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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).

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 Prayer.

At the request of Mr. LeBoeuf of Worcester, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Worcester native Edward G. Salloom, Sr. Edward enlisted in the United States Army in 1943 and served during World War II as a Tech Corporal with the 99th Signal Battalion. He drove an ambulance as well as 2 ½ ton trucks to transport personnel and equipment in New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. He was awarded the American Theater Campaign Ribbon and the Asiatic Pacific Theater Campaign Ribbon.

Eddy was an entrepreneur and owner of Eddy's of Park Avenue, a retail clothing store in Worcester; and a member of St. George Orthodox Cathedral. After the flood in 1955, he helped to found the Webster Square Merchants Association. He was a member of the Lions Club, serving as a District Governor, and a Grand Monarch of the Alethia Grotto.

Eddy once testified before the United States Congress concerning the Equal Credit Opportunity Act Amendments and Consumer Leasing Act of 1975. Senator Jake Garn of Utah was so impressed with his testimony that he suggested that Eddy run for Congress. Eddy was known for his generosity to the local community, which culminated in him and his family donating the historic Stearns Tavern to the City of Worcester. Many described him as a force of nature. Anyone who met him once never forgot him.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Dean Alexander Campbell on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Spencer William Meek on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Jackson William Ranger on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Robert Gabriel West on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Edward Salloom.

Dean Campbell. Spencer Meek. Jackson Ranger. Robert West. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kelcourse of Amesbury) congratulating Alexander McDougall on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Meschino of Hull) commending the American Meteorological Society on the occasion of its one hundredth annual meeting;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring John Coleman Walsh for his forty-eight years of dedicated service to public education in the Commonwealth; and

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Vincent of Revere) congratulating Antonia Bey Sepulveda on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday;

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

Alexander McDougall. Meteorological society. John Walsh.

Antonia Sepulveda.

Appointment of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had appointed Lisa Bennington of Athol to the special commission established (under Section 102 of Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2019) to study and make recommendations regarding the licensing of foreign-trained medical professionals with the goal of expanding and improving medical services in rural and underserved areas.

Foreign-trained medical professionals.

Initiative Petitions.

Initiative petition of Gregory D. Dennis and others for the passage of An Act for a law to implement ranked-choice voting in elections (House, No. 4301) (received on January 3, 2020, from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been transmitted by him to the Clerk of the House of Representatives as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution), was referred, under said Article and Rule 24, to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Elections, — ranked-choice voting.

Initiative petition of Thomas Hickey and others for the passage of An Act to enhance, update and protect the 2013 motor vehicle right to repair law (House, No. 4302) (received on January 3, 2020, from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been transmitted by him to the Clerk of the House of Representatives as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution), was referred, under said Article and Rule 24, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Motor vehicles—right to repair.

Initiative petition of Matthew Durand and others for the passage of An Act Initiative Petition for a Law relative to the sale of beer and wine by food stores (House, No. 4303) (received on January 3, 2020, from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been transmitted by him to the Clerk of the House of Representatives as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution), was referred, under said Article and Rule 24, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Food stores, — beer and wine.

Petition.

Mrs. Haddad of Somerset presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4288) of Patricia A. Haddad (by vote of the town) that the town of Somerset be authorized to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in said town; and the same was referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Somerset, liquor licenses.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2461) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation to ban marijuana billboards. To the committee on Cannabis Policy.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2462) of Cindy F. Friedman and Marc T. Lombardo for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jennifer Capone, an employee of the Department of Children and Families. To the committee on Public Service.

Marijuana billboards.

Jennifer Capone, sick leave.

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 following petitions:

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Paul F. Tucker and Joan B. Lovely relative to the membership of licensing boards of certain cities and towns. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Paul F. Tucker and others for legislation to add law enforcement councils to the definition of employer under the tort claim law. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James J. O'Day that the Division of Family Health Services of the Department of Public Health be authorized to establish a certification process of autism specialty service providers. To the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Peter Capano and Brendan P. Crighton for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Susan Edwards, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services; and

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Danielle W. Gregoire for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Michael A. Daigle, an employee of the Department of Correction;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Tucker of Salem, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Leah Reed, an employee of the Department [sic] Developmental Services (House, No. 4258). Read; and referred,

Licensing boards,— membership.

Tort claims,— employers.

Autism providers,— certifications.

Susan Edwards, sick leave.

Michael Daigle, sick leave.

Leah Reed, sick leave. under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

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

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill extending simulcasting and horse racing authorization (Senate, No. 2308), ought to pass with an amendment by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4287. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Simulcast and racing.

Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Tucker of Salem, the bill was read a second time forthwith.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means then was adopted; and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill (having been 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 bill (Senate, No. 2308, amended) then was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

By Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, 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 Boxford to grant 2 additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premise (Senate, No. 2366) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills

Relative to recall elections in the town of Charlton (House, No. 4034) [Local Approval Received];

Validating the actions taken at the annual town election held in the town of Dudley (printed in House, No. 4058); and

Authorizing the city of Boston to limit buildings according to their use or construction to specified districts (House, No. 4115) [Local Approval Received];

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

Boxford, liquor licenses.

Charlton,— elections.

Dudley,— election.

Boston,—housing.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Establishing the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Hinsdale (see House, No. 3679, amended); and

Changing the name of the board of selectmen in the town of Lexington to the select board (see House, No. 4062);

(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.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Burlington to grant additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3676), which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message, see House, No. 4286), was considered.

Burlington, liquor licenses.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendment recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

In section 1 (as engrossed) by striking out the following paragraph:

- "(e) The licenses granted pursuant to this act shall be issued not less than 5 years after the effective date of this act; provided, however, that a license originally granted within that time period may be granted to a new applicant pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) thereafter." and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:
- "(e) Any license granted pursuant to this act shall be issued not later than 5 years after the effective date of this act; provided, however, that a license originally granted within that time period may be granted to a new applicant pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) thereafter."

The report was accepted; and the amendment then was adopted. Sent to the Senate for its action.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Elliot Brown, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (Senate, No. 2415, amended), 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.

Third reading bill.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Elliot Brown, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Senate, No. 2415, 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.

Elliot Brown, 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 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop.—

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

Next sitting.

Representative Malia of Boston then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of James W. Hennigan, Jr., a member of the House from Boston in 1953 and 1954; and a member of the Senate from 1955 to 1964, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at one minute after twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.