

# Journal of the House

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**Tuesday, March 31, 2009**

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

## **Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Mark Pitton of Bethany United Church of Christ, Montpelier.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Page Susanna Billings of Tunbridge** 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 or placed on the Calendar as follows:

### **H. 440**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to common level of appraisal using one year's sales data;  
To the committee on Ways and Means.

### **H. 441**

House bill, entitled

An act making appropriations for the support of government;  
Under the rule, placed on the Calendar for notice tomorrow.

## **Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee**

### **H. 231**

**Rep. Kitzmiller of Montpelier** moved that the committee on Commerce and Economic Development be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to the creation of the Farm-to-Plate Corporation

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Agriculture, which was agreed to.

## **Action on Resolution Postponed**

### **J.R.H. 16**

Joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution designating April as Fair Housing Month in Vermont

Was taken up and pending the question, Shall the resolution be adopted? on motion of **Rep. Head of South Burlington**, action on the resolution was postponed until April 7, 2009.

**Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered**

**H. 86**

**Rep. Evans of Essex**, for the committee on Government Operations, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of professions and occupations

Reported in favor of its passage when amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 6, 26 V.S.A. § 15(6), by striking “74(c)” and inserting in lieu thereof “74(b)”

Second: In Sec. 8, 26 V.S.A. § 71a(a)(2)(A)(~~iii~~)(ii) after “including” and before “a minimum”, by inserting “a baccalaureate degree and”

Third: In Sec. 9, 26 V.S.A. § 74(b), by striking “section” and inserting in lieu thereof “chapter”

Fourth: In Sec. 9, 26 V.S.A. § 74, by adding a subsection (g) to read:

(g) Each office in this state shall be under the supervision of a public accountant who is licensed in this state.

Fifth: In Sec. 10, 26 V.S.A. § 74a, by amending the statutory designation to read:

§ 74a. ~~NONRESIDENT~~ FOREIGN REGISTRATION

Sixth: In Sec. 11, 26 V.S.A. § 74c(a), by striking “71a” and inserting in lieu thereof “72b”

Seventh: In Sec. 11, 26 V.S.A. § 74c(e), in the first sentence, by striking “may” and inserting in lieu thereof “shall”

Eighth: In Sec. 16, 26 V.S.A. § 1212(a), by striking “At least one of the funeral directors shall have no less than five years’ experience operating a crematory.”

Ninth: By adding a Sec. 18a to read:

Sec. 18a. LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTORS; GRANDFATHERING

Individuals who hold a valid license as a funeral director prior to July 1, 2009 shall not be required to meet the requirements of 26 V.S.A. § 1252(a)(1) as amended by this act.

Tenth: By striking Sec. 22 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 22 to read:

Sec. 22. 26 V.S.A. § 1272 is amended to read:

§ 1272. RULES; PREPAID FUNERAL FUNDS

The board, with the assistance of the office of professional regulation, shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this subchapter to insure the proper handling of all funds paid pursuant to a prepaid funeral agreement and to protect consumers in the event of default. The rules shall include provisions relating to the following:

(1) The timely establishment of escrow accounts and verification of the establishment of an account. An escrow account shall be maintained by a federally insured depository institution, but shall not be required to be maintained by a trust department, an insurance company licensed to do business in Vermont that is a member of the Vermont's Property and Casualty Insurance Guaranty Association established by subchapter 9 of chapter 101 of Title 8, or a trust company chartered by the state of Vermont, if that insurance or trust company is a federally insured depository.

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(5) Information to be provided the escrow agent by the funeral director and information regarding the escrow account or the prepaid funeral that shall be made available to the buyer on request and ~~periodically~~ annually in a format as determined by the board.

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Eleventh: By striking Sec. 26 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 26 to read:

Sec. 26. 26 V.S.A. § 1583 is amended to read:

§ 1583. EXCEPTIONS

This chapter does not prohibit:

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(9) The providing of care for the sick in accordance with the tenets of any church or religious denomination by its adherents if the individual does not hold himself or herself out to be a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or licensed nursing assistant and does not engage in the practice of nursing as defined in this chapter.

