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Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Met at twelve 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.

Communications.

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

Communication from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader (pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Resolves of 2020) announcing the appointment of Michael Vincent Amato to the Special Commission to Investigate the Features of the Official Seal and Motto of the Commonwealth (received January 13, 2022);

Communication from the Honorable John C. Velis requesting the creation of the Massachusetts Legislative National Guard Caucus (received January 13, 2022); and

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to its plan of correction for the Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center inspection on December 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, 2021 (received January 13, 2022).

Motto Commission,--appointment.

Official Seal and

Legislative National Guard Caucus.

DPH,-- plan of correction. SD2946

Reports.

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

Report of the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department (pursuant to Section 40 of Chapter 126 of the General Laws) submitting its criminal justice report for the fourth quarter of 2021 (received January 14, 2022);

Report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (pursuant to Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the January 2022 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Report (received January 14, 2022); and

Report of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (pursuant to Section 2(c) of Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2020) submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process (eviction) cases for December 2021 (received January 14, 2022).

Plymouth Sheriff,-criminal justice report. SD2947 DUA,-- UI trust fund report. SD2949

EOTC,-- summary process report. SD2950

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to promote the recovery and recycling of electric vehicle batteries;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to establish guidelines for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations by condominium owners;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to promote access to zero-emission school buses;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of

EV batteries,-recycling. SD2941

EV charging stations. SD2942

School buses,-- zeroemission. SD2943 TNCs,-- emissions.

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Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to reduce the emissions of transportation network companies and private vehicle fleets;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to incentivize the adoption of zero-emission vehicles and the early retirement of high-emission vehicles;

By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to independent civilian oversight of correctional facilities; and

By Mr. Finegold, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for John Carlson, an employee of the Department of Correction;

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, 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. 4324) of Angelo L. D'Emilia and Marc R. Pacheco (by vote of the town) that the town of Raynham be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4325) of Angelo L. D'Emilia and Marc R. Pacheco (by vote of the town) that the town of Raynham be authorized to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4326) of James J. O'Day, David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf and Daniel M. Donahue (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to school committee elections in the city of Worcester;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4327) of James J. O'Day, David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf and Daniel M. Donahue (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to private street betterment assessments in the city of Worcester;

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A Bill relative to the election of town meeting members in the town of Arlington at the annual town election (House, No. 3745,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

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 House Bill authorizing the town of Andover to transfer conservation land (House, No. 2193) (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.

The House Bill authorizing alternate members for the Tyngsborough conservation commission (House, No. 3725),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

SD2944

Zero-emission vehicles,-- adoption. SD2945

Correctional facilities,-- civilian oversight. SD2948 John Carlson,-- sick leave. SD2951

Raynham,-- liquor license.

Id.

Worcester,-- school committee elections.

Worcester,-- street assessments.

Arlington,-- annual town election.

Andover,-- conservation land.

Tyngsborough,--conservation commission.

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Engrossed Bills.

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:

Amending the charter of Wheaton College (see Senate, No. 2592); and

Bills laid before the Governor.

Granting 4 additional liquor licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises in Concord (see House, No. 3712, amended).

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4341) of Natalie M. Blais and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Patrick Laughlin, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation,-- was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Patrick Laughlin,--sick leave.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday next at twelve o'clock noon, in a full formal session without a calendar.

Time of meeting.

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