

Journal of the House

Thursday, June 9, 2016

VETO SESSION

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

Recess

At ten o'clock and nine minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker declared a recess until eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

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House Bill Introduced

H. 889

Rep. Deen of Westminster introduced a bill, entitled

An act relating to improving the siting of energy projects

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Recess

At eleven o'clock and ten minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker declared a recess until fall of the gavel.

At one o'clock and forty three minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Senate Bill Referred

S. 260

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to improving the siting of energy projects

Was read and pending the referral of the bill to a committee, **Rep. Sullivan of Burlington** moved to suspend the rules to bring the bill up for immediate consideration.

Pending the question, Shall the rules be suspended to take up the bill for immediate consideration? **Rep. Turner of Milton** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the rules be suspended to take up the bill for immediate consideration? was decided in the negative. Yeas, 79. Nays, 52. A vote of 99 Yeas needed.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bartholomew of Hartland	Gonzalez of Winooski	Partridge of Windham
Bissonnette of Winooski	Grad of Moretown	Patt of Worcester
Botzow of Pownal	Haas of Rochester	Pearson of Burlington
Briglin of Thetford	Hooper of Montpelier	Potter of Clarendon
Browning of Arlington	Jerman of Essex *	Rachelson of Burlington
Buxton of Tunbridge	Jewett of Ripton *	Ram of Burlington
Carr of Brandon	Johnson of South Hero	Russell of Rutland City
Chesnut-Tangerman of	Keenan of St. Albans City	Ryerson of Randolph
Middletown Springs	Kitzmiller of Montpelier	Sharpe of Bristol
Christie of Hartford	Klein of East Montpelier	Sheldon of Middlebury
Clarkson of Woodstock	Krebs of South Hero	Sibilia of Dover
Cole of Burlington	Krowinski of Burlington	Stuart of Brattleboro
Condon of Colchester	Lalonde of South Burlington	Sullivan of Burlington
Connor of Fairfield	Lanpher of Vergennes	Sweaney of Windsor
Conquest of Newbury	Lenes of Shelburne	Till of Jericho
Copeland-Hanzas of	Lippert of Hinesburg	Toleno of Brattleboro
Bradford	Long of Newfane	Townsend of South
Corcoran of Bennington	Lucke of Hartford	Burlington
Dakin of Chester	Macaig of Williston	Troiano of Stannard
Davis of Washington	Manwaring of Wilmington	Walz of Barre City
Deen of Westminster	Martin of Wolcott	Webb of Shelburne
Donovan of Burlington	Masland of Thetford	Wood of Waterbury
Eastman of Orwell	McCormack of Burlington	Woodward of Johnson
Emmons of Springfield	McCullough of Williston	Yantachka of Charlotte *
Fields of Bennington	Morris of Bennington	Young of Glover
Forguites of Springfield	Mrowicki of Putney	Zagar of Barnard
Frank of Underhill	O'Brien of Richmond	
French of Randolph	O'Sullivan of Burlington	

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bancroft of Westford	Gamache of Swanton	Myers of Essex
Baser of Bristol	Graham of Williamstown	Parent of St. Albans Town
Batchelor of Derby	Greshin of Warren	Pearce of Richford
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Hebert of Vernon	Poirier of Barre City
Beyor of Highgate	Helm of Fair Haven	Purvis of Colchester
Branagan of Georgia	Higley of Lowell	Quimby of Concord
Brennan of Colchester	Hubert of Milton	Savage of Swanton
Burditt of West Rutland	Juskiewicz of Cambridge	Scheuermann of Stowe
Canfield of Fair Haven	LaClair of Barre Town	Shaw of Pittsford
Cupoli of Rutland City	Lawrence of Lyndon	Shaw of Derby
Dame of Essex *	Lefebvre of Newark	Smith of New Haven
Devereux of Mount Holly	Lewis of Berlin	Terenzini of Rutland Town
Dickinson of St. Albans	Marcotte of Coventry	Turner of Milton *
Town	Martel of Waterford	Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh
Donahue of Northfield	McCoy of Poultney	Viens of Newport City
Fagan of Rutland City	McFaun of Barre Town	Willhoit of St. Johnsbury *
Feltus of Lyndon	Morrissey of Bennington	Wright of Burlington
Fiske of Enosburgh	Murphy of Fairfax	

Those members absent with leave of the House and not voting are:

Ancel of Calais	Head of South Burlington	Pugh of South Burlington
Berry of Manchester	Huntley of Cavendish	Stevens of Waterbury
Burke of Brattleboro	Komline of Dorset	Strong of Albany
Dakin of Colchester	Miller of Shaftsbury	Tate of Mendon
Evans of Essex	Nuovo of Middlebury	Toll of Danville
Gage of Rutland City	Olsen of Londonderry	Trieber of Rockingham

Rep. Dame of Essex explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

If members are looking for an obstructionist – look at the Governor who vetoed S.230. This session was called to address his veto; we ought to deal with that first, before starting a brand new process on a brand new bill.”

