At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

### Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Carl VanOsdall of the First Presbyterian Church of Barre.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Page Hazel Fay of St. Johnsbury led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Message from the Senate No. 2

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 joint resolution of the following title:

**J.R.S. 39.** Joint resolution to provide for a Joint Assembly to hear the budget message of the Governor.

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

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

**S.C.R. 19.** Senate concurrent resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the enactment of the Vermont outdoor advertising law of 1968.

**S.C.R. 20.** Senate concurrent resolution honoring Edward Knox LeClair for his outstanding service as executive director of Circus Smirkus.

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

**H.C.R. 198.** House concurrent resolution honoring Jane Williamson for her exemplary administrative and curatorial leadership of the Rokeby Museum.

**H.C.R. 199.** House concurrent resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of the Russian author, historian, and former Cavendish resident Aleksandr Isayevich Solzhenitsyn.
H.C.R. 200. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Otter Valley Union High School Otters Division II championship baseball team.

H.C.R. 201. House concurrent resolution congratulating Linda Cloutier-Namdar on being selected as the 2018 Vermont Teacher of the Year.


H.C.R. 204. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III championship girls’ soccer team.


H.C.R. 206. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys’ cross-country team.

H.C.R. 207. House concurrent resolution in memory of Georgia Selectboard Chair Christopher M. Letourneau.


H.C.R. 211. House concurrent resolution honoring Terri Hallenbeck for her skill and integrity as a great journalist.

H.C.R. 212. House concurrent resolution honoring Francis Favreau for his extraordinary contributions to the civic, health care, and religious institutions of Morristown.

Rules Suspended; House Bills 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 or placed on the Calendar as follows:

H. 574

By Rep. Poirier of Barre City,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to employee classification;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 575

By Reps. Walz of Barre City and Keenan of St. Albans City,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to recycling containers at gas stations;
To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife.

H. 576

By Rep. Deen of Westminster,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to stormwater management;
To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife.

H. 577

By Reps. Lefebvre of Newark and Quimby of Concord,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the annual town meeting of the unified towns and gores of Essex County and to the appraisers and supervisors of all unorganized towns and gores;
To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 578

By Reps. Mrowicki of Putney, Donahue of Northfield and Webb of Shelburne,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to establishing the Coordinator of Trauma-Informed Systems and the Childhood Trauma Tri-Branch Commission;
To the committee on Human Services.

H. 579

By Reps. Donahue of Northfield, Mrowicki of Putney and Webb of Shelburne,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to trauma-informed care in health care settings;
To the committee on Health Care.

**H. 580**

By Reps. Webb of Shelburne, Donahue of Northfield and Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to trauma-informed policies in educational settings;

To the committee on Education.

**H. 581**

By Reps. Sibilia of Dover, Young of Glover, Bock of Chester, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Conlon of Cornwall, Conquest of Newbury, Forguites of Springfield, Gannon of Wilmington, Haas of Rochester, Harrison of Chittenden, Jickling of Randolph, Kimbell of Woodstock, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, Pajala of Londonderry, Parent of St. Albans Town, Quimby of Concord, Scheu of Middlebury and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Connectivity Initiative grant eligibility;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

**H. 582**

By Reps. Sibilia of Dover, Young of Glover, Bock of Chester, Conlon of Cornwall, Conquest of Newbury, Forguites of Springfield, Gannon of Wilmington, Haas of Rochester, Jickling of Randolph, Kimbell of Woodstock, McCormack of Burlington and Scheu of Middlebury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to increased funding for the Connectivity Initiative;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

**H. 583**

By Reps. Savage of Swanton, Murphy of Fairfax, Bancroft of Westford, Bissonnette of Winooski, Bock of Chester, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burke of Brattleboro, Dunn of Essex, Frenier of Chelsea, Gannon of Wilmington, Harrison of Chittenden, Head of South Burlington, Jickling of Randolph, Keenan of St. Albans City, McCoy of Poultney, Parent of St. Albans Town, Potter of Clarendon, Shaw of Pittsford, Stuart of Brattleboro, Weed of Enosburgh and Wright of Burlington,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to passing vulnerable users;
To the committee on Transportation.

H. 584

By Rep. Jickling of Randolph,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to the disproportionate share hospital payment formula;
To the committee on Health Care.

H. 585

By Rep. Townsend of South Burlington,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to management of records;
To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 586

By Reps. Murphy of Fairfax, Bancroft of Westford, Bock of Chester, Burke of Brattleboro, Dunn of Essex, Frenier of Chelsea, Gannon of Wilmington, Harrison of Chittenden, Keenan of St. Albans City, McCoy of Poulney, Potter of Clarendon, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Stuart of Brattleboro, Turner of Milton and Wright of Burlington,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to the exemption for nonprofit organizations from the meals tax;
To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 587

By Reps. Harrison of Chittenden and Masland of Thetford,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to requiring certain third-party facilitators of retail sales to collect sales tax or follow notice requirements;
To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 588

By Reps. Rosenquist of Georgia, Gamache of Swanton, Keefe of Manchester, McFaun of Barre Town, Mrowicki of Putney and Troiano of
Stannard,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to educational requirements for child care providers;
To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 589**

By Reps. Grad of Moretown, Pugh of South Burlington and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to the reasonable and prudent parent standard;
To the committee on Human Services.

**H. 590**

By Reps. Yantachka of Charlotte and McCullough of Williston,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to the incidental trapping of fur-bearing animals or other wildlife;
To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife.

**H. 591**

By Reps. Deen of Westminster and Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to fishing access areas;
To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife.

**Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence**
**J.R.S. 39**

By Senator Kitchel,

**J.R.S. 39.** Joint resolution to provide for a Joint Assembly to hear the budget message of the Governor.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at one o'clock in the afternoon to receive the budget message of the Governor.

Was taken up, read and adopted in concurrence.
Message from the Senate No. 3

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 joint resolution of the following title:

**J.R.S. 40.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

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

**Adjournment**

At ten o'clock and thirteen minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.