

Journal of the Senate

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Stannard Baker of Burlington.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 31.

By Senator Pearson,

An act relating to requiring hospitals to provide certain financial information to patients and prohibiting surprise billing for emergency medical services.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 32.

By Senator Pearson,

An act relating to the public financing of campaigns.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 33.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to lowering the rate of increase for mobile home lot rents.

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

S. 34.

By Senators Benning, Collamore, McCormack, McNeil and Parent,

An act relating to shared parental rights and responsibilities.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 35.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to the use of employer-provided benefits.

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

S. 36.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to collective bargaining.

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

S. 37.

By Senators Campion, Sears and Bray,

An act relating to medical monitoring damages.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 38.

By Senators Pollina, Hardy, Ingram, Pearson and Perchlik,

An act relating to the creation of a tuition-free scholarship program for Vermont students.

To the Committee on Education.

S. 39.

By Senators Pollina and Perchlik,

An act relating to voter approval of school district mergers ordered by the State Board of Education under Act 46.

To the Committee on Education.

S. 40.

By Senators Campion, Ashe, Bray, Clarkson, Lyons and Sears,

An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities.

To the Committee on Education.

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:

S.C.R. 2.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring former Vermont State Police Major Glenn Hall for three decades of exemplary public service.

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. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 7.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets girls' volleyball team on winning its second consecutive State championship.

By Reps. Grad and Pugh,

H.C.R. 8.

House concurrent resolution recognizing January as National Stalking Awareness Month in Vermont.

By All Members of the House,

H.C.R. 9.

House concurrent resolution in memory of Representative James O'Neill Condon of Colchester.

By Reps. Fagan and others,

By Senators Collamore, Hooker and McNeil,

H.C.R. 10.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Team Mooney of the Rutland Rocks Curling Club on winning the 2018 Grand National Curling Club Arena Championship.

By Reps. Sullivan and others,

H.C.R. 11.

House concurrent resolution honoring Jamie Heath of Barre for her personal perseverance and unique literary contribution to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

By Rep. LaClair,

H.C.R. 12.

House concurrent resolution recognizing the important health care contribution of Nurse Anesthetists in Vermont.

By Rep. Wood,

H.C.R. 13.

House concurrent resolution designating January 23, 2019 as Vermont Retired State Employees Association Day at the State House.

By Rep. Webb,

H.C.R. 14.

House concurrent resolution recognizing the important work of MENTOR Vermont and designating January 23, 2019 as Mentoring Day at the State House.

By Rep. Sullivan,

H.C.R. 15.

House concurrent resolution honoring James Hathaway for his dedication to improving the lives of children.

By Reps. Partridge and Trieber,

H.C.R. 16.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Women's Community Club of Grafton on its centennial.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 17.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets boys' cross country team on winning a second consecutive Division I championship.

By Reps. Partridge and others,

H.C.R. 18.

House concurrent resolution congratulating American Legion Pierce Lawton Post #37 in Bellows Falls on its centennial.

By Reps. Till and others,

H.C.R. 19.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Vermont Army National Guard Sergeant First Class Damien Larose of Westford for his fire rescue bravery.

Message from the House No. 5

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 adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

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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. 2. Senate concurrent resolution honoring former Vermont State Police Major Glenn Hall for three decades of exemplary public service.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 7.