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Monday, March 27, 2023.

Met at twenty-six minutes before twelve o'clock noon (Ms. Jehlen in the Chair).

The Chair (Ms. Jehlen), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Communication.

Communication from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (pursuant to item 4000-0700 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its MassHealth dental coverage report (received March 24, 2023),-- was placed on file.

EOHHS,-- dental coverage report. SD2530

Reports.

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

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 Pondville Correctional Center (received March 23, 2023);

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD2526

Report of the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services (pursuant to Section 168(b) of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2022 annual report on complaints reviewed by the Criminal Record Review Board (received March 23, 2023);

DCJIS,-- CRRB report. SD2527

Report of the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services (pursuant to Section 172(a)(6) of Chapter 6 of the General Laws) submitting its fiscal year 2022 annual report on access to criminal offender record information (received March 23, 2023);

DCJIS,-- CORI report. SD2528

Report of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (pursuant to item 0340-2100 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its amended fiscal year 2022 report on Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC) case referrals to district attorneys (received March 24, 2023); and

MDAA,-- DPPC amended report. SD2529

Report of the Department of Mental Health (pursuant to Section 23 of Chapter 19 of the General Laws) submitting its 2022 annual report of the Children's Behavioral Health Knowledge Center (received March 24, 2023).

DMH,-- CBHKC report. SD2532

Petitions.

The following petition (having been deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate prior to five o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, January 20, 2023) was referred, as follows:

Ms. Comerford presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate No. 1489) (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Joanne M. Comerford, Susannah M. Whipps and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to create a Municipal and Public Safety Building Authority;

Municipal and Public Safety Building Authority.

Transmitted, under the provisions of Section 7 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, to the Secretary of State.

Ms. Creem presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation relative to forfeiture reform,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches,

Forfeiture reform. SD2531

acting concurrently.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Joanne M. Comerford and Natalie M. Blais for legislation to provide a sustainable future for rural schools.

Rural schools,--  
sustainable future.  
SD2519

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Education.**

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Joanne M. Comerford and Natalie M. Blais for legislation to exempt Barbara Killeen from certain requirements of the retired municipal teacher program.

Barbara Killeen,--  
health coverage.  
SD2507

**Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.**

**Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3554) of Kristin E. Kassner and Samantha Montaño relative to insurance coverage of hearing aids;

Hearing aids,--  
insurance coverage.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3555) of Kristin E. Kassner relative to local option for associate members of planning boards;

Planning boards,--  
associate members.

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

*Recess.*

There being no objection, at twenty-three minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Chair (Ms. Jehlen) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at sixteen minutes past one o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Ms. Jehlen in the Chair.

Recess.

*Order Adopted.*

Mr. Rodrigues offered the following order, to wit:

*Ordered,* That notwithstanding Senate Rule 7 or any other rule to the contrary, the House Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3547), to be reported by the committee on Ways and Means with a recommended new text Senate document numbered 2375, on Monday, March 27, 2023, and read into the Senate Journal on Monday, March 27, 2023, shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for a second reading on Thursday, March 30, 2023, with the Ways and Means new text S2375 pending.

Procedural order.

After the bill, as amended, is ordered to a third reading, it shall immediately be read a third time and the question shall then immediately be on passing it to be engrossed, and no amendments shall be in order at the third reading of the bill unless recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Fattman, and the order was considered forthwith and adopted.**

**The bill will be placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 30, 2023, for a second reading with the amendment pending.**

**UNCORRECTED PROOF.**

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3547),-- ought to pass, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2375 [General Obligation Bonds: \$350,000,000.00].

Municipal roads and bridges,-- financing.

**In accordance with the order previously adopted, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, for a second reading with the amendment pending.**

*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. in a full formal session with a calendar.

Time of meeting.

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