

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, August 11, 2016.

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.

Silent Prayer.

At the request of Mr. Collins of Boston, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Jim DiPerri of South Boston. Jim served with the Massachusetts National Guard's Yankee Division for ten years before beginning a forty year career working tirelessly at the Massachusetts State House as a court officer and later as the first assistant to the Sergeant-at-Arms. James S. DiPerri.

Mr. DiPerri leaves behind his wife of sixty-three years, his three children, Rev. James DiPerri, Noreen Tolosky, and Mary Theresa DiPerri, and his grandchildren.

Messages from the Governor — Disapprovals in Appropriations Bills.

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with his disapproval of sections 36 and 131 of the engrossed Bill relative to job creation and workforce development (see House, No. 4569) (for message, see House, No. 4576), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, August 10. Job creation and workforce development.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with his disapproval of section 7 and disapproval of certain wording in item 6121-1718 in section 2A of the engrossed Bill providing for the financing of certain improvements to municipal roads and bridges (see House, No. 4424) (for message, see House, No. 4577), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, August 10. Municipal roads and bridges.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Fernandes of Milford) congratulating Laura Grillo on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday; and Laura Grillo.
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) on the occasion of the two hundred and thirty-fifth anniversary of the emancipation of Elizabeth Freeman; Elizabeth Freeman.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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. Tucker of Salem, 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.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2479) of Eugene Semerino for legislation relative to the veteran property tax exemption residency requirement. To the committee on Revenue.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2480) of Michael J. Rodrigues and Carole A. Fiola for legislation to designate a certain bridge in the city of Fall River as the Tom Tetrault bridge. To the committee on Transportation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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 David M. Nangle for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jose Valencia, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Sarah K. Peake for legislation to authorize Timothy King to purchase creditable service for time served in the armed forces from the Barnstable county retirement board.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Sarah K. Peake for legislation to authorize Michael Locke to purchase creditable service from the Barnstable county retirement board.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

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

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the unfunded pension liability for retired sheriff's department employees in Barnstable county (House, No. 4513).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the treasurer of the town of Northfield (House, No. 4526) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing an appointed highway superintendent in the town of Plympton (House, No. 4531) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Silver Lake Regional School District to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Kingston (House, No. 4555).

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Robin

Waine an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4539). sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Irene Carr, an employee of the Division of Professional Licensure (House, No. 4556). Irene Carr,—sick leave.

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

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill preventing animal suffering and death (see Senate, No. 2369, amended) (which originated in the Senate), 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. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill amending certain effective dates for the fiscal year 2017 General Appropriations Act (see House, No. 4504), which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message, see Attachment W of House, No. 4505), was considered. General Appropriations Bill,—effective dates.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“SECTION 1. Sections 108, 111, 113 and 115 of chapter 133 of the acts of 2016 shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of July 1, 2016.”.

The report was accepted.

The amendment recommended by the Governor then was rejected. Sent to the Senate for its action.

House bills

Exempting certain positions in the city of Marlborough from the civil service law (House, No. 4337); Third reading bills.

Authorizing the town of Plymouth to establish a special fund (House, No. 4375); and

Establishing a 4-year term for the office of mayor in the city known as the town of West Springfield (House, No. 4433) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally 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 Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

Veterans,—tax exemption.

Fall River,—Tom Tetrault bridge.

Jose Valencia,—sick leave.

Timothy King,—retirement.

Michael Locke,—retirement.

Barnstable,—pension.

Northfield,—treasurer.

Plympton,—superintendent.

Kingston,—land.

Robin Waine,—

At nineteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (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.