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Met at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Timilty 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. Timilty), 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 Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader, announcing the appointment of Robert Breaker (pursuant to Section 152 of Chapter 178 of the Acts of 2024) to the special commission on the quality of life for veterans in the commonwealth (received September 12, 2024);

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to the plan of correction for the Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center, Shirley dated September 9, 2024 (received September 13, 2024);

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to the plan of correction for the Norfolk County House of Correction and Alternative Center, Dedham dated September 6, 2024 (received September 13, 2024); and

Communication from the Office of the Inspector General (pursuant to section 79 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023) submitting a copy of its report on expenditures incurred by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance and the University of Massachusetts Building Authority in leasing the Star Store in New Bedford for use by the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (received September 16, 2024).

Petition.

Ms. Lovely presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation relative to the partition of nominee trusts,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Rausch, for the committee on Environment and Natural Resources, on petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wellfleet to enact a pesticide reduction bylaw (Senate, No. 2939) [Local approval received];

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

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill increasing the membership of the Select Board for the Town of Lancaster (House, No. 4818,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Spec. Commission appointment,--veterans quality of

DPH,-- plan of correction. SD3429

Id. SD3430

Inspector General,--Star Store lease. SD3431

Partition,-- nominee trusts. SD3427

Wellfleet,-pesticide reduction.

Lancaster,-- select board membership.

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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 Walter F. Timilty, Michael D. Brady, Bruce J. Ayers and William J. Driscoll, Jr. for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Tyisha Curenton, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance.

Tyisha Curenton,--sick leave. SD3401

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Durant, 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.

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 Michael F. Rush for legislation to authorize the University of Massachusetts Building Authority to purchase, construct, and operate a hospital in the town of Norwood.

Norwood hospital. SD3414

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Durant, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Williamsburg to continue the employment of Glen Everett beyond the age of 65 (see House, No. 4769) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Timilty) and laid before the Governor for her approbation.

Bill laid before the Governor.

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

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

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Milton to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2518),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Milton,-- liquor license.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate Bill exempting the position of Deputy Police Chief in the city of Amesbury from the civil service law (Senate, No. 2924),-- was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been change by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act exempting the position of deputy police chief in the city of Amesbury from the civil service law".

Amesbury,-- deputy police chief.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Natick to establish minimum seating capacity for granting licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages or wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4187) (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.

Natick,-- liquor license.

The House Bill further regulating the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of clubs or veterans' organizations in the town of Natick (House, No. 4865) (its

Natick,-- veterans' organizations liquor licenses.

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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.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Durant,--

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

Time of meeting.

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