

# Journal of the Senate

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TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018

The Senate was called to order by the President.

## Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Joan Javier-Duval of Montpelier.

## Pledge of Allegiance

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

## Message from the House No. 35

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Melissa Kucserik, its First Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed House bills of the following titles:

**H. 897.** An act relating to enhancing the effectiveness, availability, and equity of services provided to students who require additional support.

**H. 899.** An act relating to fees for records filed in town offices and a town fee report and request.

**H. 922.** An act relating to making numerous revenue changes.

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

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

**H.C.R. 279.** House concurrent resolution honoring Andrew A. Pallito for his exemplary leadership and wisdom as a Vermont public official.

**H.C.R. 280.** House concurrent resolution designating July 2018 as Parks and Recreation Month in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 281.** House concurrent resolution designating March 19, 2018 as Women in Public Office Day.

**H.C.R. 282.** House concurrent resolution in memory of Dr. John W. Hennessey Jr. of Shelburne.

**H.C.R. 283.** House concurrent resolution designating March 2018 as Older Vermonters Nutrition Month.

**H.C.R. 284.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers on winning their fourth consecutive Division I girls' indoor track and field championship.

**H.C.R. 285.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I championship boys' indoor track and field team.

**H.C.R. 286.** House concurrent resolution in memory of Elaine B. Little of Shelburne and Burlington.

**H.C.R. 287.** House concurrent resolution honoring the life and legacy of Robert Romeo De Cormier Jr. of Belmont.

**H.C.R. 288.** House concurrent resolution celebrating the cultural and economic centrality of agriculture in the State of Vermont.

**H.C.R. 289.** House concurrent resolution designating March 22, 2018 as Vermont Nonprofit Legislative Day at the State House.

**H.C.R. 290.** House concurrent resolution designating March 2018 as National Social Work Month in Vermont.

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. 22.** Senate concurrent resolution designating Saturday, March 24, 2018 as Northeast Kingdom Day in Vermont.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

#### **Bills Referred**

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

#### **H. 897.**

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

To the Committee on Education.

#### **H. 899.**

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

To the Committee on Government Operations.

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**H. 922.**

An act relating to making numerous revenue changes.

To the Committee on Finance.

**Joint Senate Resolution Adopted on the Part of the Senate****J.R.S. 53.**

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. 53.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, March 30, 2018, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

**Bills Passed**

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

**S. 94.** An act relating to promoting remote work and flexible work arrangements.

**S. 257.** An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law.

**Third Readings Ordered****H. 693.**

Senator Collamore, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to the Honor and Remember Flag.

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.

**H. 829.**

Senator Clarkson, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to appointing town grand jurors.

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.

**H. 846.**

Senator Collamore, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to the application of general law to chartered municipalities.

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.

**Adjournment**

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, March 28, 2018.