

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023

Pursuant to the Senate Rules, in the absence of the President, the Senate was called to order by the President *pro tempore*.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Mark Pitton of Sharon.

Bills Introduced

Senate bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred:

S. 67.

By Senator Perchlik,
An act relating to sales and use tax on candy.
To the Committee on Finance.

S. 68.

By Senator Lyons,
An act relating to the deduction for student loan payments.
To the Committee on Finance.

S. 69.

By Senators Hardy and Ram Hinsdale,
An act relating to a surcharge on nonprimary dwellings.
To the Committee on Finance.

S. 70.

By Senators Hardy, Clarkson, Gulick, Hashim, Lyons, Perchlik, Ram Hinsdale and Vyhovsky,

An act relating to a harm-reduction criminal justice response to drug use.
To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 71.

By Senators Sears and Ram Hinsdale,

An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to the adult-use and medical cannabis programs.

To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

S. 72.

By Senators Sears and Ram Hinsdale,

An act relating to lifting the potency limits on concentrated cannabis products.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 73.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to workers' compensation coverage for firefighters with cancer.

To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

Bill Referred

House bill of the following title was read the first time and referred:

H. 145. An act relating to fiscal year 2023 budget adjustments.

To the Committee on Appropriations.

Election of Senate Members to Judicial Nominating Board

The President *pro tempore* announced that the next order of business was the election of three members of the Senate to serve on the Judicial Nominating Board pursuant to 4 V.S.A. § 601.

Senator Clarkson, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, placed in nomination the names of the following Senators to serve on the Board:

BRIAN A. CAMPION

of Bennington District, as the majority party member of the Board.

ROBERT W. NORRIS

of Franklin District, as the minority party member of the Board.

ANNE E. WATSON

of Washington District, as the third member of the Board.

Senator Mazza of Grand Isle District seconded these nominations.

There being no further nominations, on motion of Senator Clarkson, the nominations were closed, and the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for

BRIAN A. CAMPION

of Bennington District, as the majority party member of the Board, for a term of two years or until his successor is elected and has qualified.

ROBERT W. NORRIS

of Franklin District, as the minority party member of the Board, for a term of two years or until her successor is elected and has qualified.

ANNE E. WATSON

of Washington District, as the third member of the Board, for a term of two years or until his successor is elected and has qualified.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Clarkson, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, February 9, 2023.