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Tuesday, December 21, 2010.

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.

Communications.

Iran,— pension fund. A communication from the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (under the provisions of Chapter 232 of the Acts of 2010) submitting a list of companies that invest in the Islamic Republic of Iran and that meet the criteria for divestment from the pension fund, was placed on file.

Annual Reports.

Credit insurance. Annual reports Of the Commissioner of Insurance (under the provisions of Section 117C of Chapter 175 of the General Laws) relative to a summary of insurance claims experience and loss ratio data on credit life insurance and credit accident and health insurance;

Energy Resources. Of the Department of Energy Resources (under the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 25A of the General Laws) for fiscal year 2010 and projected spending for the calendar year 2011; and

Homeowners' insurance. Of the Commissioner of Insurance (under the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 175 of the General Laws) of the homeowners insurance market in the Commonwealth for the year 2009. Severally were placed on file.

Paper from the Senate.

School employees. A Bill relative to protecting the rights of custodial and other non teaching employees of the school districts (Senate, No. 2661) (on Senate Bill No. 268), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Brookfield,— tax collector. A Bill relative to the tax collector in the town of Brookfield (Senate, No. 2651) (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.

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

House bills
Relative to the Charles River Water Quality Commission (House, No. 5112); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Robert Manning, an employee of the Dorchester Division of the Boston Municipal Court (House, No. 5117);

Robert Manning,— sick leave bank.

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

By Mr. Moran of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a joint petition, a Bill validating a certain election in the town of Millville (House, No. 5115) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Millville,— election.

Motions to Discharge Certain Matters in the Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill relative to pooling of tips (see House, No. 4814, amended) which had been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message, see House, No. 4984), was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Pedone of Worcester.

Tips,— pooling.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom had been recommitted the bill, reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the form previously recommended by the committee, as follows:

"In section 2, by striking out clauses (ii) and (iii) and inserting in place thereof the following clause:—

(ii) assigning employees to their posts, shall qualify as a wait staff employee for purposes of this section."

On the recurring question, the amendment was adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

The House Bill relative to the practice of podiatry (House, No. 4912) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Boston.

Podiatrist,— registration.

The bill (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) then was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the signing of warrants for payment in the town of Pembroke (House, No. 4918), was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Sciortino of Medford.

Pembroke,— warrants.

The bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) then was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to cutting down, trimming or removing bushes and small trees (House, No. 4791), was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton.

Trees.

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The bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) then was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Pedone of Worcester moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 5121), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Next sitting.

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

At eighteen 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.