Rep. Jerman of Essex explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

This is a sad vote. Minority leadership has decided to obstruct a simple technical solution supported by almost everyone to negate a 142-0 vote in this House. It pains me on what I thought was my last day to see the Senate act with speed and courage to fix a simple problem and watch planned partisan obstruction thwart that result.”

Rep. Jewett of Ripton explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

With a veto of S.230 on our desks, now is the time to remember that politics is about what is possible. S.260 presents what is possible and avoids ending the day in an all or nothing position.”

Rep. Turner of Milton explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

The minority party has a role and legislative rules are intended to protect the voices of the few, so that the majority cannot silence them. We have now been forced to test these rules. Our Caucus has stood strong to protect the voices of Vermonters and the integrity of the state’s legislative process. Introducing a new and unvetted bill with modified language, and expecting to pass it in a few hours, sets a bad precedent, and circumvents our legislative process – a process designed to allow all parties, not just special interests, to be heard.”

Rep. Willhoit of St. Johnsbury explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice shame on me. On the last day of this year's session, we were presented with S.230 after our caucus' deadline to suspend rules. Nonetheless, after being directly told by Democratic leadership and the Administration that this compromise would be accepted and not vetoed, my caucus agreed to suspend rules. The reality is...we were lied to. I was told when I first became a member that, despite party, you can trust what is said by a member in this building. As of May 6th, that trust was broken. Despite that trust being broken, I am being asked to believe this new bill, just introduced, does not interfere with the intent and substance of S.230. You have lost my trust. I vote no."

Rep. Yantachka of Charlotte explained his vote as follows:

"Mr. Speaker:

Voting not to suspend rules to take up this bill that clarifies and removes all objections to S.230 that prompted the Governor's veto is pure politics of obstruction. We have a chance to make a good bill better, but we are prevented from doing so just to score political points."

Recess

At two o'clock and five minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker declared a recess until the fall of the gavel.

At four o'clock and forty-one minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee

H. 601

Rep. Sharpe of Bristol moved that the committee on Education be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing municipalities to retain certain types of education funding when the school district in that town merges

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Ways and Means.

Pending the question, Shall the House committee on Education be relieved and the same be committed to the House committee on Ways and Means? **Rep. McFaun of Barre Town** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the House committee on Education be relieved and the same be committed to the House committee on Ways and Means? was decided in the affirmative. Yeas, 75. Nays, 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bartholomew of Hartland	French of Randolph	Partridge of Windham
Bissonnette of Winooski	Gonzalez of Winooski	Patt of Worcester
Briglin of Thetford	Haas of Rochester	Pearson of Burlington
Buxton of Tunbridge	Hooper of Montpelier	Potter of Clarendon
Carr of Brandon	Jerman of Essex	Rachelson of Burlington
Chesnut-Tangerman of	Jewett of Ripton	Ram of Burlington
Middletown Springs	Johnson of South Hero	Russell of Rutland City
Christie of Hartford	Keenan of St. Albans City	Ryerson of Randolph
Clarkson of Woodstock	Kitzmiller of Montpelier	Sharpe of Bristol *
Cole of Burlington	Klein of East Montpelier	Sheldon of Middlebury
Condon of Colchester	Krowinski of Burlington	Sibilia of Dover
Connor of Fairfield	Lalonde of South Burlington	Stuart of Brattleboro
Conquest of Newbury	Lanpher of Vergennes	Sullivan of Burlington
Copeland-Hanzas of	Lenes of Shelburne	Sweaney of Windsor
Bradford	Lippert of Hinesburg	Till of Jericho
Corcoran of Bennington	Long of Newfane	Toleno of Brattleboro
Dakin of Chester	Macaig of Williston	Townsend of South
Dakin of Colchester	Manwaring of Wilmington	Burlington
Davis of Washington	Martin of Wolcott	Troiano of Stannard
Deen of Westminster	Masland of Thetford	Walz of Barre City
Donovan of Burlington	McCormack of Burlington	Webb of Shelburne
Eastman of Orwell	McCullough of Williston	Wood of Waterbury
Emmons of Springfield	Morris of Bennington	Woodward of Johnson
Fields of Bennington	Mrowicki of Putney	Yantachka of Charlotte
Forguites of Springfield	O'Brien of Richmond	Young of Glover
Frank of Underhill	O'Sullivan of Burlington	Zagar of Barnard