Twelfth: By adding a Sec. 33a to read:

Sec. 33a. 26 V.S.A. § 2042(a) is amended to read:

(a) To obtain a license to engage in the practice of pharmacy, an applicant for licensure by examination shall:

- (1) Have attained the age of majority;
- (2) ~~Not have engaged in acts which directly affect the ability to practice pharmacy, including~~
  - (A) ~~any past felony conviction related to the practice of pharmacy under United States law or the laws of any state or any other sovereign nation; and~~
  - (B) ~~any suspension, revocation, or restriction of a license issued by any state to practice a health related regulated profession which may have occurred within the preceding five years;~~
- (3) Have graduated and received the professional undergraduate degree from a school or college of pharmacy which has been approved by the board of pharmacy, or, for foreign-trained applicants, have successfully passed an examination demonstrating that their education was equivalent to the education at a board-approved school or college;
- (4)(3) If required by subdivision 2032(b)(3) of this title, have completed any internship program established by the board or demonstrated experience in the practice of pharmacy which meets or exceeds any internship requirement established under this chapter;
- (5)(4) Have successfully passed an examination required by the board of pharmacy;
- (6)(5) Paid the fees specified by this chapter.

Thirteenth: In Sec. 41, by designating the existing text as subsection (a) and by adding a subsection (b) to read:

(b)~~26~~ V.S.A. § 71a(a)(2)(A)(ii) shall be repealed on July 1, 2014.

**Rep. Masland of Thetford**, for the committee on Ways and Means, recommended the bill ought to pass when amended as recommended by the committee on Government Operations.

The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time, report of the committees on Government Operations and Ways and Means agreed to and third reading ordered.

### **Favorable Report; Third Reading Ordered**

#### **H. 249**

**Rep. Savage of Swanton**, for the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to volunteer nonprofit service organizations and casino nights

Reported in favor of its passage. The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time and third reading ordered.

### **Consideration Interrupted by Recess**

#### **H. 438**

**Rep. Westman of Cambridge** spoke for the committee on Transportation.

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the state's transportation program;

Was taken up and pending reading of the report of the committee on Ways and Means the Speaker declared a recess.

#### **Recess**

At twelve o'clock and five minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock and fifteen minutes in the afternoon.

At two o'clock and thirty-six in the afternoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

### **Consideration Resumed; Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered**

#### **H. 438**

Consideration resumed on House bill, entitled

An act relating to the state's transportation program

**Rep. Howard of Rutland City**, for the committee on Ways and Means, to which the bill had been referred reported in favor of its passage when amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 31, 23 V.S.A. § 3032, by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

#### § 3032. INFLATION INDEX ADJUSTMENT; DIESEL FUEL TAX

Starting on July 1, 2012 and effective each July 1 thereafter, the tax imposed on diesel fuel pursuant to section 3003(a) of this chapter, but not the petroleum distributor license fee imposed pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1942 or the motor fuels distributor infrastructure assessment imposed pursuant to section 3003(a) of this chapter, shall be annually increased or decreased by the percentage change in the gross domestic product price index during the preceding calendar year as reported by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce (the GDP price index). The tax rate effective on July 1 of a fiscal year shall be equal to the product of the tax rate

effective during the expiring fiscal year and the index ratio, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of a cent. "Index ratio" means: the ratio of the value of the GDP price index for the fourth quarter of the prior calendar year over the corresponding value of the GDP price index for the fourth quarter one year earlier. Each year in April the commissioner of motor vehicles shall determine and publish the tax rate to take effect the following July 1 using, relative to the time of determination, the latest gross domestic product report for the fourth quarter of the prior calendar year available from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. Subsequent revisions to gross domestic product data shall not affect a tax rate so determined.

