Senate Calendar

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012

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JOINT ASSEMBLY

Joint Assembly at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon to hear the Governor's Budget Address.

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ACTION CALENDAR

NEW BUSINESS

House Proposal of Amendment to Senate Proposal of Amendment to House Proposal of Amendment

S. 92

An act relating to the protection of students' health by requiring the use of safe cleaning products in schools

The House concurs in the Senate proposal of amendment to the House proposal of amendment with further amendment thereto as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 2 (Transition), subdivision (1), by striking both references to "2011" and inserting in lieu thereof "2012"

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 2, subdivision (2), by striking both references to "<u>2012</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof "<u>2013</u>"

<u>Third</u>: In Sec. 4 (Effective Date), by striking "2011" and inserting in lieu thereof "2012"

NOTICE CALENDAR

H. 461.

An act relating to the reimbursement of statewide education property taxes that were abated due to flood damage.

Reported favorably by Senator MacDonald for the Committee on Finance.

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

(No House amendments)

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION

H.C.R. 204-216 (For text of Resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar for January 5, 2012)

S.C.R. 25-26 (For text of Resolutions, see Addendum to Senate Calendar for January 12, 2012)

CONFIRMATIONS

The following appointments will be considered by the Senate, as a group, under suspension of the Rules, as moved by the President *pro tempore*, for confirmation together and without debate, by consent thereby given by the

Senate. However, upon request of any senator, any appointment may be singled out and acted upon separately by the Senate, with consideration given to the report of the Committee to which the appointment was referred, and with full debate; <u>and further</u>, all appointments for the positions of Secretaries of Agencies, Commissioners of Departments, Judges, Magistrates, and members of the Public Service Board shall be fully and separately acted upon.

Karen Hein of Jacksonville – Member of the Green Mountain Care Board – By Sen. Pollina for the Committee on Health and Welfare. (1/9/12)

Cornelius Hogan, Jr. of Plainfield– Member of the Green Mountain Care Board – By Sen. Mullin for the Committee on Health and Welfare. (1/9/12)

Allan M. Ramsay of Essex Junction – Member of the Green Mountain Care Board – By Sen. Fox for the Committee on Health and Welfare. (1/9/12)

<u>Anya Wallack</u> of Little Compton – Chair of the Green Mountain Care Board – By Sen. Ayer for the Committee on Health and Welfare. (1/9/12)

Alfred J. Gobeille of Shelburne – Member of the Green Mountain Care Board – By Sen. Miller for the Committee on Health and Welfare. (1/9/12)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Adjustment Room: 10, State House House Committee on Appropriation

Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – The House Appropriations Committee will hold a public hearing in room 10 of the State House on the Governor's proposed FY 2012 budget adjustment. The proposed budget adjustment can viewed the Joint Fiscal be on website http://www.leg.state.vt.us/jfo/budget_fy2012.aspx. Testimony should limited to 2-3 minutes (subject to change) and space reserved in advance with Theresa Utton-Jerman in room 40 of the State House or (802) 828-5767 or email tutton@leg.state.vt.us.

REPORTS ON FILE

Reports 2012

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. §20(c), one (1) hard copy of the following reports is on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate. Effective January 2010, pursuant to Act No. 192, Adj. Sess. (2008) §5.005(g) some reports will automatically be sent by electronic copy only and can be found on the State of Vermont webpage.

1. Certificate of Need Application of Bio-Medical Applications of New Hampshire, Inc. (BISHCA Docket No. 11004.H). (January 2012)

2. Joint Legislative Corrections Oversight Committee. (January 2012)

JFO NOTICE

INFORMATION NOTICE

The following items were recently received by the Joint Fiscal Committee:

- **JFO** #2547 One limited service position to for inventory management and emergency supply distribution under the terms of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Readiness Initiative. These duties are currently performed by a contractor. Conversion to a limited service position will save approximately \$65,000 per year. This position will be funded through a previously approved grant.
- JFO #2548 \$996,566 grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to the Vermont Department of Public Service. These funds will be used to create a self-sustaining market for energy-efficient retrofitting of commercial buildings. The project will utilize existing partnerships between regulators, efficiency experts, the lending industry, and the business community to create a program that provides access to financing capital through a combination of private and federal funding sources.
- **JFO** #2549 \$852,557 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Agency of Transportation. These funds will be used to provide deferral disaster assistance for damages caused by flooding on May 20, 2011 in the Franklin County, Washington County and Windham County.
- **JFO** #2550 \$18,090,369 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Vermont Health Access. This grant will be used for planning of design and implementation of a Health benefit Exchange pursuant to the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Twenty-seven (7) limited service positions are included with this request.