

Monday, April 2, 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).

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.

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

Christopher
Long.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Turner of Dennis) congratulating Christopher Long on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Alyce
Neault
Potvin.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Alyce Neault Potvin on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday;

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, 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 Ms. Provost of Somerville, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communication.

Civil
service
lists.

A communication from the Human Resources Division of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (under the provisions of Section 25 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws) submitting a list of certain public safety fire promotional lists which have been revoked as of March 1, 2012, was placed on file.

Petitions.

Boston,—
ballots.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4020) of Aaron Michlewitz (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to amend the preparation of certain ballots in the city of Boston; and the same was referred to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Clifton
Watson,—
sick leave.

Mr. Vallee of Franklin presented a petition (subject Joint Rule 12) of James E. Vallee for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Clifton Watson, an employee of the Registry of Motor Vehicles; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Vehicle
dealers, etc.,—
regulate.

A Bill further regulating business practices between motor vehicle dealers, manufactures and distributors (Senate, No. 2162) (on Senate, No. 1975), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was it was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Carl Senna, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2131) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Carl Senna,—
sick leave.

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

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

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Judith Christianson, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (Senate, No. 2161, amended in line 7 by striking out the words “department of transitional assistance paid” and inserting in place thereof the words “extended illness”; and in line 9 by striking out the words “of transitional assistance”) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Judith Christianson,—
sick leave.

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

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

Reports of Committees.

Reports

Of the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1443) of Kevin G. Honan relative to land use regulations and zoning; and

Land use regulations and zoning.

Of the same committee, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2332) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation to limit the operation of parking lots subcontracted for a single use event;

Single event parking lot usage.

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on a motion of Mr. Kane of Holyoke, the reports were considered forthwith. Pending the question on acceptance of the reports, the petitions were recommit- ted, on motions of Mr. Kane of Holyoke.

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 David Paul Linsky, Benjamin Swan and others relative to indigent defense counsel. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Humason of Westfield, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Indigent counsel.

By Mr. Kane of Holyoke, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to coverage of medical emergency communication costs (House, No. 2333). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Medical emergencies,—
communi-
cations.

By Mr. Kane of Holyoke, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill further regulating reporting requirements of constables (House, No. 564).

Constables,—
reporting.

Animal shelters,—
regulation.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the regulation of animal shelters (House, No. 1445).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Animal shelters,—
regulation.

By Mr. Kane of Holyoke, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the regulation of animal shelters (House, No. 561).

Capital project fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to increase the amount that can be appropriated from the balance of a capital project fund (House, No. 1440).

Animals,—
care.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ensure adequate care of animals in cities and towns (House, No. 2326).

Handicapped placards.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to handicap automobile licenses or placards (House, No. 2331).

Dogs,—
sale.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill regulating the sale of dogs (House, No. 2886).

Southbridge,—
charter.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the charter of the town of Southbridge (House, No. 3900) [Local Approval Received].

Harbor and Shellfish Advisory Board.

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a joint petition, a Bill clarifying the Harbor and Shellfish Advisory Board membership from conflict of interest regarding discussion of shellfish licensing (House, No. 831) [Local Approval Received].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Michael Regan,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick bank for Michael Regan (House, No. 4005). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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

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

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following matters be scheduled for consideration by the House:

The Senate Bill amending the charter of the town of Bourne (Senate, No. 2114, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and House bills

Bourne,—
amend charter.

School buses.
Fragile X.
Liquor Id's.

Establishing School Bus Driver Day (House, No. 842);
Establishing Fragile X Awareness Day (House, No. 843);
Relative to identification for the sale of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 1012);

Trash.
Aviation Month.

Relative to the removal or transportation of trash (House, No. 1546);
Proclaiming May as Aviation Awareness Month (House, No. 1742);

Addressing workplace bullying, mobbing and harassment, without regard to protected class status (House, No. 2310); Workplace bullying.

Clarifying participation in athletic safety programs (House, No. 2347, changed); Athletics.

To create an annual City Year Day (House, No. 2580); City Year.

Relative to the recorking of wine (House, No. 3108); Wine.

Relative to the supplemental reserve fund to ensure fiscal stability in the town of Swansea (House, No. 3950) [Local Approval Received]; and Swansea.

Relative to the town of Swansea Volunteer Fire Department (House, No. 3996) [Local Approval Received]; Id.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Woburn to place a certain question on the state election ballot relative to the granting of a license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3892) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time. Woburn,— liquor license.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Dwyer of Woburn moved to amend it in section 1, in line 3, by striking out the words “mayor and city council of the city of Woburn” and inserting in place thereof the words “state secretary”; and, in section 2, in line 16, by striking out the word “may” and inserting in place thereof the word “shall”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3892, amended) 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 Wednesday next at twelve o’clock noon. Next sitting.

At seventeen minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Humason of Westfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at twelve o’clock noon.