Journal of the House

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Christine Gallese, Board Chair, SerVermont, Charlotte, VT.

Pledge of Allegiance

Page Hannah Keith of Kirby led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Message from the Senate No. 31

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. 532.** An act relating to fiscal year 2019 budget adjustments.

And has passed the same in concurrence.

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

**H.C.R. 99.** House concurrent resolution recognizing March as Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 100.** House concurrent resolution recognizing May 19–25, 2019 as National Public Works Week in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 101.** House concurrent resolution recognizing former Representative Ann Seibert of Norwich for her leadership in the enactment of anti-smoking legislation in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 102.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Ted’s Pizza Shop in Rutland on its 60th anniversary.

**H.C.R. 103.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the American Legion on its centennial.

**H.C.R. 104.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Fair
Haven Union High School Slaters Division II girls’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 105.** House concurrent resolution congratulating Bellows Falls Union High School Head Field Hockey Coach Bethany Coursen on being named the MAX Field Hockey 2018 Vermont State Coach of the Year and the New England Region Coach of the Year.

**H.C.R. 106.** House concurrent resolution honoring Robert S. Thorn Jr. for his innovative leadership as a mental health administrator, counselor, and educator.

**H.C.R. 107.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 West Rutland High School Golden Horde Division IV girls’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 108.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III girls’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 109.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the Thetford Academy Panthers Division III boys’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 110.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III boys’ cross-country championship team.

**H.C.R. 111.** House concurrent resolution designating April 2019 as Fair Housing Month in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 112.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the Mt. St. Joseph Academy Mounties Division II boys’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 113.** House concurrent resolution in memory of former Sergeant at Arms Teresa M. Randall.

**H.C.R. 114.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Danville School Indians Division IV boys’ basketball championship team.

**H.C.R. 115.** House concurrent resolution designating April 2019 as Veterans Suicide Awareness Month in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 116.** House concurrent resolution recognizing April 2, 2019 as Equal Pay Day in Vermont.

**H.C.R. 117.** House concurrent resolution celebrating the unique attributes of Green River Reservoir State Park.

**H.C.R. 118.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Boys & Girls Clubs of Vermont Youth of the Year Award honorees.

**H.C.R. 119.** House concurrent resolution observing April 2, 2019 as National Service Recognition Day in Vermont.
H.C.R. 120. House concurrent resolution honoring U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officers’ century and a quarter of outstanding service to our nation.

Message from the Senate No. 32

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. 149. An act relating to miscellaneous changes to laws related to vehicles and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

S. 160. An act relating to agricultural development.

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

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

J.R.S. 22. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

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

Message from Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Ms. Brittney L. Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the twenty-ninth day of March 2019, he signed 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

Committee Relieved of Consideration
and Bill Committed to Other Committee

H. 545

Rep. Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford moved that the committee on Government Operations be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of South Burlington

And that the bill be committed to the committee on Ways and Means, which was agreed to.
Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 543

House bill, entitled
An act relating to capital construction and State bonding
Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 39

House bill, entitled
An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education
Was taken up and pending consideration of the Senate proposal of amendment, on motion of Rep. Webb of Shelburne, action on the bill was postponed until April 3, 2019.

Adjournment

At ten o'clock and forty minutes in the forenoon, on motion of Rep. McCoy of Poultney, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.