

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Monday, November 22, 2004.

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).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Prayer.

Eternal God, in Whom we place our trust, Thanksgiving week ushers in a special season of the year all over this land. The importance of family and the spirit of happiness, generosity and a personal concern for the well-being of our neighbors fills our hearts and minds. Thanksgiving is also a time to reflect on our blessings, our goals and priorities and those realities that unite us as members of the one human family, Your family. We pray that the Thanksgiving spirit in all of its dimensions will remain with us throughout the year.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

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.

Message from the Acting Governor — Veto.

Revere, Michael Stuart.

A message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor, returning with her objections thereto in writing the engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Revere to reinstate Michael Stuart as a firefighter (see House, No. 5072) (for message, see House, No. 5132) was filed in the Office of the Clerk on Thursday, November 18.

The message was read; and, under House Rule 12, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on passing the bill, notwithstanding the said objections.

Message from the Governor.

Lancaster, Claire B. McNamara.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to authorizing a certain question to be placed on the ballot in the town of Lancaster (House, No. 5133) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, November 15.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Haddad of Somerset) on the occasion of the retirement of Donald J. Rebello;

Donald J. Rebello.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O'Brien of Kingston) congratulating Michael Mario Ignagni on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Michael Mario Ignagni.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Parente of Milford) on the occasion of the dedication of the Elia P. Fontecchio memorial overpass;

Elia P. Fontecchio Overpass.

Mr. Miceli of Wilmington, 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. Lantigua of Lawrence, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communication.

A communication from the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (under Section KKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws as inserted by Section 4 of Chapter 4 of the Acts of 2003) submitting a plan for technological improvements at said registry (copies of said communication referred, as required under said law, to the committee on ways and Means and the committee on Post Audit and oversight), was read for the information of the House; and it was placed on file.

Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, I.T. improvements.

Petition.

Mr. Torrisi of North Andover presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David M. Torrisi, Steven A. Baddour and Arthur J. Broadhurst for legislation to authorize Matthew Conlon to take a civil service examination for the position of police officer notwithstanding the maximum age requirement; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Matthew Conlon, civil service.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills

Relative to the charter in the city of Peabody (Senate, No. 2492) (on a petition) {Local Approval Received}; and

Peabody, city charter.

Authorizing the town of Millbury to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2493) (on Senate, No. 2451) [Local Approval Received];

Millbury, liquor license.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wagner of Chicopee, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of Chelmsford as the Marine Lance Corporal Andrew J. Zabierek Memorial Bridge (House, No. 5103). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Chelmsford, Zabierek Bridge.

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

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

Plymouth,
by-laws.

By Mr. Fujawski of Webster, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Senate Bill relative to the by-laws of the town of Plymouth (Senate, No. 2481) [Local Approval Received] be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

Engrossed Bills.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Fagota Tupe, an employee of the Department of Correction (see Senate, No. 2405) (which originated in the Senate), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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The engrossed Bill authorizing the Rockland Sewer Commission to enter into a contract for the disposal of sewage and the Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works to enter into a contract for the supply of water (see House bill printed in House, No. 5112) (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.

Speech-
language
pathology.

The engrossed Bill relative to the certification of speech-language pathology assistants and audiology assistants (see Senate, No. 2296, amended) (which originated in the Senate) was put upon its final passage.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop moved that Rule 40 be suspended; and the motion prevailed.

The same member then moved that the bill be amended in section 13 (as printed), in lines 37, 38 and 39, by striking out the paragraph contained therein and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“(c) The task force shall submit a report to the joint committee on education, arts, and humanities and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than March 15, 2005.”

The amendment was adopted. The bill (see Senate, No. 2296, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Third
reading
bill.

The Senate Bill relative to certain housing in the town of Lincoln (Senate, No. 2453), 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, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to certain sewer betterments in the city of Gloucester (House, No. 4889); and

Third reading
bill and
resolve.

The House Resolve in favor of the estate of Mary Jane Simmons (House, No. 5073);

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. DiMasi of Boston,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At fourteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Walsh of Lynn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.