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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., under emergency rules, 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).

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.

Silent Tribute.

During the session, Mr. Linsky of Natick took the Chair, declared a brief recess and, at his request, the members, guests and employees stood for a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Officer Michael Mabardy.

Michael
Mabardy.

Michael Mabardy was a loving father to four young girls, a devoted partner to Elizabeth Morrison and a cornerstone of the Natick community.

As a child, Michael played Natick Comets Hockey, Natick Little League, and enjoyed time spent working on his grandfather's farm. As an 11-year veteran of the Natick Police Department, and previously a member of the Nantucket Police Department, Michael dedicated his life to serving and protecting the people of Massachusetts. Officer Mabardy was a true example of what leadership looks like in our communities and he will be greatly missed by all those he impacted.

Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with Michael Mabardy's family, friends, and the community of Natick today as we mourn his passing.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) recognizing Fred P. Lucy II on his twenty-seven years of service to the town of Hudson; and

Fred
Lucy.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Daniel Matthews on his retirement from the select board of the town of Needham;

Daniel
Matthews.

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 Ms. Hogan, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

There being no objection,— Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Wong of Saugus) reaffirming friendship between Massachusetts and Taiwan, support a United States-Taiwan bilateral trade agreement and Taiwan's international participation, were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Taiwan.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Order.

The following order (filed by Mr. Lawn of Watertown) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Health Care Financing be granted until Wednesday, June 1, 2022, within which time to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2717, and House documents numbered 2246, 2270, 2297, 2343, 2359, 2380, 2397, 4558, 4640, 4641, 4642, 4645, 4670, 4671 and 4714.

Health Care Financing committee,—extension of time for reporting.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4721) ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Lawn of Watertown, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2843) of Bruce E. Tarr and Jamie Zahlaway Belsito (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the select board of the town of Wenham, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Wenham,—select board.

Reports of Committees.

A report of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Stoughton to transfer certain park property in exchange for acquisition and dedication of other land to park purposes (Senate, No. 2732) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Stoughton,—land.

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

By Mr. Rogers of Cambridge, for the committee on Higher Education, on House, Nos. 41, 1320, 1322, 1325, 1329, 1330, 1333, 1339, 1357, 1364 and 1968 and on a part of House, No. 25, a Bill to establish a higher education review commission (House, No. 4694). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Higher education,—commission.

By Mr. Ryan of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill relative to the preparation of certain bilingual ballots in the city of Malden (House, No. 3828) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Malden,—bilingual ballots.

By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, for the committee on Revenue, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Shutesbury to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4559) [Local Approval Received].

Shutesbury,—property taxes.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Brookline to impose a real estate transfer fee (House, No. 4567) [Local Approval Received] [Senator Fattman dissenting].

Brookline,—
real estate
transfer fee.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Wellfleet to establish a real estate transfer fee (House, No. 4648) [Local Approval Received] [Senator Fattman dissenting].

Wellfleet,—
real estate
transfer fee.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill expanding the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet (House, No. 4649) [Local Approval Received].

Wellfleet,—
property
exemption.

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

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Renaming the board of selectmen in the town of Cohasset to the select board and making certain other related gender-neutral changes (see Senate, No. 2706, amended) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills
enacted.

Designating the *Podokesaurus Holyokensis* as the official dinosaur of the Commonwealth (see House, No. 3190); and

Authorizing the town of Lancaster to continue the employment of Maurice Bateman (see House, No. 3760); and

(Which severally 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.

Quorum.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

As required under the provision of Emergency Rule 2(4), a roll call was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a quorum; and on the roll call 156 members were recorded as being in attendance.

