The Senate was called to order by the President.

**Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Rick Swanson of Stowe.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The President then led the members of the Senate in the pledge of allegiance.

**Message from the Governor**

**Appointments Referred**

A message was received from the Governor, by Susan Allen, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, submitting the following appointments, which were referred to committees as indicated:


To the Committee on Judiciary.

Courtney, Elizabeth of Montpelier - Member of the Natural Resources Board - from September 12, 2016, to January 31, 2020.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Terry, Faith of Middlebury - Member of the Transportation Board - from September 12, 2016, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Transportation.

Tuttle, Michael of South Burlington - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from September 12, 2016, to June 30, 2020.

To the Committee on Finance.

Meals, Don of Burlington - Member of the State Board of Health - from September 12, 2016, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.
Graves, Leon of Fairfield - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2022.

To the Committee on Finance.

Gallagher, Thomas of St. Albans - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2022.

To the Committee on Finance.

Kurtzman, Daniel of Canaan - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2022.

To the Committee on Finance.

Potter, Alexandra S. of Starksboro - Member of the Vermont Tobacco Evaluation and Review Board - from June 30, 2016, to July 1, 2019.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.


To the Committee on Finance.

Sexton, Ryan of Montpelier - Member of the Board of Medical Practice - from June 14, 2016, to December 31, 2018.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Kennett, Elizabeth of Rochester - Member of the Travel Information Council - from June 14, 2016, to February 28, 2018.

To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Judiciary.


To the Committee on Finance.

Lauzon, Thomas of Barre - Member of the Travel Information Council - from July 1, 2016, to February 28, 2018.

To the Committee on Transportation.
Illick, Martha of Charlotte - Member of the Natural Resources Board - from July 1, 2016, to January 31, 2020.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Heald, Francis of Island Pond - Member of the Travel Information Council, - from July 1, 2016, to February 28, 2018.

To the Committee on Transportation.

Hunter, Patricia of Rutland - Member of the Board of Medical Practice - from January 1, 2017, to December 31, 2022.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Weinstein, Heather of Montpelier - Member of the Community High School of Vermont Board - from December 12, 2016, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Education.

Bolton, Margaret of Addison - Member of the State Board of Health - from December 12, 2016, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Harrison, Wendy of Brattleboro - Member of the Transportation Board - from December 12, 2016, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Transportation.

Kittell, Vanessa of East Fairfield - Chair of the Transportation Board - from December 12, 2016, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Transportation.

Mann, Elizabeth of Norwich - Superior Judge - from December 28, 2016, to March 31, 2019.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Faisal, Gill of Winooski - Member of the Board of Medical Practice - from January 1, 2017, to December 31, 2022.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Message from the Governor
Appointments Referred

A message was received from the Governor, by Brittney Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, submitting the following appointments, which were referred to committees as indicated:

To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Transportation.

Flynn, Joe of South Hero - Secretary of the Agency of Transportation - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Transportation.

Flynn, Joe of South Hero - Secretary of the Agency of Transportation - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Transportation.

Anderson, Thomas2 of Stowe - Commissioner of the Public Safety Department, - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Health and Welfare.


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To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Bailey, Melissa of Bolton - Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Bailey, Melissa of Bolton - Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.


To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Transportation.


To the Committee on Finance.


To the Committee on Finance.

To the Committee on Finance.


To the Committee on Finance.

Young, Susanne of Northfield - Secretary of the Agency of Administration - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

Young, Susanne of Northfield - Secretary of the Agency of Administration - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Government Operations.


To the Committee on Government Operations.


To the Committee on Government Operations.


To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.


To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

Tierney, June of Randolph Center - Commissioner of the Public Service, Department of, - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Finance.

Tierney, June of Randolph Center - Commissioner of the Public Service, Department of, - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Finance.

To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.


To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.


To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.


To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.


To the Committee on Agriculture.


To the Committee on Agriculture.

Snelling, Diane of Hinesburg - Chair of the Natural Resources Board, - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Snelling, Diane of Hinesburg - Chair of the Natural Resources Board, - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.


To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Moore, Julie of Middlesex - Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources - from January 5, 2017, to February 28, 2017.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

Moore, Julia of Middlesex - Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources - from March 1, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.


To the Committee on Institutions.


To the Committee on Institutions.

**Joint Senate Resolution Adopted on the Part of the Senate**

**J.R.S. 10.**

Joint Senate resolution of the following title was offered, read and adopted on the part of the Senate, and is as follows:

By Senator Ashe,

**J.R.S. 10.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:*

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 20, 2017, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 24, 2017.

**Bills Introduced**

Senate bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred:

**S. 30.**

By Senators Campion and Sears,

An act relating to the service of alcoholic beverages by theaters.

To the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.
By Senator Lyons,
An act relating to circulating nurses in hospital operating rooms.
To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 32.

By Senators Lyons and McCormack,
An act relating to climate change considerations in State procurement.
To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 33.

By Senators Sirotkin and Starr,
An act relating to the Rozo McLaughlin Farm-to-School Program.
To the Committee on Agriculture.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until one o’clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, January 18, 2017.