Journal of the House

Friday, January 19, 2018

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. Jason McConnell, Franklin United Church, Franklin, VT.

Memorial Service

The Speaker placed before the House the following name of the member of past sessions of the Vermont General Assembly who had passed away recently:

Timothy J. O'Connor, Jr. of Brattleboro	Member of the House,
	Sessions 1969-1970, 1971-1972,
	1973-1974, 1975-1976,
	1977-1978, 1979-1980
	Speaker of the House 1977-1980

Thereupon, the members of the House rose for a moment of silence in memory of the deceased member. The Clerk was thereupon directed to send a copy of the House Journal to the bereaved family.

Message from the Senate No. 9

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 passed Senate bill of the following title:

S. 128. An act relating to executive sessions under the Open Meeting Law.

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

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. 665

By Reps. Fagan of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Harrison of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Howard of Rutland City, Keefe of Manchester, McCoy of Poultney, Norris of Shoreham, Potter of Clarendon, Scheuermann of Stowe, Shaw of Pittsford, Sullivan of Dorset and Terenzini of Rutland Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to changes to Act 250;

To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife.

H. 666

By Rep. Till of Jericho,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing the Advisory Council on Benzodiazepine Prescribing Practices;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 667

By Rep. Till of Jericho,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Exchange special enrollment period for pregnancy;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 668

By Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to delegation to members, officers, and employees of the Green Mountain Care Board;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 669

By Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to certificates of need and to replacing the Health Resource Allocation Plan;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 670

By Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Green Mountain Care Board's expenditure analysis and health care spending estimate;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 671

By Rep. Ancel of Calais,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to eliminating fees for placing or removing a credit freeze;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 672

By Reps. Trieber of Rockingham, Keenan of St. Albans City and Yacovone of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Medicaid co-payment amounts and Exchange financial assistance;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 673

By Reps. Keefe of Manchester and Pugh of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to the Reach Up program;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 674

By Reps. Weed of Enosburgh, Cina of Burlington and Sullivan of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to prohibiting excessive and unusual motor vehicle noise;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 675

By Rep. Grad of Moretown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to conditions of release prior to trial;

To the committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill Referred

S. 128

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to executive sessions under the Open Meeting Law

Was read and referred to the committee on Government Operations.

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committee to Other Committee

H. 654

Rep. Brennan of Colchester moved that the committee on Transportation be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to Burlington International Airport and noise compatibility programs

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

Rules Suspended; Bill Committed

H. 589

On motion of **Rep. Pugh of South Burlington**, the rules were suspended and House bill, entitled

An act relating to An act relating to the reasonable and prudent parent standard;

Appearing on the Calendar for notice, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Thereupon, the bill was committed to the committee on Judiciary on motion of Rep. Pugh of South Burlington.

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 568

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Barre

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 633

House bill, entitled

An act relating to fiscal year 2018 budget adjustments

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Adjournment

At nine o'clock and fifty-eight minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 41.

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. 220

House concurrent resolution honoring former Senator Elizabeth M. Ready for her dedicated leadership on issues pertaining to social justice;

H.C.R. 221

House concurrent resolution designating January 2018 as School Board Recognition Month;

H.C.R. 222

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Fair Haven Union High School Slaters Division II championship football team;

H.C.R. 223

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 South Burlington High School Wolves Division I championship boys' soccer team;

H.C.R. 224

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 South Burlington High School Wolves on their three-peat Division I field hockey championship;

H.C.R. 225

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Lyndon Institute Vikings Division III championship field hockey team;

H.C.R. 226

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' golf team;

H.C.R. 227

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Bellows Falls Union High School Terriers Division II championship field hockey team;

H.C.R. 228

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Lake Region Union High School Rangers Division II championship boys' soccer team;

[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.]