

House Calendar

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

49th DAY OF THE BIENNIAL SESSION

House Convenes at 10:00 A.M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Page No.

ACTION CALENDAR

Action Postponed Until February 21, 2017

Favorable

H. 3 Burial depth in cemeteries..... 162
Rep. Gonzalez for General, Housing and Military Affairs

NOTICE CALENDAR

Favorable with Amendment

H. 50 Extending the current expiration date of the telecommunications siting law..... 162
Rep. Carr for Energy and Technology

H. 201 Length of stay at designated shelters..... 163
Rep. Rosenquist for Human Services

ORDERS OF THE DAY

ACTION CALENDAR

Action Postponed Until February 21, 2017

Favorable

H. 3

An act relating to burial depth in cemeteries

Rep. Gonzalez of Winooski, for the Committee on General; Housing and Military Affairs, recommends the bill ought to pass.

(Committee Vote: 11-0-0)

NOTICE CALENDAR

Favorable with Amendment

H. 50

An act relating to extending the current expiration date of the telecommunications siting law

Rep. Carr of Brandon, for the Committee on Energy and Technology, recommends the bill be amended by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 30 V.S.A. § 248a is amended to read:

§ 248a. CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD FOR COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES

* * *

(i) ~~Sunset of Board authority. Effective on July 1, 2017, no new applications for certificates of public good under this section may be considered by the Board. [Repealed.]~~

* * *

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: “An act relating to removing the expiration of the telecommunications siting law”

(Committee Vote: 8-0-0)

H. 201

An act relating to length of stay at designated shelters

Rep. Rosenquist of Georgia, for the Committee on Human Services, recommends the bill be amended by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 33 V.S.A. § 5303 is amended to read:

§ 5303. PROCEDURE FOR RUNAWAY CHILDREN

(a) If an officer takes a child into custody pursuant to subdivision 5301(3) of this title, the officer shall deliver the child to:

(1) the child's custodial parent, foster parent, guardian, custodian, or noncustodial parent lawfully exercising parent-child contact; or

(2) a shelter designated by the Department pursuant to section 5304 of this title as qualified to assist children who have run away for the purpose of reuniting them with their parents, guardian, or legal custodian.

(b) Upon delivery of a child to a shelter, the shelter program director or his or her designee, shall notify the child's parents, guardian, or custodian that the child has been taken into custody and make reasonable efforts to mediate the differences between the parties.

(c) A child may remain at a designated shelter for a period not to exceed ~~seven~~ 21 days.

(d) Upon expiration of the ~~seven-day~~ 21-day period or sooner at the request of the child or the custodial parent:

(1) the child shall be released to his or her custodial parent, foster parent, guardian, custodian, or noncustodial parent lawfully exercising parentchild contact; or

(2) an officer shall seek an emergency care order pursuant to section 5302 of this title.

(e) Unless otherwise ordered by the ~~Court~~ court, the custody status of the child shall remain the same during the period of time the child is at the shelter.

Sec. 2. 33 V.S.A. § 5304 is amended to read:

§ 5304. DESIGNATED SHELTERS FOR RUNAWAY CHILDREN

The Commissioner shall designate shelters throughout the State where a child may be housed for a period not to exceed 21 days if he or she is:

(1) taken into custody pursuant to subdivision 5301(3) of this title ~~may be housed for a period not to exceed seven days; or~~

(2) referred by other means described in the policies of the Department for Children and Families.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

(Committee Vote: 10-0-1)

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing on the Governor's Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 State Budget
For Advocates
House Committee on Appropriations

Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. for Agency of Human Services budget sections, and Friday, March 3, 2017, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. for all other sections of the budget. – The House Committee on Appropriations will receive testimony on the Governor's proposed FY2018 State budget during these Advocate hearings in room 10 of the State House. Please sign up in advance, with Theresa Utton-Jerman at (802) 828-5767 or tutton@leg.state.vt.us or in room 40.

Public Hearing

Judicial Retention Thursday, February 23, 2017, Room 11, 7:00. Joint Committee on Judicial Retention is having a public hearing for the retention of the following:

Supreme Court Justices

Chief Justice Paul Reiber
Justice Harold Eaton, Jr.
Justice Beth Robinson
Justice Marilyn Skoglund

Superior Court Judges

Judge Alison Arms
Judge Robert Bent
Judge Thomas Carlson
Judge Cortland Corsones
Judge Thomas Devine
Judge Theresa DiMauro
Judge Michael Kainen
Judge Mary Morrissey
Judge Gregory Rainville
Judge Kirstin Schoonover