

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, March 26, 2015.

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).

Pledge of
allegiance.

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.

Resolutions.

Wheelock
College.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Representatives Fox of Boston and Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Wheelock College on receiving the 2014 Presidential Award in Education on the 2014 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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.

Annual Report.

Early
Education
and Care.

The annual report of the Department of Early Education and Care (under Section 3 of Chapter 15D of the General Laws) for the year 2014 [a copy of the report was forwarded to the committee on Education, as required by said law], was placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Maynard,—
alcoholic
beverages.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3192) of Kate Hogan (by vote of the town) that the town of Maynard be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises; and

Dedham,—
alcoholic
beverages.

By Representative McMurtry of Dedham and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3193) of Paul McMurtry and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) that the town of Dedham be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises;

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Revere,—
Cynthia A.
Penta.

By Representatives DeLeo of Winthrop and Vincent of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3206) of Robert A. DeLeo, RoseLee Vincent and Anthony W. Petruccelli (with the approval of mayor and city council) that the city of Revere be authorized to pay a certain sum of money to Cynthia A. Penta.

Malden,—
stadium, etc.
commission.

By Mr. Ultrino of Malden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3194) of Steven Ultrino and others (with the approval of the mayor

and city council) that the city of Malden be authorized to change the composition of the stadium and athletic field commission in said city; and

By Mr. Walsh of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3195) of Chris Walsh and others (by vote of the town) relative to representative town meetings in the town of Framingham;

Framingham,—
town
meeting.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3196) of Shawn Dooley and Richard J. Ross (by vote of the town) that the town of Norfolk be authorized to continue the employment fire chief Coleman Bushnell, notwithstanding certain provisions of the civil service law;

Norfolk,—
Coleman
Bushnell.

By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3197) of Shawn Dooley and Richard J. Ross (by vote of the town) that the town of Norfolk be authorized to continue the employment police chief Charles H. Stone, Jr., notwithstanding certain provisions of the civil service law; and

Norfolk,—
Charles H.
Stone, Jr.

By Representative McMurtry of Dedham and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3198) of Paul McMurtry and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) that the town Westwood be authorized to exempt the positions of fire chief and deputy fire chief from certain provisions of the civil service law;

Westwood,—
civil
service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Lyons of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3199) of James J. Lyons, Jr., and Frank A. Moran (by vote of the town) that the town of Andover be authorized to provide property tax relief for certain elderly residents of said town; and

Andover,—
tax
relief.

By Messrs. Michlewitz of Boston and Collins of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3200) of Aaron Michlewitz and Nick Collins (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to implement a property tax deferral program for long-term residence of said city;

Boston,—
homeowners.

Severally to the committee on Revenue.

By Mr. Koczera of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3201) of Robert M. Koczera and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of New Bedford be authorized to establish senior citizen safety zones. To the committee on Transportation.

New Bedford,—
senior safety
zones.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Cantwell and Robert L. Hedlund relative to the Dam and Seawall Removal Fund.

Dams and
seawalls.

By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Cantwell and Stephen L. DiNatale for legislation to further regulate propane sales and usage fees.

Propane,—
fees.

By Mrs. Ferguson of Holden, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and Harriette L. Chandler for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kim Quitadamo, an employee of the Worcester County Superior Court.

Kim
Quitadamo,—
sick leave.

Estate tax
commission,—
establish.

By Mrs. Harrington of Groton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sheila C. Harrington for an investigation by a special commission relative to increasing the exemption in the Massachusetts estate tax.

Innocence
commission,—
establish.

By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul R. Heroux for legislation to authorize the establishment of the Massachusetts Innocence Commission.

Edward
Conley,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John J. Lawn, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Edward Conley, an employee of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office.

Public works
employees,—
benefits.

By Representative Linsky of Natick and Senator Spilka, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David Paul Linsky and Karen E. Spilka for legislation to include public works employees for killed-in-the-line-of-duty benefits.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Wareham,—
sewer
commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 34) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to sewer commissioners in the town of Wareham. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Wrentham,—
special
police.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 35) of Richard J. Ross and Shawn Dooley for legislation to authorize the appointment of special police officers in the town of Wrentham. To the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

Suffolk
Downs,—
simulcasting.

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 60, reported, in part, a Bill relative to racing days at Suffolk Downs (House, No. 3203). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for said committee, then 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 Reading to be correctly drawn) a third time forthwith; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Deborah
Hawkins,—
sick leave.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Deborah Hawkins, an employee of the Office of the State Auditor (House, No. 3184), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3204), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

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 one minute before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (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.