Second: In Sec. 32, 23 V.S.A. § 3175, by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

§ 3175. INFLATION INDEX ADJUSTMENT; GASOLINE AND MOTOR FUELS TAX

Starting on July 1, 2012 and effective each July 1 thereafter, the tax imposed on gasoline and other motor fuels pursuant to subsection 3106(a) of this chapter, but not the petroleum distributor license fee imposed under section 3106a of this chapter or the motor fuels distributor infrastructure assessment imposed under subsection 3106(a) of this chapter, shall be annually increased or decreased by the percentage change in the gross domestic product price index during the preceding calendar year as reported by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce (the GDP price index). The tax rate effective on July 1 of a fiscal year shall be equal to the product of the tax rate effective during the expiring fiscal year and the index ratio, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of a cent. "Index ratio" means: the ratio of the value of the GDP price index for the fourth quarter of the prior calendar year over the corresponding value of the GDP price index for the fourth quarter one year earlier. Each year in April the commissioner of motor vehicles shall determine and publish the tax rate to take effect the following July 1 using, relative to the time of determination, the latest gross domestic product report for the fourth quarter of the prior calendar year available from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. Subsequent revisions to gross domestic product data shall not affect a tax rate so determined.

Third: In Sec. 39, 32 V.S.A. Chapter 13, subchapter 4, by adding section 980 to read:

§ 980. MOTOR FUEL DISTRIBUTOR INFRASTRUCTURE ASSESSMENT EXPIRATION

After all principal and interest have been paid on the transportation infrastructure bonds issued pursuant to this subchapter, and all obligations with respect to such bonds have been discharged, the motor fuel distributor

infrastructure assessments imposed by 23 V.S.A. §§ 3003(a) and 3106(a) shall be reduced to zero on July 1 of the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year in which all such principal, interest, and obligations have been discharged.

**Rep. Minter of Waterbury**, for the committee on Appropriations, recommended the bill be amended as follows:

First: By striking out Sec. 42 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 42. TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE BOND FUND;  
APPROPRIATION AND SPENDING AUTHORIZATION

(a) The amount of \$30,000,000.00 from the issuance of transportation infrastructure bonds is appropriated in fiscal year 2010 to the agency of transportation for eligible projects as defined in 32 V.S.A. § 972(c) in the state bridge, interstate bridge, bridge maintenance, town bridge, and town highway structures programs of the state's fiscal year 2010 transportation program in accordance with the spending authority defined in Sec. 13 and Secs. 16–20 of this act. Of this total, the sum of \$10,648,491 in TIB proceeds identified in Sec. 20 of this act is appropriated to program development, and the secretary shall transfer such portions of the appropriated sum to the bridge maintenance and town bridge programs as required to effect the final spending allocations determined in accordance with Sec. 20 of this act.

(b) Pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 11f(b)(2), after the amount necessary to pay the fiscal year 2010 debt service and other costs on any bonds secured by monies in the transportation infrastructure bond fund have been deposited into the fund or the debt service and other costs have been paid, up to the following amounts are authorized for expenditure from any other amounts which may be in the transportation infrastructure bond fund by the agency in fiscal year 2010 for the projects in order of priority listed in this subsection. With respect to amounts authorized for expenditure in the roadway and paving programs, the funds shall be apportioned among eligible projects in the state's fiscal year 2010 transportation program in the order of their priority ranking. If the secretary of transportation determines that such funds would be more efficiently spent advancing a lower-ranking project due to permitting, right-of-way, or other practical constraints that impede the advancement of a higher ranking project, the secretary may reallocate funds from the higher ranking to the lower ranking project.

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| <u>(1) For the purchase of continuously welded rail to be installed on the state's western corridor rail lines:</u> | <u>\$ 800,000</u>   |
| <u>(2) For projects in the roadway program:</u>   | <u>\$ 7,265,342</u> |
| <u>(3) For projects in the paving program:</u>  | <u>\$ 8,935,722</u> |

Total spending authorization

\$17,001,064

Second: By striking out Sec. 59 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 59. 19 V.S.A. § 11a is amended to read:

§ 11a. TRANSPORTATION FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

~~The maximum amount of~~ No transportation funds ~~that may~~ shall be appropriated for the support of government; other than for the agency of transportation, the transportation board, transportation pay act funds, construction of transportation capital facilities used by the agency of transportation, ~~and transportation debt service shall not exceed \$32,852,807,~~ and the department of public safety. The amount of transportation funds appropriated to the department of public safety shall:

(a) in fiscal year 2010 not exceed \$30,850,000;

(b) in fiscal year 2011 not exceed \$28,350,000; and

(c) in fiscal year 2012 not exceed \$25,250,000.

