Journal of the House

Friday, January 27, 2017

At nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Carl VanOsdall, First Presbyterian Church, Barre, VT.

House BillsIntroduced

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. 140

By Reps. Willhoit of St. Johnsbury and Conquest of Newbury,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the validity of criminal statutes and conditions of probation or release related to alcohol consumption;
To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 141

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Briglin of Thetford, Toleno of Brattleboro and Yantachka of Charlotte,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to appurtenant dwelling units under the use value appraisal program;
To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 142

By Botzow of Pownal and Marcotte of Coventry,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to life insurance policies and the Vermont Uniform Securities Act;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.
H. 143

By Botzow of Pownal, Marcotte of Coventry, Kimbell of Woodstock, Myers of Essex and Stuart of Brattleboro,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to automobile insurance requirements and transportation network companies;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 144

By Rep. Deen of Westminster,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the membership of the Nuclear Decommissioning Citizens Advisory Panel;

To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish & Wildlife.

H. 145

By Reps. Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington and Lippert of Hinesburg,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing the Mental Health Crisis Response Commission;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 146

By Reps. Grad of Moretown, Lalonde of South Burlington, Conquest of Newbury and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to tests to determine the blood alcohol content of a motor vehicle operator;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 147

By Botzow of Pownal, Marcotte of Coventry, O'Sullivan of Burlington and Sullivan of Dorset,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to consumer protection and data security breaches;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 148**

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Bancroft of Westford, Briglin of Thetford, Conquest of Newbury and Nolan of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to special annual overweight permits for truck combinations with six or more axles;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 149**

By Rep. Conquest of Newbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to providing meals to health care providers at conferences;

To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 150**

By Reps. Burke of Brattleboro and Batchelor of Derby,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to parole eligibility;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**Senate Bill Referred**

**S. 1**

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to the determination of average daily membership for the 2016–2017 school year and equalized pupil count for fiscal year 2018

Was read and referred to the committee on Education.

**Joint Resolution Referred to Committee**

**J.R.H. 2**

Joint resolution commending Vermont municipalities that have adopted or are considering adopting sanctuary status

Offered by: Representatives Ancel of Calais, Bartholomew of Hartland, Baser of Bristol, Botzow of Pownal, Briglin of Thetford, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Carr of Brandon, Christie of Hartford, Conlon of Cornwall, Conquest of Newbury, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Dakin of Colchester, Deen of Westminster,
Whereas, American jurisdictions outside Vermont, including numerous counties, as well as the cities of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Chicago, Illinois, have adopted formal sanctuary city policies, and Boston, Massachusetts; New York, New York; and Los Angeles, California, have implemented some type of immigration status protections, and

Whereas, in Vermont, the Montpelier City Council passed a resolution authorizing the city to adopt a sanctuary city policy, and sanctuary city policies are being considered in Burlington, South Burlington, Winooski, and other towns, and

Whereas, undocumented residents of Vermont confront the constant fear that if deported they may face political persecution and potentially physical harm in their countries of origin, and

Whereas, the General Assembly enacted 2014 Acts and Resolves No 193 (the Act), requiring that by July 1, 2016, the State’s municipalities adopt the mandatory provisions of the Criminal Justice Training Council’s impartial model policing policy, including not asking persons about their immigration status, and

Whereas, the Act did allow the State’s municipalities to refrain from adopting the optional provisions of the model policy, such as disregarding federal requests to detain undocumented residents, and

Whereas, Grand Isle County and the towns of Milton and Williston have adopted the model policy in full, and

Whereas, throughout the world, millions of people are displaced by war, violence, economic or political strife, and natural disasters and are forced to seek safety and a better life elsewhere, and

Whereas, Vermont has a long tradition of protecting the politically threatened, dating to its official refusal prior to the Civil War to cooperate with federal fugitive slave acts and Vermonters’ participation in the Underground Railroad that assisted escaped slaves fleeing to Canada, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly commends Vermont municipalities that have adopted or are considering adopting sanctuary status, and be it further
Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, Governor Phil Scott, and the Vermont Congressional Delegation.