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bancroft of Westford	Graham of Williamstown	Myers of Essex
Baser of Bristol	Hebert of Vernon	Parent of St. Albans Town
Batchelor of Derby	Helm of Fair Haven	Pearce of Richford
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Higley of Lowell	Poirier of Barre City
Beyor of Highgate	Hubert of Milton	Purvis of Colchester
Branagan of Georgia	Juskiewicz of Cambridge	Quimby of Concord
Brennan of Colchester	Krebs of South Hero	Savage of Swanton
Browning of Arlington	LaClair of Barre Town	Scheuermann of Stowe
Burditt of West Rutland	Lawrence of Lyndon	Shaw of Pittsford
Canfield of Fair Haven	Lefebvre of Newark	Shaw of Derby
Cupoli of Rutland City	Lewis of Berlin	Smith of New Haven
Dame of Essex	Marcotte of Coventry	Terenzini of Rutland Town
Devereux of Mount Holly	Martel of Waterford	Turner of Milton
Donahue of Northfield	McCoy of Poultney	Viens of Newport City
Feltus of Lyndon	McFaun of Barre Town	Willhoit of St. Johnsbury
Fiske of Enosburgh	Morrissey of Bennington	Wright of Burlington *
Gamache of Swanton	Murphy of Fairfax	

Those members absent with leave of the House and not voting are:

Ancel of Calais	Grad of Moretown	Pugh of South Burlington
Berry of Manchester	Greshin of Warren	Stevens of Waterbury
Botzow of Pownal	Head of South Burlington	Strong of Albany
Burke of Brattleboro	Huntley of Cavendish	Tate of Mendon
Dickinson of St. Albans Town	Komline of Dorset	Toll of Danville
Evans of Essex	Lucke of Hartford	Trieber of Rockingham
Fagan of Rutland City	Miller of Shaftsbury	Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh
Gage of Rutland City	Nuovo of Middlebury	
	Olsen of Londonderry	

Rep. Sharpe of Bristol explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

This will give us an opportunity to decide whether we will leave a veto in place with no corrective action – or – allow ourselves to pass a good siting bill that will allow increased local input.”

Rep. Wright of Burlington explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker;

We were asked back to Montpelier, presumably to cast a vote to sustain or override the Governor’s veto. So far we have done everything but that. Now we apparently are into parliamentary maneuvers. Vermonters deserve better than this.”

Rules Not Suspended to Take up Bill for Immediate Consideration

S. 260

Pending entrance of the bill on the Calendar for notice, **Rep. Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs**, moved that the rules be suspended and Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to improving the siting of energy projects

Be taken up for immediate consideration.

Pending the question, Shall the rules be suspended to take up S. 260 for immediate consideration? **Rep. Hubert of Milton** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the rules be suspended to take up S. 260 for immediate consideration? was decided in the negative. Yeas, 76. Nays, 47. A 3/4 vote of 93 Yeas needed.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bartholomew of Hartland	Briglin of Thetford	Buxton of Tunbridge
Bissonnette of Winooski	Browning of Arlington	Carr of Brandon

Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs	Jerman of Essex	Pearson of Burlington
Christie of Hartford	Jewett of Ripton	Potter of Clarendon
Clarkson of Woodstock	Johnson of South Hero	Rachelson of Burlington
Cole of Burlington	Keenan of St. Albans City	Ram of Burlington
Condon of Colchester	Kitzmiller of Montpelier	Russell of Rutland City
Connor of Fairfield	Klein of East Montpelier	Ryerson of Randolph
Conquest of Newbury	Krebs of South Hero	Sharpe of Bristol
Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford	Krowinski of Burlington	Sheldon of Middlebury
Corcoran of Bennington	Lalonde of South Burlington	Sibilia of Dover
Dakin of Chester	Lanpher of Vergennes	Stuart of Brattleboro
Dakin of Colchester	Lenes of Shelburne	Sullivan of Burlington
Davis of Washington	Lippert of Hinesburg	Sweaney of Windsor
Deen of Westminster	Long of Newfane	Till of Jericho
Donovan of Burlington	Macaig of Williston	Toleno of Brattleboro
Eastman of Orwell	Manwaring of Wilmington	Townsend of South Burlington
Emmons of Springfield	Martin of Wolcott	Troiano of Stannard
Fields of Bennington	Masland of Thetford	Walz of Barre City
Forguites of Springfield	McCormack of Burlington	Webb of Shelburne
Frank of Underhill	McCullough of Williston	Wood of Waterbury
French of Randolph	Morris of Bennington	Woodward of Johnson
Gonzalez of Winoski	Mrowicki of Putney	Yantachka of Charlotte
Haas of Rochester	O'Brien of Richmond	Zagar of Barnard
Hooper of Montpelier	O'Sullivan of Burlington	
	Partridge of Windham	
	Patt of Worcester	

