Journal of the House

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rep. Douglas Gage of Rutland City.

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. 583

By Reps. Scheuermann of Stowe, Branagan of Georgia, Hebert of Vernon, Higley of Lowell, Komline of Dorset, Krebs of South Hero, Lefebvre of Newark, Savage of Swanton and Strong of Albany,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to amending 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 46;

To the committee on Education.

H. 584

By Reps. Ram of Burlington, Deen of Westminster, Klein of East Montpelier and Partridge of Windham,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous timber harvesting, forestry, and State lands issues;

To the committee on Agriculture & Forest Products.

H. 585

By Rep. Jewett of Ripton,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to lobbying, gifts, and political contributions;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 586

By Reps. Ram of Burlington, Berry of Manchester, Briglin of Thetford, Burke of Brattleboro, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Hooper of Montpelier, Jewett of Ripton, Lalonde of South Burlington, McCormack of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Miller of Shaftsbury, Patt of Worcester, Pearson of Burlington, Ryerson of Randolph, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sullivan of Burlington, Till of Jericho, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Walz of Barre City, Yantachka of Charlotte and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to divesting the Vermont retirement systems' assets from companies that earn more than half their revenue from coal mining;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 587

By Rep. Brennan of Colchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to authorizing the use of a light to hunt coyotes;

To the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.

H. 588

By Rep. Deen of Westminster,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to an extended producer responsibility program for unused prescription drugs;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 589

By Reps. Strong of Albany, Bancroft of Westford, Batchelor of Derby, Berry of Manchester, Branagan of Georgia, Browning of Arlington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Fiske of Enosburgh, Gamache of Swanton, Graham of Williamstown, Hebert of Vernon, Lefebvre of Newark, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Potter of Clarendon, Purvis of Colchester, Quimby of Concord, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh and Viens of Newport City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to banning industrial wind;

To the committee on Natural Resources & Energy.

H. 590

By Reps. Yantachka of Charlotte, Berry of Manchester, Connor of Fairfield, Cupoli of Rutland City, Emmons of Springfield, Forguites of Springfield, Gamache of Swanton, Klein of East Montpelier, Manwaring of Wilmington, Masland of Thetford, Mrowicki of Putney, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh and Zagar of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to survivor benefits for law enforcement officers;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 591

By Rep. Quimby of Concord,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the display of year of manufacture license plates;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 592

By Reps. Brennan of Colchester, Bissonnette of Winooski, Corcoran of Bennington, Huntley of Cavendish, Murphy of Fairfax, Potter of Clarendon, Quimby of Concord, Russell of Rutland City and Shaw of Derby,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the use of transportation revenues for transportation purposes;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 593

By Reps. Zagar of Barnard, Bartholomew of Hartland, Christie of Hartford, Donahue of Northfield and Lucke of Hartford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Quechee Gorge Bridge safety measures;

To the committee on Transportation.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 36

By Senators Baruth and Benning,

J.R.S. 36. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 22, 2016, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 26, 2016.

Was taken up read and adopted in concurrence.

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee

H. 578

Rep. Sullivan of Burlington moved that the committee on Natural Resources & Energy be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to potable water supply and wastewater system permits

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources, which was agreed to.

Message from the Senate No. 6

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. 233. An act relating to amending Act 46.

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

Senate Bill Referred

S. 233

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to amending Act 46

Was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 65

House bill, entitled

An act relating to designating the Gilfeather turnip as the State Vegetable Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Adjournment

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