Journal of the House

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Rebecca Girrell of Trinity United Methodist Church, Montpelier, Vt.

House Bill Introduced

H. 890

By Reps. Wright of Burlington, Donovan of Burlington, Cole of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, McCormack of Burlington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington and Wizowaty of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the City of Burlington regarding the redistricting of City election areas;

To the committee on Government Operations.

Senate Bills Referred

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

S. 241

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to binding arbitration for State employees;

To the committee on Government Operations.

S. 252

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to financing for Green Mountain Care;

To the committee on Health Care.

Message from Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Louis Porter, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House that on the first day of April, 2014, he approved and signed a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 702 An act relating to self-generation and net metering

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 53

By Senators Baruth and Benning,

J.R.S. 53. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, April 4, 2014, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, April 8, 2014.

Was taken up read and adopted in concurrence.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 552

House bill, entitled

An act relating to raising the Vermont minimum wage

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

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee

S. 40

Rep. Heath of Westford moved that the committee on Appropriations be relieved of Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing an interim committee that will develop policies to restore the 1980 ratio of state funding to student tuition at Vermont State Colleges and to make higher education more affordable

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Education, which was agreed to.

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee

S. 272

Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg moved that the committee on Judiciary be relieved of Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to detention of public inebriates

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Corrections and Institutions, which was agreed to.

Senate Proposal of Amendment Concurred in

H. 441

The Senate proposed to the House to amend House bill, entitled

An act relating to changing provisions within the Vermont Common Interest Ownership Act related to owners of time-shares

In Sec. 6, by striking "July 1, 2013" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2014

Which proposal of amendment was considered and concurred in.

Senate Proposal of Amendment Concurred in With an Amendment Thereto

H. 609

The Senate proposed to the House to amend House bill, entitled

An act relating to terminating propane service

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. § 2461b, in subdivision (a)(1)(C)(i), by striking out the word "a" and inserting in lieu thereof the word its

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. § 2461b, in subdivision (a)(1)(C)(ii), after the semicolon, by inserting the word <u>or</u>

<u>Third</u>: In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. § 2461b, by striking out subdivision (a)(1)(C)(iii) in its entirety and by renumbering the remaining subdivision to be numerically correct.

Pending the question, Shall the House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment? **Rep. Kitzmiller of Montpelier** moved that the House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment with a further amendment thereto as follows:

In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. § 2461b as follows:

<u>First</u>: By striking out subdivision (a)(1)(A) and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (a)(1)(A) to read:

(A) "Consumer" means any person who, for consumption and not for resale, purchases propane for consumption and not for resale through a meter or has propane delivered to one or more storage tanks of 2,000 gallons or less.

<u>Second</u>: In subdivision (a)(1)(C)(i), after "<u>locks off</u>" and before "<u>propane</u> tank" by striking "its" and inserting in lieu thereof that seller's.

Which was ageed to.

Message from the Senate No. 40

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 considered a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 676. An act relating to regulation of land uses within flood hazard areas.

And has passed the same in concurrence with proposal of amendment in the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Adjournment

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