Quorum,—
yea and nay
No. 163.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 163](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore a quorum was present.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. Donato of Medford being the Chair,—

The House Bill protecting motorists and emergency personnel (House, No. 3519), 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. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair,—

The House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2023 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain

General
Appropriation
Bill.

activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 4700), was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The rules then were suspended, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and after debate on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

Mr. Boldyga of Southwick and other members of the House then moved to amend it by adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any general or special laws to the contrary, Section 2A of chapter 65C of the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘commonwealth’, in line 3, the following:— ; provided, however, that no tax shall be imposed on the transfer of an estate valued at or less than \$2,000,000.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Boldyga; and on the roll call 30 members voted in the affirmative and 126 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 164](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Representatives Boldyga of Southwick, McKenna of Webster and Gifford of Wareham then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, taxable income consisting of short-term capital gains, as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 62 of the General Laws, shall be taxed at the rate of 5 per cent.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Boldyga; and on the roll call 29 members voted in the affirmative and 127 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 165](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

The same members then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. Paragraph (2) of subsection (k) of section 6 chapter 62, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 447, the figure ‘750’ and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 1,755.”.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Boldyga of Southwick; and on the roll call 31 members voted in the affirmative and 125 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 166](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Frost of Auburn and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following four sections:

“SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of revenue shall hereby suspend enforcement of the collection of the gasoline excise tax contained in section 4 of chapter 64A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition.

SECTION 77. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not more than 30 days following the resumption of the collection of the tax per gallon on motor vehicle fuel excise, the commissioner of the department of revenue shall certify to the comptroller of the commonwealth the amount of tax per gallon not collected and the comptroller shall transfer the certified amount from the general fund to the state transportation fund.

SECTION 78. Sections 76 of this act is hereby repealed.

SECTION 79. Section 78 of this act shall take effect 60 days from the effective date of this act.”.

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 164.

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 165.

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 166.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Frost; and on the roll call 32 members voted in the affirmative and 124 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 167 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Durant of Spencer and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. Section 12 of chapter 64A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:—

Any sale of fuel for automotive use, including but not limited to unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel, by a distributor to any public or private entity, or private person in the commonwealth shall be exempt from the tax per gallon contained in this chapter until such time as the average price of a gallon of unleaded gasoline, as calculated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the U.S. Energy Information Administration, is less than three dollars and seventy cents. This provision shall expire unless extend, six months following passage.”.

After remarks the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Boldyga of Southwick and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:—

SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, Section 12 of chapter 64A of the General Laws, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:— “Any sale of fuel for automotive use, including but not limited to unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel, by a distributor to any public or private entity, or private person in the commonwealth shall be exempt from the tax per gallon contained in this chapter beginning July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.”.

Mr. Cusack of Braintree thereupon raised a point of order that the amendment offered by the gentleman from Southwick was improperly before the House for the reason that the House, by rejecting amendment numbers 1039 and 1474, had already voted to refuse to suspend the gasoline excise tax contained in Chapter 64A.

In answer to the point of order, the Chair (Ms. Hogan of Stow) stated that the House, by voting to reject amendment numbers 1039 and 1474, which both called for the suspension of the enforcement of the collection of the gasoline excise tax contained in Chapter 64A of the General Laws, had already spoken and voted in the negative on this issue.

The Chair (Ms. Hogan) therefore ruled that the point of order was well taken; and the amendment was laid aside accordingly.

Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair,—

Mr. Boldyga of Southwick and other members of the House then moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any general or special laws to the contrary, farms, as defined under MGL Chapter 128 Section 1A, shall be eligible for a rebate of fuel taxes paid for the operation of farm equipment. Farm equipment means all machines and tools that are used in the production, harvesting, and care of agricultural or horticultural products and processes, and includes trailers that are used to transport agricultural produce or agricultural production materials between a local place of storage or supply and the farm and to the end markets, agricultural tractors, Trucks, ATVs, threshing machinery, hay-baling machinery, corn shellers, hammermills, and machinery used in the production of horticultural, agricultural, and vegetable products. The Commissioner shall publish a list of equipment eligible for a fuel tax rebate and shall prescribe the process by which a farm as defined herein shall file for a rebate. No rebate shall be processed until the farm owner or operator shall furnish

Amendment
rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 167.

