Journal of the House

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

At one o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Stephen Marshall and Wesley Stephens of Burlington.

Rules Suspended; House Bills Introduced

Pending first reading of the bills, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the rules were suspended and the bills were read the first time by number and referred or placed on the Calendar as follows:

H. 700

By Reps. Donovan of Burlington, Anthony of Barre City, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Gardner of Richmond, Gonzalez of Winooski, Howard of Rutland City, Macaig of Williston, Squirrell of Underhill, Stevens of Waterbury, Sullivan of Burlington, Till of Jericho, Troiano of Stannard, Walz of Barre City and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to union organizing and requiring good cause for termination of employment;

To the committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs.

H. 701

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield and Morris of Springfield,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to requiring students to learn about digital citizenship;

To the committee on Education.

H. 702

By Reps. Sibilia of Dover, Pajala of Londonderry, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cina of Burlington, Gonzalez of Winooski, Haas of Rochester, Nicoll of Ludlow, Ralph of Hartland and Szott of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing ranked choice voting in municipal elections;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 703

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Bancroft of Westford, Carroll of Bennington, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Jerome of Brandon, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, O'Sullivan of Burlington and Ralph of Hartland,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating a workforce development provider portal;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 704

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Bancroft of Westford, Carroll of Bennington, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Jerome of Brandon, Kimbell of Woodstock, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, Morris of Springfield, O'Sullivan of Burlington and Ralph of Hartland,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to adult technical education and workforce development;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 705

By Reps. Scheuermann of Stowe, Brennan of Colchester, Carroll of Bennington, Chase of Colchester, Coffey of Guilford, Dolan of Waitsfield, Fagan of Rutland City, Goslant of Northfield, Hango of Berkshire, Harrison of Chittenden, Houghton of Essex, James of Manchester, Jerome of Brandon, Killacky of South Burlington, Kimbell of Woodstock, Leffler of Enosburgh, McCoy of Poultney, Morrissey of Bennington, Ode of Burlington, Pajala of Londonderry, Sibilia of Dover, Strong of Albany, Toof of St. Albans Town, Yacovone of Morristown and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 706

By Reps. Walz of Barre City, Anthony of Barre City, Birong of Vergennes, Morris of Springfield, Taylor of Colchester, Townsend of South Burlington and Yacovone of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing the sale of proprietary reverse mortgage

products;

To the committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

H. 707

By Reps. Canfield of Fair Haven, Bock of Chester, Browning of Arlington, Brumsted of Shelburne, Cupoli of Rutland City, Goslant of Northfield, Harrison of Chittenden, Mattos of Milton, McCoy of Poultney, Morris of Springfield, Notte of Rutland City, Potter of Clarendon, Squirrell of Underhill, Terenzini of Rutland Town and Troiano of Stannard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to providing emergency service courses at regional technical centers;

To the committee on Education.

H. 708

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Anthony of Barre City and McCullough of Williston,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to requiring dog trainer disclosures;

To the committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs.

H. 709

By Reps. Sullivan of Burlington, Anthony of Barre City, Batchelor of Derby, Burke of Brattleboro, Carroll of Bennington, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Colston of Winooski, Copeland Hanzas of Bradford, Cordes of Lincoln, Demrow of Corinth, Dolan of Waitsfield, Elder of Starksboro, Fegard of Berkshire, Gardner of Richmond, Gonzalez of Winooski, Hashim of Dummerston, Hill of Wolcott, Howard of Rutland City, Killacky of South Burlington, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lefebvre of Newark, Masland of Thetford, McCarthy of St. Albans City, McCormack of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Morgan of Milton, Mrowicki of Putney, Nicoll of Ludlow, Noyes of Wolcott, O'Brien of Tunbridge, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Patt of Worcester, Ralph of Hartland, Savage of Swanton, Sheldon of Middlebury, Smith of New Haven, Squirrell of Underhill, Till of Jericho, Townsend of South Burlington, Walz of Barre City, White of Hartford, Wood of Waterbury and Yacovone of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to requiring gender balance on the University of Vermont's

Board of Trustees;

To the committee on Education.

H. 710

By Reps. Canfield of Fair Haven, Martel of Waterford, Terenzini of Rutland Town and Troiano of Stannard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to exempting certain forms of income from the calculation of household income for veterans who are permanently and totally disabled;

To the committee on Ways and Means.

H. 711

By Reps. Scheuermann of Stowe, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Sibilia of Dover and Yantachka of Charlotte.

House bill, entitled

An act relating to energy audits;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

H. 712

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Anthony of Barre City, Cina of Burlington, Fegard of Berkshire, Hooper of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, Ode of Burlington, Townsend of South Burlington and White of Hartford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Department of Public Service and a report with recommendations concerning solar, the grid, and distributed renewable generation;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

H. 713

By Rep. Kimbell of Woodstock,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allocating the cost of Department of Corrections resources;

To the committee on Corrections and Institutions.

H. 714

By Reps. Ralph of Hartland, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington,

Gonzalez of Winooski, Colston of Winooski, Austin of Colchester, Bartholomew of Hartland, Carroll of Bennington, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Colburn of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Demrow of Corinth, Dolan of Waitsfield, Elder of Starksboro, Hooper of Burlington, O'Sullivan of Burlington and Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to implicit bias training for public and approved independent school employees;

To the committee on Education.

