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Monday, August 22, 2022.

Met at twenty-three minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Jehlen 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 (Ms. Jehlen), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Report.

Report of the Senate Committee on Post Audit and Oversight (pursuant to Section 63 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) concerning a Review of the Performance of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance System and Related Programs During the COVID-19 Pandemic (Senate, No. 3108) (received August 18, 2022),-- was placed on file.

Post Audit and Oversight,-- UI system.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (House, No. 5213),-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

Terms of bonds.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5214) of Steven S. Howitt, Paul R. Feeney and F. Jay Barrows (by vote of the town) that the town of Norton be authorized to grant two additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said town; and

Norton,-- liquor license.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5215) of David M. Rogers and William N. Brownsberger (by vote of the town) that the town of Belmont be authorized to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises;

Belmont,-- liquor license.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5216) of John Barrett, III (by vote of the town) relative to changing the board of selectmen of the town of Lanesborough to a select board;

Lanesborough,-- board of selectmen.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5217) of David M. Rogers and William N. Brownsberger (by vote of the town) relative to the retirement classification of certain public safety employees of the town of Belmont;

Belmont,-- public safety employees.

To the committee on Public Service.

A Bill establishing plastic pollution action day in the commonwealth (House, No. 3122, amended,-- on petition),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

Plastic pollution action day.

Engrossed Bills.

**UNCORRECTED PROOF.**

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 enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Ms. Jehlen) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Authorizing certain members of the Webster Fire Department to buy-back eligible retirement service time (see House, No. 3967);

Exempting the position of apprentice lineman in the town of Norwood from the civil service law (see House, No. 4093);

Designating a certain bridge in the city of Haverhill as the Ted and Mary Murphy Bridge (see House, No. 4099);

Designating a certain node of the Blackstone River Greenway in the town of Millville as the Margaret M. Carroll memorial greenway access area (see House, No. 4213);

Authorizing the town of Duxbury to offset betterment assessments from funds received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (see House, No. 4809); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see House, No. 4831).

Bills laid before the Governor.

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) “congratulating Delaney Gardiner on her elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Delaney Gardiner.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill authorizing the Devens Enterprise Commission to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 5017,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

Devens Enterprise Commission,-- liquor license.

**There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.**

*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 to allow Saugus town meeting to adopt a process to allow non-binding resolutions (House, No. 5067),-- **was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.**

Saugus,-- non-binding resolutions.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Heather Worster, an employee of the department of mental health (House, No. 4241),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Heather Worster,-- sick leave.

The House Bill authorizing the appointment of retired firefighters as special firefighters in the city of Salem (House, No. 4265) (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.**

Salem,-- firefighters.

The House Bill moving the residency requirement for the board of trustees of the Grand Army Building in the city of Lynn (House, No. 4624),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Lynn,-- Grand Army Building trustees.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Needham to grant additional licenses for the

Needham,-- liquor licenses.

sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4815) (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.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5230) of William M. Straus for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Molly Urquhart, an employee of the Department of Children and Families;

Molly Urquhart,--  
sick leave.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5231) of Sally P. Kerans and Joan B. Lovely relative to airplane noise data collection;

Airplane noise,-- data  
collection.

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Transportation.**

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Fattman,--

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

Time of meeting.

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