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Met at seventeen 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.

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2504) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wareham to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises [Local approval received];

Wareham,-- liquor license.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2506) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wareham to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises [Local approval received]; and

Id.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2507) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wareham to grant 5 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises [Local approval received];

Wareham,-- liquor licenses.

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2505) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Wareham to assess certain solar or wind systems as personal property [Local approval received];

Wareham,-- solar/wind systems.

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Revenue. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Cronin, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill relative to increasing city of Gloucester parking fines (Senate, No. 42) [Local approval received];

Gloucester,-- parking fines.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to sewer privilege fees in the town of Millbury (Senate, No. 1350) [Local approval received];

Millbury,-- sewer fee.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill amending chapter 80 of the acts of 2002 relative to special police officers in the town of Agawam (Senate, No. 1369) [Local approval received]; and

Agawam,-- police officers.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to the board of selectman of the town of Princeton (Senate, No. 2464) [Local approval received];

Princeton,-- select board.

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

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brownsberger) “commending the town of Belmont for its recognition of August 7, 2021 as Purple Heart Day”;

Town of Belmont.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O'Connor) “congratulating Samuel Will on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and

Samuel Will.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Tarr) “congratulating the Bass Rocks Golf Club in the city of Gloucester on the occasion of its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary.”

The Bass Rocks Golf Club.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a hate crimes task force (see House, No. 4003), 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.

Hate crimes task force.

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

An engrossed Bill relative to certain statutory funds and transfers of appropriations (see House, No. 4004, amended), 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.

Transfers of appropriations.

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

An engrossed Bill relative to the water supply protection trust (see House, No. 4005), 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.

Water supply protection trust.

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

An engrossed Bill relative to alternative compliance payment liens (see House, No. 4006, amended), 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.

Payment liens.

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

An engrossed Bill relative to post-retirement employment of public retirees (see House, No. 4007), 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

Public retirees,-- employment.

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.

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

An engrossed Bill repealing certain tax expenditures (see House, No. 4008), 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.

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

Tax expenditures,--
repeal.

An engrossed Bill relative to the taxation of pass-through entities (see House, No. 4009), 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.

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

Pass-through
entities,-- taxation.

An engrossed Bill relative to parking fees on department of conservation and recreation roads (see House, No. 4010), 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.

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

DCR roads,-- parking
fees.

An engrossed Bill relative to eligibility for emergency assistance to elderly, disabled residents and children (see House, No. 4011), 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.

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

Emergency
assistance,--
eligibility.

An engrossed Bill relative to eligibility for transitional aid to families with dependent children (see House, No. 4012), 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.

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

TAFDC,-- eligibility.

An engrossed Bill relative to sexual assault evidence kits (see House, No. 4013,

Sexual assault

amended), 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.

evidence kits.

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

An engrossed Bill providing operating assistance to regional transit authorities (see House, No. 4014), 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.

RTAs,-- operating assistance.

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

An engrossed Bill relative to the distribution of certain grants to regional tourism councils (see House, No. 4015, amended), 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.

Regional tourism councils,-- grants.

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

An engrossed Bill establishing a special legislative commission to study poverty in the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4016), 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.

Poverty,-- special commission.

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

An engrossed Bill establishing a special commission to examine the Department of Public Health's nursing home licensure process and requirements (see House, No. 4017), 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.

Nursing home licensure,-- special commission.

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

An engrossed Bill establishing a higher education affordability task force (see House, No. 4018), 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.

Higher ed. affordability,-- task force.

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

for re-enactment.

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be re-enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and again laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Relative to certain statutory funds and transfers of appropriations (see House, No. 4004, amended);

Bills again laid before the Governor.

Relative to alternative compliance payment liens (see House, No. 4006, amended);

Relative to sexual assault evidence kits (see House, No. 4013, amended); and

Relative to the distribution of certain grants to regional tourism councils (see House, No. 4015, amended).

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally again passed to be enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and again laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Establishing a hate crimes task force (see House, No. 4003);

Id.

Relative to the water supply protection trust (see House, No. 4005).

Relative to post-retirement employment of public retirees (see House, No. 4007);

Repealing certain tax expenditures (see House, No. 4008);

Relative to the taxation of pass-through entities (see House, No. 4009);

Relative to parking fees on department of conservation and recreation roads (see House, No. 4010);

Relative to eligibility for emergency assistance to elderly, disabled residents and children (see House, No. 4011);

Relative to eligibility for transitional aid to families with dependent children (see House, No. 4012);

Providing operating assistance to regional transit authorities (see House, No. 4014);

Establishing a special legislative commission to study poverty in the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4016);

Establishing a special commission to examine the Department of Public Health's nursing home licensure process and requirements (see House, No. 4017); and

Establishing a higher education affordability task force (see House, No. 4018).

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:

Validating the actions taken at the 2020 biennial state election held in the city known as the town of Randolph (see Senate, No. 493, amended);

Bills laid before the Governor.

Providing for alternate members of the conservation commission of the town of Freetown (see House, No. 2156); and

Authorizing the town of Lunenburg to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3813).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

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

Time of meeting.

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

On motion of the same Senator, at twenty-three minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.