

Thursday, November 8, 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).

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. Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop) honoring George J. Salah on the joyous occasion of his eighty-ninth birthday; George J. Salah.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. deMacedo of Plymouth and Calter of Kingston) congratulating Alexander Thomas Corben on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Alexander Corben.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Hecht of Watertown and Lawn of Watertown) congratulating the Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church on its seventy-fifth anniversary; and Taxiarchae/Archangels Church.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Winslow of Norfolk and Garlick of Needham) congratulating Sam Marble on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; Sam Marble.

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

Annual Report.

The first annual report of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (under Section 70 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) submitting a complete and detailed report of the commission's activities, including a review of the implementation and enforcement of and the governance structure established by said law, was placed on file. Gaming Commission.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Scibak of South Hadley and Senator Knapik, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4494) of John W. Scibak and Michael R. Knapik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Easthampton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises. Easthampton,—alcoholic beverages.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4495) of John W. Scibak and Michael R. Knapik (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the Id.

city of Easthampton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

West
Springfield,—
police chief.

By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4496) of Michael J. Finn (with the approval of the mayor and town council) for legislation to exempt the position of chief of police of the city known as the town of West Springfield from certain provisions of the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Absentee
ballots.

By Mr. Ashe of Longmeadow, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brian M. Ashe relative to absentee ballots.

Cape Cod,—
fire
district.

By Mr. Atsalis of Barnstable, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Demetrius J. Atsalis for legislation to authorize the Centerville-Oster-ville-Marston Mills Fire District to fund certain libraries in said district.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Fairhaven,—
liquor
license.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Fairhaven to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4293) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, in line 14, inserting after the word “act.” the following paragraph:

“Upon issuance of the license authorized in this act, Total Confections, LLC shall surrender to the licensing authority the license it currently holds for the sale of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises.”

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, 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.

The following order, having been approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, came from the Senate with the endorsement that it had been adopted by said branch, as follows:

Malden
speed
limits,—
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Transportation be granted until Monday, December 3, 2012 within which to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2448 relative to speed limits in Malden.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Lori
Roche,—
sick leave
bank.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Therese Murray, Susan Williams Gifford, Randy Hunt and David T. Viera for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Lori Roche, an employee of the Department of Children and Families, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2450) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of Todd M. Smola for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Scott Giroux, an employee of the Department of Mental Health. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Scott
Giroux,—
sick leave
bank.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill validating the acts and proceedings at a special town election in the town of Templeton (House, No. 4462) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Templeton,—
special
election.

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.

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Barbara A. Diciaro, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4488). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Barbara A.
Diciaro,—
sick leave
bank.

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.

By Mr. Keenan of Salem, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on House, No. 1759, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning energy issues (House, No. 4491).

Energy
issues,—
study.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1775, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning energy issues (House, No. 4492).

Id.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, Nos. 914, 1798, 2639, 2644, 2657 and 3244, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Transportation to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning transportation issues (House, No. 4493).

Transportation
issues,—
study.

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.

Engrossed Bills.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain corner in the town of Watertown as Menton Corner (see House, No. 4287) (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.

Order.

Next
sitting.

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.

Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Lawrence R. Alexander, a member of the House from Marblehead from 1979 to 1990, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (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.