

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, September 8, 2008.

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).

Pledge of allegiance.

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.

Resolutions.

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

Better Community Living, Inc.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Cabral of New Bedford, Koczera of New Bedford, Canessa of New Bedford and Quinn of Dartmouth) congratulating the Better Community Living, Inc. on its twentieth anniversary;

Avon, Saint Michael Parish.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Galvin of Canton) celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of Saint Michael Parish of Avon, Massachusetts;

Sanette Groenewald.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peake of Provincetown) honoring Sanette Groenewald on the occasion of her becoming a citizen of the United States of America;

Hectorine Marie Lebeuf.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Poirier of North Attleborough and Lepper of Attleboro) congratulating Hectorine Marie Lebeuf (Memere) on the occasion of the her one hundredth birthday;

Cynthia Keith Powers.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Smola of Palmer) honoring Cynthia Keith Powers on the occasion of her retirement; and

Wayne M. Vinton.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Vallee of Franklin) honoring Chief Wayne M. Vinton on his retirement from the Medway Fire Department;

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

Petitions.

Worcester, healing garden.

Mr. Fresolo of Worcester presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John P. Fresolo relative to designating a certain area in the city of Worcester as a place of peace healing garden; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Fresolo of Worcester, the

report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Murphy of Weymouth presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Murphy relative to designating a portion of the Captain William K. Webb Memorial State Park as Marys' Pointe in the town of Weymouth; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Weymouth, Marys Pointe.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing the Board of Water Commissioners of the Mashpee Water District to approve certain abatements (Senate, No. 1178) (on a petition) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mashpee water district.

By Mr. Pedone of Worcester, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Framingham to erect a maintenance facility (House, No. 5082) [Local Approval Received].

Framingham, maintenance facility.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1948, a Bill relative to animals (House, No. 5092).

Dangerous animals.

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

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pedone of Worcester, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on the joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Maynard to borrow money for certain remediation work relating to petroleum and contamination and related costs (House, No. 5065). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Maynard, petroleum.

Mr. Donato of Medford, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill designating the Fitchburg District Courthouse as the Gelinas Courthouse (Senate, No. 2846) be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Fitchburg, courthouse.

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

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill relative to public parking in the city of Fitchburg (Senate, No. 2866) be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Fitchburg, public parking.

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

Low-speed
motor
vehicles.

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to the operation of low-speed motor vehicles (House, No. 4377) be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

Pepperell,
Devens
Enterprise
Zone.

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill including the town of Pepperell within the Ayer economic target area and economic opportunity area (House, No. 4986) be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill providing access to information for parents' of a child with special education needs (see House, No. 391, amended) (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.

Third
reading
bill

The House Bill relative to the annual report of public charities (House, No. 274), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Second
reading
bill

The House Bill to remove the department of finance in the town of Upton (House, No. 4976) was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Order.

Next
sitting.

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.

At twenty-nine minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Peterson of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at twelve o'clock noon, in an Informal Session.