The Senate was called to order by the President.

**Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Kim Kie of Barre.

**Committee Relieved of Further Consideration; Bill Committed**

*S. 15.*

On motion of Senator Cummings, the Committee on Finance was relieved of further consideration of Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to unemployment compensation,

and the bill was committed to the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

**Bills Introduced**

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

*S. 53.*

By Senator Ashe,

An act relating to increasing the proportion of health care spending allocated to primary care.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

*S. 54.*

By Senators Sears, Ashe, Benning, Pearson, Rodgers, White, Balint, Baruth, Campion, Clarkson, Cummings, Hardy, Hooker, Perchlik, and Westman,

An act relating to the regulation of cannabis.

To the Committee on Judiciary.
Joint Assembly

At two o'clock in the afternoon, the hour having arrived for the meeting of the two Houses in Joint Assembly pursuant to:

_J.R.S. 5._ Joint resolution to provide for a Joint Assembly to hear the budget message of the Governor.

The Senate repaired to the hall of the House.

Having returned therefrom, at two o'clock and fifty minutes in the afternoon, the President assumed the Chair.

Appointment of Senate Members to Joint Rules Committee

The President, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve on the Joint Rules Committee for terms of two years pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule No. 5:

- Senator Ashe, _ex officio_
- Senator Mazza
- Senator Balint
- Senator Benning

Appointment of Senate Members to Legislative Committee on Judicial Rules

Pursuant to the provisions of 12 V.S.A. §3, the President, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve on the Legislative Committee on Judicial Rules for terms of two (2) years ending February 1, 2021:

- Senator Sears
- Senator Balint
- Senator Benning
- Senator Clarkson

Appointment of Senate Member to Vermont State Infrastructure Bank Board

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 V.S.A. §280e(b)(2), the President, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, announced the appointment of the following Senator to serve on the Vermont State Infrastructure Bank Board for a term of two years:

- Senator Balint
Appointment of Senate Members to Joint Fiscal Committee

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. §501, the President, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve on the Joint Fiscal Committee for terms of two years ending February 1, 2021:

- Senator Cummings, ex officio
- Senator Sears
- Senator Kitchel, ex officio
- Senator Ashe
- Senator Westman

Appointment of Senate Members to Commission on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders

Pursuant to the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 3085b(b), the President announced the appointment by the President of the following Senator to serve on the Commission on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders during this biennium:

- Senator Brock

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until eleven o’clock and thirty minutes in the morning.