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Monday, August 29, 2022.

Met at fourteen 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.

Report.

Report of the Rural Policy Advisory Commission (pursuant to Section 66(g) of Chapter 23A of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2022 annual report (copy having been forwarded as required to the joint committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies) (received August 26, 2022),-- was placed on file.

RPAC,-- FY22 annual report. SD3302

Petition.

Mr. Collins presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Nick Collins for legislation relative to the statute of limitations in rape, assault and human trafficking crimes,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Statute of limitations,-- crimes. SD3301

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Moran, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2885), a Bill authorizing the town of Avon to grant one additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 3112) [Local approval received on Senate, No. 2885];

Avon,-- liquor license.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5241) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., and Anne M. Gobi (by vote of the town) relative to abolishing the town of Hardwick Sewer Commission and delegating to the select board control over the Hardwick sewer redevelopment project; and

Hardwick,-- sewer redevelopment project.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5242) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., and Anne M. Gobi (by vote of the town) relative to establishing the position of the treasurer-collector in the town of Hardwick;

Hardwick,-- treasurer-collector.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

A Bill merging the Shelburne Housing Authority with and into the Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority and restructuring the Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority members (House, No. 4772,-- on

Shelburne Housing Authority.

petition),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3109), a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Zaniewski, an employee of the Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 3110);

Michael Zaniewski,-- sick leave.

**The bill was read. 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.**

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3098), a Bill authorizing the town of Bernardston to continue the employment of fire department member Lloyd Grover (Senate, No. 3111) [Local approval received];

Bernardston,-- fire dept.

**The bill was read. 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 authorizing the town of Plymouth to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 4258) (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.**

Plymouth,-- police officers.

The House Bill removing the residency requirement for members of the traffic commission in the city of Lynn (House, No. 4625),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Lynn,-- traffic commission.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5254) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Joanne M. Comerford (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to further regulate the conveyance of certain state owned land to the city of Northampton,-- **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.**

Northampton,-- land.

*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:

Authorizing the town of Andover to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (see Senate, No. 2512); and

Bills laid before the Governor.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Heather Worster, an employee of the department of mental health (see House, No. 4241).

*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.

**UNCORRECTED PROOF.**

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