Journal of the House

Friday, January 16, 2015

At nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Speaker.

Memorial Service

The Speaker placed before the House the following names of members of past sessions of the Vermont General Assembly who had passed away recently:

Edwin C. Granai of Burlington  Member of the House
Sessions 1975-76, 1977-78
Member of the Senate
Sessions 1991-92 and 1993

Ronald R. Knapp of Bennington  Member of the House in
Sessions 1983-84 through 1991-92

Thereupon, the members of the House rose for a moment of prayer in memory of the deceased members. The Clerk was thereupon directed to send a copy of the House Journal to the bereaved families

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. 23

By Rep. Buxton of Tunbridge,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act;
To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 24

By Reps. Poirier of Barre City and McCormack of Burlington,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to increasing subsidies in the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange and establishing a sugar-sweetened beverage tax;
To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 25**

By Reps. Yantachka of Charlotte, McCullough of Williston, Lippert of Hinesburg, Townsend of South Burlington and Zagar of Barnard,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to natural burial grounds;
To the committee on General, Housing & Military Affairs.

**H. 26**

By Rep. Krebs of South Hero,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the taking of endangered or threatened species;
To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

**H. 27**

By Rep. Krebs of South Hero,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to implementation of best management practices;
To the committee on Agriculture & Forest Products.

**Ethics Committee Appointed**

The Speaker appointed the following named members to the Ethics Committee:

- Rep. Deen of Westminster
- Rep. Cupoli of Rutland City
- Rep. Haas of Rochester
- Rep. Sweaney of Windsor
- Rep. Martin of Wolcott

**Adjournment**

At nine o'clock and fifty minutes in the forenoon, on motion of Rep. Turner of Milton, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 20, 2015, at ten o’clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of JRS 7.
Concurrent Resolutions Adopted

The following concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the Consent Calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no member having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are hereby adopted in concurrence.

H.C.R. 1

House concurrent resolution recognizing January 8, 2015, as Homelessness Awareness Day at the State House;

H.C.R. 2

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Timothy Corcoran of Bennington;

H.C.R. 3

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Otter Valley Union High School Otters’ 2014 Division II championship softball team;

H.C.R. 4

House concurrent resolution congratulating Rico Babic on his 100th birthday;

H.C.R. 5

House concurrent resolution honoring former Grafton volunteer fire chiefs Ed McWilliam and Eric Stevens for their outstanding community service;

H.C.R. 6

House concurrent resolution congratulating Norwich University’s Sullivan Museum and History Center on being designated as Vermont’s first Smithsonian affiliate;

S.C.R. 1

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Mad River Valley 10- and 11-year-old Little League All-Star Vermont championship baseball team;

S.C.R. 2

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Canadian Club Inc. of Barre on its 75th anniversary;

[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the House Calendar Addendum on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2014, seventy-third Biennial session.]