

Journal of the House

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

At ten o'clock 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

Page Maximillian Fontana of South Burlington led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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. 514

By the committee on Appropriations,

An act relating to miscellaneous tax provisions;

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

H. 515

By Rep. Till of Jericho,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing individuals who have attained 16 years of age to consent to the administration of immunizations;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 516

By Reps. Gamache of Swanton, Bancroft of Westford, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Brennan of Colchester, Browning of Arlington, Brumsted of Shelburne, Canfield of Fair Haven, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Conquest of Newbury, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Goslant of Northfield, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Randolph, Killacky of South Burlington, Martel of Waterford, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan of Milton, Myers of Essex, Norris of Shoreham, O'Sullivan of

Burlington, Page of Newport City, Rosenquist of Georgia, Savage of Swanton, Scheuermann of Stowe, Seymour of Sutton, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of Derby, Strong of Albany, Toof of St. Albans Town, Troiano of Stannard and Wood of Waterbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to career technical education;

To the committee on Education.

Bill Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 104

House bill, entitled

An act relating to professions and occupations regulated by the Office of Professional Regulation

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

Message from the Senate No. 22

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 considered a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 3. An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools.

And has passed the same in concurrence with proposal of amendment in the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate has on its part adopted Senate concurrent resolution of the following title:

S.C.R. 5. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Ralph Pace of Ludlow for his community leadership and public service..

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

H.C.R. 59. House concurrent resolution honoring former Bridport Selectboard member Thomas Carey Howlett for his outstanding community service.

H.C.R. 60. House concurrent resolution honoring Betty Bell of New Haven for her devoted community leadership.

H.C.R. 61. House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Richard Cutler Pembroke Sr. of Bennington.

H.C.R. 62. House concurrent resolution honoring firefighter extraordinaire and former Marshfield Moderator Tom Maclay.

H.C.R. 63. House concurrent resolution congratulating Charles Bothfeld of Cabot on his 100th birthday.

H.C.R. 64. House concurrent resolution congratulating Jon Wilbur on achieving a perfect 900 bowling score.

H.C.R. 65. House concurrent resolution honoring Vernon's extraordinary resident historian Barbara Ann Emery Moseley.

H.C.R. 66. House concurrent resolution designating March 13, 2019 as the 25th Early Childhood Day at the State House.

Recess

At ten o'clock and twenty-one minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker declared a recess until the fall of the gavel.

At eleven o'clock and forty-one minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 327

House bill, entitled

An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Favorable Report; Second Reading; Third Reading Ordered

H. 511

Rep. LaLonde of South Burlington, for the committee on Judiciary, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to criminal statutes of limitations

Reported in favor of its passage. The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time and third reading ordered.

Second Reading; Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered**H. 26**

Rep. Brumsted of Shelburne, for the committee on Human Services, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to restricting retail and Internet sales of electronic cigarettes, liquid nicotine, and tobacco paraphernalia in Vermont

Reported in favor of its passage when amended by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 7 V.S.A. § 1002(g) is amended to read:

(g) No person shall engage in the retail sale of tobacco products, tobacco substitutes, substances containing nicotine or otherwise intended for use with a tobacco substitute, or tobacco paraphernalia in the State unless the person is a licensed wholesale dealer as defined in 32 V.S.A. § 7702 or has purchased the tobacco products, tobacco substitutes, substances containing nicotine or otherwise intended for use with a tobacco substitute, or tobacco paraphernalia from a licensed wholesale dealer.

Sec. 2. 7 V.S.A. § 1010(b) is amended to read:

(b) No person shall cause cigarettes, roll-your-own tobacco, little cigars, or snuff, tobacco substitutes, substances containing nicotine or otherwise intended for use with a tobacco substitute, or tobacco paraphernalia, ordered or purchased by mail or through a computer network, telephonic network, or other electronic network, to be shipped to anyone other than a licensed wholesale dealer or retail dealer in this State.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time, report of the committee on Human Services agreed to and third reading ordered.

Message from the Senate No. 23

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 bills of the following titles:

S. 18. An act relating to consumer justice enforcement.

S. 54. An act relating to the regulation of cannabis.

S. 86. An act relating to increasing the legal age for buying and using cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, and other tobacco products from 18 to 21 years of age.

S. 109. An act relating to captive insurance companies and risk retention groups.

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

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolutions of the following titles:

J.R.S. 13. Joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and Recreation to amend the Department's lease with the Okemo Limited Liability Company and to authorize a conveyance of Woodchuck Mountain in Newbury as an alternative to the conveyance authorized in 2002 Acts and Resolves No. 149, Sec. 83(a)(3).

J.R.S. 17. Joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to vote on the retention of eight Superior Judges and one Magistrate.

J.R.S. 18. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

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

Adjournment

At twelve o'clock and three minutes in the afternoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.