Point
of order.

evidence, on such forms as shall be prescribed by the commissioner, that any tax due under the provisions of this chapter 64 has been paid. The farm owner or operator will be required to keep and submit receipts as proof that said taxes were paid. In no case shall the reimbursement to farms under this section take longer than three months. No interest will be paid on rebates. The Commissioner shall report on the impact of this rebate program including the revenue cost, the economic impact on Massachusetts farms and mechanics of a rebate program. The report shall be sent to the Committees on Ways and Means, the Joint Committee on Revenue and the Joint Committee on the environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. The report shall be sent no later than March 1, 2023. This rebate program shall be in effect from July 1, 2022-December 31, 2022.”

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Boldyga; and on the roll call 29 members voted in the affirmative and 127 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 168](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected.

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston; and on the roll call (Ms. Hogan of Stow having taken the Chair) 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 169](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was ordered to a third reading.

At nine minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed until three o'clock; and at thirteen minutes after three o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.

The House then took a further recess, on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn, subject to the call of the Chair; and at twenty-five minutes after eight o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan in the Chair.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Michlewitz and other members of the House moved to amend it in section 2, in item 0950-0000, by striking out the figures: “619,699” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “719,699”;

In item 0950-0080 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association to provide adult English and citizenship classes for Chinese Immigrants”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “250,399” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “350,399”;

In item 1410-0010 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended for the NEADS Inc. service dogs for veterans program to train service dogs for veterans; and provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Vietnam Veterans of America in Massachusetts to aid veterans filing claims for medical and financial benefits”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “5,022,822” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “5,157,822”;

In item 1410-0012, in line 10, by inserting after the year “2022” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Grace Veterans Program at the Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Cape and Islands Veterans

Amendment rejected,—
yea and nay
No. 168.

Bill ordered to a third reading,—
yea and nay
No. 169.

Recesses.

Consolidated amendments (education and local aid, social services, and veteran services and soldiers homes).

Outreach Center, Inc. toward the operation of the homeless veterans home in Dennis; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for women's supportive housing programs and services at the Montachusett Veterans' Outreach Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Veterans Alliance of Greater Haverhill, Inc. to provide services to veterans in Haverhill; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Soldier On for the operation of the Fort Devens 12 bed homeless veterans program; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center, Inc. to conduct a feasibility study for an affordable and transitional veterans' housing project on Martha's Vineyard; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for clinical care, education and training in veterans' mental and behavioral health issues, including post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder and suicide prevention administered by the Massachusetts General Hospital Home Base Program"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "8,974,222" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "9,289,222";

In item 1410-1616 by adding the following: "; provided, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the town of Shirley to upgrade handicapped accessibility to the Shirley war memorial building; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the construction of a veterans war memorial in the town of Lynnfield; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the town of Andover to purchase and install memorial placards for Andover residents who were killed in action during the Vietnam War; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for maintenance services for the Korean War memorial located in the Charlestown Navy Yard; provided further, that not less than \$65,000 shall be expended for the completion of the Vietnam Veterans memorial in North Andover; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the town of Dedham to construct a memorial statue of former slave and Civil War Navy veteran William B. Gould; and provided further, that not less than \$17,000 shall be expended for the city of Watertown to create a veterans memorial garden at the Commanders Mansion"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "282,000";

In item 3000-1042, in lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "rate by an appropriate percentage for all such providers" and inserting in place thereof the words "through a daily quality add-on rate by the same percentage for all such providers, inclusive of administration staff in family child care systems agencies";

In item 4200-0100 by adding the following: "; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the South End Community Center's Community Youth Corp Program"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "25,123,154" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "25,173,154";

In item 4800-0015, in line 145, by inserting after the word "home" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Rick's Place, Inc. in Wilbraham to provide grief support to youth and their families in the Pioneer Valley; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Italian Home for Children, Inc. to provide high acuity autism and mental health services for children suffering from the waits and shortages in services as a result of the pandemic"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "130,625,655" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "130,875,655";

