

Journal of the Senate

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the House No. 17

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Courtney Reckord, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed a House bill of the following title:

H. 850. An act relating to transitioning education financing to the new system for pupil weighting.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Message from the House No. 18

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Courtney Reckord, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed a House bill of the following title:

H. 849. An act relating to technical corrections for the 2024 legislative session.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Point of Privilege Journalized

During announcements, on a point of personal privilege, Senator Westman addressed the Chair, and on motion of Senator Chittenden, his remarks were ordered entered in the Journal, and are as follows:

“Mr. President:

“Today is the fifth anniversary of death of Jenna Tatro. Her story and her family's story is one of a family's love. The goal of the family and now of the Jenna's Promise community is to forward the larger conversation and to put recovery in front of all of us. Sometimes we need to be reminded that there are hundreds of people across the state who are successful in recovery. Some of those are at Jenna's Promise itself. In Johnson, and in my community, the faces of those people are at the coffee shop, they are working. These people are struggling, and we see them every day and that face makes it easier for us to deal with the issues in front of us. I want to remind everybody, there is hope, and what they are doing is creating hope. The example of the Tatro family is one that should inspire all of us to ask ourselves, what can we do to help? How can we reduce the stigma surrounding abuse? How can we foster a community of support and understanding for individuals doing the work and working toward recovery. Today is an anniversary of love and hope. Love and hope out of tragedy.”

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally the first time and referred:

H. 849.

An act relating to technical corrections for the 2024 legislative session.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

H. 850.

An act relating to transitioning education financing to the new system for pupil weighting.

To the Committee on Finance.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Baruth, the Senate adjourned until eleven o'clock and thirty minutes in the morning.