Journal of the House

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

At one o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Pastor Michael Murray of the United Christian Assembly Church in Jericho, VT.

Message from the Senate No. 14

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

J.R.S. 46. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate has on its part passed Senate bills of the following titles:

- **S. 113.** An act relating to prevention, identification, and reporting of child abuse and neglect at independent schools.
 - **S. 203.** An act relating to child support enforcement.
 - **S. 236.** An act relating to health care practitioner signature authority.

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

The Governor has informed the Senate that on the ninth day of February, 2012, he approved and signed a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 249. An act relating to Vermont Strong commemorative motor vehicle plates.

Message from Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Ms. Alexandra Maclean, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House that on the sixth day of February, 2012, he approved and signed bills originating in the House of the following titles:

- H. 507 An act relating to authorizing the city of Burlington to issue in fiscal year 2012 the school bond approved in 2009.
- H. 515 An act relating to holding public agencies harmless for disclosure of property tax adjustment information

Message from Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Ms. Alexandra Maclean, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House that on the tenth day of February, 2012, he approved and signed a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 505 An act relating to allowing the treasurer to defer the December 1, 2011 education payments to help towns affected by federal disasters in 2011 in Vermont

Committee Bill Introduced

H. 759

Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg, for the committee on Judiciary, introduced a bill, entitled

An act relating to permitting the use of secure residential recovery facilities for continued involuntary treatment

Which was read the first time and, under the rule, placed on the Calendar for notice tomorrow.

Senate Bills Referred

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read the first time and referred as follows:

S. 113

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to prevention, identification, and reporting of child abuse and neglect at independent schools;

To the committee on Education.

S. 203

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to child support enforcement;

To the committee on Judiciary.

S. 236

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to health care practitioner signature authority;

To the committee on Health Care.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 556

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating a private activity bond advisory committee

Appearing on the Calendar, carrying an appropriation, under rule 35a, was referred to the committee on Appropriations.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 46

By Senators Carris and Mullin,

J.R.S. 46. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Thursday, February 16, 2012, or, Friday, February 17, 2012, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

Was taken up read and adopted in concurrence.

Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed **Rep. Krowinski of Burlington** to the committee on Human Services.

Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered

H. 39

Rep. Andrews of Rutland City, for the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to advance directives for service members

Reported in favor of its passage when amended as follows:

By striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 9715 is amended to read:

§ 9715. INTERPRETATION WITH OTHER LAWS

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(d) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit the effect of a DD Form 93 (Record of Emergency Data) properly executed by a current or former member of the armed forces of the United States described in 10 U.S.C. § 1481(a).

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

and by amending the title of the bill to read "An act relating to persons authorized to direct disposition of service members' remains"

The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time, report of the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs agreed to and third reading ordered.

Rules Suspended; Bill Committed H. 759

Pending entrance of the bill on the Calendar for notice, on motion of **Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg**, the rules were suspended and House bill, entitled

An act relating to permitting the use of secure residential recovery facilities for continued involuntary treatment

Was taken up for immediate consideration.

Pending second reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg**, the bill was committed to the committee on Judiciary.

Adjournment

At one o'clock and thirty-five minutes in the afternoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.