In item 4800-0038, in line 16, by inserting after the year "2013" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Weymouth Teen Center, Inc. for job skills training, technology support, remedial education services, and to promote a social service program for growth and social welfare"; and

in said item by striking out the figures: “317,979,977” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “318,129,977”;

In item 5920-2010 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Caring Health Center to expand their access to health programs and services”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “255,482,588” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “255,532,588”;

In item 7010-0012 by striking out the figures: “28,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “28,750,000”;

In item 7010-1192, in line 2, by inserting after the word “projects” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Rockland public school system for an English language learners program in the town of Rockland; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 be expended for the operation of the Eureka program at the Framingham, Holyoke, Lynn, Pittsfield, and Worcester chapters of Girls Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Berkshire Dream Center for capital facility expenses; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for Berkshire Education Resources K-12 to provide research and organizational assistance to single and collaborating school districts in Berkshire county; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the city of Melrose for security cameras at Melrose Veterans Memorial middle school; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the Worcester YWCA for infrastructure upgrades to comply with section 127A½ of chapter 111 of the General Laws and youth swimming lessons as part of summer programming for children who identify as low income; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Marine Trades Association to increase workforce development training opportunities and technical education in secondary and post-secondary schools for careers in the marine trades; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for HVAC upgrades at Dennett Elementary School in Plympton; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for Operation A.B.L.E. of greater Boston, Inc. to provide basic workforce and skills training, employment services and job re-entry support to older workers; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the E-Team Machinist program in the city of Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Mansfield Public Schools for an engineering design study for a new school playground at Robinson Elementary School; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the repair of damaged foundations at multiple Oxford School buildings; provided further, that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended for the K-5 anti-bias curriculum in the town of Franklin; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended for mental health screenings in the Franklin public schools; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Community Investors, Inc.’s PowerPlay Initiative of in Wellesley in support of the expansion of an inclusive after-school and out-of-school-time recreational program at urban and suburban Massachusetts schools; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Red Gate Farm Education Center in the town of Buckland; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Methuen high school for mental health services; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for LGBTQ+ focused after school programming in the city of Somerville; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the All Dorchester Sports League Inc. for educational support, nutrition, and other community benefits related to the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the purpose of creating a classroom for elementary aged children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder at

the Central Elementary School in the town of East Bridgewater; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the North Reading public schools' 1:1 Initiative school technology grant; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended for the purchase of a district vehicle to the town of Hopedale School Department; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Salem Family Resource and Welcome Center; provided further, that not less than \$5,000 shall be expended for the Parent Villages, Youth Outreach Center; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Asociacion Carnavalesca de Massachusetts, Inc. in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Boston Debate League for their after-school debate league program; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Fundacion CEMDPCD to support, educate, and advocate on behalf of low-income parents of students with learning disabilities in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended for youth programs at Dennison Memorial Community Center in New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Steps to Success Inc. in the town of Brookline; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Project Learn, Inc. for the operation of the youth innovation hub learning in downtown Lowell for students to gain skills and credentials to prepare them for the workforce; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Hawlemont School in the town of Charlemont for emergency support; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a play structure at the Joseph H. Downey elementary school in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the construction of a child care center, owned and operated by the Guild of St. Agnes in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the replacement of the turf field at Manchester-Essex Regional high school in the town of Manchester; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for field improvements for the Brookfield Baseball Complex in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Reading Memorial High School Robotics Team, also known as the Robockets; provided further, that not less than \$65,000 shall be expended for repairs and upgrades of the Parkerville School House in the town of Westford; provided further, that not less than \$56,000 shall be expended for the purchase of an electric mail delivery truck for the Westford public schools in the town of Westford; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended for the Westford public schools for the purchase and installment of water bottle refill stations in the town of Westford"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "100,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "2,656,000";

