

Thursday, August 30, 2012.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Ms. Reinstein of Revere in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of
allegiance.

At the request of the Chair (Ms. Reinstein), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

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

Paul
Frazier.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Cusack of Braintree) congratulating Paul Frazier on the occasion of his retirement from the Braintree Police Department;

Wildlife and
sport fishing.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kulik of Worthington) commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of wildlife and sport fish restoration programs; and

Wellesley,—
green
power.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating the town of Wellesley on the occasion of its designation as a United States Environmental Protection Agency Green Power Community;

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. Kocot of Northampton, 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.

Male Breast
Cancer
Awareness
Week.

The House Bill designating Male Breast Cancer Awareness Week (House, No. 4019), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

“Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which to establish forthwith Male Breast Cancer Awareness Week, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the amendment (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Northampton,—
charter.

The House Bill reestablishing a charter for the city of Northampton (House, No. 4102), came from the Senate with the endorsement that said branch had concurred with the House in its further amendment (striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: “An Act revising the charter for the city of Northampton.”) with a still

further amendment in line 529 (contained in Senate document numbered 2416), inserting after the word "position." the following article:

"ARTICLE 6A.
BOARD OF HEALTH.

There shall be established in the city of Northampton a board of health consisting of 5 members, each of whom shall serve a term of 3 years and be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the city council. The members of the board of health shall be legal voters in the city and at least 1 of whom shall be a physician. The members of the board shall serve without compensation."

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Kocot of Northampton, the still further amendment (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in its still further amendment, the same member moved to amend it in section 1, in lines 676, 677 and 678, by striking out the sentence contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences: "In the event that there is no preliminary election in advance of the regular city election, the drawing shall be conducted on the fourth Tuesday in September prior to the regular city election. In the event that there is no preliminary election in advance of a special city election, the drawing shall be conducted on the sixth Tuesday preceding the special city election." The still further amendment was adopted.

The House then concurred with the Senate in its still further amendment, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the still further amendment.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for June Graham, an employee of the Department of Public Health (Senate, No. 2417), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

June
Graham,—
sick leave
bank.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Kafka, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill providing the terms of bonds authorized by Chapter 242 of the Acts of 2012 (printed in House, No. 4399), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Transportation
bonds,—
terms.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill relative to the May 12, 2012 annual town meeting and the May 11, 2012 annual town election in the town of Heath (printed in House, No. 4353). Read; and

Heath,—
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referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Community
Development
and Small
Businesses,—
study.

By Ms. Forry of Boston, for the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, on Senate, Nos. 74, 78, 80, 1840, 1846 and 1847 and House, Nos. 85, 994, 997, 998, 1866, 1869, 1870, 2687 and 3513, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning the community development and small business issues (House, No. 4418).

Financial
Services,—
study.

By Mr. Costello of Newburyport, for the committee on Financial Services, on Senate, Nos. 405, 406, 426, 429 and 1855 and House, Nos. 274, 320, 324, 325, 2048 and 2064, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning health insurance mandates (House, No. 4419).

Id.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 414, 463 and 465 and House, Nos. 331, 1175, 1180 and 3939, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning miscellaneous insurance and banking issues (House, No. 4420).

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently, Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the 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.

Plymouth
county,—
government.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the Bill establishing the Plymouth County Government (House, No. 4318), ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain section of state highway Route 53 in the city known as the town of Weymouth as the Stephen T. O'Donnell Memorial Highway (see House, No. 3421) (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.

Orders of the Day.

Senate bills

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the city of Easthampton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2294); and

Further regulating the position of chief of police in the town of Millbury (Senate, No. 2316);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bills

Authorizing the town of Danvers to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4168) (its title having been changed by committee on Bills in the Third Reading); Third reading bills.

Amending the administrative organization of financial officers in the city of Malden (House, No. 4312); and

Relative to the position of appointed treasurer-collector in the town of Avon (House, No. 4389);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading 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 Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

At twenty-nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (Ms. Reinstein of Revere being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.