Journal of the Senate

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Rebecca Clark of Montpelier.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pages Jasmine Jones and Brandon Garbacik then led the members of the Senate in the pledge of allegiance.

Message from the House No. 28

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. H. Gwynn Zakov, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed House bills of the following titles:

H. 66. An act relating to including secondary students with disabilities in senior year activities and ceremonies.

H. 725. An act relating to farmers' markets.

H. 764. An act relating to the state teachers' retirement system of Vermont.

H. 766. An act relating to preventing duplication in certain public health records.

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

The House has considered joint resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

J.R.S. 51. Joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to vote on the retention of two Superior Judges and one Environmental Judge.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

The House has considered Senate proposal of amendment to House bill of the following title:

H. 331. An act relating to technical changes to the records management authority of the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration.

And has severally concurred therein with a further proposal of amendment thereto, in the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Message from the House No. 29

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. H. Gwynn Zakov, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed House bills of the following titles:

H. 658. An act relating to the issuance of certificates of need for home health agencies and addressing patient transportation services in certificate of need applications.

H. 767. An act relating to the livestock care standards advisory council.

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

The House has considered a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 77. An act relating to the disposal of electronic waste.

And has passed the same in concurrence with proposal of amendment in the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The Governor has informed the House that on the February 25, 2010, he approved and signed a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 534. An act relating to fiscal year 2010 budget adjustment.

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

H. 66.

An act relating to including secondary students with disabilities in senior year activities and ceremonies.

To the Committee on Education.

H. 658.

An act relating to the issuance of certificates of need for home health agencies and addressing patient transportation services in certificate of need applications.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. 725.

An act relating to farmers' markets.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

H. 764.

An act relating to the state teachers' retirement system of Vermont.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

H. 766.

An act relating to preventing duplication in certain public health records.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. 767.

An act relating to the livestock care standards advisory council.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

Consideration Postponed

Senate bill entitled:

S. 117.

An act relating to the date of the primary election.

Was taken up.

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

Bill Ordered to Lie

Senate bill entitled:

S. 110. An act relating to sheltering livestock.

Was taken up.

Thereupon, pending the reading of the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Senator Sears moved that Senate Rule 49 be suspended in order to commit the bill to the Committee on Judiciary with the reports of the Committees on Judiciary and on Agriculture *intact*,

Thereupon, pending the question, Shall the bill be recommitted?, Senator Sears requested and was granted leave to withdraw his motion.

Thereupon, pending the reading of the reports of the Committees on Judiciary and on Agriculture, on motion of Senator Shumlin, the bill was ordered to lie.

Senate Resolution Adopted

S.R. 20.

Senate resolution entitled:

Senate resolution urging President Barack Obama to initiate negotiations for a nuclear weapons abolition treaty

Having been placed on the Calendar for action, was taken up and adopted.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Shumlin, the Senate adjourned until eight o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon on Friday, March 12, 2010.