

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Thursday, November 13, 2014.

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.*

John J.  
Stuart.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) honoring Lieutenant John J. (Jeff) Stuart on the occasion of his retirement from the Massachusetts State Police, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Ms. Hogan of Stow, for said committee, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules on motion of Ms. Provost of Somerville, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

### *Appointment to a Task Force.*

Campaign  
Finance and  
Disclosure  
Task Force.

Representative James M. Murphy of Weymouth announced that Pamela Wilmot, Executive Director of Common Cause of Massachusetts had been designated by the House and Senate chairs of the joint committee on Election Laws to serve on the Campaign Finance and Disclosure Task Force established (under Section 29 of chapter 210 of the Acts of 2014) to undertake a study of campaign finance and disclosure issues.

### *Petitions.*

Boston,—  
special events  
fund.

Mr. Ryan of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4530) of Daniel J. Ryan, Sal N. DiDomenico and Jay Livingstone (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Boston be authorized to create a special events fund in said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Janet  
Frame,—  
sick leave.

Mr. Puppolo of Springfield presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Janet Frame, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

### *Paper from the Senate.*

Dean  
Bassett,—  
sick leave.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Dean Bassett, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (Senate, No. 2391) (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.

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 of Stoughton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rules 12 and 9 be suspended on the petition of John V. Fernandes and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) relative to the Milford Water Company. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rules 12 and 9 were suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Milford  
Water  
Company.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, 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 Mary S. Keefe and Harriette L. Chandler for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for April Bylund, an employee of the Department of Youth Services. 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.

April  
Bylund,—  
sick leave.

Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning revenue issues (House, No. 4437) reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3537) of Benjamin Swan (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to providing that real property owned by Develop Springfield shall be exempt from taxation in the city of Springfield,— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Revenue. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Springfield,—  
tax  
exemption.

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

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Wareham to grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2370, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and

Wareham,—  
liquor  
licenses.

The House Bill relative to health insurance benefits for elected officials in the town of Andover (House, No. 4173) [Local Approval Received];

Andover,—  
health  
benefits.

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

Mattapoisett,—  
state  
primary.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Election Laws, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill validating the actions taken at a certain state primary in the town of Mattapoisett Massachusetts (printed in House, No. 4511).

Clinton,—  
collector.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the board of selectmen of the town of Clinton to appoint the town collector (House, No. 4507) [Local Approval Received].

Wakefield,—  
fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to designate a check-off box on its tax bills for the Wakefield Veterans Relief Fund (House, No. 4512) [Local Approval Received].

Id.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wakefield to designate a check off box on its tax bills for the Wakefield Veterans Memorial and Patriotic Celebration Fund (House, No. 4513) [Local Approval Received].

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

#### *Emergency Measure.*

Stephanie  
Deronette,—  
sick leave.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Stephanie Deronette, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (House, No. 4506), 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 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### *Engrossed Bills.*

Bills  
enacted.

##### Engrossed bills

Relative to the Department of Inspectional Services in the city of Lynn (see Senate, No. 2276) (which originated in the Senate); and

Relative to the charter of the town of Middleton (see House, No. 4451, amended) (which 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.*

Third  
reading  
bill.

The House Bill relative to firefighters in the town of Merrimac (House, No. 4223), 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.

Tax title  
collection  
revolving  
funds.

The Senate Bill relative to the establishment of tax title collection revolving funds (Senate, No. 2298) (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.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in lines 21 to 27, inclusive, by striking out paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“(c) A city or town that accepts this section may establish a tax title collection revolving fund by: (i) by-law; (ii) ordinance; or (iii) a vote of the legislative body of a city or town taken upon the recommendation of the chief executive officer of a city or town or, in the case of a city with a plan E form of government, the recommendation of the mayor or city manager. The establishment of such a fund shall be made not later than the beginning of the fiscal year in which the fund shall begin.”; and by adding the following paragraph:

“(f) This section shall take effect in any municipality that accepts it by vote of the legislative body, subject to the charter of the municipality; provided, however, at any time after the expiration of 3 years from the date on which a municipality accepts this section, the municipality may revoke its acceptance in the same manner required for acceptance.”.

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2298, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

*Ordered,* That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at ten o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

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At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at ten o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.