

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Thursday, May 18, 2006.

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).

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

God of Forgiveness and Truth, we take a moment for personal reflection and for a prayer of thanksgiving for our many daily blessings. We are grateful for our personal freedoms to express our views on all issues, for the opportunity to participate in the material development of our country and state and for the recognition of the rights, dignity and importance of each person in our community. As citizens of this Commonwealth, may we keep in mind the human and spiritual needs of our neighbors and friends who have been and are now suffering from the effects of serious flood conditions.

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

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:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Cabral of New Bedford) recognizing the contributions of Jose Cardoso Pinheiro on the occasion of naming the "Casa Dos Botes" in his honor for his distinguished career as a whaler from the island of Faial, Azores;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Connolly of Everett) congratulating Elizabeth V. McNeil on her graduation from Harvard University Extension School at the age of eighty-two;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth) congratulating Alice Grennell on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. LeDuc of Marlborough) congratulating Dick Yurkus on his retirement as a Marlborough City Councilor;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Nyman of Hanover) on the two hundredth anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Hanover;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Petersen of Marblehead) congratulating Rabbi Edgar J. Weinsberg on the occasion of his retirement as spiritual leader of Temple Beth El and Congregation Shirat Hayam;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Speliotis of Danvers and other members of the House) commemorating the Pontian Greek Genocide of 1919 to 1922;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Stanley of Waltham) congratulating John E. A. Schoeck on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Barbara Ab Symons.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vallee of Franklin) congratulating Rabbi Barbara Ab Symons for her service to the Temple Etz Chaim;

Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, 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. Rogeness of Longmeadow, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

#### *Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Ronald Mariano and Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., relative to home service contracts under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Insurance. To the committee on Financial Services.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of John J. Binienda and others relative to the payment of certain tax title charges by owners of condominiums. To the committee on Revenue.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James E. Vallee for legislation to designate a certain bridge on Route 140 in the town of Franklin as the Lance Corporal Shayne Cabino Bridge. To the committee on Transportation.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Rogeness of Longmeadow, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Home service contracts, insurance.

Condo-miniums, tax titles.

Franklin, Corporal Cabino Bridge.

Environment, study.

By Mr. Smizik of Brookline, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on Senate, Nos. 486, 490, 492, 504, 531, 551, 552 and 553, and House, Nos. 1286, 1289, 1299, 1302, 1336, 1374, 1376, 1481 3147, 4575 and 4576, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning environmental issues (House, No. 4967). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for said committees, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Health insurance premiums.

By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, for the committee on Financial Services, on a petition, a Bill relative to health insurance premiums (House, No. 2985). Read; and referred under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Murphy of Lowell, for the committee on Higher Education, that the recommitted Bill establishing a campus rape and sexual assault advisory council (Senate, No. 2460) ought to pass with an amendment by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4969. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means with the amendment pending.

Campus rape prevention council.

By Mrs. Walrath of Stow, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Bill relative to patient safety (House, No. 4965) ought to pass [Estimated Cost: \$3,092,634.00 to \$6,773,809.00] [Senators Moore and Brown dissenting]. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Nurses, staffing.

#### *Engrossed Bills.*

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Establishing a sick leave bank for John Lavoie, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 4566, changed);

Bills enacted.

Extending eligibility for health insurance for school employees (see House, No. 4654, amended); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jean Simonelli, an employee of the Department of Revenue (see House, No. 4784);

(Which severally originated in the House);

In respect to each of which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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Relative to the purple heart highway in Worcester County (see Senate, No. 1930);

Bills enacted.

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Carver as the SFC Robert Rooney Bridge (see Senate, No. 1944); and

Validating the proceedings of the annual town elections in the town of Royalston (see Senate, No. 2188);

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### *Recess.*

At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of two o'clock P.M.; and at that time the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Recess.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Debra A. Flag, an employee of the Department of Mental Retardation (House, No. 4915), 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.

Third reading bill.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

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sitting.

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

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At two minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Ms. Rogeness of Longmeadow (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.