Journal of the House

Thursday, February 7, 2013

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by poet, writer, Julia Shipley from Craftsbury, Vt.

Communication from Governor

"February 6,2013 The Honorable Shapleigh Smith, Jr. Speaker of the House 115 State Street, Drawer 33 Montpelier, VT 05633

Dear Speaker Smith,

I have the honor to inform you that I have appointed Warren VanWyck, of 3502 Middlebrook Road, Ferrisburgh, VT 05456, to serve in the General Assembly representing House District Addison-3, formerly held by Representative Greg Clark.

Sincerely,

s/sPeter Shumlin Governor"

Oath Administered to New Member

The Speaker directed the Sergeant at Arms, Francis Brooks, to conduct Warren VanWyck, the appointed member from Ferrisburgh, to the bar of the House where he took the subscribed oath, administered by the Clerk, as required by the Constitution and laws of the State.

New Member Seated

Rep. VanWyck of Ferrisburgh, the newly appointed member, having taken and subscribed the oath administered by the Clerk, as required by the Constitution and laws of the State, was conducted to his seat by Sergeant at Arms, Francis Brooks.

House Bills Introduced

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred to committee or placed on the Calendar as follows:

H. 207

By Reps. Browning of Arlington and Moran of Wardsboro,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to a unified budget;

To the committee on Appropriations.

H. 208

By Reps. Krowinski of Burlington, Donovan of Burlington, Bouchard of Colchester, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Cross of Winooski, Davis of Washington, Evans of Essex, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lenes of Shelburne, Macaig of Williston, Martin of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Moran of Wardsboro, Mrowicki of Putney, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Sharpe of Bristol, South of St. Johnsbury, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Till of Jericho, Townsend of South Burlington, Weed of Enosburgh, Wizowaty of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to absence from work for health care and safety;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 209

By Reps. McCullough of Williston, Bartholomew of Hartland, Beyor of Highgate, Burke of Brattleboro, Christie of Hartford, Conquest of Newbury, Deen of Westminster, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donovan of Burlington, Fagan of Rutland City, Frank of Underhill, Greshin of Warren, Head of South Burlington, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Krebs of South Hero, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Lenes of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, Marcotte of Coventry, Martin of Springfield, Masland of Thetford, McCormack of Burlington, Mrowicki of Putney, Pearson of Burlington, Peltz of Woodbury, Poirier of Barre City, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Sharpe of Bristol, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Stevens of Shoreham, Till of Jericho, Webb of Shelburne, Wilson of Manchester, Wizowaty of Burlington, Woodward of

Johnson, Yantachka of Charlotte and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to passing and yielding to vulnerable users;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 210

By Rep. Krebs of South Hero,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to requiring a permit for the incidental taking of an endangered or threatened species;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

H. 211

By Reps. McFaun of Barre Town, Stevens of Shoreham, Batchelor of Derby, Bouchard of Colchester, Buxton of Tunbridge, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donaghy of Poultney, Donahue of Northfield, Sharpe of Bristol, Wilson of Manchester and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to precursor drugs of methamphetamine;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 212

By Reps. McFaun of Barre Town and Stevens of Shoreham,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to monitoring the purchase of products containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 213

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Cheney of Norwich, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, French of Randolph, Malcolm of Pawlet, Martin of Springfield, McCullough of Williston, Pearson of Burlington, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Shoreham, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Waite-Simpson of Essex, Yantachka of Charlotte and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to therapeutic use of marijuana for relieving symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 214

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Bouchard of Colchester, Browning of Arlington, Buxton of Tunbridge, Cheney of Norwich, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Martin of Wolcott, Moran of Wardsboro, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Shoreham, Till of Jericho and Waite-Simpson of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to workers' compensation funeral expenses;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 215

By Reps. Partridge of Windham, Botzow of Pownal, Toll of Danville and Trieber of Rockingham,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expedited termination of tenancy;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 216

By Rep. Cheney of Norwich,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to reducing energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 217

By Reps. Frank of Underhill, Batchelor of Derby, Krowinski of Burlington and Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to smoking in partially enclosed structures, lodging establishments, and state lands;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 218

By Reps. Partridge of Windham and Trieber of Rockingham,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the application of the public trust doctrine to rivers and streams;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

H. 219

By Rep. Johnson of Canaan,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to escrow accounts for municipalities to review applications for proposed electric generation facilities;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 220

By Rep. Johnson of Canaan,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to extending the comment period for construction proposals for energy facilities;

To the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

H. 221

By Rep. Johnson of Canaan,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to notice of placement at designated residential service homes;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 222

By Rep. Johnson of Canaan,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to designated residential service homes;

To the committee on Human Services.

Bill Amended, Read Third Time and Passed

H. 51

House bill, entitled

An act relating to payment of workers' compensation benefits by electronic payroll card

Was taken up and pending third reading of the bill, **Rep. Marcotte of Coventry** moved to amend the bill as follows:

By striking "15 U.S.C. § 1601," and inserting in lieu thereof "15 U.S.C. § 1693 et seq."

Which was agreed to. Thereupon, the bill was read the third time and passed.

Adjournment

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