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Thursday, September 22, 2022.

Met at twenty-three 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.

Communication.

Communication from the Wisconsin Secretary of State transmitting a copy of Enrolled Joint Resolution 9 adopted by the Wisconsin Legislature on January 27, 2022 (received July 27, 2022),-- was placed on file.

Wisconsin Secretary of State. SD3314

Reports.

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

Report of the Executive Office of the Trial Court (pursuant to Section 2(c) of Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2020) submitting its report on filings, actions, and dispositions of summary process (eviction) cases for August 2022 (received September 15, 2022); and

EOTC,-- summary process report. SD3313

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 Middlesex County Jail and House of Correction (received September 20, 2022).

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD3316

Petition.

Mr. Collins presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Nick Collins for legislation relative to pension parity,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Pension parity. SD3315

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives announcing the following appointments:

- Carla B. Jentz, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Administrators for Special Education
- Janine Solomon, Managing Attorney/Senior Project Director for Massachusetts Advocates for Children
- Stefanie Krantz, Senior Attorney for the Disability Law Center
- Ruth Diaz, Parent and Training Information Center Project Director for Federation for Children with Special Needs
- Michael Long, Attorney for Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents
- Pan Nourse, member of the Minuteman Vocational Technical School Committee

Bureau of Special Education Appeals Advisory Council.

to the Bureau of Special Education Appeals Advisory Council (under Section 2A(e) of Chapter 71B of the General Laws).

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5293) of Tami L. Gouveia and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) relative to ranked choice voting in the town of Concord;

Concord,-- ranked voting.

To the committee on Elections Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5294) of Tami L. Gouveia and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Concord be authorized to establish a fee for checkout bags in said town;

Concord,-- checkout bag fee.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5295) of Natalie M. Blais and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to continue the employment of Kenneth Ouimette, a member of the police department of said town; and

Conway,-- Kenneth Ouimette.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5296) of Natalie M. Blais and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) that the town of Conway be authorized to continue the employment of Randell Williams, a member of the police department of said town;

Conway,-- Randell Williams.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A Bill designating a certain intersection in the town of Duxbury as the Charlotte Bradford Memorial Square (House, No. 4335,-- on petition),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Duxbury,-- memorial square designation.

A Bill relative to certain affordable housing in the city of Worcester (House, No. 4850,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Worcester,-- affordable housing.

Resolutions.

Mr. Timilty in the Chair, the following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Timilty, Tarr and Brady, Ms. Chang-Díaz, Mr. Collins, Ms. Comerford, Ms. Creem, Messrs. Cronin and DiDomenico, Ms. Dizoglio, Messrs. Eldridge, Feeney and Finegold, Ms. Gobi, Messrs. Gomez and Hinds, Ms. Jehlen, Messrs. Keenan, Kennedy, Lesser and Lewis, Ms. Lovely, Messrs. Montigny and Moore, Ms. Moran, Messrs. O'Connor and Pacheco, Ms. Rausch, Messrs. Rodrigues and Rush, Ms. Spilka and Mr. Velis) "commending Milton Glows Gold, the Michael C. McHugh Memorial Fund, Inc. and the Reid R. Sacco Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Alliance for celebrating September 2022 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month."

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Mr. Collins in the Chair, an engrossed Bill providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5213), 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 was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 3 to 0.

Bonds and notes,-- terms.

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

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:

Relative to designating certain portions of Interstate Highway Route 495 as the Susannah North Martin Highway (see Senate, No. 3015);

Bills laid before the Governor.

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 (see House, No. 3989);

Relative to municipal light plant participation in green communities (see House, No. 4351, amended);

Providing for the laying out and acceptance of certain ways by the city of Attleboro (see House, No. 4355);

Amending the charter of the city of Lynn (see House, No. 4623); and

Providing for the terms of certain bonds to be issued by the Commonwealth (see House Bill, printed in House, No. 5213).

Communication.

The following communication, which was received in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate at two minutes before eight o'clock A.M. on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, was read and placed on file to wit:

Senator Adam G. Hinds,-- resignation.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

September 21, 2022

The Honorable Karen E. Spilka
Senate President
24 Beacon Street – Room 332
Boston, MA 02133

Madam President,

Please accept this communication as formal notice of my intention to resign my position of State Senator from the Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden District in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This resignation shall be effective as of 11:59 P.M. on September 25, 2022.

It has been my absolute pleasure serving under your leadership. I will always remember with gratitude what we have achieved for the Commonwealth during this period. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Adam G. Hinds
State Senator
Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden

On motion of Mr. Fattman, the above communication was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Ordered printed.

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

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 creation of a linkage fee for development in the city of Chelsea (House, No. 4789),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Chelsea,-- linkage fee.

The Senate 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),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Avon,-- liquor license.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Timilty,

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

Time of meeting.

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