

Journal of the House

Friday, January 29, 2010

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 Church, Montpelier, VT.

Rules Suspended; House Bills Introduced

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced. Pending first reading of the bills, on motion of **Rep. Morley of Barton**, the rules were suspended and the bills were read the first time by number and referred or placed on the Calendar as follows:

H. 627

By Rep. Maier of Middlebury,
An act relating to health care cost containment;
To the committee on Health Care.

H. 628

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,
An act relating to commission on fatherhood;
To the committee on Human Services.

H. 629

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,
An act relating to child care;
To the committee on Human Services.

H. 630

By Reps. Zuckerman of Burlington, Baker of West Rutland and Fisher of Lincoln,
An act relating to medical marijuana dispensaries;
To the committee on Health Care.

H. 631

By Rep. Koch of Barre Town,

An act relating to court-ordered forensic evaluations of criminal defendants;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 632

By Reps. Peltz of Woodbury, Donovan of Burlington, Gilbert of Fairfax, Scheuermann of Stowe, Waite-Simpson of Essex and Zenie of Colchester,

An act relating to an income tax credit for employer-subsidized child care;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 633

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Browning of Arlington, Conquest of Newbury, Consejo of Sheldon, Deen of Westminster, Ram of Burlington, Waite-Simpson of Essex, Young of St. Albans City, Zenie of Colchester and Zuckerman of Burlington,

An act relating to reducing the sales and use tax and imposing the sales and use tax on certain services;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 634

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,

An act relating to the homestead declaration;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 635

By Rep. Ram of Burlington,

An act relating to food service establishments;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 636

By Rep. Larocque of Barnet,

An act relating to tobacco products tax;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 637

By Rep. Fisher of Lincoln,

An act relating to additional payment for solar power that is net metered;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 638

By Rep. McDonald of Berlin,

An act relating to exempt property and grand lists;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 639

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Bissonnette of Winooski, Botzow of Pownal, Clerkin of Hartford, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Shand of Weathersfield, Turner of Milton and Wilson of Manchester,

An act relating to motor vehicle insurance for volunteer drivers;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 640

By Rep. Keenan of St. Albans City,

An act relating to state approval of international trade agreements;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 641

By Reps. Hubert of Milton, Townsend of Randolph, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Komline of Dorset, Lewis of Derby, Masland of Thetford, McDonald of Berlin, Morley of Barton, Savage of Swanton, Scheuermann of Stowe and Turner of Milton,

An act relating to approval of proposed county budgets;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 642

By Reps. Howard of Cambridge, Adams of Hartland and Komline of Dorset,

An act relating to the use value appraisal program;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 643

By Reps. Clark of Vergennes, Baker of West Rutland, Donaghy of Poultney, Helm of Castleton, McDonald of Berlin, Morley of Barton, Myers of Essex, O'Donnell of Vernon and Turner of Milton,

An act relating to permitting school districts to pay tuition to sectarian schools;

To the committee on Education.

H. 644

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry and Hubert of Milton,

An act relating to replacement of gasoline dispensers;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 645

By Reps. Hooper of Montpelier and Kitzmiller of Montpelier,

An act relating to the merger of Berlin Fire District No. 1 into the City of Montpelier;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 646

By Rep. Donahue of Northfield,

An act relating to replacing services provided by the Vermont state hospital;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 647

By Reps. Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Obuchowski of Rockingham,

An act relating to misclassification of employees to lower premiums for workers' compensation and unemployment compensation;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 648

By Rep. Peltz of Woodbury,

An act relating to harassment and hazing policies at independent colleges;

To the committee on Education.

H. 649

By Rep. Geier of South Burlington,

An act relating to education policy, repeal of Title 16, and waiver of the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act;

To the committee on Education.

H. 650

By Rep. Mook of Bennington,

An act relating to technical center tuition, full-time equivalent enrollment, and the award of a technical education degree;

To the committee on Education.

H. 651

By Reps. Baker of West Rutland, Fisher of Lincoln and Zuckerman of Burlington,

An act relating to providing medical marijuana through state-licensed liquor stores;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 652

By Rep. Head of South Burlington,

An act relating to the use of transfer of development rights for off-site mitigation of primary agricultural soils;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 653

By Rep. Klein of East Montpelier,

An act relating to a program to invest in clean energy to serve Vermont's electricity needs;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 654

By Rep. Cheney of Norwich,

An act relating to permitting and taxation of renewable energy plants;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 655

By Rep. Sharpe of Bristol,

An act relating escrow of property taxes for mobile home park resident owners.;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 656

By Reps. O'Brien of Richmond, Burke of Brattleboro, French of Shrewsbury, Lenes of Shelburne, Masland of Thetford, McCullough of Williston, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Wheeler of Derby and Zenie of Colchester,

An act relating to regulating and certifying radiologist assistants;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 657

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield, Martin of Springfield and Pellett of Chester,

An act relating to prescription drug co-payments;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 658

