

Journal of the Senate

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Kenzan of East Calais.

Message from the House No. 42

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Rebecca Silbernagel, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed a House bill of the following title:

H. 368. An act relating to creating two temporary, part-time cold case investigator positions.

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

The House has considered a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 69. An act relating to an employer's compliance with an income withholding order from another state.

And has passed the same in concurrence.

The House has adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

H.C.R. 97. House concurrent resolution designating April 4, 2017 as Pay Equity Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 98. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Vermont Comcast Scholars.

H.C.R. 99. House concurrent resolution designating April 2017 as Fair Housing Month in Vermont.

H.C.R. 100. House concurrent resolution in memory of and tribute to Sally (Apalakian) Ovia of Rutland.

H.C.R. 101. House concurrent resolution honoring Richard A. Fletcher of Putney for his health care career achievements and civic leadership.

H.C.R. 102. House concurrent resolution designating April 2017 as the Month of the Military Child in Vermont.

H.C.R. 103. House concurrent resolution designating Tuesday, April 4, 2017 as National Service Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 104. House concurrent resolution designating May 2017 as HOBY Youth Service Month in Vermont.

H.C.R. 105. House concurrent resolution congratulating 2017 New England wrestling champion Nick Johnson of Milton High School.

H.C.R. 106. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont Supported Employment Program for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities on winning the 2017 Innovative Policy Award on Employment, Work, and Vocational Education.

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

The House has considered concurrent resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

S.C.R. 12. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Stanley Rosen of North Bennington for his significant and continuing contributions to the ceramic arts.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Rules Suspended; Bill Committed

H. 218.

Appearing on the Calendar for notice, on motion of Senator Starr, the rules were suspended and House bill entitled:

An act relating to the adequate shelter of dogs and cats.

Was taken up for immediate consideration.

Thereupon, pending the reading of the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Senator Starr moved that Senate Rule 49 be suspended in order to commit the bill to the Committee on Judiciary with the report of the Committee on Agriculture *intact*,

Which was agreed to.

**Message from the Governor
Appointment Referred**

A message was received from the Governor, by Brittney L. Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, submitting the following appointment, which was referred to a committee as indicated:

Knight, Wendy of Panton - Commissioner of the Department of Tourism and Marketing - from March 31, 2017, to February 28, 2019.

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

Bills Introduced

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

S. 146.

By Senators Pearson and Ayer,

An act relating to prescription drug pricing standards for State purchasers.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 147.

By Senators Lyons, Sirotkin, Ashe, Balint, Kitchel, Pearson and Sears,

An act relating to privacy and data security rules applicable to telecommunications service providers, including Internet service providers.

To the Committee on Finance.

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

H. 368.

An act relating to creating two temporary, part-time cold case investigator positions.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

H. 519.

An act relating to capital construction and State bonding.

To the Committee on Institutions.

Bills Passed in Concurrence

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence:

H. 35. An act relating to adopting the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act.

H. 152. An act relating to the Vermont Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.

H. 201. An act relating to length of stay at designated shelters.

Bills Passed in Concurrence with Proposal of Amendment

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment:

H. 171. An act relating to expungement.

H. 297. An act relating to miscellaneous court operations procedures.

Third Reading Ordered**H. 290.**

Senator Nitka, for the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to clarifying ambiguities relating to real estate titles and conveyances.

Reported that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Senate Concurrent Resolution

The following joint concurrent resolution, having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, was adopted on the part of the Senate:

By Reps. Botzow and others,

By Senators Campion and Sears,

S.C.R. 12.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Stanley Rosen of North Bennington for his significant and continuing contributions to the ceramic arts.

House Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted in concurrence:

By Reps. Burke and others,

H.C.R. 97.

House concurrent resolution designating April 4, 2017 as Pay Equity Day in Vermont.

By Reps. Johnson and others,

H.C.R. 98.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Vermont Comcast Scholars.

By Reps. Head and others,

H.C.R. 99.

House concurrent resolution designating April 2017 as Fair Housing Month in Vermont.

By Reps. Cupoli and others,

By Senators Collamore, Flory and Mullin,

H.C.R. 100.

House concurrent resolution in memory of and tribute to Sally (Apalakian) Oviaan of Rutland.

By Reps. Hebert and others,

By Senators Balint and White,

H.C.R. 101.

House concurrent resolution honoring Richard A. Fletcher of Putney for his health care career achievements and civic leadership.

By Reps. Head and others,

H.C.R. 102.

House concurrent resolution designating April 2017 as the Month of the Military Child in Vermont.

By All Members of the House,

H.C.R. 103.

House concurrent resolution designating Tuesday, April 4, 2017 as National Service Day in Vermont.

By Rep. Sibia,

H.C.R. 104.

House concurrent resolution designating May 2017 as HOBY Youth Service Month in Vermont.

By Reps. Turner and others,

H.C.R. 105.

House concurrent resolution congratulating 2017 New England wrestling champion Nick Johnson of Milton High School.

By Reps. Wood and others,

H.C.R. 106.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont Supported Employment Program for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities on winning the 2017 Innovative Policy Award on Employment, Work, and Vocational Education.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 29.