

Thursday, January 5, 2012.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Linsky of Natick and Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Matthew James McDermott on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules. Matthew James McDermott.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Ms. Peisch of Wellesley presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3867) of Alice Hanlon Peisch, Cynthia Stone Creem and Richard J. Ross (by vote of the town) that the town of Wellesley be authorized to grant up to twelve additional licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises of restaurants and function rooms having a seating capacity of 50 or more seats; and the same was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Wellesley,—alcoholic beverages.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian S. Dempsey for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Catherine Blais, an employee of the Trial Court. Catherine Blais,—sick leave.

By Representative Fernandes of Milford and Senator Moore, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John V. Fernandes and Richard T. Moore for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kristen Robinson, an employee of the Department of Correction. Kristen Robinson,—sick leave.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Debra Callejas, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, Department of Industrial Accidents (House, No. 3733), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in lines 2 and 3, striking out the words "executive office of Debra Callejas,—sick leave.

Debra
Callejas,—
sick leave.

labor and workforce development”, and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Debra Callejas, an employee of the Department of Industrial Accidents.”

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, the amendments (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Apprentice
training,—
funds.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of Ann-Margaret Ferrante and James J. Dwyer relative to apprentice training funds in the Division of Apprentice Training. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Health
impact
reports.

By Mr. Sanchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill to promote healthy people and a healthy economy in Massachusetts (House, No. 1157, changed by striking out section 1). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Stephen
Przybycien,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Stephen Przybycien (House, No. 3472), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Kafka, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bills.

Quincy,—
property tax
abatement.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Quincy to abate certain fiscal year 2010 real property taxes (see House, No. 3447) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered.

Rule 40
suspended.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, Mr. Chan of Quincy moved that Rule 40 be suspended; and the motion prevailed.

The same member then moved to amend the bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to abate certain fiscal year 2010 real property taxes in the City of Quincy, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (see House, No. 3447, amended) was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Bill
enacted.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the amendment, the bill, having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly

and truly prepared for final passage, was placed before the House, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote then was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 7 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The engrossed Bill authorizing a ballot question in the town of Arlington relative to the granting of additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3648) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Peru to establish a fire station construction fund (Senate, No. 1878), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Third reading bill.

The House Bill relative to the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District (House, No. 3758) reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Id.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

At fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.