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bancroft of Westford	Graham of Williamstown *	Pearce of Richford
Baser of Bristol	Hebert of Vernon	Poirier of Barre City
Batchelor of Derby	Helm of Fair Haven	Purvis of Colchester *
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Higley of Lowell	Quimby of Concord
Beyor of Highgate	Hubert of Milton	Savage of Swanton
Branagan of Georgia	Juskiewicz of Cambridge	Scheuermann of Stowe *
Brennan of Colchester	LaClair of Barre Town	Shaw of Pittsford
Burditt of West Rutland	Lefebvre of Newark	Shaw of Derby
Canfield of Fair Haven	Lewis of Berlin	Smith of New Haven
Cupoli of Rutland City	Marcotte of Coventry	Terenzini of Rutland Town
Dame of Essex	McCoy of Poultney	Turner of Milton
Devereux of Mount Holly	McFaun of Barre Town	Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh
Donahue of Northfield	Morrissey of Bennington	Viens of Newport City
Feltus of Lyndon	Murphy of Fairfax	Willhoit of St. Johnsbury
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Gamache of Swanton	Parent of St. Albans Town	

Those members absent with leave of the House and not voting are:

Ancel of Calais	Dickinson of St. Albans Town	Gage of Rutland City
Berry of Manchester	Evans of Essex	Grad of Moretown
Botzow of Pownal	Fagan of Rutland City	Greshin of Warren
Burke of Brattleboro		Head of South Burlington

Huntley of Cavendish	Miller of Shaftsbury	Strong of Albany
Komline of Dorset	Nuovo of Middlebury	Tate of Mendon
Lawrence of Lyndon	Olsen of Londonderry	Toll of Danville
Lucke of Hartford	Pugh of South Burlington	Trieber of Rockingham
Martel of Waterford	Stevens of Waterbury	Young of Glover

Rep. Donahue of Northfield explained her vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

OK, quick history. In May, there is an agreement to a very watered down bill to gain a “no veto” commitment. Now, we are to be strong-armed into just a teeny bit more dilution? I draw a line on bullying and this is it.”

Rep. Graham of Williamstown explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

I voted no. I was called here today to vote on a veto. After 7 hours we have not been allowed to vote on that issue. We just keep playing games so the few can get their way. This is not democracy, it is a dictatorship.”

Rep. Purvis of Colchester explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

I voted no because I fear the governor may veto this bill again which would cost the state even more money when we would need to come back.”

Rep. Scheuermann of Stowe explained her vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

I am hopeful that now these political shenanigans will come to an end and we will have the opportunity to finally vote to override or sustain the governor’s veto of S. 230. After all, that is what we were called in for. So let’s do our job and go home.”

Recess

At five o'clock and twenty-three minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker declared a recess until the fall of the gavel.

At eight o'clock and fourteen minutes in the evening, the Speaker called the House to order.

**Rules Suspended; Favorable Report; Third Reading Ordered;
Rules Suspended; Bill Read Third Time and Passed in Concurrence;
Rules Suspended and Bill Messaged to the Senate Forthwith**

Pending entrance of the bill on the Calendar for notice, on motion of **Rep. Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford**, the rules were suspended and Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to improving the siting of energy projects

Was taken up for immediate consideration.

Rep. Ram of Burlington, for the committee on Natural Resources and Energy, reported in favor of its passage in concurrence.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time and third reading ordered.

On motion of **Rep. Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford**, the rules were suspended and the bill placed on all remaining stages of passage in concurrence. The bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence and, on motion of **Rep. Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford** the rules were suspended and the bill was ordered messaged to the Senate forthwith.

