

### JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 20, 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).

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:

Westford Women's Club.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Arciero of Westford) congratulating the Westford Women's Club on the occasion of its fortieth anniversary;

Lori Sawtelle.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Cutler of Duxbury and Calter of Kingston) congratulating Lori S. Sawtelle for her service to the town of Hanson;

Michael Blatus, Sr.

Resolutions (filed by Miss Garry of Dracut) commending Michael Blatus, Senior on his lifetime of dedicated service to the town of Dracut and the United States of America;

David Burke.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating David Paul Burke on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Gloria Rollinson.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Gloria Rollinson on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday;

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

#### Communications.

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Dukes County;—Technology Fund.

From the Dukes County Registry of Deeds (under Section 2KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting its plan for expenditure of technological improvements from the County Registers Technological Fund [copies of said report forwarded by the Clerk to the House committee on Post Audit and Oversight and the House committee on Ways and Means]; and

Stun guns.

From the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (see Section 2 of Chapter 170 of the Acts of 2004) submitting the annual report examining data reported by Massachusetts law enforcement agencies with approved electronic control weapons training programs for the period ending December 31, 2015;

Severally were placed on file.

#### Annual Report.

The annual report of the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center (under Section 15 of Chapter 231 of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2016 [copies were forwarded by the center to the House committee on Ways and Means and the joint committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies], was placed on file.

Life Sciences Center.

#### Petitions.

Mr. Kaufman of Lexington presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jay R. Kaufman and Michael J. Rodrigues relative to residential real property exemptions; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Real property,—exemptions.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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. Tucker of Salem, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Kaufman of Lexington presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jay R. Kaufman and Michael J. Rodrigues relative to tax return filing deadlines; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Tax returns,—deadline.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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. Tucker of Salem, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Brodeur of Melrose and Senator Lewis presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul Brodeur and Jason M. Lewis for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Ruth Derfler, an employee of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Ruth Derfler,—sick leave.

#### Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill establishing a year-round market rate rental housing trust fund in the town of Provincetown (House, No. 3742, amended), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 4 (as published), in lines 68 and 69, by striking out the words "to be used by the trust for any" and inserting in place thereof the following: "in accordance with chapter 44, to be used by the trust for any capital related". The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Provincetown,—rental housing trust fund.

Said committee then reported that the amendment was correctly drawn; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Older adults,—malnutrition commission.

The Senate Bill establishing a commission on malnutrition prevention among older adults (Senate, No. 2499, amended in line 7 by striking out the words "the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on elder affairs or their designees" and inserting in place thereof the following: "2 members of the house or their designees, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the speaker and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house; 2 members of the senate or their designees, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the senate president and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;") (on Senate bill No. 2147), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Wareham,—town meetings.

The Senate Bill relative to the charter of the town of Wareham (Senate, No. 2483) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Pittsfield,—reserve fund.

The Senate Bill repealing the supplemental reserve fund in the city of Pittsfield (Senate, No. 2412) [Local Approval Received]; and

Freetown,—Joan Menard bridge.

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Freetown as the Senator Joan Menard Bridge (House, No. 4628, changed);

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on the motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the bills were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture,—drinking water study.

By Mr. Schmid of Westport, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on House, No. 4645, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning drinking water (House, No. 4705) [Senator Eldridge dissenting]. Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Elected and appointed public employees,—ethics study.

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Resolve establishing a task force on integrity in state and local government (House, No. 4627, changed in line 3 by striking out the figures: "11" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "13", in line 4 by inserting after the word "ethics", the second time it appears, the words "the chairs of the joint committee on state administration and regulatory oversight," in line 11 by inserting after the word "The" the words "chairs of the joint committee on

state administration and regulatory oversight and", in lines 18 to 23, inclusive, by striking out following: "; (b) the disclosure and regulation of campaign expenditures and contributions, including a review of: (i) the Campaign Finance Law, chapter 55 of the General Laws; and (ii) the regulation of the office of campaign and political finance, 970 CMR 1.00 et seq., and associated processes; and (c) the registration and conduct of executive and legislative agents, including a review of (i) the Lobbying Law, sections 39 to 50, inclusive, of chapter 3 of the General Laws; and (ii) the feasibility of extending the Lobbying Law to municipalities", in line 25 by striking out the words " , lobbying and campaign finance laws" and inserting in place thereof the word "law", in line 29 by striking out the date: "December 23, 2016" and inserting in place thereof the date: "March 15, 2017", in line 30 by inserting after the word "training," the word "and", in said line 30 by inserting after the word "processes" the words "of the State Ethics Commission"; and in line 32 by inserting after the word "any" the words " , which shall be filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives"). Read; and referred, under Rule 16C, to the House committee on Ethics.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Donna Paul, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2484, 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.

Donna Paul,—sick leave.

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 9 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill validating the actions taken at a special town election held in the town of Westport (see House bill printed in House, No. 4589, changed) (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 (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Engrossed bills  
Establishing a landfill solar special revenue fund in the town of Dennis (see House, No. 4412); and

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the town of Foxborough to grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4609);

(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.*

Orleans,—  
land.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill authorizing the town of Orleans to lease a certain parcel of land (House, No. 3664), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Third  
reading  
bills.

House bills

Validating the actions taken at a certain annual town meeting held in the town of Hudson (printed in House, No. 3984) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Validating the results of a certain election in the town of East Longmeadow (printed in House, No. 4382) (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.

Silver Lake  
Regional  
School  
District.

The House Bill authorizing the Silver Lake Regional School District to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Kingston (House, No. 4555), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

“SECTION 2. The conveyance authorized herein shall be subject to the town of Kingston’s approval of the purchase of the land.”

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4555, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Order.*

Next  
sitting.

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.

At twenty-two minutes after eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (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.