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Met at eighteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. DiDomenico 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. DiDomenico), 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 Essex County Women in Transition (received September 15, 2022),-- was placed on file.

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD3312

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives announcing the following appointment by the Speaker:

Dr. Karla Baehr of Newton (under Section 16 of Chapter 70 of the General Laws) as his designee to the Twenty-First Century Education Advisory Council.

21st Century Education Advisory Council.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5291) of Christine P. Barber, Mike Connolly and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to establish a net zero standard for newly constructed buildings and major renovation project,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Somerville,-- net zero construction.

A Bill designating September as polycystic ovary syndrome awareness month (House, No. 3735, amended,-- on petition),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

September,-- PCOS Awareness Month.

Bills

Authorizing the town of Upton to establish a means tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4755,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Upton,-- senior property tax.

Relative to the maximum age requirement for original appointment as a police officer in the town of Dedham (House, No. 4999, amended,-- on House, No. 4848) [Local approval received on House, No. 4848];

Dedham,-- police officer.

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

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (the first two 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. DiDomenico) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

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Authorizing the treasurer of the town of Middleborough to pay from available funds to Middleborough High School students, parents or guardians amounts paid but not reimbursed for the costs of the 2020 senior trip (see Senate, No. 2518);

Bills laid before the Governor.

Exempting a certain affordable housing project in the city of Brockton from public procurement laws (see Senate, No. 2864); and

Authorizing the Devens Enterprise Commission to grant a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 5017).

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Collins) “congratulating the South Boston Branch of the Boston Public Library on its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary”; and

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Suzin Bartley.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) “congratulating Suzin Bartley on the occasion of her retirement as Executive Director of the Children’s Trust, Inc.”

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Eldridge, for the committee on the Judiciary, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Clara Bett, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 3117).

Clara Bett,-- 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.

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

The following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The House Bill authorizing the town of Leicester to exempt from taxation certain real estate owned and occupied by the surviving spouse of Rutland police detective and town of Leicester resident, John D. Songy (House, No. 3989) (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.**

John D. Songy,-- real estate tax.

The House Bill providing for the laying out and acceptance of certain ways by the city of Attleboro (House, No. 4355),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Attleboro,-- public ways.

The House Bill amending the charter of the city of Lynn (House, No. 4623),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Lynn,-- charter.

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A Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (printed in House, No. 5213,-- being a message from his Excellency the Governor),-- was read.

Terms of bonds.

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

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5292) of Jessica Ann Giannino for legislation to further regulate the examining and licensing of pipefitter,-- **was referred, in**

Pipefitters,-- licensing.

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

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-four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.