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Met at twenty-three minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Timilty in the Chair).

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Communication.

Communication from the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (pursuant to item 1599-2051 of Section 2A of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021, as amended by Section 45 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023) submitting its June 2023 quarterly report detailing transfers from a reserve to meet the costs of oversight functions in the offices of the State Auditor, Attorney General, Inspector General and Comptroller (received July 7, 2023),-- was placed on file.

A&F,-- oversight reserve report. SD2683

Report.

Report of the Department of Public Health (pursuant to Section 2J of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting its 2022 annual report on the activities of the Public Health Grant Trust Fund (received July 7, 2023),-- was placed on file.

DPH,-- PHTF report. SD2684

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Feeney, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul R. Feeney and William Francis Galvin for legislation to protect seniors and adults with disabilities from financial exploitation; and

Seniors,-- financial exploitation. SD2681

By Mr. Pacheco (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas Chiocca for legislation relative to retirement benefits for Thomas Chiocca;

Thomas Chiocca,-- retirement. SD2680

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

Committee Discharged.

Ms. Rausch, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 465) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation relative to indigenous representation on the Martha's Vineyard Commission,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Martha's Vineyard Commission,-- representation.

Under Senate Rule 36, the report was considered forthwith and accepted. Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following petition, having been timely filed by five o'clock P.M. on January 20, 2023, was referred in concurrence as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3972) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to classifying cheerleading as a school sport and providing for student participation in

Cheerleading,-- sport.

cheerleading;

To the committee on Education.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3968) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to grant an additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town;

Chatham,-- liquor license.

To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3969) of Christine P. Barber (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to appoint an alternate member to the licensing commission of said city; and

Somerville,-- licensing commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3970) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Bruce E. Tarr and Sally P. Kerans (by vote of the town) relative to amending the charter of the town of Middleton;

Middleton,-- charter.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3971) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Chatham be authorized to establish two special revenue accounts to support the development of attainable housing in said town and the administration and operation of the Chatham elementary school;

Chatham,-- elementary school revenue accounts.

To the committee on Revenue.

A Bill authorizing the city of Haverhill to appoint retired police officers as detail police officers within said city for paid detail assignments (House, No. 2677,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Haverhill,-- retired police officers.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3975) of Tackey Chan relative to certain ticket transactions;

Event tickets,-- transactions.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3976) of Kimberly N. Ferguson for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Anastasios Milonopoulos, an employee of the Department of Correction;

Anastasios Milonopoulos,-- sick leave.

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

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The House Bill authorizing the town of Berlin to grant up to 2 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 345) (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.**

Berlin,-- liquor license.

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 James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a designation of a state protection and advocacy system.

Protection and advocacy system. SD2563

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Keenan and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied

by bill) was referred to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Timilty), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Alton Parker Nadeau.

Moment of silence.

Recess.

There being no objection, at six minutes before twelve o'clock noon, the Chair (Mr. Timilty) declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair; and, at seventeen minutes before two o'clock P.M., the Senate reassembled, Mr. Timilty in the Chair.

Recess.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Michael Grant, an employee of the department of correction (House, No. 3821, amended),-- came from the House with the endorsement that the House had NON-concurred in the Senate amendment by adding the following sentence:- "The employee must exhaust all accrued leave time before accessing time from the sick leave bank."

Michael Grant,-- sick leave.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Collins, and the bill was considered forthwith.

On further motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate receded from its amendment.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3980) of Michael S. Day for legislation to further regulate firearms,-- came from the House, under suspension of Joint Rule 12 referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Firearms,-- law modernization.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of Joint Rule 12, and NON-concurred in the reference to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Collins, the petition was referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Sent to the House for its action.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Collins,--

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.

Time of meeting.

*Adjournment in Memory of Former Braintree Deputy Fire Chief
Alton Parker Nadeau.*

The Senator from Norfolk and Plymouth, Mr. Keenan and the Senator from Norfolk, Plymouth and Bristol, Mr. Timilty moved that when the Senate adjourns today it does so in memory of Former Braintree Deputy Fire Chief Alton Parker Nadeau.

Former Braintree Deputy Fire Chief Alton Parker Nadeau, a veteran of the Korean War, passed away on June 14. Deputy Chief Nadeau, known as Parker, served on the fire department for more than three decades.

Born and raised in the Fields Corner section of Dorchester, Deputy Chief Nadeau joined the US Air Force. Here, he served for four years during the Korean War. While in

the service, he held the rank of staff sergeant, serving as chief clerk.

Deputy Chief Nadeau married Virginia Hennessey and settled in Braintree where they raised their two children, Larry Nadeau, and Robin Nadeau. Then, in 1958, he joined the Braintree Fire Department, retiring in 1994 as Deputy Chief.

Having remarried in 1988 to Rhea Polson, they were together until her death in 2005.

Deputy Chief Nadeau was predeceased by his parents, Alton Nadeau and Marion DeLori, and his stepson, Kevin.

He is survived by his children, Larry Nadeau, Robin Nadeau, and Matt Polson and his wife Ashley; and his stepsons, David Polson and his wife, LeAnn, Eric Polson and his wife, Laurie, and Steven Polson. Parker also leaves behind many grandchildren and great-grandchildren all of whom he was very proud.

Deputy Chief Nadeau was always a warm and loving person who treated everyone he came in contact with like family. He will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure to know him.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Alton Parker Nadeau, at a quarter before two o'clock P.M, on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.