Journal of the House

Friday, January 23, 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 Rev. Carl VanOsdall of the First Presbyterian Church, Barre, Vt.

Memorial Service

The Speaker placed before the House the following name of a member of past sessions of the Vermont General Assembly who had passed away recently:

Dominique Casavant of Winooski
Member of the House
in the Session of 1978-79

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

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. 47
By Rep. Keenan of St. Albans City,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to voting by mail;
To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 48
By Rep. Branagan of Georgia,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the creation of a committee to study the salary schedules for deputy sheriffs;
To the committee on Government Operations.
H. 49

By Reps. Keenan of St. Albans City, Fagan of Rutland City and Feltus of Lyndon,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to tuition payments and public high school choice;
To the committee on Education.

H. 50

By Reps. Komline of Dorset, Wright of Burlington, Ancel of Calais, Branagan of Georgia, Canfield of Fair Haven, Clarkson of Woodstock, Condon of Colchester, Donahue of Northfield, Greshin of Warren, Poirier of Barre City, Scheuermann of Stowe, Till of Jericho and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to increasing the General Fund transfer to the Education Fund to reflect the cost of newly enacted education mandates;
To the committee on Education.

H. 51

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal, Marcotte of Coventry, Baser of Bristol, Carr of Brandon, Dakin of Colchester, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Parent of St. Albans City, Sibilia of Dover and Stuart of Brattleboro,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to group-wide supervision of internationally active insurance groups;
To the committee on Commerce & Economic Development.

H. 52

By Reps. Komline of Dorset, Chesnut-Tangeman of Middletown Springs, Young of Glover and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to exceptions for inspection of poultry slaughtering;
To the committee on Agriculture & Forest Products.

H. 53

By Rep. Branagan of Georgia,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to isolation distances for potable water supplies and wastewater systems;
To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

H. 54
By Reps. Keenan of St. Albans City, Branagan of Georgia, Brennan of Colchester, Condon of Colchester, Dakin of Colchester, Donovan of Burlington, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Lenes of Shelburne, Parent of St. Albans City and Pearson of Burlington,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to manure application on farms located in watersheds of nutrient impaired lakes;
To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

H. 55
By Reps. Rachelson of Burlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Dakin of Chester, Evans of Essex, Gonzalez of Winooski, Krowinski of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington and Sullivan of Burlington,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to automatic renewal provisions in consumer contracts;
To the committee on Commerce & Economic Development.

H. 56
By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to strict liability for dog owners;
To the committee on Agriculture & Forest Products.

H. 57
By Reps. Rachelson of Burlington, Burke of Brattleboro, Clarkson of Woodstock, Gonzalez of Winooski, Lenes of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Pearson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Till of Jericho and Walz of Barre City,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to presumed consent for organ donation;
To the committee on Human Services.
H. 58

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal and Marcotte of Coventry,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Public Utility Underground Facility Damage Prevention System;

To the committee on Commerce & Economic Development.

H. 59

By Reps. Komline of Dorset, Clarkson of Woodstock, Krowinski of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City and Till of Jericho,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to banning the sale of flavored liquid nicotine;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 60

By Reps. Komline of Dorset, Scheuermann of Stowe, Condon of Colchester and Greshin of Warren,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to developing a supported State-based marketplace exchange;

To the committee on Health Care.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 11

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the membership of the Commission on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders

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

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 10

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Barre

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.
Action on Bill Postponed

H. 4

House bill, entitled

An act relating to prohibiting the manufacture or sale of personal care
products and over-the-counter drugs containing microbeads

Was taken up and pending the reading of the report of the committee on
Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources, on motion of Rep. McCullough of
Williston, action on the bill was postponed until the next legislative day.

Adjournment

At nine o’clock and fifty minutes in the forenoon, on motion of Rep.
Turner of Milton, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at
ten o’clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of JRS 8.

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 Joint Rules of the Senate and House of
Representatives, are hereby adopted in concurrence.

H.C.R. 7

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Wendy’s High School
Heisman Awards’ Vermont State winners Abigail Schmidt and John Winslow;

H.C.R. 8

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Essex Union High
School Hornets State championship boys’ volleyball team;

H.C.R. 9

House concurrent resolution congratulating Dr. Delores Barbeau on being
named by the Vermont Academy of Family Physicians as the 2014 Physician
of the Year;

H.C.R. 10

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex Union High School
Hornets 2014 Division I championship field hockey team;

H.C.R. 11

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Black River High School Presidents’ Division IV championship softball team;
H.C.R. 12

House concurrent resolution designating January 2015 as National Mentoring Month in Vermont;

H.C.R. 13

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Marion Milne of Washington;

H.C.R. 14

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Dolloff Acres Farm in Springfield on its winning the 2014 Vermont Dairy Farm of the Year Award;

[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 2015, seventy-third Biennial session.]