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Acinapura of Brandon, Andrews of Rutland City, Bissonette of Winooski, Branagan of Georgia, Clerkin of Hartford, Consejo of Sheldon, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donovan of Burlington, Higley of Lowell, Johnson of South Hero, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kilmartin of Newport City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Komline of Dorset, Larson of Burlington, Leriche of Hardwick, Lewis of Derby, Maier of Middlebury, Malcolm of Pawlet, McAllister of Highgate, Morley of Barton, Nease of Johnson, Potter of Clarendon, Reis of St. Johnsbury, Rodgers of Glover, Shand of Weathersfield, Smith of Mendon, Stevens of Shoreham, Turner of Milton, Wheeler of Derby and Wilson of Manchester,

An act relating to certificates of need for home health agencies;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 659

By Rep. Baker of West Rutland,

An act relating to prescription drug coverage by health insurers;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 660

By Reps. Sharpe of Bristol, Donovan of Burlington, Fisher of Lincoln, Masland of Thetford, Shand of Weathersfield and Till of Jericho,

An act relating to sales tax on soft drinks;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 661

By Reps. Wilson of Manchester, Rodgers of Glover and Smith of Mendon,

An act relating to taxation of certain Internet sales;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 662

By Rep. Manwaring of Wilmington,

An act relating to collaborative municipal economic development planning;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 663

By Reps. Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Clerkin of Hartford, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Marcotte of Coventry, McAllister of Highgate, Scheuermann of Stowe, Till of Jericho and Turner of Milton,

An act relating to arbitration of medical malpractice claims;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 664

By Reps. Toll of Danville, Conquest of Newbury, Crawford of Burke, McAllister of Highgate, Pellett of Chester, Rodgers of Glover, Scheuermann of Stowe, South of St. Johnsbury, Till of Jericho and Wheeler of Derby,

An act relating to Act 250 jurisdiction in towns that do and do not have both permanent zoning and subdivision bylaws;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 665

By Rep. Webb of Shelburne,

An act relating to giving away animals as awards or prizes;

To the committee on Agriculture.

H. 666

By Reps. Clark of Vergennes, Ainsworth of Royalton, Hubert of Milton and McNeil of Rutland Town,

An act relating to homestead property tax exemption;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 667

By Reps. Crawford of Burke and Lawrence of Lyndon,

An act relating to codifying the Vermont pension investment committee's policy on investments in terrorist- or genocide-linked countries;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 668

By Rep. Branagan of Georgia,

An act relating to an income tax credit for private elementary or secondary school tuition;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 669

By Rep. Helm of Castleton,

An act relating to insurance coverage for expanded diabetes treatment;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 670

By Reps. Adams of Hartland, Bohi of Hartford and Lewis of Derby,

An act relating to promotion of Vermont-made wine and beer in dining cars;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 671

By Reps. Ram of Burlington, Baker of West Rutland, Consejo of Sheldon, Deen of Westminster, French of Randolph and Sharpe of Bristol,

An act relating to consumption of alcoholic beverages under parental supervision in private homes;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 672

By Rep. Weston of Burlington,

An act relating to paid family leave insurance;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 673

By Reps. O'Donnell of Vernon, Acinapura of Brandon, Adams of Hartland, Ainsworth of Royalton, Branagan of Georgia, Clark of Vergennes, Crawford of Burke, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Donahue of Northfield, Fagan of Rutland City, Helm of Castleton, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Kilmartin of Newport City, Koch of Barre Town, Komline of Dorset, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lewis of Derby, Marcotte of Coventry, McAllister of Highgate, McDonald of Berlin, McNeil of Rutland Town, Morley of Barton, Myers of Essex, Pearce of Richford, Peaslee of Guildhall, Perley of Enosburg, Reis of St. Johnsbury, Savage of Swanton, Scheuermann of Stowe, Shaw of Pittsford and Winters of Williamstown,

An act relating to removing the requirement of legislative approval of continued operation of a nuclear power plant;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 674

By Reps. Canfield of Fair Haven, Helm of Castleton and Till of Jericho,

An act relating to a prescription drug and medical supply repository program;

To the committee on Health Care.

**Committee Relieved of Consideration
and Bill Committed to Other Committee****H. 103**

Rep. Clarkson of Woodstock moved that the committee on Ways and Means be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to repeal of delinquent property tax penalty

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

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

H. 262

Rep. Clarkson of Woodstock moved that the committee on Ways and Means be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to tax on plastic bags

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Natural Resources and Energy, which was agreed to.

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

H. 614

Rep. Partridge of Windham moved that the committee on Agriculture be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of composting

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources, which was agreed to.

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

H. 630

Rep. Maier of Middlebury moved that the committee on Health Care be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to medical marijuana dispensaries

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

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

H. 651

Rep. Maier of Middlebury moved that the committee on Health Care be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to providing medical marijuana through state-licensed liquor stores

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

Adjournment

At ten o'clock and ten minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Komline of Dorset**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 2, 2010, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 45.