

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Monday, February 28, 2005.

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

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Guided by Your Assistance and spiritually enriched by Your gift of wisdom, we begin this and every day with the intention of serving You and the people conscientiously. Help us to use our personal talents, experience and insights in a mature and productive manner as we evaluate and address current, often complex, legislative issues. Inspire us to be patient in our search for truth and knowledge, honorable in dealing with others, thoughtful in analyzing legislative proposals and moral in selecting personal options. Teach us in our diverse society and communities to respect the views and opinions of all, but to remain faithful to our own principles, values and religious beliefs.

Prayer.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

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

Pledge of  
allegiance.

### *Message from the Governor — Disapprovals in Supplemental Appropriations Bill.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with his disapproval of items 1599-4123, 1599-4124 and 1599-4125 of section 2 and section 32 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects [see House, No. 2010, amended] (for message, see House, No. 41) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, February 24.

Supplemental  
Appropriations  
Bill,  
vetoes and  
reductions.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

### *Message from the Governor — Supplemental Appropriations Bill Returned with Recommendations of Amendments.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with recommendations of amendments Sections 14A and 28A contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects [see House, No. 2010, amended] (for message, House, No. 42 – Attachments A and B) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, February 24.

Supplemental  
Appropriations  
Bill,  
amendments.

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the amendments severally

were thereupon “before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment”.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendments recommended by the Governor, the subject-matters were referred, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Golden of Lowell, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

*Statement of Representative Spiliotis of Peabody.*

A statement of Ms. Spiliotis of Peabody was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact I was unable to be present in the House Chamber for the sitting of Tuesday, February 15, 2005, due to my attendance at a family funeral. Any roll calls that I may have missed that day were due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of  
Representative  
Spiliotis of  
Peabody.

*Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Finegold of Andover, Blumer of Framingham and Rushing of Boston) congratulating the Iranian-American community on the occasion of Nowruz; and

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Gomes of Harwich) congratulating Chief William Schwerdtfeger on the occasion of his retirement;

Mrs. Harkins of Needham, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Iranian-  
American  
community.

William  
Schwerdtfeger.

*Papers from the Senate.*

Reports

Of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspections of certain correctional facilities in the Commonwealth, severally were spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

Of the Essex County Correctional Alternative Center, in the city of Lawrence;

Of the Hampden County Sheriff's Department and Correctional Center, in the town of Ludlow;

Of the Minimum Security Facility, Annex, Work Release Garage, and Warehouse in the town of West Boylston;

Of the Worcester County House of Correction and Jail, in the town of West Boylston; and

Of the Worcester County House of Correction and Jail Modular Unit, in the town of West Boylston;

Severally were spread upon the records of the House; and returned to the Senate.

Correctional  
facilities,  
inspection  
reports.

*Order.*

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

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At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.