Journal of the House

Tuesday, January 27, 2009

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rabbi Toby Weisman of the Jewish Learning Center, Montpelier.

Pledge of Allegiance

Page Taylor Murray of Middlesex led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

House Bills Introduced

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred to committee as follows:

H. 88

By Reps. Sharpe of Bristol, Baker of West Rutland, Brennan of Colchester, Clarkson of Woodstock, Fisher of Lincoln, Flory of Pittsford, Hube of Londonderry, Komline of Dorset, Lewis of Derby, McDonald of Berlin, Morrissey of Bennington, Mrowicki of Putney, O'Donnell of Vernon, Pellett of Chester, Savage of Swanton and Townsend of Randolph,

An act relating to adding a dental assistant to the state board of dental examiners;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 89

By Reps. Myers of Essex and Rodgers of Glover,

An act relating to the Community High School of Vermont;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

H. 90

By Reps. Savage of Swanton, Acinapura of Brandon, Baker of West Rutland, Branagan of Georgia, Brennan of Colchester, Consejo of Sheldon, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Flory of Pittsford, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Koch of Barre Town, McAllister of Highgate, McDonald of Berlin, McNeil of Rutland Town, Morrissey of Bennington, O'Donnell of Vernon, Pearce of Richford, Perley of Enosburg, Turner of Milton and Waite-Simpson of Essex,

An act relating to driving while intoxicated and to forfeiture and registration of motor vehicles;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 91

By Reps. Lippert of Hinesburg and Pugh of S. Burlington,

An act relating to technical corrections to the juvenile judicial proceedings act of 2008 ;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 92

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal, Baker of West Rutland, Marcotte of Coventry, Moran of Wardsboro, Obuchowski of Rockingham, Ram of Burlington, Savage of Swanton, South of St. Johnsbury and Stevens of Waterbury,

An act relating to rent-to-own agreements;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

Senate Bill Referred

S. 13

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to improving Vermont's sexual abuse response system

Was taken up, read the first time and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Message from the Senate No. 11

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

J.R.S. 10. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate has on its part adopted Senate concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

S.C.R. 4. Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont State

Symphony Orchestra on its 75th anniversary.

S.C.R. 5. Senate concurrent resolution honoring the Vermont Detachment of the Sons of the American Legion and welcoming Thomas Cisna, its 41st National Commander, to Vermont.

S.C.R. 6. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Court Administrator and Vermont Supreme Court clerk Lee Suskin.

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

H.C.R. 16. House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Michael Flaherty of South Burlington.

H.C.R. 17. House concurrent resolution congratulating Jocelyn Pond on her receipt of the William E. Mikell Spirit of Youth Award.

H.C.R. 18. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Bellows Falls All-Stars baseball team on winning the 2008 Cal Ripken Division state championship.

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Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 12

House bill, entitled

An act relating to education property tax rates

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Committee Appointments Announced

The Speaker announced appointments to the following committees:

Joint Energy Committee

Rep. Klein of East Montpelier Rep. Krawczyk of Bennington Rep. Canfield of Fair Haven Rep. Edwards of Brattleboro

Petroleum Cleanup Fund Advisory Committee

Rep. Webb of Shelburne

Workforce Development Council

Rep. Keenan of St. Albans City Rep. Ram of Burlington

Commission on Higher Education Funding

Rep. Nease of Johnson Rep. Branagan of Georgia

New England Board of Higher Education

Rep. Miller of Shaftsbury

Vermont Citizen Advisory Committee on the Future of Lake Champlain

Rep. Spengler of Colchester Rep. Webb of Shelburne

Outdoor Lighting Advisory Board

Rep. Spengler of Colchester

Adjournment

At ten o'clock and twenty minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Komline of Dorset**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.

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 the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are hereby adopted in concurrence.

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[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the Senate and House Calendar Addendum on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2009, seventieth Biennial session.]