

Monday, August 6, 2012.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. O'Day of West Boylston 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. O'Day), 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 Mr. Hecht of Watertown) supporting Nagorno-Karabakh's right to self-determination and efforts to develop its democracy; Nagorno-Karabakh.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Malia of Boston) congratulating Marylou Sudders on her retirement as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty of Children; and Marylou Sudders.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Sánchez of Boston) honoring Alfredo de Jesus and his many accomplishments as founder of the Puerto Rican Festival; Alfredo de Jesus.

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

Semi-Annual Report.

The semi-annual report of the Insurance Fraud Bureau (pursuant to Section 1 (k) of Chapter 338 of the Acts of 1990, as most recently amended by Section 5 of Chapter 279 of the Acts of 2002) containing trends in fraudulent automobile insurance claims [copies of said report were referred, as required under said law, to the committees on Financial Services and Labor and Workforce Development], was placed on file. Insurance Fraud Bureau.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Campbell of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Linda Dean Campbell and others for legislation to require that financial institutions pay cities and towns fifty per cent of the property taxes owed on foreclosed mortgages. Foreclosure properties,—taxes.

By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tom Sannicandro relative to the Disabled Persons Protection Commission. Disabled Persons Protection Commission.

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

*Reconsideration.*Recreation
vehicles.

Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill asked that the vote be reconsidered by which the House, at the preceding sitting, ordered to a third reading the Senate Bill relative to the use of off-highway and recreation vehicles (Senate, No. 2381), and the motion to reconsider was entertained forthwith; and it prevailed.

The amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— that the bill be amended by adding the following section:

“SECTION 4. Paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of section 26 of chapter 90B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first 2 sentences and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— No person under 14 years of age shall operate an all terrain vehicle or recreation utility vehicle unless said person is operating such vehicle while a participant in a sanctioned race, rally or organized event which is supervised by a person aged 18 or older and which has been authorized or approved by a municipal permitting authority or operating such vehicle in preparation for such race, rally or organized event while directly supervised.”— was adopted.

The bill (Senate, No. 2381, amended) then was ordered to a third reading.

*Engrossed Bill.*Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain bridge in the city of Lowell as the Gentz Brothers Memorial Bridge (see House, No. 3951) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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sitting.

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

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. O'Day of West Boylston in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.