H. 715

By Reps. Smith of Derby, Batchelor of Derby, Birong of Vergennes, Bock of Chester, Brennan of Colchester, Christensen of Weathersfield, Colston of Winooski, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Gamache of Swanton, Goslant of Northfield, Hango of Berkshire, Hashim of Dummerston, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Randolph, Houghton of Essex, Killacky of South Burlington, Kimbell of Woodstock, LaClair of Barre Town, Morgan of Milton, Page of Newport City, Savage of Swanton, Seymour of Sutton, Smith of New Haven, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Toof of St. Albans Town, Troiano of Stannard, Walz of Barre City and Yacovone of Morristown,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to changing penalties for speeding in work and school zones and using a portable electronic device while operating a moving motor vehicle;

To the committee on Transportation.

H. 716

By Reps. Brumsted of Shelburne, Cina of Burlington, Webb of Shelburne, Austin of Colchester, Batchelor of Derby, Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Patt of Worcester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Abenaki hunting and fishing licenses;

To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife.

H. 717

By Reps. Brumsted of Shelburne, Webb of Shelburne, Gannon of Wilmington, Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Scheuermann of Stowe,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing fourth-class license locations to serve beverages

by the glass;

To the committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs.

H. 718

By Rep. Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the sale, tasting, and distribution of vinous beverages;

To the committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs.

H. 719

By Reps. Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Austin of Colchester, Bartholomew of Hartland, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Colburn of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Dolan of Waitsfield, Gonzalez of Winooski, LaLonde of South Burlington, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Morris of Springfield, Patt of Worcester, Ralph of Hartland, Squirrell of Underhill, Sullivan of Burlington, Till of Jericho, Troiano of Stannard, White of Hartford and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Residential Building Energy Standards;

To the committee on Energy and Technology.

H. 720

By Reps. Rosenquist of Georgia, Bancroft of Westford, Batchelor of Derby, Cupoli of Rutland City, Donahue of Northfield, Gamache of Swanton, Goslant of Northfield, Graham of Williamstown, Hango of Berkshire, Helm of Fair Haven, LaClair of Barre Town, Martel of Waterford, Morgan of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Palasik of Milton, Savage of Swanton, Smith of Derby, Strong of Albany and Terenzini of Rutland Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing fetal personhood;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 721

By Reps. Dolan of Waitsfield, Lefebvre of Newark, Squirrell of Underhill, Bates of Bennington, Brumsted of Shelburne, Carroll of Bennington, Colston of Winooski, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Fegard of Berkshire, Goslant of Northfield, Hill of Wolcott, Hooper of Burlington, James of Manchester, Jerome of Brandon, Killacky of South Burlington, LaLonde of South

Burlington, Morgan of Milton, Nicoll of Ludlow, O'Brien of Tunbridge, Ode of Burlington, Page of Newport City, Pajala of Londonderry, Rachelson of Burlington, Ralph of Hartland, Savage of Swanton, Scheu of Middlebury, Shaw of Pittsford, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sullivan of Burlington, Till of Jericho, Townsend of South Burlington, Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, White of Hartford and Yantachka of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to restrictions on class B firefighting foam containing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 722

By Reps. Feltus of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, McCoy of Poultney, Rosenquist of Georgia, Sullivan of Dorset and Townsend of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Department of Libraries;

To the committee on Government Operations.

H. 723

By Reps. Houghton of Essex, Christensen of Weathersfield, Cina of Burlington, Conquest of Newbury, Cordes of Lincoln, Donahue of Northfield, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Fegard of Berkshire, Killacky of South Burlington, Ode of Burlington and Sibilia of Dover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to health insurance coverage for store-and-forward telemedicine;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 724

By Rep. Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to health insurance requirements and limitations regarding physical therapy services;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 725

By Reps. Ode of Burlington and Houghton of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to insurance coverage for breast cancer screening using magnetic resonance imaging;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 726

By Rep. Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to insurance coverage for custom foot orthotics for beneficiaries with spina bifida;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 727

By Rep. Ode of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to site-neutral reimbursement for physical therapists;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 728

By Rep. Houghton of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the miscellaneous changes affecting the duties of the Department of Vermont Health Access;

To the committee on Health Care.

H. 729

By Reps. Pajala of Londonderry, Brumsted of Shelburne, Gregoire of Fairfield, Haas of Rochester, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, McFaun of Barre Town, Nicoll of Ludlow, Noyes of Wolcott, Rosenquist of Georgia and Wood of Waterbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing the Foster Parent Advisory Council;

To the committee on Human Services.

H. 730

By Rep. Brennan of Colchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing a Salt Application Program at the Agency of Natural Resources;

To the committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife.

H. 731

By Rep. Smith of New Haven,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to establishing a residuals management program at the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets;

To the committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

H. 732

By Reps. Smith of New Haven and Higley of Lowell,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the right to farm;

To the committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 33

By Senator Ashe,

J.R.S. 33. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 17, 2020, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

Was taken up, read and adopted in concurrence.

Adjournment

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