

# Journal of the House

**Tuesday, January 12, 2016**

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

## **Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by Father Michael Augustinowicz of St. Augustine Church, Montpelier, VT.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Page Mariana Considine of Hardwick** led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Message from the Senate No. 2**

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 on its part adopted Senate concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

**S.C.R. 25.** Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Central Vermont Humane Society on its 50th anniversary.

**S.C.R. 26.** Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program on its 50th anniversary.

**S.C.R. 27.** Senate concurrent resolution honoring Dr. David Toll of St. Johnsbury for his exemplary dedication to the practice of pediatric medicine.

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

**H.C.R. 184.** House concurrent resolution recognizing January 7, 2016, as Homelessness Awareness Day at the State House.

**H.C.R. 185.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the Lamoille Union High School Lancers 2015 Division II championship baseball team.

**H.C.R. 186.** House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Robert Walsh of South Burlington for his advocacy and public service on behalf of the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery.

**H.C.R. 187.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Marion Brown Thorpe, University of Vermont Professor Emerita, on her 100th birthday.

**H.C.R. 188.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Alayna Westcom of Bakersfield on being named Miss Vermont 2015.

**H.C.R. 189.** House concurrent resolution honoring former Fletcher Town Clerk and Treasurer Elaine Sweet.

**H.C.R. 190.** House concurrent resolution in memory of extraordinary Vermont pianist and cultural treasure John Cassel of East Fairfield.

**H.C.R. 191.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 U.S. Women's World Cup championship soccer team.

**H.C.R. 192.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Mary V. and Paul H. Hughes of Rutland on their 75th wedding anniversary.

**H.C.R. 193.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the National Park Service on its centennial anniversary and celebrating its outstanding conservation, preservation, and recreational activities in Vermont.

#### **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. 534**

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield, Haas of Rochester, Hooper of Montpelier, Shaw of Pittsford and Grad of Moretown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to home detention and home confinement furlough;

To the committee on Corrections & Institutions.

#### **H. 535**

By Rep. Till of Jericho,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to health insurance coverage for the early refill of prescription eye drops;

To the committee on Health Care.

#### **H. 536**

By Rep. Clarkson of Woodstock,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the burden of proof for reduction of murder charge to manslaughter;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 537**

By Reps. LaClair of Barre Town, Bancroft of Westford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Fiske of Enosburgh, Gage of Rutland City, Graham of Williamstown, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Lewis of Berlin, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Morrissey of Bennington, Parent of St. Albans Town, Purvis of Colchester, Tate of Mendon, Townsend of South Burlington and Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the disclosure of information to landlords;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 538**

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 Town, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sibia of Dover and Stuart of Brattleboro,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to captive insurance companies;

To the committee on Commerce & Economic Development.

**H. 539**

By Rep. Deen of Westminster,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishment of a Pollinator Protection Committee;

To the committee on Agriculture & Forest Products.

**H. 540**

By Rep. Townsend of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to residential rental agreements;

To the committee on General, Housing & Military Affairs.

**H. 541**

By Rep. Myers of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allocation of fine proceeds from enforcement of the State's distracted driving laws;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 542**

By Rep. Townsend of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to motor-assisted bicycles;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 543**

By Reps. Donahue of Northfield, Bancroft of Westford, Briglin of Thetford, Dakin of Chester, Morris of Bennington, Patt of Worcester, Poirier of Barre City and Woodward of Johnson,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to insurance coverage for telemedicine services delivered in or outside a health care facility;

To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 544**

By Rep. Clarkson of Woodstock,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the powers of the boards of abatement;

To the committee on Ways & Means.

**H. 545**

By Reps. Hubert of Milton, Bancroft of Westford, Baser of Bristol, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Berry of Manchester, Bissonnette of Winooski, Burditt of West Rutland, Buxton of Tunbridge, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Dakin of Colchester, Devereux of Mount Holly, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Feltus of Lyndon, Fiske of Enosburgh, Gage of Rutland

City, Gamache of Swanton, Graham of Williamstown, Higley of Lowell, Jerman of Essex, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, LaClair of Barre Town, Lenex of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Lucke of Hartford, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Martin of Wolcott, McFaun of Barre Town, Myers of Essex, Olsen of Londonderry, Pearce of Richford, Potter of Clarendon, Purvis of Colchester, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Till of Jericho, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh, Viens of Newport City, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to chains or barriers across ways used for vehicular travel;

To the committee on Transportation.

#### **H. 546**

By Reps. Yantachka of Charlotte, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Dakin of Chester, Gamache of Swanton, Lenex of Shelburne and Tate of Mendon,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to licensing and regulating art therapists;

To the committee on Government Operations.

#### **Message from the Senate No. 3**

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 on its part passed Senate bill of the following title:

**S. 94.** An act relating to appointing municipal clerks and treasurers.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

**J.R.S. 34.** Joint resolution relating to weekend resolution.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

**Adjournment**

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