

# Journal of the House

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Friday, February 24, 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 the State House Singers.

## Rules Suspended; House Bills Introduced

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced. Pending first reading of the bills, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the rules were suspended and the bills were read the first time by number and referred as follows:

### H. 449

By Reps. O'Sullivan of Burlington, Stuart of Brattleboro, Botzow of Pownal, Briglin of Thetford, Burke of Brattleboro, Christie of Hartford, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Donovan of Burlington, Hill of Wolcott, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Ode of Burlington, Sheldon of Middlebury, Walz of Barre City, Wood of Waterbury and Wright of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expanding career pathways for high-skill, high-demand occupations;

To the committee on Education.

### H. 450

By Reps. Strong of Albany, Ainsworth of Royalton, Bancroft of Westford, Bartholomew of Hartland, Batchelor of Derby, Beyor of Highgate, Brennan of Colchester, Canfield of Fair Haven, Cupoli of Rutland City, Frier of Chelsea, Gage of Rutland City, Gamache of Swanton, Graham of Williamstown, Hebert of Vernon, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lewis of Berlin, Martel of Waterford, McFaun of Barre Town, Morrissey of Bennington, Nolan of Morristown, Pearce of Richford, Quimby of Concord, Rosenquist of Georgia, Savage of Swanton, Smith of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled

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An act relating to creating equal access to public school resources and services;

To the committee on Education.

**H. 451**

By Reps. Gonzalez of Winooski, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sullivan of Burlington and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to a study of fragrances in State buildings;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 452**

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Christie of Hartford, Scheu of Middlebury and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing the Pathways to Prosperity;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 453**

By Reps. McFaun of Barre Town, Gamache of Swanton and Parent of St. Albans Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating Start Up Vermont;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 454**

By Reps. Cina of Burlington, Buckholz of Hartford, Burke of Brattleboro, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Colburn of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Gonzalez of Winooski, McCullough of Williston, O'Sullivan of Burlington and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Zero Waste Economy Study Committee;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 455**

By Reps. Stuart of Brattleboro, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Christie of

Hartford, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Donovan of Burlington, Hill of Wolcott, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Ode of Burlington, Sheldon of Middlebury, Walz of Barre City and Wood of Waterbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to career technical education;

To the committee on Education.

**H. 456**

By Reps. Noyes of Wolcott, Hill of Wolcott, Keefe of Manchester, Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Yacavone of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to waiver of criminal history record fees for certain DAIL volunteers;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 457**

By Reps. Brumsted of Shelburne and Webb of Shelburne,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the creation of a tax increment financing district in Shelburne;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 458**

By Reps. Keenan of St. Albans City, Fagan of Rutland City and Hooper of Montpelier,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to appointment of a ratepayer advocate within the Office of the Attorney General;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

**H. 459**

By Reps. Conquest of Newbury and Sabilia of Dover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to rural economic development infrastructure districts;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

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**H. 460**

By Reps. Partridge of Windham, Bartholomew of Hartland and Buckholz of Hartford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to small school grants;

To the committee on Education.

**H. 461**

By Reps. Hill of Wolcott and O'Sullivan of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to workers' compensation;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 462**

By Rep. Hill of Wolcott,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to social media privacy for employees;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 463**

By Reps. Hooper of Brookfield, Ainsworth of Royalton, Bancroft of Westford, Baser of Bristol, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Belaski of Windsor, Brumsted of Shelburne, Buckholz of Hartford, Burditt of West Rutland, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Conquest of Newbury, Gannon of Wilmington, Graham of Williamstown, Hebert of Vernon, Higley of Lowell, Howard of Rutland City, Jickling of Brookfield, Keefe of Manchester, Kimbell of Woodstock, Lawrence of Lyndon, Masland of Thetford, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Morris of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Nolan of Morristown, Norris of Shoreham, Partridge of Windham, Rachelson of Burlington, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of New Haven, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Trieber of Rockingham and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to liability for animals running at large;

To the committee on Agriculture & Forestry.

**H. 464**

By Reps. Hooper of Brookfield, Ainsworth of Royalton, Graham of Williamstown, Jickling of Brookfield, Keefe of Manchester and Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of farm stands;

To the committee on Agriculture & Forestry.

**H. 465**

By Reps. Hooper of Brookfield, Bancroft of Westford, Buckholz of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City and Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to invasive species management;

To the committee on Agriculture & Forestry.

**H. 466**

By Rep. Donovan of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to good cause employment;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 467**

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

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of data brokers;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 468**

By Reps. Colburn of Burlington, Burke of Brattleboro, Cina of Burlington, Conquest of Newbury, Gonzalez of Winooski, Haas of Rochester, Lalonde of South Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Morris of Bennington, Troiano of Stannard, Weed of Enosburgh and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to medication-assisted treatment at State correctional

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facilities;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 469**

By Reps. Colburn of Burlington, Buckholz of Hartford, Burke of Brattleboro, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cina of Burlington, Gonzalez of Winooski, McCullough of Williston and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to housing for inmates released from a correctional facility;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 470**

By Reps. Ode of Burlington, Christie of Hartford, Dunn of Essex, Gannon of Wilmington, Lefebvre of Newark, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City, Potter of Clarendon, Rachelson of Burlington, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Walz of Barre City, Wood of Waterbury and Wright of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 471**

By Rep. McCormack of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to privatization contracts;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 472**

By Rep. Lawrence of Lyndon,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to flags in recognition of servicemembers;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 473**

By Reps. Pugh of South Burlington, Christie of Hartford, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Head of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Sullivan of

Burlington and Townsend of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to socially responsible business considerations in the State procurement process;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 474**

