Journal of the House

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

At one o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Peter Plagge, Waterbury Congregational Church.

House Bills Introduced

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. 592

By Reps. Macaig of Williston and McCullough of Williston,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to motor vehicle inspections and consumer protection;
To the committee on Transportation.

H. 593

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry and Botzow of Pownal,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to miscellaneous consumer protection provisions;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 594

By Reps. Harrison of Chittenden, Macaig of Williston, Marcotte of Coventry, McCullough of Williston, Myers of Essex, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Poirier of Barre City and Trieber of Rockingham,
House bill, entitled
An act relating to business consumer protection for credit card terminal leases;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 595

By Rep. Harrison of Chittenden,
An act relating to protecting the right to quiet enjoyment of multifamily residential property;
To the committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs.

H. 596

By Reps. Sullivan of Dorset, Christensen of Weathersfield, Hill of Wolcott, Kimbell of Woodstock and McCoy of Poulney,

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

H. 597

By Reps. Botzow of Pownal and Marcotte of Coventry,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to the Vermont Employment Growth Incentive Program and economic development;
To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 598

By Reps. Turner of Milton and Mattos of Milton,

House bill, entitled
An act relating to jurors’ compensation;
To the committee on Judiciary.

House Resolution Referred to Committee

H.R. 18

House resolution, entitled

House resolution amending the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives relating to standing committees’ review of reports within their jurisdiction

Offered by: Representatives Giambatista of Essex, Gannon of Wilmington, Jickling of Randolph, and Sibilia of Dover

Whereas, each year, the General Assembly enacts multiple requirements for various entities — such as Executive Branch departments and study committees — to submit reports to the General Assembly that summarize the
work the General Assembly has tasked those entities to undertake, and

Whereas, the entities’ required work and resulting reports can take significant thought, deliberation, and time to complete, and

Whereas, the House of Representatives should help ensure that, whenever possible, the work of these entities is given its deserved consideration and that the resulting reports are thoughtfully reviewed, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That this legislative body moves to amend Section V (of Committees) of the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives by adding Rule 31a to read:

31a. A committee with jurisdiction over a report submitted to the General Assembly or submitted directly to the committee shall, if time permits, review that report in the session during or following the report’s required submission., and be it further

Resolved: That the Clerk of the House be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the secretaries of the agencies under the Office of the Governor and to the Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

Which was read and referred to the committee on Rules.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 40

By Senator Ashe,

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

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 12, 2018, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

Was taken up, read and adopted in concurrence.

Adjournment

At one o'clock and twenty-six minutes in the afternoon, on motion of Rep. Turner of Milton, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock minutes in the afternoon.