In item 7010-1193, in line 6, by inserting after the word "commonwealth" the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a grant to the Coalition for Anti-Racism and Equity and Commonwealth Seminar to launch a joint fellowship program for high school and college students from underrepresented communities of color for opportunities to learn and develop practical civic engagement and leadership tools, engage in their communities, and provide in-person, real-life exposure and experience in legislative offices"; in line 2, by striking out the figures: "500,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "1,000,000"; and in said item by striking out the figures: "1,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures: "1,600,000";

In item 7061-0012, in line 34, by inserting after the following: "International, Inc." the following: "; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for school districts in which special education costs exceed 25 per cent of the total

district costs and in which tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at an approved private school located within the district exceed both \$1,000,000 and 25 per cent of all tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at approved private schools”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “440,531,605” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “441,031,605”;

By striking out item 7061-9612 and inserting in place thereof the following item:
“7061-9612 For the implementation of subsection (f) of section 1P of chapter 69 of the General Laws to create safe and supportive school environments; provided, that funds shall be expended for the safe and supportive schools grant program and for a full-time staff member devoted to carrying out the responsibilities under said subsection (f) of said section 1P of said chapter 69; provided further, that funds shall be expended for: (a) an annual statewide safe and supportive schools conference that shall highlight the grant program, include presentations by grantee schools and districts about their work, teach attendees about the framework and self-assessment tool, include presentations about the grant application process, and emphasize best practices for incorporating developmentally appropriate input from students into safe and supportive schools grant applications and school-wide action plans; (b) expert technological assistance in upgrading the usability of the online self-assessment tool; and (c) an evaluation of the grant program; provided further, that funds shall be expended for a leadership summit, which may be held concurrently with the annual conference, to inform superintendents and principals about the grant program and best practices for leading the work to create safe and supportive school and district cultures; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to school and school district teams that create school-wide action plans based on all the elements of the safe and supportive schools framework and self-assessment tool; provided further, that grant awards shall be prioritized to applications that include a process for developmentally appropriate input from students who are reflective of the school population; provided further, that schools receiving continuation grants to implement school-wide action plans shall incorporate such action plans into their school improvement plans developed under section 1I of said chapter 69; provided further, that the safe and supportive schools commission shall conduct an analysis of such school-wide action plans and school improvement plans, and shall include in its annual report the results of such analysis and any recommendations, including any recommendations related to improving the framework and/or the self-assessment tool; provided further, that not later than November 1, 2022, grant awards shall be allocated by the department to schools and school districts; provided further, that districts shall create district plans that support recipient schools; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be made available for this item until June 30, 2024..... \$600,000”;

In item 7061-9624, in line 6, by inserting after the word “Institute” the following: “; provided further, that the Massachusetts Academy of Math and Science at the

Worcester Polytechnic Institute shall provide additional academic enrichment to diversify and strengthen the STEM pipeline”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “1,500,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “1,600,000”;

In item 7061-9650, in line 37, by inserting after the year: “2023” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Magical Moon Farm Foundation in Marshfield to support the wellness services and environmental programs for children with cancer from the state and their families”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “2,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “2,050,000”;

In item 7066-0000, in line 37, by inserting after the word “prevention” the following: “; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 be expended to Bay Path University in Longmeadow to support the introduction of the Closing Regional Workforce Gaps in Education and Healthcare Through Experimental Learning, Mentoring and Licensure Project, a career-focused program seeking to reduce the mismatch between skills demanded and skills available by providing direct workforce supports to students who will become teachers and healthcare professionals with a focus on training and placement in Hampden County; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Care Center’s free college offerings for low-income women in the community; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for academic and financial support services for students of The Urban College of Boston: A Two-Year College, Inc.”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “3,653,142” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “4,103,142”;

In item 7077-0023 by striking out the figures: “5,500,000” and inserting in place there of the figures: “6,000,000”;

In item 7100-0200, in line 41, by inserting after the word “care” the following: “; provided further, that the university shall expend funds for the UMass-Amherst Cranberry Station; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Innovation Venture Fund at University of Massachusetts at Lowell for the continued implementation of a business development grant program to support new and existing businesses”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “648,366,000” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “648,516,000”;

