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Met at ten 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.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Collins) introduced, in the rear of the Chamber, members of the International Longshoremen's Association from New Jersey. Among the group were: James Paylor, Assistant General Organizer, Peter Clark, ILA VP, Bernie ODonnel, ILA VP, George McEvoy, ACD VP and Ed Zimny, Consultant. The Senate welcomed them with applause, they signed the guestbook and withdrew from the Chamber.

Communication.

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to its plan of correction for the Boston Pre-Release Center inspection on March 16, 2022 (received April 14, 2022),-- was placed on file.

Reports.

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

Report of the Special Commission on Auto Body Labor Rates (pursuant to Section 130(c) of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its final report of findings and recommendations (received April 13, 2022); and

Report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (pursuant to Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) submitting the April 2022 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Report (received April 15, 2022).

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Barrett, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2840) of Michael J. Barrett and Thomas M. Stanley (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Lincoln to adopt and enforce local regulations restricting new fossil fuel infrastructure in certain construction [Local approval received];

Under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

By Mr. Brady, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael D. Brady and Gerard J. Cassidy for legislation relative to bidding requirements for a certain affordable housing project in the city of Brockton; and

Longshoremen's

International

Association.

DPH,-- plan of correction. SD3105

ABLR commission,-report. SD3104

DUA,-- UI trust fund report. SD3108

Lincoln,-- fossil fuel infrastructure.

Brockton,-affordable housing. SD3107

By Ms. Friedman, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cindy F. Friedman for legislation to authorize the town of Billerica to transfer certain parcels of land;

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

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lesser, for the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2740), an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document relative to extending third-party delivery cost containment for restaurants (Senate, No. 2839); and

By Mr. Eldridge, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, Nos. 985, 996, 1060, 1101 and 2599, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on the Judiciary to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to judicial matters (Senate, No. 2838);

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

By Mr. Eldridge, for the committee on the Judiciary, on Senate, No. 923 and House, No. 1557, a Bill updating bail procedures for justice-involved youth (Senate, No. 923);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 984 and House, No. 1569, a Bill relative to judicial supervision to promote child well-being (Senate, No. 2836); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 980 and House, No.1531, a Bill relative to expungement of juvenile and young adult records (Senate, No. 2837);

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Order.

Mr. Eldridge presented an Order relative to granting the committee on the Judiciary until June 30, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 47, 368, 920, 932, 937, 945, 946, 976, 989, 1014, 1035, 1037, 1048, 1051, 1057, 1091, 1112, 1133 and 2607 relative to judicial matters (Senate, No. 2835);

Referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4705) of Mike Connolly and Patricia D. Jehlen (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Cambridge be authorized to establish a net zero standard for newly constructed buildings,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Shana Hicks, an employee of the department of public health (see Senate, No. 2792), 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

Billerica,-- land transfer. SD3106

Economic Development and Emerging Technologies committee,-- study.

Judiciary committee,-- study.

Bail procedures,-youth.

Judicial supervision,-- child well-being.

Juveniles,-- record expungement.

Judiciary,-extension.

Cambridge,-- new construction standards.

Shana Hicks,-sick leave.

was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.

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

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maria A. Conti, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4523,-- on petition),-- 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.

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., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

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

Maria A. Conti,-sick leave.

Time of meeting.