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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 Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Warmth and Light, we give thanks today for the work of our elected officials here in our State House. May Your Spirit of Justice continue to guide their efforts and the work of their staff.

Prayer.

We celebrate that on this day in 1833 the American Optical Company was founded in Southbridge, Massachusetts. Eventually the company came under the leadership of George Wells, an inventor. Wells crafted the first spectacle frames made of steel, a much cheaper material than other metals that were used at the time.

Wells also invented various glass cutting instruments to aid in the production of the lenses. For several years the A.O. as it came to be known in Worcester County, produced more eyeglasses than any other manufacturer in the world.

The A.O. helped Southbridge earn its nickname as "the Eye of the Commonwealth."

Sadly in 1992, the company moved its manufacturing plant to Mexico as it came under economic pressures from foreign competition.

In addition the sons and grandsons of George Wells are responsible for the beginnings of Old Sturbridge Village, the recreated 300-acre New England village of the 1830s, the era in which the American Optical Company began its business. We pray for the 6th Worcester District Representative Peter Durant and his staff.

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

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.

Pledge of allegiance.

Statement of Representative Wagner of Chicopee.

A statement of Mr. Wagner of Chicopee was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

I would like to call to the attention of the House that I was unable to be present for the start of session on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 because of a family emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on roll call number 370. My missing of this roll call was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of Mr. Wagner of Chicopee.

Resolutions.

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

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Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Keigan Cullen on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Keigan
Cullen.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Arciero of Westford) congratulating Littleton Chief of Police Matthew J. King on his retirement;

Matthew
King.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Barrows of Mansfield) congratulating Daniel P. Eagan on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Daniel
Eagan.

Resolutions (filed by Miss Gregoire of Marlborough and other members of the House) recognizing June 15, 2018, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day;

Elder Abuse
Awareness Day.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hecht of Watertown) commemorating Amateur Radio Week and honoring amateur radio operators as they celebrate Field Day; and

Amateur
Radio Week.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peake of Provincetown) congratulating Carlisle Nash on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Carlisle
Nash.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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. Kafka of Stoughton, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Parisella of Beverly and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4628) of Jerald A. Parisella and Joan B. Lovely (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Beverly be authorized to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises in said city. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Beverly,—
liquor
license.

By Mr. Day of Stoneham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4629) of Michael S. Day (by vote of the town) that the town of Stoneham be authorized to amend the charter of said town to change the name of the board of selectmen; and

Stoneham,—
charter.

By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4630) of Sarah K. Peake and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) relative to the membership of the conservation commission of the town of Provincetown;

Provincetown,—
conservation
commission.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4631) of Kenneth I. Gordon (by vote of the town) that the town of Wilmington be authorized to appoint of Adam J. Silva as a firefighter in the town of Wilmington, notwithstanding the maximum age of applicants for appointment of firefighters. To the committee on Public Service.

Wilmington,—
Adam Silva.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Barrows of Mansfield and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Foxborough for use by the fire department of said town.

Foxborough,—
land.

By Representative Donato of Medford and Senator Jehlen, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul J. Donato and Patricia D. Jehlen (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Medford be authorized to

Medford,—
municipal
tax bills.

use inserts to accompany municipal property tax bills in said city.

By Representative Muradian of Grafton and Senator Moore, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David K. Muradian, Jr., and Michael O. Moore that James J. Malloy be authorized to buy back creditable service time from the Worcester Regional Retirement System.

James Malloy,—
creditable
service.

By Mr. Muradian of Grafton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David K. Muradian, Jr., for legislation to promote adoption of certain of dogs or cats from animal shelters by establishing tax credits for certain costs associated with said adoptions and by the creation of a motor vehicle registration plate.

Pets,—
adoption.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, a petition (subject to Joint Rules 12 and 7A) of Jeffrey N. Roy and Richard J. Ross that Gary M. Premo be authorized to buy back creditable service from the Norfolk County Retirement System.

Gary Premo,—
creditable
service.

By Mr. Zlotnik of Gardner, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jonathan D. Zlotnik for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Elizabeth Kendall, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services.

Elizabeth
Kendall,—
sick leave.

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

Paper from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Health Care Financing, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill regarding spouses as caregivers (printed as House, No. 336),— and recommending the same be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means,— accepted by the Senate, was considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and it was accepted, in concurrence, inasmuch as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Spouses,—
caregivers.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, 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 Susannah M. Whipps that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey an easement over a certain parcel of land in the town of New Salem. 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 State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

New
Salem,—
land.

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

Amending Chapter 234 of the Acts of 2012 (House, No. 575); and
Making corrective amendments to Chapter 234 of the Acts of 2012 47CC (House, No. 576);

Craniofacial.
Id.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the Bill establishing the Honorable Peter V. Kocot Act to enhance access to high quality, affordable and transparent healthcare in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4605), be scheduled for consideration by the House, with the

Healthcare,—
access.

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amendment previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means,— that the bill be amended by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4617),— pending. Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox, for the committee on Environmental Affairs, Natural Resources and Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4505) of Aaron Michlewitz relative to the uses of the land owned by the Commercial Wharf East Condominium and its condominium unit owners in the city of Boston under the tidelands law,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,—
land.

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, on House, Nos. 1062, 1068, 2392, 2394, 2395, 2397, 2402, 2408, 2412, 3207 and 3593, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning mental health, substance use and recovery (House, No. 4624).

Alcoholism,
in-patient
care, etc.,—
study.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Public Health, on House, Nos. 1125, 1127, 1129, 1130, 1132, 1135, 1136, 1137, 1138, 1141, 1145, 1149, 1150, 1152, 1153, 1154, 1157, 1158, 1159, 1160, 1162, 1165, 1166, 1167, 1170, 1171, 1172, 1175, 1176, 1179, 1193, 1196, 1197, 1202, 1204, 1206, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1221, 1224, 1228, 1230, 1231, 2278, 2433, 2437, 2438, 2441, 2443, 2444, 2448, 2449, 2464, 2466, 2467, 2476, 2477, 3225, 3227, 3228, 3229, 3230, 3231, 3233, 3234, 3239, 3245, 3247, 3515, 3516, 3602, 3603, 3604, 3605, 3714 and 3970, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Health to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning public health (House, No. 4625).

Medications,
restaurants,
smoking, etc.,—
study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently, Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that the following bills ought to pass:

For prevention and access to appropriate care and treatment of addiction (House, No. 4470); and

Relative to mandated reporter reform (House, No. 4491);

Severally referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Addiction,—
treatment.

Mandated
reporters.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Public Health, on House, Nos. 2442 and 3226, a Bill to create a stroke continuum of care (House, No. 4623). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

Strokes,—
care.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Financial Services, on Senate, No. 545 and House, No. 482, a Bill providing for equitable coverage in disability policies (House, No. 482). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the

Disability
insurance,—
discrimination.

committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gloria Phillips, an employee of the Department of Industrial Accidents (see House, No. 4336, amended), 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.

Gloria
Phillips,—
sick leave.

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 3 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendment of the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Maria Benitez, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4474, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence.

Maria
Benitez,—
sick leave.

House bills

Relative to the charter of the town of Westborough (House, No. 4444); and

Authorizing the town of Norwood to grant an additional license for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4614) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Lenox to convey a certain parcel of land to Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. in exchange for 2 parcels of land in the town of Lenox (House, No. 4411) (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.

Lenox,—
land.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4627), 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,—

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

Next
sitting.

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At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. D'Emila of Bridgewater (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.