In item 7113-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Berkshire Diverse Teacher Workforce Program at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “20,219,258” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “20,319,258”;

In item 7116-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the John J. Binienda Center for Civic Education at Worcester State University”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “33,786,414” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “33,836,414”;

In item 7503-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Veterans Educational Service Center at Bristol Community College”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “25,551,811” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “25,601,811”;

In item 7506-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for an Energized Radiology Laboratory for the Veterinary Tech program at Holyoke Community College”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “23,801,448” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “23,851,448”; and

In item 7510-0100 by adding the following: “; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Northern Essex Community College to support a matching grant for the Northern Essex Community College Haverhill College Promise Program benefiting graduating seniors from high schools in the city of

Haverhill who have participated in early college programs for the purpose of them attending Northern Essex Community College seeking to obtain their associate degrees from that school”; and in said item by striking out the figures: “23,151,577” and inserting in place thereof the figures: “23,251,577”;

In section 2E by inserting after item 1595-0035 the following item:
“1595-0112 For the Genocide Education Trust Fund, as established in section 2MMMMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws inserted by chapter 98 of the acts of 2021; provided, that said funds shall be distributed by the commissioner of the department of elementary and secondary education for the purposes related to the instruction of middle and high school students on the history of genocide, including but not limited to: (i) development of curricular materials detailing the underlying causes, international reaction, progression and aftermath of genocide; and (ii) professional development training, including the provision of trainings, seminars, conferences and materials, for educators to use in the teaching of genocide.....\$500,000”;

By inserting after section 3 the following section:

“SECTION 3A. Chapter 6A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 18Z the following section:

Section 18AA. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive office of health and human services and the executive office of housing and economic development, in coordination with the division of medical assistance, the department of transitional assistance, the department of early education and care, the executive office of education and the department of housing and community development, shall develop and implement a secure common application portal for individuals to simultaneously apply for state-administered needs-based benefits and services. The common application shall allow individuals the option to apply simultaneously for MassHealth coverage, the supplemental nutrition assistance program, income supports under chapter 117A and chapter 118, veterans’ services benefits under chapter 115, child care subsidies, housing subsidies, fuel assistance and other needs-based health care, nutrition and shelter benefits. The common application shall, with the consent of the applicant, allow the state agencies responsible for determining eligibility for the benefits requested to share relevant eligibility information and supporting documentation submitted by the applicant as needed to determine eligibility for other benefits.”;

In section 6, in line 23, by inserting after the word “board” the words “, in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education,”;

By inserting after section 27 the following section:

“SECTION 27A. Section 3 of chapter 117A of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 71 of the acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:

Individuals living in a rest home licensed under chapter 111 shall not be eligible for assistance under this chapter if they have assets in excess of \$2,000.”;

By inserting after section 50 the following section:

“SECTION 50A. Item 1410-0012 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended by striking out the words “shall be expended for building renovations to convert the former senior center into a veterans outreach and wellness service center in the town of Falmouth” and inserting in place thereof the following words:— shall be expended to the Joe Q Veteran Coffee Break, Inc. for building

renovations to convert the former senior center into a veterans outreach and wellness service center in the town of Falmouth.”; and

By inserting after section 56 the following two sections:

“SECTION 56A. (a) Notwithstanding and general or special law to the contrary, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, in consultation with the executive office of health and human services, shall study the feasibility of establishing a Massachusetts school of health sciences education and center for health care workforce innovation at the Mount Ida campus in the city of Newton.

(b) The study shall consider, but shall not be limited to: (i) options to construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip facilities at the Mount Ida campus to create multi-disciplinary instructional spaces; (ii) resources required to advance innovative training and professional development across the various health care sectors; (iii) opportunities to collaborate with public and private partners on educational offerings, including the establishment of new certificate, associate, baccalaureate, masters and doctoral degree programs; (iv) opportunities to create partnerships with vocational and secondary schools in the commonwealth; (iv) a faculty pipeline program to address shortages in full-time and part-time faculty in the health sciences at institutions of higher education; (v) opportunities to recruit a more diverse and inclusive workforce and address disparities in the health care system; and (vi) opportunities to leverage funds from health care employers to support operations at the Massachusetts school of health sciences education and center for health care workforce innovation at the Mount Ida campus.