Which was read and, in the Speaker’s discretion, treated as a bill and referred to the committee on Government Operations.

Joint Committee On Judicial Retention Appointed

Pursuant to 4 V.S.A. § 607, the Chair hereby appoints the following members to the Joint Committee on Judicial Retention:

Rep. Conquest of Newbury
Rep. Rachelson of Burlington
Rep. Troiano of Stannard
Rep. Viens of Newport City

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 125

House bill, entitled

An act relating to fiscal year 2017 budget adjustments

Was taken up, read the third time.

Pending the question, Shall the bill pass? Rep. Krowinski of Burlington 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 bill pass? was decided in the affirmative. Yeas, 141. Nays, 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Ainsworth of Royalton  Gardner of Richmond  O'Sullivan of Burlington
Ancel of Calais  Giambatista of Essex  Parent of St. Albans Town
Bancroft of Westford  Gonzalez of Winooski  Partridge of Windham
Bartholomew of Hartland  Grad of Moretown  Pearce of Richford
Baser of Bristol  Graham of Williamstown  Poirier of Barre City
Beck of St. Johnsbury  Haas of Rochester  Potter of Clarendon
Belaski of Windsor  Head of South Burlington  Pugh of South Burlington
Beyor of Highgate  Hebert of Vernon  Quimby of Concord
Bissonnette of Winooski  Helm of Fair Haven  Rachelson of Burlington
Bock of Chester  Higley of Lowell  Rosenquist of Georgia
Botzow of Pownal  Hill of Wolcott  Savage of Swanton
Brennan of Colchester  Hooper of Montpelier  Scheu of Middlebury
Briglin of Thetford  Hooper of Brookfield  Scheuermann of Stowe
Browning of Arlington  Houghton of Essex  Sharpe of Bristol
Brumsted of Shelburne  Howard of Rutland City  Shaw of Pittsford
Buckholz of Hartford  Hubert of Milton  Sheldon of Middlebury
Those who voted in the negative are: None

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

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**Message from the Senate No. 12**

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part adopted Senate concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

S.C.R. 7. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Shirley Arlene Brown for her over half century of outstanding community service in the town of Belvidere.


The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:


H.C.R. 24. House concurrent resolution congratulating The Dorset Inn on its 220th anniversary and honoring the current owners, Steve and Lauren Bryant.

H.C.R. 25. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Dorset Players and the Dorset Theater Festival on their respective 90th and 40th anniversaries.

Adjournment

At ten o'clock and six minutes in the forenoon, on motion of Rep. Turner of Milton, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 31, 2017, at ten o’clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 11.

Concurrent Resolutions Adopted

The following concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the Consent Calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no member having requested floor consideration as provided by Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are herby adopted in concurrence.
H.C.R. 17

House concurrent resolution congratulating David Provost, Leonard Crouse, and the late Edward Meehan on their being named to the Captive Review Hall of Fame;

H.C.R. 18

House concurrent resolution in memory of esteemed Vermont poet David Budbill;

H.C.R. 19

House concurrent resolution designating January 20, 2017 as Vermont Pharmacists Day;

H.C.R. 21

House concurrent resolution designating January 22–28, 2017 as National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week in Vermont;

H.C.R. 22

House concurrent resolution commemorating the 240th anniversary of the Vermont Constitution;

H.C.R. 23

House concurrent resolution designating Wednesday, January 25, 2017 as School Choice Day in Vermont;

H.C.R. 24

House concurrent resolution congratulating The Dorset Inn on its 220th anniversary and honoring the current owners, Steve and Lauren Bryant;

H.C.R. 25

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Dorset Players and the Dorset Theater Festival on their respective 90th and 40th anniversaries;

S.C.R. 6

Senate concurrent resolution in memory of John Behan of Bennington;

S.C.R. 7

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Shirley Arlene Brown for her over half century of outstanding community service in the town of Belvidere;

S.C.R. 8

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating Jane Sprenger of Greensboro on her centennial birthday;
[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the House Calendar Addendum on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2017, seventy-fourth Biennial session.]