

Thursday, December, 29, 2011.

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.

Order.

Supplemental appropriation bill,— carry-over under suspension of Joint Rule 12B.

An order (filed by Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill) relative to the suspension of Joint Rule 12B to carry-over to the second annual session the residue of the message from His Excellency the Governor submitting recommendations for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2012 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3761), was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Dempsey, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Appointments of the Minority Leader.

The House Minority Leader announced that he had made the following appointments:

Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.

That Representative D'Emilia of Bridgewater had been appointed as his designee to the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee established (under Subsection 68 of Section 16 of Chapter 194 of the Acts of 2011) for the purpose of discussing and making recommendations to the Gaming Commission on matters of gaming policy; and

Electronic Benefit Transfers,— study.

That Representative O'Connell of Taunton had been appointed as his designee to the special commission established (under Chapter 219 of the Acts of 2011) to study Electronic Benefit Transfers.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Educational psychologists.

By Mr. Rogers of Norwood, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John H. Rogers for legislation to define the term "licensed mental health professional" to include educational psychologists under certain health insurance laws of the Commonwealth.

Hanson,— Hall station.

By Mr. Webster of Pembroke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel K. Webster for legislation to designate a certain commuter rail station in the town of Hanson as the Lt. David Colin Hall commuter rail station.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Harriette L. Chandler for legislation to establish the Worcester County commission on the status of women, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Worcester County,— status of women.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2099) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, that the Bill establishing the Massworks infrastructure program (House, No. 3619), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor a bill with the same title (House, No. 3863). Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means, with the amendment pending.

Massworks infrastructure,— establish program.

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill relative to foods containing artificial trans fat (House, No. 1494).

Artificial trans fat.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the health care of minors (House, No. 1500).

Minors,— health care.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to improving health care quality and cost in the medical device industry (House, No. 1507).

Medical devices.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to a lung cancer research fund (House, No. 2342).

Lung cancer fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1133 and House, No. 2368, a Bill relative to certified professional midwives (House, No. 2368).

Midwives,— certification.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to a child health policy council (House, No. 2375).

Child health council.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to public health data sharing with the Boston Public Health Commission (House, No. 3696) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,— health data.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1206 and House, No. 592, a Bill to promote health through workplace safety for social workers (House, No. 3864).

Social worker safety.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2908, a Bill relative to the establishment of a commission to modernize HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment (House, No. 3865).

HIV/AIDS,— study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

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 Foxborough to establish an age limit for original appointment to the position of police officer (Senate, No. 1887) [Local Approval Received]; and

Foxborough,— police.

House bills
 Relative to improving public safety and reducing construction costs (House No. 823);
 Revere,—
 precincts. Relative to voting precincts in the city of Revere (House, No. 3782) [Local Approval Received]; and;
 Nantucket
 Islands Land
 Bank. Approving the Nantucket Islands Land Bank to sell, convey or otherwise dispose of certain land situated in the town of Nantucket for any lawful purpose (House, No. 3836) [Local Approval Received];
 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.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
 enacted. The engrossed Bill relative to creditable service for retirement to non-working members of the reserve police force in the city of Malden (see House, No. 3762) (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.

At seventeen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attlborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.