Jack Ambrose and his wife Marcia of West Jefferson, North Carolina; and several nieces and nephews.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Patrick Michael Ambrose,

Moment of silence.

at twenty-seven minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.