

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, August 29, 2005.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow 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:

Gracious God, Our Creator in Whom we place our trust and hope, we look to You for direction and guidance as we analyze and address the legislative and policy issues of the day. Your assistance enables us to comprehend more clearly each day's legislative and personal challenge and opportunities. Help us to be fully aware of the many and varied needs of people in our districts and in the Commonwealth. Let our choices and decisions be firmly rooted in our objective principles, human and spiritual values and our religious beliefs and commitments.

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

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Petrolati), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Silent Prayer.

On motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent prayer to the memory of Representative Michael J. Coppola of Foxborough, who passed away on Friday, August 26, after an extended illness.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Atsalis of Barnstable) congratulating Elizabeth Andrade on the occasion of her eightieth birthday; and

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Walrath of Stow) congratulating Krista Burgoyne on being the Skillsusa National Baking Champion;

Mrs. Harkins of Needham, 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. Hynes of Marshfield, 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 House.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Dracut to grant an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4275) came from the Senate

passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, in line 4, striking out the words "wine and malt" and inserting in place thereof the words "all alcoholic"; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act authorizing the town of Dracut to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises."

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton, 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.

Health education, instruction.

A report of the committee on Children and Families, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 102) of Joan M. Menard, Robert A. O'Leary, Joyce A. Spiliotis, Susan C. Fargo and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide health education in schools, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forth-with, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:

August 29, 2005.

The Honorable Salvatore F. DiMasi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Room 356 State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Speaker DiMasi:

General Court, anniversary celebration.

I have the honor to inform you that the Senate President has announced the following appointments to the Joint Special Committee established (pursuant to House Order, No. 4059) for the purpose of planning for the celebration of the three hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the General Court: Senators Richard T. Moore (Chairman), Stanley C. Rosenberg, Steven A. Tolman and Marian Walsh.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. WELCH,
Clerk of the Senate.

Emergency Measure.

Jason Monteiro, sick leave bank.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jason Monteiro, an employee of the Department of Correction (see House, No. 2607, amended), 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.

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 16 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.

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Granting pension benefits to William I. Griffiths (see House, No. 4123); Bills enacted.

Authorizing the town of Dennis to establish a beach capital improvements fund (see House, No. 4154); and

Authorizing the city of New Bedford to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4274);

(Which severally originated in the House);

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.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Oxford to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2161), 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, in concurrence. Third reading bill.

The House Bill establishing the Westford town center sewer district (House, No. 4188) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. H.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next meeting.

Messrs. DiMasi of Boston and Jones of North Reading then moved that as a mark of respect to the memory of Michael J. Coppola, a member of the House from Foxborough from 2001 to 2005, inclusive, the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed.
Accordingly, at eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.