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Met at twenty-three minutes before twelve o'clock noon (Mr. Brownsberger 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. Brownsberger), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Report.

Report of the Department of Public Health (pursuant to Sections 5, 20 and 21 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of Norfolk County House of Correction and Alternative Center (received May 19, 2022),-- **was placed on file.**

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD3169

Petition.

Mr. Tarr presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to the retirement benefits of employees of the Cape Ann Transportation Authority,-- **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

CATA,-- retirement benefits. SD3170

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Somerville to continue the employment of Charles J. Femino as acting chief of police (Senate, No. 2841) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Somerville,-- chief of police.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill financing the general governmental infrastructure of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4807,-- on House, No. 4336),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

Governmental infrastructure.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jennifer Almond, an employee of the department of correction (see Senate, No. 2694), 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.

Jennifer Almond,-- sick leave.

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

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Senate Order granting the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government

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be granted until June 3, 2022 within which time to make its final report on a current Senate document numbered 2594 and House documents numbered 2130, 2209 and 4314 relative to certain municipal matters (Senate, No. 2757),-- ought to be adopted

Government,-- extension order.

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

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Senate Order granting the committee on the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs be granted until June 3, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 2395, 2396, 2417, 2424, 2425, 2428, 2431 and 2434 relative to veterans and federal affairs (Senate, No. 2853),-- ought to be adopted.

Veterans and Federal Affairs,-- extension order.

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

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Brownsberger), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection in memory of Zachary Fraleigh.

Moment of silence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (both 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 enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Brownsberger) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Bills laid before the Governor.

Changing the board of selectmen in the town of Westborough to the select board (see House, No. 4302); and

Relative to the creation of a women's rights history trail (see House, No. 4555, amended).

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

Ordered, That, pursuant to an order previously adopted, and, under the provisions of Senate Rule 38B, when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at ten o'clock A.M. in a full formal session, and that the only matter to be placed on the calendar will be the general appropriation bill.

Time of meeting.

Adjournment in Memory of Zachary Fraleigh.

The Senator from Hampden and Hampshire, Mr. Lesser, presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory Zachary Fraleigh.

Zachary Fraleigh, also called, "Zach," "ZFral's" or "Fral's," by his friends and coaches, was born on July 6, 2005. Fraleigh, a 16-year-old junior at Belchertown High School, unexpectedly passed on May 2, 2022. Zach was drawn to soccer at an early age, playing as a defender for the Belchertown High School varsity soccer team, as well as the Boston Bolts West 05 ECRL team. He was proud to have helped Belchertown to a state championship win, and his Bolts team to a national championship. Zach was a passionate

athlete, and his family supported his career every step of the way.

Zach also had a fondness for music, playing the alto saxophone when he was younger, and he taught himself how to play the piano while in high school. Outside of sports, he looked forward to trips to Starbucks and Taco Bell, taking car rides with his sister and their two dogs, Kona and Apollo.

With an infectious smile, endless jokes, and a goofy personality, he made it a point to make others laugh daily. His father described his son as laid-back, often enjoying simple pleasures in life like a backyard campfire complete with toasted marshmallows.

From the different destinations he had traveled to and his constant ability to try to learn how to do new things, to his efforts to help clean up tornado debris in Monson and volunteering to help deliver groceries to senior citizens in town, Zachary truly lived his life and was of service to his community.

We will not know what Zach's future might have been. We do know that if he would have brought brightness to many lives. Today we acknowledge this tremendous loss to our community and keep Zach's family and friends in our thoughts.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Zachary Fraleigh, at a quarter before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at ten o'clock A.M.