The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time, report of the committees on Ways and Means and Appropriations agreed to.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time? **Rep. Cheney of Norwich** moved to amend the bill as follows:

Sec. 82. 23 V.S.A. § 1003 is amended to read:

§ 1003. STATE SPEED ZONES

(a) When the traffic committee constituted under 19 V.S.A. § 1(22) determines, on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, that a maximum speed limit established by this chapter is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under conditions found to exist at any place or upon any part of a state highway, except the national system of interstate and defense highways, it may determine and declare a reasonable and safe limit which is effective when appropriate signs stating the limit are erected. This limit may be declared to be effective at all times or at times indicated upon the signs; and differing limits may be established for different times of day, different types of vehicles, varying weather conditions, or based on other factors, bearing on safe speeds which are effective when posted upon appropriate fixed or alterable signs.

(b) The legislative body of a municipality may establish a speed limit on a state highway contiguous to a school, up to a distance of 0.7 miles from the



school, if that state highway has been designated as a "safe route to school." The speed limit thus set shall be no less than 25 miles per hour.

and by renumbering the existing Sec. 82 (Effective date) to be Sec. 83

Which was agreed to.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time? **Rep. Westman of Cambridge** moved to amend the bill as follows:

By striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

#### Sec. 1. TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

The state's proposed fiscal year 2010 transportation program appended to the agency of transportation's proposed fiscal year 2010 budget, as amended by this act, is adopted to the extent federal, state, and local funds are available.

#### Sec. 2. TOTAL AUTHORIZED SPENDING

Authorized spending in the fiscal year 2010 transportation program is reduced by the total amount of \$92,505,899 in transportation funds, federal funds, and bond proceeds as provided in Secs. 3-5 of this act.

#### Sec. 3. SPENDING OF BOND PROCEEDS

Authorized spending of proposed bond proceeds in the fiscal year 2010 transportation program is reduced by the total amount of \$11,672,250 as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>As proposed</u>	<u>As amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Roadway	4,390,980	0	-4,390,980
State bridge	5,186,420	0	-5,186,420
Interstate bridge	594,850	0	-594,850
Town bridge	1,500,000	0	-1,500,000

#### Sec. 4. SPENDING OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS

Authorized spending of transportation funds in the fiscal year 2010 transportation program is reduced by the total amount of \$16,792,187. The reduction shall be accomplished by:

(a) reducing authorized spending on the Amtrak contract to zero. The agency shall terminate the Vermonter and Ethan Allen Amtrak services on June 30, 2009; and

(b) reducing the proposed spending of transportation funds in each of the following programs by 9.423263 percent: rest area capital construction, agency

buildings, public transit, aviation, rail infrastructure, maintenance, program development–paving, program development–roadway, program development–state bridge, program development–interstate bridge, program development–enhancements, program development–bike & pedestrian facilities, program development–park & ride, bridge maintenance, town bridges, town highway aid, town highway class 2, town highway structures, town highway class 1 supplemental grants, and town highway emergency.

