

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 10, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Kafka of Stoughton 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. Kafka) the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

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

Boxborough Fire Department.

Resolutions (filed Ms. Benson of Lunenburg) congratulating the Boxborough Fire Department on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary;

Sean Brady.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. deMacedo of Plymouth and Calter of Kingston) congratulating Sean Brady on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Ernest Goldman.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Ernest Goldman on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday; and

James L. Devine.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Rogers of Norwood, Kafka of Stoughton and McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Ensign James L. Devine on his retirement from the United States Navy;

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, 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. Wong of Saugus, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communication.

Merrimack Valley Transit Authority.

A communication from the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (see Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for the fiscal year 2013, was placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Resolutions,—United States Constitution.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John MacNiel for the adoption of resolutions memorializing the Congress to approve and forward to the states for ratification certain amendments to the United States Constitution.

Central Berkshire County Development Corporation,—tax.

By Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier, Benjamin B. Downing and William Smitty Pignatelli relative to taxation of real property owned by the Central Berkshire County Development Corporation.

Webster Lake,—boating.

By Mr. Fattman of Sutton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ryan C. Fattman and Richard T. Moore relative to boating on Webster Lake.

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

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill to maintain short-term objectives for students with disabilities (Senate, No. 218) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Disabled students.—objectives.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of James B. Eldridge, Therese Murray, Bruce E. Tarr, Katherine M. Clark and other members of the General Court for legislation to improve drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Drinking water and wastewater infrastructure.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1880) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The following notice was received from the Clerk of the Senate, to wit:—

October 10, 2013.

Honorable Robert A. DeLeo
Speaker of the House of Representatives
 Room 356, State House
 Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable Therese Murray has made the following appointments to a certain special commission and task force:

Senator James T. Welch (chairman), Michael J. Barrett and Sonia Chang-Diaz (pursuant to Section 16(b) of Chapter 38 of the Acts of 2013) to the Health Disparities Council; and

Health Disparities Council.

Senator Michael D. Rodrigues (pursuant to Section 42 of Chapter 209 of the Acts of 2012) to the Plant Revitalization Task Force as the replacement for former Senator Michael R. Knapik.

Plant Revitalization Task Force.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. WELCH,
Clerk of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, 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:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James Arcand for legislation to require nonprofits to disclose compensation information. To the committee on Financial Services.

Nonprofits.—compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Nick Collins and Linda Dorcena Forry relative to the expansion of the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Boston.—convention center.

BCEC,—
expansion.

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

Lung cancer
research
fund.

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill relative to a lung cancer research fund (House, No. 1918, changed in section 1, in line 2, by striking out the following: “35OO” and inserting in place thereof the following: “35ZZ”; in section 2, in line 40, by striking out the year “2008” and inserting in place thereof the year “2012”, in line 42, by striking out the year “2012” and inserting in place thereof the year “2014”, and, in line 44, by striking out the following: “35PP” and inserting in place thereof the following: “35ZZ”).

Military,—
bodies.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to comportsing state laws with Department of Defense rules on the disposition of service members’ remains (House, No. 1991).

Emergencies,—
prescriptions.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the availability of prescription medication during an emergency (House, No. 2001).

Hospital
beds.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to eliminate antiquated hospital bed de-licensure rules (House, No. 2050).

Schools,—
asthma.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, Nos. 1016, 1056 and House, Nos. 2066, 2069 and 2086, a Bill relative to improving asthma in schools (House, No. 2066, changed in line 1 by striking out the year “2008” and inserting in place thereof the year “2012”, and in line 61 by striking out the year “2012” and inserting in place thereof the year “2014”).

Lead
abatement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to lead abatement (House, No. 2068).

Folic acid,—
awareness.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 1952 and 2103, a Bill relative to folic acid awareness and birth defects prevention (House, No. 2103, changed in section 1, in lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words “after section 224”, and in line 5 by striking out the figures “225” and inserting in place thereof the figures “230”).

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

Aphasia,—
study.

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to aphasia (House, No. 3455). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Emergency Measure.

Ware,—
land.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to grant an easement upon land of the Commonwealth located in the town of Ware to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (see Senate, No. 1837) (which originated in the Senate), 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.

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 increasing the number of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages in the city of Quincy (House, No. 3587), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was adopted, in concurrence. Quincy,— liquor licenses.

The Senate Bill relative to the charter of the town of Rockland (Senate, No. 1798), 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.

House bills

Designating a certain parcel in the city of Cambridge as the Lynch family skate park (House, No. 2892); Third reading bills.

Authorizing the town of Barnstable to lease land for use as a for-profit museum (House, No. 3521); and

Authorizing the town of Mashpee to convey an interest in certain town owned land to the town of Barnstable (House, No. 3579);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally 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 on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M. Next sitting.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Beaton of Shrewsbury (Mr. Kafka of Stoughton being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.