

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, June 16, 2010.

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:

Eternal God, we begin this morning's legislative session with a prayer for guidance as we address and evaluate the matters which come before us. Our daily intention is to serve You, our constituents and our own families conscientiously. Help us to work together in resolving the many challenges which face us as a society in these uncertain times so that our communities will be peaceful, safe and prosperous. Teach us to be good listeners in dealing with the people who look to us for integrity, civility, seekers and speakers of the truth. Tomorrow we observe and celebrate a holiday with rich historical meaning, Bunker Hill Day. Once again may we remember and appreciate the courage, stamina, the personal sacrifices and intelligent foresight of the founders of this great nation. Let the spirit of our founders and their respect for human and spiritual rights of the individual be with us today.

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.

Reports.

A report of the Department of Public Health (under the provisions of Sections 5 and 20 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of the Western Massachusetts Regional Women's Correctional Center; and

A quarterly report of the Division of Unemployment Assistance (under the provision of Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund;

Severally were spread upon the records of the House; and placed on file.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating and recognizing Father David Costa on the occasion of his twenty-fifth anniversary of being ordained a priest;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Galvin of Canton) congratulating K9 Officer Scott Brown on receiving the 2010 Public Safety Award of the Knights of Columbus, Father John J. Flatley Council 2095 of Canton;

Herbert King. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Galvin of Canton) congratulating Fire-fighter Herbert King of the Canton Fire Department on receiving the 2010 Public Safety Award of the Knights of Columbus, Father John J. Flatley Council 2095 of Canton;

William Nelson Hull. Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring William Nelson Hull on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Nicholas Christopher Hurney. Resolutions (filed by Representatives Peisch of Wellesley and Balsler of Newton) honoring Nicholas Christopher Hurney on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Sherry Brooks-Roberts. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush of Boston) congratulating Sherry Brooks-Roberts on the occasion of her retirement; and

Kate Forbes Johnson. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush of Boston) congratulating Kate Forbes Johnson on the occasion of her retirement.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Plowing,—guarantees. A petition of Stephen M. Brewer and Geraldo Alicea for legislation relative to performance guarantees for subdivision roadway winter plowing, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2490) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Reports of Committees.

Mystic River. By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Bill establishing a Mystic River Water Quality Commission (House, No. 807) ought to pass.

Suicide. By the same member, for the same committee, that the Resolve relative to the study on methods to reduce incidents of suicide (House, No. 3827) ought to pass.

Child suicide,—commission. By the same member, for the same committee, that the Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to child suicide (House, No. 4522) ought to pass.

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

Guardians,—regulations. Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on the Judiciary to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning matters relative to the Judiciary (House, No. 4691) reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1513) of David P. Linsky and

Barbara A. L'Italien relative to further regulating the appointment of certain guardians by the Probate Court,— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, that the Bill establishing the Massachusetts Opportunity Rebuilding and Expansion Infrastructure Program (House, No. 337) ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means. Infrastructure Program.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, that the Bill relative to the Connecticut River rowing facility (House, No. 3145) ought to pass with an amendment by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4765). Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means, with the amendment pending. Connecticut River rowing facility.

By Mr. Moran of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill validating the election of a charter commission in the city of Everett (House, No. 4739) [Local Approval Received]. Everett,—charter commission.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the city of Chicopee and the term of mayor (House, No. 4713) [Local Approval Received]. Chicopee,—mayor.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on House, No. 12 and a part of House, No. 8, a Bill relative to public procurement (House, No. 12). Public procurement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 13 and a part of House, No. 8, a Bill authorizing employees of the Inspector General's office to participate in representative town meeting (House, No. 13). Inspector General,—employees.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to apprentice training (House, No. 4580). Apprentice training.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the leasing and construction of improvements to the North Branch Library and East Branch Library buildings in the town of Watertown (House, No. 4667) [Local Approval Received]. Watertown,—library improvements.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 180, a Bill concerning the public records law (House, No. 4764). Public records law.

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

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill relative to the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School (see Senate, No. 2392), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble. Essex Aggie.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 5 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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sitting.

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

Accordingly, at twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth (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.