Sec. 5. SPENDING OF FEDERAL FUNDS

Authorized spending of federal funds in the fiscal year 2010 transportation program is reduced by the total amount of \$64,041,462 as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>As proposed</u>	<u>As amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Rest Areas	2,570,260	2,248,204	-322,056
Public Transit	15,504,682	12,930,914	-2,573,768
Aviation	15,640,500	13,730,952	-1,909,548
Bike & Ped	5,179,764	5,038,748	-141,016
Park & Ride	4,202,783	3,926,551	-94,232
Rail	10,353,775	7,949,191	-2,404,584
Paving	55,616,768	50,709,872	-4,909,896
Roadway	48,710,890	30,110,650	-18,600,240
State bridge	18,547,380	0	-18,547,380
Interstate bridge	5,353,650	0	-5,353,650
Town bridge	16,273,728	9,692,916	-6,580,812
Bridge maintenance	10,799,560	8,199,796	-2,579,764
Enhancements	2,566,446	2,538,930	-27,516

Which was disagreed to.

**Rep. Copeland-Hanzas** in Chair.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read a third time? **Rep. McDonald of Berlin** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the bill be read a third time? was decided in the affirmative. Yeas, 106. Nays, 40.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Acinapura of Brandon

Adams of Hartland

Ancel of Calais

Andrews of Rutland City	Head of South Burlington	Nuovo of Middlebury
Aswad of Burlington	Heath of Westford	O'Brien of Richmond
Atkins of Winooski	Hooper of Montpelier	Obuchowski of Rockingham
Audette of South Burlington	Howard of Rutland City *	Orr of Charlotte
Bissonnette of Winooski	Howrigan of Fairfield	Partridge of Windham
Bohi of Hartford	Jerman of Essex	Pellett of Chester
Botzow of Pownal	Jewett of Ripton	Peltz of Woodbury
Branagan of Georgia	Johnson of South Hero	Poirier of Barre City
Bray of New Haven	Keenan of St. Albans City	Potter of Clarendon
Brennan of Colchester	Kitzmillier of Montpelier	Pugh of South Burlington
Browning of Arlington	Klein of East Montpelier	Ram of Burlington
Burke of Brattleboro	Lanpher of Vergennes	Rodgers of Glover
Cheney of Norwich *	Larocque of Barnet	Shand of Weathersfield
Clarkson of Woodstock	Larson of Burlington	Sharpe of Bristol
Conquest of Newbury	Lenes of Shelburne	Smith of Mendon
Consejo of Sheldon	Leriche of Hardwick	South of St. Johnsbury
Corcoran of Bennington	Lippert of Hinesburg	Spengler of Colchester
Courcelle of Rutland City	Lorber of Burlington	Stevens of Waterbury
Crawford of Burke	Macaig of Williston	Stevens of Shoreham
Devis of Washington	Maier of Middlebury	Sweaney of Windsor
Deen of Westminster	Malcolm of Pawlet	Taylor of Barre City
Donovan of Burlington	Manwaring of Wilmington	Till of Jericho
Edwards of Brattleboro	Marek of Newfane *	Toll of Danville
Emmons of Springfield	Martin of Springfield	Townsend of Randolph
Evans of Essex	Martin of Wolcott	Waite-Simpson of Essex
Fagan of Rutland City *	Masland of Thetford	Webb of Shelburne
Fisher of Lincoln	McCullough of Williston	Westman of Cambridge
Frank of Underhill	Milkey of Brattleboro	Weston of Burlington
French of Shrewsbury	Miller of Shaftsbury	Wilson of Manchester
French of Randolph	Minter of Waterbury	Wizowaty of Burlington
Geier of South Burlington	Mitchell of Barnard	Young of St. Albans City
Gilbert of Fairfax	Mook of Bennington	Zenie of Colchester
Grad of Moretown	Moran of Wardsboro	Zuckerman of Burlington
Greshin of Warren	Mrowicki of Putney	
Haas of Rochester	Nease of Johnson	

Those who voted in the negative are:

