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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Ms. Peake of Provincetown 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 (Ms. Peake), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Special Recognition.

During the Session, the Chair (Ms. Peake of Provincetown), declared a brief recess and, on behalf of Representatives Chan of Quincy, Mom of Lowell, Orrall of Lakeville, Schmid of Westport and Wong of Saugus paid tribute to the members of the Asian community of the Commonwealth on the occasion of Luner New Year.

Asian Luner
New Year.

The Lunar New Year represents a time of new beginnings and new opportunities. It is a time for families to get together to celebrate. It is a time to wish each other good health and good future for the year to come.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the Gardner District Court (Senate, No. 2028) (on Senate, No. 835), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Gardner
District
Court.

A Bill relative to constables in the town of Middleborough (Senate, No. 1995) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], pass to be engrossed by the Senate was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Middleborough,—
constables.

The following communication was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

February 4, 2016.

The Honorable William F. Welch
Clerk of the Massachusetts State Senate
State House, Room 335
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk,

UNCORRECTED PROOF.

I regret that I missed 2 roll call votes on February 3, 2016 at the Constitutional Convention. If I were present, I would have voted in the following manner:

- On the question of ordering Senate Bill 61 to a Third Reading, I would have voted in the negative.
- On the question of ordering House Bill 567 to a Third Reading, I would have voted in the affirmative.

Senator Eric P. Lesser,—
absence from
Joint Session
to consider
Amendments
to the
Constitution.

I wish that these votes be recorded and a copy of this letter be entered in the journal of the Senate and the journal of the House.

Very truly yours,
ERIC P. LESSER
First Hampden & Hampshire District

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill further regulating the regional public safety communications and dispatch center for the city of Revere and the town of Winthrop (see House, No. 3365), 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.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next
sitting.

At two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Ms. Peake of Provincetown being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.