Journal of the Senate

Friday, January 8, 2010

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Senate Rules, in the absence of the President and the President *pro tempore*, the time for convening of the Senate having been set at 8:30 A.M., the Senate was called to order by David A. Gibson, Secretary of the Senate.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Mark Pitton of Montpelier.

Presiding Officer Elected

Thereupon, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 8 of the Senate Rules, in the absence of the President and the President *pro tempore*, the Senate proceeded to the election of an acting President *pro tempore* to preside.

Nominations being in order, Senator Ayer nominated Senator Richard T. Mazza to be acting President *pro tempore*.

There being no further nominations, the Secretary declared that the nominations were closed, and the Assistant Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for Senator Richard T. Mazza to serve as presiding officer until the return of the President or the President *pro tempore*.

Senator Mazza Assumes the Chair

Bill Introduced

Senate bill of the following title was introduced, read the first time and referred:

S. 275.

By Senator Illuzzi,

An act relating to calculating normal retirement allowances.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

Joint Resolutions Adopted on the Part of the Senate

Joint Senate resolution of the following title was offered, read and adopted on the part of the Senate, and is as follows: By Senator Shumlin,

J.R.S. 39. Joint resolution to provide for a Joint Assembly to hear the budget message of the Governor.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Tuesday, January 19, 2010, at two o'clock in the afternoon to receive the budget message of the Governor.

Joint Senate resolution of the following title was offered, read and adopted on the part of the Senate, and is as follows:

By Senator Shumlin,

J.R.S. 40. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 8, 2010, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 12, 2010.

Consideration Postponed

Senate bill entitled:

S. 99.

An act relating to amending the Act 250 criteria relating to traffic, scattered development, and rural growth areas.

Was taken up.

Thereupon, without objection consideration of the bill was postponed until the next legislative day.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.H. 15.

Joint House resolution of the following title was read the third time and adopted in concurrence:

Joint resolution relating to the designation of commemorative observances in concurrent resolutions.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Campbell, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 40.