

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

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).

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.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Willis Harlin Hulings on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Willis
Harlin
Hulings.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Graham Spencer Roth on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Graham
Spencer
Roth.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Christopher Thomas Tamoney on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Christopher
Thomas
Tamoney.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Ethan Armstrong White on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Ethan
Armstrong White.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, 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. Spellane of Worcester, 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 Barnstable County District Registry of Deeds (pursuant to Section 2KKK of Chapter 4 of the Acts of 2003) submitting a spending plan for technology improvements at said registry (copies of said communication forwarded to the committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight, in accordance with said law), was read for the information of the House; and it was placed on file.

Barnstable
Registry of
Deeds,
technology
plan.

Petitions.

Mrs. Harkins of Needham presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4826) of Lida Harkins (by vote of the town) relative to the post retirement liability fund in the town of Needham; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Needham,
retirement
fund.

Provincetown

and Truro, Lien. Ms. Peake of Provincetown presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sarah K. Peake and Robert A. O’Leary that the town of Provincetown be authorized to impose a lien upon certain property in the town of Truro for unpaid water fees and charges; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Shirley,
Longley
Acres.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Shirley to establish the Longley Acres maintenance fund (House, No. 4430) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, in line 5, inserting after the word “sell” the words “or lease”; and in section 4 striking out the words “; provided, however, that the contracts shall not be subject to chapter 30B of the General Laws”.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Eldridge of Acton, the amendments (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

Correctional
facilities,
inspection
reports.

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, as follows:

Of the Franklin County Jail and House of Correction, in the town of Greenfield;

Of the Western Massachusetts Regional Women’s Correctional Center, in the city of Chicopee; and

Of the Norfolk County Correctional Center, in the town of Dedham;

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

North Raynham
Water District.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2736) of Marc R. Pacheco and David L. Flynn (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the North Raynham Water District, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Life
sciences.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Bosley of North Adams, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the Senate amendments of the House Bill providing for the investment in and expansion of the life sciences industry in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4554), reported a Bill providing for the investment in and expansion of the life sciences industry in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4829). 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. Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance.

Green
jobs.

By Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rules 12 and 9 be suspended on the petition of Salvatore F. DiMasi and others for legislation to promote job creation and clean energy technology. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Spellane of Worcester, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rules 12 and 9 were suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the Bill relative to child labor law (House, No. 1791); and
Of the Bill to ensure transparency in executive compensation at private sector human service agencies (House, No. 3191, changed);

And recommending that the same severally be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Child labor.
Human
services,
executives.

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill requiring automatic external defibrillators in health and wellness facilities (House, No. 3888),— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Public Health. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Health
facilities, defib-
rillators.

By Mr. Torrisi of North Andover, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Order relative to authorizing the committee on Labor and Workforce Development to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning height and weight discrimination (House, No. 4569),— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Rules. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Weight
discrimination,
study.

Report of the committee on Judiciary, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1638) of Eugene L. O’Flaherty and Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to investigations of correctional officers;

Correctional
officers.

Report of the same committee, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1690) of John F. Quinn relative to licensure of court reporters; and

Court
reporters,
licensure.

Report of the same committee, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4416) of John W. Scibak relative to the appointment of a first assistant clerk for the Juvenile Court of Franklin and Hampshire counties;

Franklin/
Hampshire
Juvenile
Court.

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Rush of Boston, the reports were considered forthwith. Pending

the question on acceptance of the report, in each instance, the petitions were recommended to the committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea.

Consumer, study.

By Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on House, Nos. 240, 331, 3926, 3983, 4092, 4215 and 4427, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning consumer pricing, registration plates and liquor licenses (House, No. 4827).

Lead paint, study.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Housing, on House, No. 2131, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Housing to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning the lead paint abatement program (House, No. 4828).

Severally 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, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of said orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Transportation bond.

By Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the recommitted Bill financing improvements to the Commonwealth's transportation system (House, No. 4562) ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a Bill with the same title (House, No. 4825). [Bond Authorization: \$1,307,086,500.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendment pending and the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets (House, No. 4609, amended) also pending.

Mr. Donato of Medford, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House; and, under said rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading with the amendments pending.

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

Vehicle license fees.

The Senate Bill relative to vehicle license cost recovery fees (Senate, No. 2416); and

Granville, high-ways.

House bills
Relative to county highways in the town of Granville (House, No. 1990);

Sheet metal workers.

Relative to the licensing of sheet metal workers and sheet metal contractors (House, No. 4231); and

Natick.

Authorizing the Commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to lease certain property to the town of Natick (House, No. 4633);

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading with the amendments previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means pending.

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

Senate bills
Relative to District Court clerks (Senate, No. 1004);
Establishing the Bristol County Commission on the status of women (Senate, No. 1172);

Court clerks.
Bristol County Commission.
Essex.

Relative to certain sewer connections in the town of Essex (Senate, No. 1201) [Local Approval Received];

Charles E. Shannon, Jr.

Designating a certain portion of Sandy Beach in the town of Winchester as the Senator Charles E. Shannon, Jr. Memorial Beach (Senate, No. 2475);

John Dean.

Designating certain bridges in the town of Millville as the John Dean Bridges (Senate, No. 2565);

Northampton.

Exempting certain positions in the city of Northampton from the civil service law (Senate, No. 2688) [Local Approval Received]; and
Relative to the teaching of American Sign Language (Senate, No. 2698); and

Schools, sign language.

House bills
Relative to plumbing regulations (House, No. 244);
Relative to independent contractors (House, No. 311);
Clarifying warehousing (House, No. 1488);

Plumbing.

Contractors.

Warehousing.

Workplace, language restrictions.

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Non-discrimination.

Needlestick.

Opposing unnecessary language restrictions in the workplace (House, No. 1808);

Relative to non discrimination training in the workplace (House, No. 1837);

Relative to needlestick injury prevention in public health facilities and settings (House, No. 2056);

Trademarks.

Fire fighters.

Westborough.

Relative to state trademarks (House, No. 3183);
Concerning conflict of interest (House, No. 3212);

Designating the new Department of Youth Services facility in the town of Westboro as the Zara Cisco Brough Princess White Flower Facility (House, No. 3231);

Public hearings.

Permitting the consolidation of certain public hearings (House, No. 3234);

Moby Dick, state book.

Establishing "Moby Dick" as the official book of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3964, changed);

Fall River.

Relative to the Truesdale Clinic in the city of Fall River (House, No. 3993);

Springfield.

Authorizing the Springfield water and sewer commission to convey a certain parcel of land in the town of Blandford (House, No. 4062);

Cambridge.

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to abate fiscal year 2003 real property taxes in the amount of 61,463.24 on 62 Gore Street, Cambridge, which parcel was purchased on August 12, 2002 by a charitable organization (House, No. 4081) [Local Approval Received];

Truro.

Relative to property tax exemptions for rental properties in the town of Truro restricted as affordable housing (House, No. 4381) [Local Approval Received];

Construction
contracts.

Promoting fairness in private construction contracts (House, No. 4730);

Veterans.
Anthony F.
Zanette.

Relative to veterans (House, No. 4752);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Anthony F. Zanette, an employee of the University of Massachusetts Medical School (House, No. 4808);

Matthew
Dicicco.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Matthew Dicicco, an employee of the Department of Corrections (House, No. 4815); and

Richard K.
Ward III.

To establish a sick leave bank for Richard K. Ward III (House, No. 4819);

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

Order.

Next
sitting.

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

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

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.