Journal of the Senate

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2015

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Pages Honored

In appreciation of their many services to the members of the General Assembly, the President recognized the following-named pages who are completing their services today and presented them with letters of appreciation.

Jacob Bradley of East Montpelier Grace Carlomagno of Montpelier Brittany Commo of Essex Junction Naomi DeGroot of Worcester Elijah Dooley of Barnard Isabel Hall of East Montpelier Payton Kurrle of Middlesex Ruth Milne of Northfield Miranda Mishaan of Berlin Lia Rubel of Barre

Bills Introduced

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

S. 88.

By Senators White, McCormack and Pollina,

An act relating to establishing the framework for publicly financed primary care.

To the Committee on Health & Welfare.

S. 89.

By Senator Pollina,

An act relating to requiring higher income earners to pay a minimum amount of taxes.

To the Committee on Finance.

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Committee Relieved of Further Consideration; Bill Committed

S. 72.

On motion of Senator White, the Committee on Government Operations was relieved of further consideration of Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to binding arbitration for State employees,

and the bill was committed to the Committee on Economic Development, Housing & General Affairs.

Third Readings Ordered

S. 2.

Senator Benning, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to the establishment of a State Latin Motto.

Reported that the bill ought to pass.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

H. 17.

Senator Collamore, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to identification and notification of Public Records Act exemptions in administrative rules.

Reported that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Message from the House No. 20

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 a House bill of the following title:

H. 86. An act relating to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.

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

The House has adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

- **H.C.R. 28.** House concurrent resolution designating February 6, 2015, as Wear Red Day in Vermont.
- **H.C.R. 29.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont Jazz Center of Brattleboro on winning a 2014 Chamber Music America Acclaim Award.
- **H.C.R. 30.** House concurrent resolution honoring Deborah and Wayne Granquist of Weston for their leadership in the public and nonprofit sectors.
- **H.C.R. 31.** House concurrent resolution designating February 12, 2015, as Alzheimer's Awareness Day in Vermont.
- **H.C.R. 32.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Iva Fisher on her 100th birthday.
- **H.C.R. 33.** House concurrent resolution honoring Peter Mello for his outstanding contributions to public education, including his leadership of the Rutland City School Board.
- **H.C.R. 34.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Barbara G. Rhoad as the winner of the 2014 Vermont Tree Steward Award for the Unsung Steward.
- **H.C.R. 35.** House concurrent resolution in memory of master fiddler Harold Luce.
- **H.C.R. 36.** House concurrent resolution honoring Barry and Wendy Rowland for their leadership in secondary education and their philanthropic community support.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted in concurrence:

By Representative Krowinski and others,

By Senators Lyons and Ayer,

H.C.R. 28.

House concurrent resolution designating February 6, 2015, as Wear Red Day in Vermont.

By Representative Burke and others,

H.C.R. 29.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont Jazz Center of Brattleboro on winning a 2014 Chamber Music America Acclaim Award.

By Representative Olsen and others,

By Senators Balint, Campbell, McCormack and Nitka,

H.C.R. 30.

House concurrent resolution honoring Deborah and Wayne Granquist of Weston for their leadership in the public and nonprofit sectors.

By All Members of the House,

By All Members of the Senate,

H.C.R. 31.

House concurrent resolution designating February 12, 2015, as Alzheimer's Awareness Day in Vermont.

By Representatives Partridge and Trieber,

H.C.R. 32.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Iva Fisher on her 100th birthday.

By Representative Fagan and others,

By Senators Collamore, Flory and Mullin,

H.C.R. 33.

House concurrent resolution honoring Peter Mello for his outstanding contributions to public education, including his leadership of the Rutland City School Board.

By Representatives Sweaney and Bartholomew,

H.C.R. 34.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Barbara G. Rhoad as the winner of the 2014 Vermont Tree Steward Award for the Unsung Steward.

By Representative Davis and others,

By Senator MacDonald,

H.C.R. 35.

House concurrent resolution in memory of master fiddler Harold Luce.

By Representative Olsen and others,

By Senators Campbell, Campion, McCormack and Sears,

H.C.R. 36.

House concurrent resolution honoring Barry and Wendy Rowland for their leadership in secondary education and their philanthropic community support.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Mazza, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 15.