**Rules Suspended; Governor's Veto Overridden;
Rules Suspended; Action on the Bill Messaged to the Senate Forthwith**

H. 518

On motion of **Rep. Murphy of Fairfax**, the rules were suspended and House bill, entitled

An act relating to the membership of the Clean Water Fund Board;

Appearing on the Calendar for notice, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Pursuant to Chapter 2, Section 11, of the Vermont Constitution the Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the bill pass the failure of the Governor to approve notwithstanding? was decided in the affirmative. Yeas, 103. Nays, 10. A two-third vote of 76 required.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bancroft of Westford	Cole of Burlington	Emmons of Springfield
Baser of Bristol	Connor of Fairfield	Feltus of Lyndon
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Conquest of Newbury	Fields of Bennington
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Clarkson of Woodstock	Huntley of Cavendish	Shaw of Derby
Condon of Colchester	Jewett of Ripton	Stevens of Waterbury
Dakin of Chester	Komline of Dorset	Strong of Albany
Dickinson of St. Albans Town	Lawrence of Lyndon	Tate of Mendon
Evans of Essex	Lucke of Hartford	Toll of Danville
Fagan of Rutland City	Martel of Waterford	Trieber of Rockingham
Gage of Rutland City	Miller of Shaftsbury	
	Mrowicki of Putney	

Rep. Klein of East Montpelier explained his vote as follows:

“Mr. Speaker:

I voted no and I’m not changing my vote.”

On motion of **Rep. Sheldon of Middlebury**, the rules were suspended and action on the bill was ordered messaged to the Senate forthwith.

Remarks Journalized

On motion of **Rep. Cupoli of Rutland City**, the following remarks by **Rep. Russell of Rutland City** were ordered printed in the Journal:

“Mr. Speaker:

When reapportionment came, and with it the death of the old House of Representatives, Thomas Chadwick of Chester wrote a long poem in eulogy to "The Fallen House." When he praises the old House as a citidel of common as well as uncommon men, his words are accurate and meaningful.

Vermont's proud sons have long debated here,
Attorneys, soldiers, tillers of the soil,
Inventors, teachers, merchants, men of God,
The rich, the poor; but conscientious all,
They melded here their wisdom and their skills,
Each for the good of all, and all for each.

I have been proud to represent rutland for these six years among some of the finest and most honorable vermonters. As I retire from this house, I do wish to thank you for your help in keeping this revered state house on track! You embraced a forward vision for vermont, a future of economic growth via our vital rail infrastructure.

I am honored to have served with each of you and those of my colleagues & friends who departed this great house before me.

Allow me to end with this brief speech delivered by one of my favorites, president calvin coolidge of plymouth notch ...

"Vermont is a state I love."

"I could not look upon the peaks of ascutney, killington, mansfield and equinox without being moved in a way that no other scene could move me. It was here that I first saw the light of day; here I received my bride; here my dead lie pillowed on the loving breast of our everlasting hills. I love vermont because of her hills and valleys, her scenery and invigorating climate, but most of all, because of her indominable people. They are a race of pioneers who have almost beggared themselves to serve others. If the spirit of liberty should vanish in other parts of the union and support of our institutions should languish, it could all be replenished from the generous store held by the people of this brave little state of vermont.

AND...From Vermonter Robert Frost's "The Road not taken"...

I shall be telling this with a sigh

Somewhere ages and ages hence:

'Two roads diverged in a wood, and I

I took the one less travelled by,

And that has made all the difference.'

FAREWELL AND GOD'S SPEED MY FRIENDS UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN."

Message from the Senate No. 74

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 joint resolution of the following title was:

J.R.S. 57. Joint resolution relating to final adjournment of the General Assembly in 2016.

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

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 57

By Senator Campbell,

J.R.S. 57. Joint resolution relating to final adjournment of the General Assembly in 2016.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives

That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives adjourn their respective Houses *sine die* on the ninth day of June, 2016.

Was taken up read and adopted in concurrence.

Adjournment

At nine o'clock and twelve minutes in the evening, on motion of **Rep. Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford**, the House adjourned Sine Die pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 57.

Message from the Senate No. 75

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 completed the business of the session and is ready to adjourn *sine die*, pursuant to the provisions of **J.R.S. 57**.

Message from the Senate No. 76

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 considered the Governor's veto of a House bill of the following title:

H. 518. An act relating to the membership of the Clean Water Fund Board.

And has sustained such veto.