

House Calendar

Thursday, February 09, 2012

38th DAY OF THE ADJOURNED SESSION

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ACTION CALENDAR

Third Reading

H. 752

An act relating to permitting stormwater discharges in impaired watersheds

Committee Bill for Second Reading

H. 754

An act relating to the education property tax rate and base education amount for fiscal year 2013.

(Rep. Sharpe of Bristol will speak for the Committee on Ways and Means.)

Amendment to be offered by Reps. Sharpe of Bristol and Olsen of Jamaica to H. 754

Reps. Sharpe of Bristol and Olsen of Jamaica move that the bill be amended by adding a Sec. 3a to read as follows:

Sec. 3a. GENERAL FUND TRANSFER BASE CALCULATION

(a) At the end of fiscal year 2013 and at the end of any following fiscal year, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. §§ 308c and 308d, after the general fund budget stabilization reserve attains its statutory maximum, one-half of any additional unreserved and undesignated general fund balance shall be added to the amount transferred to the education fund until the joint fiscal committee has determined that the goal in subsection (c) of this section has been met.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount equal to the amount transferred to the education fund under subsection (a) of this section shall be added to the base amount used to calculate the general fund transfer under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) for the following fiscal year.

(c) It is the intent of the general assembly to gradually return to the adjusted amount of the general fund transfer, as increased annually under the formula prescribed by 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2), that would have been used but for the changes in Sec. E.513.1 of No. 63 of the Acts of 2011. The joint fiscal committee shall determine when the increases to the base amount in 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) made under subsection (b) of this section have attained the goal stated in this subsection.

(d) The joint fiscal office shall report to the joint fiscal committee at least annually on the progress made under this section in returning to the base amount of the general fund transfer to the education fund under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) of \$280,200,000, as increased by the inflationary index in that section, starting in fiscal year 2008.

Amendment to be offered by Reps. Browning of Arlington and Scheuermann of Stowe to H. 754

Reps. Browning of Arlington and Scheuermann of Stowe move that the bill be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 1 (fiscal year 2013 education property tax rates), in subdivision (a)(1), by striking out “\$1.37” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$1.34” and, in subdivision (a)(2), by striking out “\$0.88” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$0.85”

Second: By adding a Sec. 3a to read:

Sec. 3a. REPEAL

Sec. E.513.1 of No. 63 of the Acts of 2011 is repealed.

H. 755

An act relating to extending the deadline for adoption of certain health department rules.

(**Rep. Frank of Underhill** will speak for the Committee on **Human Services**.)

Favorable with Amendment

H. 565

An act relating to regulating licensed lenders and mortgage loan originators

Rep. Young of Glover, for the Committee on **Commerce and Economic Development**, recommends the bill be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 2, 8 V.S.A. § 2201, in subdivision (d)(10), by striking “\$50,000.00” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$75,000.00”

Second: In Sec. 2, 8 V.S.A. § 2201, in subdivision (e)(1), by striking “2200(19)” and inserting in lieu thereof “2200(22)”

and that when so amended the bill ought to pass

(**Committee Vote: 10-0-1**)

Consent Calendar

Concurrent Resolutions

The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before the end of the session of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary's office and/or the House Clerk's office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar.

H.C.R. 254

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Springfield High School Division II championship softball team

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House concurrent resolution urging the restoration of intercity bus service to Rutland City

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Commission Executive Director Mark Blucher

Public Hearings

PUBLIC HEARING

**Public Hearing on the Governor's proposed Fiscal Year 2013 state
budget**

For Advocates

House Committee on Appropriations

**Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. or Wednesday, February 15,
2012, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.** – The House Committee on Appropriations will hold a
public hearing for advocates in room 10 of the State House on the Governor's
proposed FY2013 state budget. Please sign up in advance, if possible, with
Theresa Utton-Jerman at (802) 828-5767 or tutton@leg.state.vt.us or room 40.

The Governor's budget proposal can be viewed at the Department of
Finance's website: http://finance.vermont.gov/state_budget/rec.

February 22, 2012 - 9:00-11:00 AM - Tourism in Vermont - Committee on
Commerce and Economic Development

Information Notice

Deadline for Introducing Bills

Pursuant to Rule 40(b) of the Rules and Orders of the Vermont House of
Representatives, during the second year of the biennium, except with the prior
consent of the Committee on Rules, no member may introduce a bill into the
House drafted in standard form after the last day of January. Bills may be
introduced in Short Form until the second Friday after Town Meeting Day.

In order to meet this deadline all sign out sheets must be submitted to the
Legislative Council no later than the close of business on Friday, January 27,
2012. Requests for short form bills may be made until Wednesday, February
15, 2012.

Pursuant to Rule 40(c) during the second year of the biennium, except with
the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no committee, except the
Committees on Appropriations, Ways and Means or Government Operations,
may introduce a bill drafted in standard form after the last day of March. The
Committees on Appropriations, Ways and Means bills may be drafted in
standard form at any time, and Government Operations bills, pertaining to city
or town charter changes, may be drafted in standard form at any time.

PUBLIC HEARING
Joint Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2013 state budget
on Vermont Interactive Television
House and Senate Committees on Appropriations

Monday, February 13, 2012, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. – The House and Senate Committees on Appropriations will hold a joint public hearing on Vermont Interactive Television (V.I.T.) to give Vermonters throughout the state an opportunity to express their views about the state budget for fiscal year 2013. All 14 V.I.T. sites will be available for the hearing: Bennington, Brattleboro, Castleton, Johnson, Lyndonville, Middlebury, Montpelier, Newport, Randolph Center, Rutland, Springfield, St. Albans, White River Junction and Williston. V.I.T.'s web site has an up-to-date location listing, including driving directions, addresses and telephone numbers, <http://www.vitlink.org/>.

For the first time, the budget hearing will be VIEWABLE via the internet if your computer has flash-based streaming capabilities.

Go to www.vtlink.org/streamingmedia/vtcvitopen.php

Some mobile devices may require additional software.

The Governor's budget proposal can be viewed at the Department of Finance's website: http://finance.vermont.gov/state_budget/rec. For information about the format of this event or to submit written testimony, call the House Appropriations Committee office at 802/828-5767 or email tutton@leg.state.vt.us. Requests for interpreters should be made to the office by 12:00 noon on Monday, January 30, 2012.

Joint Assembly

NOTICE OF JOINT ASSEMBLY

Thursday, February 16, 2012 - 10:30 A.M. - Election of two (2) trustees for the Vermont State Colleges Corporation.

Candidates for the positions of trustee must notify the Secretary of State **in writing** not later than Thursday, February 9, 2012, by 5:00 P.M. pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. §12(b). Otherwise their names will not appear on the ballots for these positions.

The following rules shall apply to the conduct of these elections:

First: All nominations for these offices will be presented in alphabetical order prior to voting.

Second: There will be only one nominating speech of not more than three (3) minutes and not more than two seconding speeches of not more than one (1) minute each for each nominee.