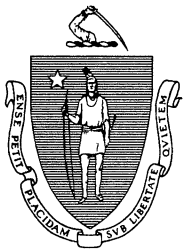


City of Cambridge

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS FOR THE MEETING OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1994

1. Transmitting a communication from State Representative Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. which provides an update on the status of home rule petitions before the Legislature along with an order which the Council may wish to adopt to direct the City Clerk to refile certain home rule petitions.



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November 15, 1994

Ms. Margaret Drury
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Dear Madame Clerk:

For your information and that of the Cambridge City Council, I am providing an update on all of the City of Cambridge home rule petitions before the legislature.

House Docket Number 4984 - "An Act Authorizing the Division of Capital Planning and Operations to Convey a Certain Parcel of Land Under the Control of the Metropolitan District Commission to the City of Cambridge." This legislation is awaiting action in the House Committee on Rules.

House Docket Number 5329 - "An Act Further Regulating Traffic on a Certain Portion of A Way in the City of Cambridge Under the Control of the Metropolitan District Commission." This legislation is no longer necessary due to the withdrawal of Stop & Shop. Therefore, it will not move out of the Rules Committee.

House Docket Number 4985 - "An Act Relative to the Licensing of Certain Motor Carriers in the City of Cambridge." This legislation is awaiting action in the House Committee on Rules.

House Bill 4665 - "An Act Relative to Permitting the City of Cambridge to Exempt Certain Income Producing Assets from the Eligibility Requirements for Tax Abatements for Elderly Persons." This legislation was heard on 4/26/94 and is awaiting action by the Committee on Local Affairs.

House Bill 4666 - "An Act Authorizing the City of Cambridge to Establish Speed Limits and Install Speed Bumps on Residential Public Ways." This bill was heard on 4/27/94 and was given an "Ought Not to Pass" report by the Committee on Public Safety. That report was accepted by the entire House on 5/25/94.

House Bill 4669 - "An Act Requiring the Personnel Administrator to Certify the Names of Members of the City of Cambridge Police Reserve Force Prior to Certifying any Other List or Register." This bill was heard on 4/27/94 and placed in a study by the Committee on Public Safety on May 19, 1994.

House Bill 4710 - "An Act Authorizing the License Commission in the City of Cambridge to Regulate the Time of Opening of Package Stores, so called, in Said City." This bill was heard on 4/13/94 and placed in a study by the Government Regulations Committee on 6/6/94.

House Bill 4712 - "An Act Providing for Legislation to Include Edward R. Corey, a Laborer in the Department of Public Works in the City of Cambridge, Under the Provisions of the Civil Service Law." This bill was heard on 4/27/94 by the Public Service Committee and was given a Favorable report last week.

House Bill 5335 - "An Act Authorizing the City of Cambridge to Use Certain Park Land for the Purpose of Constructing a Youth Center in Said City." This legislation was heard 11/15/94 and was given a Favorable report immediately after the hearing.

It is my belief that House Bill 4712 and House Bill 5335 have a good chance of being enacted before the end of the current legislative year, barring any unforeseen obstacles. However, House Docket Number 5329, House Bill 4666, House Bill 4669 and House Bill 4710 have little, if any, chance of passage.

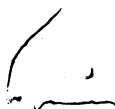
It would be my recommendation to the city council, when refiling non-successful home-rule legislation that House Docket Number 5329, and House Bill 4669 not be included. House Docket Number 5329 has been made moot by Stop & Shop. House Bill 4669 is also unnecessary now that a new police officer civil service list is available to the city.

Of course, if the majority of the council wishes to refile all existing petitions, I will certainly accommodate your wishes.

The deadline for submission of legislation is December 7, 1994 for the 1995 legislative session. Please have all home-rule petitions reapproved by the Council and forwarded to me no later than December 6, 1994.

If I can answer any questions regarding the above mentioned bills or the legislative process, please contact me or my legislative aide, Jay Kiely, at 722-2220.

Sincerely,



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