Journal of the House

Friday, February 23, 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. Joan Javier-Duval, Unitarian Church, Montpelier, VT.

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. 900

By Rep. Mrowicki of Putney,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to compensation for jury duty;

To the committee on Judiciary.

H. 901

By the committee on Health Care,

An act relating to health information technology and health information exchange;

Pursuant to House rule 48, bill placed on the Calendar for notice.

Bill Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 899

House bill, entitled

An act relating to fees for records filed in town offices and a town fee report and request

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

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 763

House bill, entitled

An act relating to a study of approaches to greenhouse gas reduction

Appearing on the Calendar, carrying an appropriation, under rule 35(a), was referred to the committee on Appropriations.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 897

House bill, entitled

An act relating to enhancing the effectiveness, availability, and equity of services provided to students who require additional support

Appearing on the Calendar, carrying an appropriation, under rule 35(a), was referred to the committee on Appropriations.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 50

By Senator Nitka,

J.R.S. 50. Joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to vote on the retention of one Superior Judge and one Magistrate.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at ten o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon to vote on the retention of one Superior Judge and one Magistrate. In case the vote to retain said Judge and Magistrate shall not be made on that day, the two Houses shall meet in Joint Assembly at ten o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon on each succeeding day, Saturdays and Sundays excepted, and proceed until the above is completed.

Was taken up, read and adopted in concurrence.

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 828

House bill, entitled

An act relating to disclosures in campaign finance law

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Committee Bill; Second Reading; Third Reading Ordered

H. 895

Rep. Weed of Enosburgh spoke for the committee on Government Operations.

House bill entitled

An act relating to legislative review of certain report requirements

Having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time and third reading ordered.

Adjournment

At nine o'clock and fifty-five minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 49.

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. 249

House concurrent resolution commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the World War I Armistice;

H.C.R. 250

House concurrent resolution designating February 16, 2018 as After-school and Summer Learning Day at the State House;

H.C.R. 251

House concurrent resolution honoring Tim Fort, Malcolm Ewen, and Steve Stettler for their outstanding artistic leadership of the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company;

H.C.R. 252

House concurrent resolution honoring Karen Ameden for her devotion to community service in the town of Jamaica;

H.C.R. 253

House concurrent resolution in memory of Theodor H. Friedman of Winhall;

H.C.R. 254

House concurrent resolution honoring international volunteer health care provider and former Civil Air Patrol leader Kathleen R. Fellows of Perkinsville:

H.C.R. 255

House concurrent resolution honoring former University of Vermont Morgan Horse Farm Director Stephen P. Davis;

H.C.R. 256

House concurrent resolution honoring F. William Holiday Jr. of Dummerston on his life of athletic and scholastic accomplishments and outstanding municipal civic service;

H.C.R. 257

House concurrent resolution honoring former Caledonia County Victim Advocate Susan Carr;

H.C.R. 258

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Granby Selectboard Chair Fredrick W. Hodgdon Sr. of Granby;

H.C.R. 259

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Harwood Union High School Highlanders Division II championship boys' golf team;

H.C.R. 260

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Speaker of the House and Brattleboro Town Moderator Timothy J. O'Connor Jr.;

[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.]