Journal of the Senate

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2014

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

S. 201.

Senate bill of the following title, appearing on the Calendar for notice and carrying an appropriation or requiring the expenditure of funds, under the rule was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

An act relating to siting review by the Public Service Board.

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 Baruth and Benning,

J.R.S. 50. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, March 28, 2014, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, April 1, 2014.

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

H. 325.

An act relating to a bill of rights for children of arrested and incarcerated parents.

To the Committee on Institutions.

H. 646.

An act relating to unemployment insurance.

To the Committee on Finance.

H. 699.

An act relating to temporary housing.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. 758.

An act relating to notice of potential layoffs.

To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

H. 866.

An act relating to qualifications of judicial officers and judicial selection and retention.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 874.

An act relating to consent for admission to hospice care and for DNR/COLST orders.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. 875.

An act relating to the elimination of a defendant's right to a trial by jury in traffic appeals and fines for driving with license suspended.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill Passed in Concurrence with Proposal of Amendment

H. 559.

House bill of the following title was read the third time and passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment:

An act relating to membership on the Building Bright Futures Council.

Third Reading Ordered

H. 577.

Senator Collins, for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to ski tramways.

Reported that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

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

Message from the Governor

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

Mr. President:

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

S. 27. An act relating to respectful language in the Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Message from the Governor

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

Mr. President:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the Senate that on the twenty-fourth day of March, 2014 he approved and signed a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 317. An act relating to repealing the unconstitutional Vermont statutes related to the performance of abortions.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Campbell, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock and thirty minutes in the afternoon on Wednesday, March 26, 2014.