

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Monday, March 7, 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:

God, Our Creator, we being this session by praying for Your guidance as we focus our attention on our personal and legislative goals. Your help enables us to keep our priorities in perspective. In Your goodness, grant us the wisdom to distinguish the day's more important issues from the less pressing, achievable goals from the unrealistic and ethical choices from questionable choices. Teach us to be aware of the needs of all in our communities, from the youngest child to the most senior adult, and to respond thoughtfully to the challenges and opportunities of this information and technological age. May we prepare for the future of our communities by making sound decisions for today. 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.

### *Messages from the Governor.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to making appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and to promote, retain, and create jobs in Massachusetts (House, No. 603) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, March 3. Supplemental appropriations, job creation.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to further creating and protecting jobs, easing the unemployment insurance burden on employers, and preserving the solvency of the trust fund (House, No. 604) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, March 3. Jobs, protect and create.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Labor and Workforce Development. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to providing for the Massachusetts opportunity relocation and expansion jobs programs for the Commonwealth (House, No. 605) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Thursday, March 3. Job programs.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Canavan of Brockton, Creedon of Brockton and Kennedy of Brockton) declaring March 20, 2005 an official day of observance of the R.B. Grover Shoe Factory tragedy, which claimed the lives of fifty-eight people and injured one hundred and fifty more;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Connolly of Everett) commemorating the "Irish-American Heritage" in the United States of America-2005; and

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough and other members of the House) celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of New Hope, Inc.;

Mrs. Parente of Milford, 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.

*Communication.*

A communication from the Executive Office for Administration and Finance Human Resources Division (under Sections 61A of Chapter 31 and Section 5 (e) of the Chapter 32 of the General Laws submitting proposed regulations for initial medical and physical fitness standards tests of municipal public safety personnel (House, No. 606) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, for the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Sean Glennon, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth (House, No. 138). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Donato of Medford, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second and (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) a third time forthwith; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Kaprielian of Watertown, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill establishing the office of collector-treasurer in the town of Swansea (House, No. 139) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Donato of Medford, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, the bill (having been 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.

*Recess.*

At twenty-nine minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Golden of Lowell (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow being in the Chair) the House recessed until twelve o'clock noon; and at thirteen minutes after twelve o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

*Engrossed Bill.*

The engrossed Bill establishing the office of collector-treasurer in the town of Swansea (see House, No. 139) (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.

*Order.*

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

At fourteen minutes after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Swansea,  
collector-  
treasurer.

Recess.

Bill  
enacted.

Next  
sitting.

Grover  
Shoe  
Factory.

Irish-American  
Heritage.

New  
Hope,  
Inc.

Public  
safety  
personnel,  
fitness  
standards.

Sean  
Glennon,  
sick leave  
bank.