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to cybercrime;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

**H. 475**

By Reps. Terenzini of Rutland Town, Ainsworth of Royalton, Bancroft of Westford, Batchelor of Derby, Beyor of Highgate, Briglin of Thetford, Canfield of Fair Haven, Condon of Colchester, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Gage of Rutland City, Graham of Williamstown, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Brookfield, Hubert of Milton, LaClair of Barre Town, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, Lewis of Berlin, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, McFaun of Barre Town, Morrissey of Bennington, Myers of Essex, Parent of St. Albans Town, Pearce of Richford, Quimby of Concord, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of New Haven, Strong of Albany, Turner of Milton, Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh, Viens of Newport City, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to law enforcement certification of correctional officers;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 476**

By Reps. Connor of Fairfield, Burke of Brattleboro, Carr of Brandon, Cina of Burlington, Conquest of Newbury, Donovan of Burlington, Head of South Burlington, Hill of Wolcott, Lalonde of South Burlington, Masland of Thetford, McCullough of Williston, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Stevens of Waterbury, Till of Jericho, Troiano of Stannard, Weed of Enosburgh and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to treatment programming at correctional facilities;

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To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

**H. 477**

By Rep. Masland of Thetford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to imposing an excise tax on food products containing sugar;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 478**

By Reps. Cina of Burlington, Buckholz of Hartford, Burke of Brattleboro, Colburn of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Gonzalez of Winooski, McCullough of Williston, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to exempting lands associated with a State-recognized Indian tribe from property taxation;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 479**

By Rep. Kimbell of Woodstock,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to professional accreditation;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 480**

By Reps. O'Sullivan of Burlington, Weed of Enosburgh, Botzow of Pownal, Burke of Brattleboro, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Donovan of Burlington, Hill of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington, Ode of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City, Rachelson of Burlington, Squirrell of Underhill, Stevens of Waterbury, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Townsend of South Burlington and Young of Glover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating an opportunity economy for all Vermonters;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 481**

By Reps. Lewis of Berlin, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Devereux of Mount Holly and LaClair of Barre Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to homestead declarations, household income, and the calculation of income sensitivity adjustments;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

**H. 482**

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal and Marcotte of Coventry,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to consumer protection;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

**H. 483**

By Rep. Hooper of Montpelier,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the publication of State, county, and municipal notices on electronic news media;

To the committee on Government Operations.

**H. 484**

By Reps. Rachelson of Burlington, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burke of Brattleboro, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Donovan of Burlington, Lippert of Hinesburg, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morris of Bennington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Weed of Enosburgh and Wright of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to consumer protections related to involuntary towing and storage of motor vehicles and abandoned motor vehicles;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 485**

By Reps. Gamache of Swanton, Batchelor of Derby, Hebert of Vernon, Savage of Swanton and Viens of Newport City,

House bill, entitled

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An act relating to the eligibility of a new resident for a Vermont driver's license or permit;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 486**

By Reps. Lanpher of Vergennes, Conlon of Cornwall, Connor of Fairfield and O'Sullivan of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to motor truck traffic in downtown Vergennes;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 487**

By Reps. Burke of Brattleboro and Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Volkswagen diesel litigation settlement and Mitigation Trust monies;

To the committee on Transportation.

**H. 488**

By Reps. Cina of Burlington, Buckholz of Hartford, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Colburn of Burlington, Gonzalez of Winooski, McCormack of Burlington, Murphy of Fairfax, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington and Weed of Enosburgh,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Indigenous Peoples' Day;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 489**

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield, Grad of Moretown and Shaw of Pittsford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expanding patient access to the Medical Marijuana Registry;

To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 490**

By Reps. Young of Glover, Buckholz of Hartford, Burke of Brattleboro, Carr of Brandon, Colburn of Burlington, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Gonzalez of Winooski, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Mrowicki of Putney, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Sharpe of Bristol and Troiano of Stannard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the regulation of commercial cultivation and sale of marijuana;

To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

**H. 491**

By Rep. Morris of Bennington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to hate crimes;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**H. 492**

By Reps. Morris of Bennington, Christie of Hartford and Gonzalez of Winooski,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Racial Justice Oversight Board;

To the committee on Judiciary.

**Bill Referred to Committee on Ways and Means****H. 182**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to certain businesses regulated by the Department of Financial Regulation

Appearing on the Calendar, affecting the revenue of the state, under rule 35(a), was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

**Committee Relieved of Consideration  
and Bill Committed to Other Committee****H. 256**

**Rep. Conquest of Newbury** moved that the committee on Judiciary be relieved of House bill, entitled

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An act relating to sexual assault nurse examiners

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Government Operations, which was agreed to.

### **Adjournment**

At nine o'clock and forty-five minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 20.

### **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 hereby adopted in concurrence.

#### **H.C.R. 47**

House concurrent resolution designating February 16, 2017 as Afterschool Day at the State House;

#### **H.C.R. 48**

House concurrent resolution honoring former Brattleboro Town Clerk Annette Cappy;

#### **H.C.R. 49**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Doris Streeter of Dorset on being named a WCAX Television Super Senior;

#### **H.C.R. 50**

House concurrent resolution honoring Mary Ann Wilson for her outstanding public service in Morristown;

#### **H.C.R. 51**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 Proctor High School Phantoms Division IV boys' soccer championship team;

#### **H.C.R. 52**

House concurrent resolution designating March 4, 2017 as Carleton Upham Carpenter Jr. Day in Vermont;

#### **H.C.R. 53**

House concurrent resolution honoring former Shelburne Town Clerk and Treasurer Colleen Haag for her exemplary municipal service;

[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.]