# Journal of the Senate

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2011**

The Senate was called to order by the President.

#### **Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Kevin Rooney of Northfield.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

The President then led the members of the Senate in the pledge of allegiance.

## Message from the House No. 38

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 a House bill of the following title:

**H. 202.** An act relating to a single-payer and unified health system.

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

The House has adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

- **H.C.R. 99.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the DREAM Program, Inc. on its 10th anniversary.
- **H.C.R. 100.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Bellows Free Academy-St. Albans Comets Division I girls' ice hockey team.
- **H.C.R. 101.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Jeremy Haskins on being named a 2011 winner of the North American Retail Hardware Association's Young Retailer of the Year Award.
- **H.C.R. 102.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 U-32 Raiders Division II championship girls' hockey team.
- **H.C.R. 103.** House concurrent resolution welcoming the decision of the International Earth Science Olympiad to come to Vermont in 2014.

- **H.C.R. 104.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship cheerleading team.
- **H.C.R. 105.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Rice Memorial High School Green Knights Division I championship girls' basketball team.
- **H.C.R. 106.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Vermont LifeSmarts championship team from Champlain Valley Union High School.
- **H.C.R.** 107. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks Division I championship boys' Nordic ski team.

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

## Joint Senate Resolution 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 Senators Carris and Mullin,

**J.R.S. 24.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

# Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, April 1, 2011, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, April 5, 2011.

#### **Bill Referred**

House bill of the following title was read the first time and referred:

#### H. 202.

An act relating to a single-payer and unified health system.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

#### **Bill Introduced**

Senate bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred:

## S. 102.

By Senator Sears,

An act relating to restitution.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

## S. 103.

By Senator White, Snelling, Ashe, Ayer, Baruth, Fox, Lyons, MacDonald, McCormack, Miller and Pollina,

An act relating to patient choice and control at end of life.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

# **Third Reading Ordered**

S. 53.

Senator Baruth, for the Committee on Education, to which was referred Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to the number of prekindergarten children included within a school district's average daily membership.

Reported that the bill ought to pass.

Senator Fox, for the Committee on Finance, to which the bill was referred, reported that the bill ought to pass.

Senator Kitchel, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which the bill was referred, reported that the bill ought to pass.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

## **Joint Resolutions Adopted in Concurrence**

Joint House resolutions entitled:

- **J.R.H. 14.** Joint resolution urging Congress and the United States Departments of Labor and of Homeland Security to authorize H-2A visas for 12-month agricultural workers.
- **J.R.H. 15.** Joint resolution urging the Federal Communications Commission to protect the financial viability of telephone service in rural communities.

Having been placed on the Calendar for action, were taken up.

Thereupon, the resolutions were severally adopted in concurrence.

#### **Bills Passed**

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

**S. 36.** An act relating to the surplus lines insurance multi-state compliance compact.

# **S. 101.** An act relating to child support enforcement.

## Proposals of Amendment; Bill Ordered to Lie

#### H. 46.

Senator Kittell, for the Committee on Education, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to youth athletes with concussions participating in athletic activities.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 2, 16 V.S.A. § 1431(a)(4)(D) at the end of the subparagraph by striking out the word "<u>or</u>" and in subparagraph (E) at the end of the subparagraph before the period by inserting the following: ; or

## (F) a chiropractor licensed pursuant to chapter 10 of Title 26

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 2, 16 V.S.A. § 1431(b) by striking out the words "<u>and the Vermont School Boards Association</u>" and by striking out the words "<u>those associations</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof the words <u>that association</u>

And that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with such proposals of amendment.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and pending the question, Shall the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as recommended by the Committee on Education?, Senator Campbell moved that the bill be ordered to lie, which was agreed to.

#### Adjournment

On motion of Senator Campbell, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, March 30, 2011.