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Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

Met at five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Brownsberger in 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 plans of correction for the Worcester County Jail and House of Correction inspection on April 7 and 8, 2022 and the Middlesex County Jail and House of Correction inspection on March 21, 22 and 23, 2022 (received May 26, 2022),-- was placed on file.

DPH,-- plans of correction. SD3177

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 MCI Shirley (received May 25, 2022),-- was placed on file.

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD3176

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. DiZoglio (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kevin Murphy for legislation relative to the Massachusetts senior circuit breaker tax credit; and

Senior circuit breaker,-- tax credit. SD3175

By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Anne M. Gobi and Kimberly N. Ferguson (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the conveyance of certain parcels of real estate by and between the division of conservation and recreation and the town of Holden [Local approval received];

Holden,-- land conveyance. SD3174

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Feeney, for the committee on Financial Services, on Senate, Nos. 665 and 682, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to banking (Senate, No. 2890) [Representative LeBoeuf of Worcester dissenting];

Financial Services committee,-- study.

By Ms. Comerford, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, Nos. 210, 1450 and 1526, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Health to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to public health matters (Senate, No. 2887);

Public Health committee,-- study.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 262, 1435, 1438 and 1498, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Health to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to public health issues (Senate, No. 2891); and

Id.

By Mr. Timilty, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on

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Senate, Nos. 1560 and 1591, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to public safety and homeland security matters (Senate, No. 2889).

committee,-- study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Cronin, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill relative to the select board of the town of Wenham (Senate, No. 2843) [Local approval received];

Wenham,-- select board.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to transmitting indecent visual depictions by teens and the unlaw [sic] distribution of explicit images (House, No. 4498,-- on House, Nos. 1859 and 4291),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Explicit images,--teen distribution.

Bills

Providing for the election of at large and ward councilors and school committee members in the city of Haverhill (House, No. 4636,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Haverhill,-municipal election.

Authorizing the town of Needham to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4815,-- on House, No. 4283) [Local approval received on House, No. 4283];

Needham,-- liquor licenses.

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

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

The following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The Senate Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Ipswich as the Global War on Terror Memorial Bridge (Senate, No. 2380) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Ipswich,-- Global War on Terror Memorial Bridge.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4832) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues that the Department of Conversation and Recreation be authorized to dedicate a certain grove at Heritage State Park in the city of Fall River as the David Almond grove;

Fall River,-- David Almond grove.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4831) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of Mental Health;

Rhonda Brewster,--sick leave.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Orders.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

The following House Orders (severally approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) were considered as follows:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Labor and Workforce Development be granted until Friday, June 3, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 1171, and House documents numbered 1935 and 2026.

Labor and Workforce Development,-extension order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4683) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security be granted until Wednesday, June 1, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 2418.

Public Safety and Homeland Security,-extension order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4757) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy,-- extension order.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy be granted until Thursday, June 2, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 602, 944, 2145, 2167, 3254, 3255, 3257, 3260, 3261, 3262, 3264, 3265, 3267, 3268, 3269, 3271, 3273, 3274, 3275, 3276, 3277, 3279, 3283, 3284, 3285, 3287, 3288, 3289, 3292, 3293, 3296, 3298, 3300, 3304, 3306, 3309, 3312, 3317, 3318, 3319, 3320, 3331, 3332, 3333, 3334, 3335, 3336, 3337, 3338, 3339, 3340, 3341, 3342, 3343, 3344, 3345, 3346, 3347, 3349, 3350, 3352, 3353, 3360, 3361, 3362, 3365, 3366, 3367, 3750, 3805, 3887, 3888, 3893, 4044, 4067, 4081, 4082, 4117, 4307, 4331, 4449 and 4705.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4733) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Transportation be granted until Friday, June 3, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 2253, 2255, 2292 and 2295, and House documents numbered 3523, 3559 and 3706.

Transportation,--extension order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4736) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to certain voting precincts in the town of Middleton (House, No. 4823),-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Middleton,-- voting precincts.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday 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 eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.