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Met at eight minutes before two o'clock P.M. (Mr. Brownsberger in the Chair).) (having been appointed by the President, und 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.

Communication.

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to its plan of correction for the Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center inspection on May 19, 20, 21 and 24, 2021 (received July 9, 2021),-- was placed on file.

DPH,-- plan of correction. SD2693

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Boncore, for the committee on Transportation, on petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Salisbury as the Jerry Kilma Bridge (Senate, No. 2320);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Dedham as the Honorable Kelly A. Timilty Memorial Bridge (Senate, No. 2373); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill naming the Global War on Terror Memorial Bridge in the town of Ipswich (Senate, No. 2380);

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Cronin, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill further defining a quorum of a public body in the town of Monson (Senate, No. 43) [Local approval received];

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Middleborough to lease to the town of Plympton land owned by Middleborough and located in Plympton (Senate, No. 1353) [Local approval received];

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wales to establish a department of public works (Senate, No. 2441) [Local approval received]; and

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill authorizing Brigette Hamel to take the civil service examination for the position of police officer in the city of Haverhill notwithstanding the maximum age requirement (Senate, No. 2447) [Local approval received];

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3937) of Josh S. Cutler, Kathleen R. LaNatra and Patrick M. O'Connor (by vote of the town) relative to changing the name of the board of selectmen to select board in the town of Duxbury;

Salisbury,-- Jerry Kilma Bridge.

Dedham,-- Kelly Timilty Bridge.

Ipswich,-- War on Terror Bridge.

Monson,-- public body.

Middleborough and Plympton,-- land.

Wales,-- public works.

Haverhill,-- civil service exam.

Duxbury,-- board of selectmen.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3938) of Mike Connolly and others (with the approval of the mayor and the board of aldermen) that the city of Somerville be authorized to impose a real estate transfer fee on certain real estate transactions in said city; Somerville,-- real estate.

To the committee on Revenue.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Committee of Conference Report.

A report of the committee of conference of the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendments to the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2022 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 4001) (amended by the Senate by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2465), reported, in part, the accompanying bill (House, No. 4002),-- came from the House, and was read.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Keenan, and the report was considered forthwith.

After debate, the question on acceptance of the report of the committee of conference was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Rodrigues as follows, to wit (yeas 40 - nays 0) [Yeas and Nays No. 54]:

YEAS.

Barrett, Michael J. Gomez, Adam Boncore, Joseph A. Hinds, Adam G. Brady, Michael D. Jehlen, Patricia D. Brownsberger, William N. Keenan, John F. Chandler, Harriette L. Kennedy, Edward J. Chang-Diaz, Sonia Lesser, Eric P. Collins, Nick Lewis, Jason M. Comerford, Joanne M. Lovely, Joan B. Creem, Cynthia Stone Montigny, Mark C. Moore, Michael O. Crighton, Brendan P. Cronin, John J. Moran, Susan L. Cvr. Julian O'Connor, Patrick M. DiDomenico, Sal N. Pacheco, Marc R. DiZoglio, Diana Rausch, Rebecca L. Eldridge, James B. Rodrigues, Michael J. Fattman, Ryan C. Rush, Michael F. Feeney, Paul R. Spilka, Karen E. Finegold, Barry R. Tarr, Bruce E. Friedman, Cindy F. Timilty, Walter F. Velis, John C. − **40**. Gobi, Anne M.

NAYS - 0.

The yeas and nays having been completed at twenty-nine minutes before four o'clock P.M., the report was accepted, in concurrence.

General Appropriations FY2022.

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Report of a Committee.

Mr. Rodrigues in the Chair, By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to reprecincting (House, No. 3863),-- ought to pass, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2489.

Reprecincting.

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

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2022 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4002), 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 4 to 0.

General Appropriations FY2022.

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

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the House, came from the House with the endorsement that it had been enacted in that branch.

The Senate then passed the bill to be enacted; and it was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Brownsberger) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

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 thirteen minutes past four o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.