

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Nancy McHugh of Waitsfield.

Message from the House No. 14

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Melissa Kucserik, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed House bills of the following titles:

H. 7. An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to laws regarding law enforcement officer certification.

H. 82. An act relating to fiscal year 2015 budget adjustments.

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

The House has considered joint resolutions originating in the Senate of the following titles:

J.R.S. 12. Joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly for the election of a Sergeant at Arms, an Adjutant and Inspector General, and three Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College.

J.R.S. 13. Joint resolution establishing a procedure for the conduct of the election of UVM trustees by plurality vote by the General Assembly in 2015.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Bills Introduced

Senate bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred:

S. 55.

By Senator Lyons,

An act relating to creating a flat rate for Vermont's estate tax and creating an estate tax exclusion amount that matches the federal amount.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 56.

By Senator White,

An act relating to elevating the Department of Public Safety to an agency.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 57.

By Senator White,

An act relating to fees paid to deputy sheriffs and their assistants for transport.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 58.

By Senator White,

An act relating to requiring that the Defender General receive the same early retirement benefit as a State's Attorney.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 59.

By Senator Mullin,

An act relating to insurance coverage for abuse-deterrent formulations of certain medications.

To the Committee on Health & Welfare.

S. 60.

By Senators Sears and Ashe,

An act relating to payment for medical examinations for victims of sexual assault.

To the Committee on Health & Welfare.

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

H. 7.

An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to laws regarding law enforcement officer certification.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

H. 82.

An act relating to fiscal year 2015 budget adjustments.

To the Committee on Appropriations.

Bill Passed**S. 6.**

Senate bill of the following title was read the third time and passed:

An act relating to technical corrections to civil and criminal procedure statutes.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Campbell, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, February 5, 2015.