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Met at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Collins in the Chair).

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Communications.

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

Communication from the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate, announcing the appointment of Senator Robyn K. Kennedy (pursuant to Section 79 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) to the Early Education and Care Workforce Council (received September 7, 2023);

Early Education and Care Workforce Council.

Communication from the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate, announcing the appointments of Heidi Kaufman and Lesley Kinney (under Section 79 of Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018) to the Early Education and Care Workforce Council (received August 24, 2023); and

Id.

Communication from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Office of Grants and Research submitting a copy of the federal fiscal year 2023 Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Massachusetts application (received September 8, 2023).

EOPSS,-- JAG application. SD2749

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 Essex County Women in Transition (received September 8, 2023); and

DPH,-- facility inspection. SD2747

Report of the Division of Occupational Licensure (pursuant to Section 3B of Chapter 7 of the General Laws) submitting a notification of proposed fee change for licensure of appraisal management companies (received September 11, 2023).

DOL,-- fee change. SD2750

Petition.

Mr. Barrett presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Barrett for legislation to reduce the financial penalty imposed on customers who shift to heat pumps, electric appliances, and electric vehicles,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Renewable energy,-financial penalty. SD2748

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Cyr, for the committee on Public Health, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1424) of Mark C. Montigny, Jack Patrick Lewis, John F. Keenan, Vanna Howard and other members of the General Court for legislation to promote humane cosmetics and other household products

Animal testing,-- household products.

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by limiting the use of animal testing,-- and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Representative Cataldo of Concord has been appointed to serve as his designee (under Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) to the Restorative Justice Advisory Committee.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4086) of Jennifer Balinsky Armini and Brendan P. Crighton (by vote of the town) that the town of Swampscott be authorized to amend the charter of said town to change the board of selectmen to a select board,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Bills

Relative to at-large town meeting members in the town of Milford (House, No. 2089, - on petition) [Local approval received];

To amend the charter of the town of Middleborough (House, No. 2092,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Authorizing the city of Leominster to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (House, No. 2555,-- on petition) [Local approval received];

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

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4088) of Carol A. Doherty and Patricia A. Haddad for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the welfare and best interest considerations of children in care and protection cases,-- was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

Moments of Silence.

After remarks, at the request of Senator Fattman, the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of the victims of the September 11th attacks and in honor of first responders and military personnel.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Collins), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Jeanette Snyder Greeley.

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.

Adjournment in Memory of Mrs. Jeanette Greeley.

The Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Collins, moved that when the Senate adjourns today

Restorative Justice Advisory Committee.

Swampscott,-- select board.

Milford,-- town meetings.

Middleborough,--charter.

Leominster,-- police officer age limit.

Harmony Commission,-establish.

Moment of silence.

Id.

Time of meeting.

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it do so in memory of Mrs. Jeanette (Snyder) Greeley of South Boston.

Jeanette Greeley passed away on August 7, 2023. Beloved wife of the late Stanley Greeley Sr. Devoted mother of Robert Greeley and his wife Maureen of Fall River, Dianne Horne and her husband Edward of South Boston, Stanley Greeley, Jr. and his wife Virginia of Baldwinville and Paul Greeley and his wife Kim of South Boston. Sister of the late Arthur Snyder, Pauline Proudman and Annette Snyder. Daughter of the late Harry Snyder and Dorothy and Oscar Lavoie. Lifelong friend of Jean Shifflett and her late husband Butch. Proud grandmother of Boston Firefighters' L-718 Legislative Representative Randy Greeley. Also survived by 14 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Jeanette was Past State Commander of the DAV Auxiliary 1979 and very active in The Ollie at the South Boston Neighborhood House.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. Jeanette Greeley, at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Fattman, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.