Ainsworth of Royalton	Hubert of Milton	Morrissey of Bennington
Baker of West Rutland	Johnson of Canaan	Myers of Essex
Canfield of Fair Haven	Kilmartin of Newport City	O'Donnell of Vernon
Clark of Vergennes	Koch of Barre Town *	Pearce of Richford
Clerkin of Hartford	Komline of Dorset	Peaslee of Guildhall
Devereux of Mount Holly	Krawczyk of Bennington	Perley of Enosburg
Dickinson of St. Albans Town	Lawrence of Lyndon	Reis of St. Johnsbury
Donaghy of Poultney	Lewis of Derby	Savage of Swanton *
Donahue of Northfield	Marcotte of Coventry	Scheuermann of Stowe
Flory of Pittsford	McAllister of Highgate	Turner of Milton
Helm of Castleton	McDonald of Berlin	Wheeler of Derby
Higley of Lowell	McFaun of Barre Town	Winters of Williamstown
Hube of Londonderry	McNeil of Rutland Town	Wright of Burlington
	Morley of Barton	

Those members absent with leave of the House and not voting are:

Condon of Colchester

Smith of Morristown

Trombley of Grand Isle

**Rep. Howard of Rutland City** explained his vote as follows:

“Madam. Speaker:

I vote yes for Amtrak.”

**Rep. Fagan of Rutland City** explained his vote as follows:

“Madam. Speaker:

I oppose the continued raid of the Transportation fund that has forced us to raise taxes to meet the needs of our state infrastructure.”

**Rep. Koch of Barre Town** explained his vote as follows:

“Madam., Speaker:

In general I support this bill, but I vote No today because I cannot support future tax increases that will occur automatically, without a vote of the Legislature.”

**Rep. Marek of Newfane** explained his vote as follows:

“Madam. Speaker:

Difficult times demand difficult decisions and this is only the first of many we will be called upon for spending for the new fiscal year. A yes vote on this bill is a “yes” to begin fixing our crumbling roads.”

**Rep. Minter of Waterbury** explained her vote as follows:

“Madam. Speaker:

I vote yes to ensure we fulfill our obligation to fix our transportation infrastructure and create jobs, and not allow the problems to get worse and more expensive to fix, leaving yet another unsolvable problem for the next generation.”

**Rep. Savage of Swanton** explained his vote as follows:

“Madam. Speaker:

Until just a few minutes ago I was inclined to vote yes on this bill.

However, I cannot in good faith vote to raise the gas tax (assessments) that continues to fund JTOC.

Let’s keep the transportation fund whole and stop the rape of the funds that got us to this point to being with.”

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**Speaker** Smith back in Chair.

**Action on Bill Postponed**

**H. 147**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the operation of a motor vehicle by junior operators and primary safety belt enforcement

Was taken up and pending the reading of the report of the committee on Judiciary, on motion of **Rep. Grad of Moretown**, action on the bill was postponed until April 7, 2009.

**Adjournment**

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

**Message from the Senate No. 27**

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 passed Senate bills of the following titles:

**S. 5.** An act relating to accidents involving an on-duty law enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical personnel.

**S. 47.** An act relating to salvage yards.

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

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

**J.R.S. 27.** 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 concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

**H.C.R. 83.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2009 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' ice hockey team.

**H.C.R. 84.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2009 Essex High School Hornets state gymnastics championship team.

**H.C.R. 85.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Essex High School gymnast Mary Krug on winning four consecutive all-around state championship competitions.

**H.C.R. 86.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2009 Proctor High School Phantoms' Division IV championship boys' basketball team.

**H.C.R. 87.** House concurrent resolution honoring Olympic runner and model sportsman Andrew Wheating of Norwich.

**H.C.R. 88.** House concurrent resolution celebrating the success of the education-based after-school programs in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 89.** House concurrent resolution commending the leadership of Green Mountain Power Corporation and other electric companies and state offices in restoring electric power in southern Vermont following the December 2008 ice storm.

#### **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. 83**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2009 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' ice hockey team;

#### **H.C.R. 84**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2009 Essex High School Hornets state gymnastics championship team;

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**H.C.R. 88**

House concurrent resolution celebrating the success of the education-based after-school programs in Vermont;

**H.C.R. 89**

House concurrent resolution commending the leadership of Green Mountain Power Corporation and other electric companies and state offices in restoring electric power in southern Vermont following the December 2008 ice storm ;

[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.]