(c) As part of the study, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, in consultation with the executive office, shall solicit input from the following individuals and organizations: the chairs of the joint committee on health care financing; the secretary for administration and finance; the secretary of labor and workforce development; the commissioner of higher education; the health policy commission; the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association, Inc.; the Massachusetts Association of Behavioral Health Systems, Inc.; the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers, Inc.; Massachusetts Senior Care Association, Inc.; Massachusetts Home Care, Inc.; The Massachusetts Medical Society; the Massachusetts Nurses Association; the Service Employees Industrial Union, Local 1199; the Home Care Aide Council; and the Disability Policy Consortium, Inc.

(d) Not later than December 31, 2022, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst shall submit a report detailing the results of the study, along with any legislative or budgetary recommendations necessary to implement its findings, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on health care financing and the joint committee on higher education.

SECTION 56B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the bureau of purchased services in the operational services division shall determine prices for programs under chapter 71B of the General Laws in fiscal year 2023 by increasing the final fiscal year 2022 price by the rate of inflation as determined by the division. The division shall adjust prices for extraordinary relief pursuant to 808 CMR 1.06(4). The division shall accept applications for program reconstruction and special circumstances in fiscal year 2023. The division shall authorize the fiscal year 2023 price for out-of-state purchasers requested by a program, not to exceed a maximum price determined by the bureau, by identifying the most recent price calculated for the program and applying the estimated rate of inflation for each year, as determined by the bureau under section 22N of chapter 7 of the General Laws, in which the rate of

inflation is frozen beginning with fiscal year 2004, in a compounded manner for each fiscal year.”.

After remarks on the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments, Mr. Boldyga of Southwick moved to amend the consolidated amendments by adding the following:—

; and by adding the following section:

“SECTION 76. (a) The definitions of section 2 of Chapter 70 of the general laws shall apply to this section.

(b) For the purposes of this section ‘instructional materials’ means either printed or electronic textbooks and related core materials that are written and published primarily for use in elementary and secondary school instruction. ‘Instructional Materials’ does not include lesson plans.

(c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Board of Education shall direct all school districts in the Commonwealth to adopt procedures for the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in the school district to review the instructional materials used in the student’s classroom. The procedures shall be prominently displayed on the school districts website and annually the school committee of the school district shall provide a written or electronic copy of the procedures to the parents or guardians of each student enrolled in the school district.

(d) School districts shall provide to the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in the school district a comprehensive course syllabus that includes a list and written summary of all instructional materials that will be taught by the teacher of record in the student’s classes. Syllabuses shall be made available by the first day the class is in session.

(e) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Board of Education shall direct all school districts in the Commonwealth to adopt procedures for the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in the school district to review the student’s files and records that are maintained by the student’s teacher(s) and/or school administrators. For the purposes of this section ‘files and records’ means all information that pertains to the student, including but not limited to: (i) academic performance (ii) disciplinary issues (iii) health information (iv) and any other notes or information that is recorded and stored about the student. The procedures shall be prominently displayed on the school districts website and annually the school committee of the school district shall provide a written or electronic copy of the procedures to the parents or guardians of each student enrolled in the school district.

(f) The provisions of this section shall take effect at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.”.

After debate the further amendment was rejected.

On the question on adoption of the consolidated amendments, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, as required under the provisions of House Rule 33F, and on the roll call 156 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 170](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the consolidated amendments (education and local aid, social services, and veteran services and soldiers homes) were adopted.

Recess.

At six minutes before nine o’clock P.M. (Monday, April 25), on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House recessed

Consolidated amendments adopted,—
yea and nay
No. 170.

Recess.

until the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.; and at that time, the House was called to order with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair.