

# Journal of the House

Friday, January 31, 2014

At nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

## Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Poet, Geof Hewitt of Calais, Vt.

## Rules Suspended; House Bills Introduced

Pending first reading of the bills, on motion of **Rep. Savage of Swanton**, the rules were suspended and the bills were read the first time by number and referred or placed on the Calendar as follows:

### H. 766

By Rep. Deen of Westminster,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to harassment of a fish and wildlife warden;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

### H. 767

By Reps. Browning of Arlington, Shaw of Pittsford, Batchelor of Derby, Beyor of Highgate, Burditt of West Rutland, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Goodwin of Weston, Hubert of Milton, Johnson of Canaan, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Koline of Dorset, Larocque of Barnet, Mitchell of Fairfax, Moran of Wardsboro, Myers of Essex, Ralston of Middlebury and Terenzini of Rutland Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to utility rate exclusions;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

### H. 768

By Reps. Manwaring of Wilmington, Buxton of Tunbridge, Cole of Burlington, Dakin of Chester, Evans of Essex, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Keenan of St. Albans City, Lenos of Shelburne, Martin of Springfield, Miller of Shaftsbury, Mook of Bennington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Spengler of Colchester, Till of Jericho, Toll of Danville and Townsend of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the transparency of retransmission fees;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 769**

By Rep. Lanpher of Vergennes,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to screening for Krabbe Disease;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 770**

By Reps. Pearson of Burlington, Moran of Wardsboro, Christie of Hartford, Davis of Washington, McCullough of Williston, Stevens of Waterbury and Wizowaty of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to an "Economic Bill of Rights";

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 771**

By Reps. Lawrence of Lyndon, Batchelor of Derby, Beyor of Highgate, Branagan of Georgia, Brennan of Colchester, Campion of Bennington, Conquest of Newbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Goodwin of Weston, Hebert of Vernon, Higley of Lowell, Johnson of Canaan, Larocque of Barnet, Marcotte of Coventry, Martin of Springfield, Michelsen of Hardwick, Myers of Essex, Partridge of Windham, Potter of Clarendon, Shaw of Pittsford, Shaw of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Shoreham, Strong of Albany, Winters of Williamstown, Young of Glover and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to capital funding for agricultural fair and field days;

To the committee on Agriculture and Forest Products.

**H. 772**

By Reps. Strong of Albany and Gage of Rutland City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the right to work;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 773**

By Reps. Pearson of Burlington, Christie of Hartford, Davis of Washington, Hooper of Montpelier, Moran of Wardsboro, Spengler of Colchester and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Vermont Pension Investment Committee guidelines concerning proxy voting and compensation;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 774**

By Rep. Wizowaty of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to sentencing guidelines and procedures for juveniles;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 775**

By Rep. Potter of Clarendon,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to a prohibition on banning certain breeds of dogs from a municipality;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 776**

By Reps. Spengler of Colchester, Burke of Brattleboro, Christie of Hartford, Davis of Washington, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Moran of Wardsboro and O'Sullivan of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Green Mountain Care benefits and financing;

To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 777**

By Reps. Peltz of Woodbury, Buxton of Tunbridge, Campion of Bennington, Christie of Hartford, Cross of Winooski, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fisher of Lincoln, French of Randolph, Jerman of Essex, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Mitchell of Fairfax, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sweaney of Windsor and Woodward of Johnson,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Community Profiles;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 778**

By Reps. Kupersmith of South Burlington, Marcotte of Coventry and Savage of Swanton,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the use of fishing access areas;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

**H. 779**

By Reps. Moran of Wardsboro, Davis of Washington, Macaig of Williston, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City, Spengler of Colchester and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to a livable wage for employees of the Vermont State Colleges and the University of Vermont;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 780**

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield and Dakin of Chester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to authorizing a local option motor fuel tax;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 781**

By Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to enhanced penalties for criminal motor vehicle violations when a child is present;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 782**

By Reps. Taylor of Barre City, Cross of Winooski, Donovan of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington and Lanpher of Vergennes,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to authorizing the issuance of a restricted driver's license pending payment of traffic violation fines;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 783**

By Reps. Toleno of Brattleboro, Burke of Brattleboro, Conquest of Newbury and Marek of Newfane,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to license reinstatement under the total abstinence program and ignition interlock devices;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 784**

By Reps. Ralston of Middlebury, Komline of Dorset, Scheuermann of Stowe and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to renewable electric generation and transmission;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 785**

By Reps. Martin of Wolcott and Woodward of Johnson,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to self-insurance of automobile liability for religious organizations;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 786**

By Reps. Buxton of Tunbridge, Branagan of Georgia, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Christie of Hartford, Connor of Fairfield, Consejo of Sheldon, Cross of Winooski, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Feltus of Lyndon, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Krowinski of Burlington, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Manwaring of Wilmington, Marcotte of Coventry, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Mitchell of Fairfax, Moran of Wardsboro, Peltz of Woodbury, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Townsend of South Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham, Vowinkel

of Hartford, Wizowaty of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to vision riders and a choice of providers for vision and eye care services;

To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 787**

By Reps. Gallivan of Chittenden, Burke of Brattleboro, Lanpher of Vergennes, McCarthy of St. Albans City and Wilson of Manchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to weatherization measures in common interest communities;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**H. 788**

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal, Bouchard of Colchester, Carr of Brandon, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Marcotte of Coventry, Ralston of Middlebury and Scheuermann of Stowe,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expanding the credit facility for the Sustainable Energy Loan Fund;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 789**

By Rep. Greshin of Warren,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to date of occupancy to declare a homestead;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 790**

By Reps. Pugh of South Burlington, Donahue of Northfield, Fisher of Lincoln, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Haas of Rochester, Krowinski of Burlington and Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Reach Up eligibility;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 791**

By Reps. Fay of St. Johnsbury, Buxton of Tunbridge, Christie of Hartford, Conquest of Newbury, Cupoli of Rutland City, Davis of Washington, Donovan of Burlington, Grad of Moretown, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Krowinski of Burlington, Lippert of Hinesburg, Marek of Newfane, Masland of Thetford, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Michelsen of Hardwick, Mook of Bennington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Partridge of Windham, Pearson of Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, South of St. Johnsbury, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Stevens of Shoreham, Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Townsend of South Burlington, Waite-Simpson of Essex, Weed of Enosburgh, Wizowaty of Burlington and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Housing First Study Committee;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 792**

By Reps. Lippert of Hinesburg and Waite-Simpson of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the creation of the Legislative Confidential Government Oversight Committee;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 793**

By Reps. Toleno of Brattleboro, Browning of Arlington, Conquest of Newbury, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Sharpe of Bristol, Stevens of Shoreham and Waite-Simpson of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to create a position within the Joint Fiscal Office for statistical and data analysis;

To the committee on Appropriations.

**H. 794**

By Reps. Martin of Wolcott, Peltz of Woodbury and Woodward of Johnson,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to municipal authority to repair vacant buildings;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 795**

By Reps. Grad of Moretown and Fay of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to victim's compensation and restitution procedures;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 796**

By Rep. Browning of Arlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Green Mountain Care Board accountability for access to health care;

To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 797**

By Reps. Browning of Arlington, Christie of Hartford, Davis of Washington, Donovan of Burlington, French of Randolph, Hooper of Montpelier, Lenex of Shelburne, McCormack of Burlington, Moran of Wardsboro, Pearson of Burlington, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Till of Jericho and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing a minimum effective personal income tax rate for high income taxpayers;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 798**

By Rep. Partridge of Windham,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to motorcycle helmets;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 799**

By Reps. Stevens of Shoreham, Browning of Arlington, Buxton of Tunbridge, Conquest of Newbury, Higley of Lowell, Malcolm of Pawlet, Marcotte of Coventry, Moran of Wardsboro, Potter of Clarendon, Ralston of Middlebury, Webb of Shelburne and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

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An act relating to the importation of untreated firewood;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

**H. 800**

By Reps. Sharpe of Bristol, Clarkson of Woodstock and Zagar of Barnard,  
House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of groundwater withdrawal;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

**H. 801**

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Botzow of Pownal, Bouchard of  
Colchester, Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to licensed lender registration for businesses;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 802**

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal, Carr of Brandon, Cross of Winooski,  
Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Marcotte of  
Coventry and Ralston of Middlebury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expanding the authority of the Vermont Agricultural  
Credit Corporation;

To the committee on Agriculture and Forest Products.

**H. 803**

By Rep. McCormack of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the efficient operation of air conditioners at retail  
establishments;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**H. 804**

By Reps. Mook of Bennington, Botzow of Pownal and Browning of  
Arlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Vermont Veterans' Home;  
To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 805**

By Rep. Krebs of South Hero,  
House bill, entitled  
An act relating to completion of flood hazard determinations;  
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 806**

By Rep. McCormack of Burlington,  
House bill, entitled  
An act relating to the recycling of construction and demolition waste;  
To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**H. 807**

By Rep. Botzow of Pownal,  
House bill, entitled  
An act relating to pension loans;  
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 808**

By Reps. Young of Glover, Burditt of West Rutland, Cross of Winooski,  
Pearson of Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham and Woodward of Johnson,  
House bill, entitled  
An act relating to health insurance for members of the General Assembly;  
To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 809**

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal, Klein of East Montpelier, Ellis of Waterbury  
and Marcotte of Coventry,  
House bill, entitled  
An act relating to designation of new town centers and growth centers;  
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 810**

By Reps. South of St. Johnsbury, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Goodwin of Weston, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Larocque of Barnet, Mitchell of Fairfax, Shaw of Pittsford and Shaw of Derby,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the creation and administration of the Cemetery Vandalism Fund;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 811**

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the exemption level for solar renewable energy plants;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**Third Reading; Bills Passed**

House bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read the third time and passed:

**H. 373**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to updating and reorganizing Title 33;

**H. 735**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Executive Branch and Judiciary fees;

**Adjournment**

At ten o'clock in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Savage of Swanton**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 4, 2014, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 42.

**Concurrent Resolutions Adopted**

The following concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the Consent Calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no member having requested floor consideration as provided by Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are hereby adopted in concurrence.

**H.C.R. 206**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Green Mountain RSVP on its 40th anniversary of community service;

**H.C.R. 207**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Rutland Gift-of-Life Marathon on establishing a new national one-day blood donation record;

**H.C.R. 208**

House concurrent resolution recognizing the role of registered nurses in the delivery of quality health care in Vermont;

**H.C.R. 209**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the *Vermont Cynic* on its 130th anniversary;

**H.C.R. 210**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Woodstock Union High School Wasps Division III championship football team;

**H.C.R. 211**

House concurrent resolution in memory of Chet Briggs of Calais;

**H.C.R. 212**

House concurrent resolution recognizing the innovative cross-cultural mission of the Izdahar arts exchange organization;

**H.C.R. 213**

House concurrent resolution in memory of Margaret Hurley Franzen of Montpelier;

[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the House Calendar Addendum on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2014, seventy-second Adjourned session.]