

Journal of the Senate

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

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

Message from the House No. 26

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 passed House bills of the following titles:

H. 287. An act relating to small probate estates.

H. 512. An act relating to miscellaneous court and Judiciary related amendments.

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

The House has considered a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 11. An act relating to limiting senatorial districts to a maximum of three members.

And has passed the same in concurrence.

Message from the House No. 27

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:

H.C.R. 67. House concurrent resolution designating Tuesday, March 19, 2019 as Project Trio Day at the State House.

H.C.R. 68. House concurrent resolution congratulating Cabot Creamery Co-operative on its centennial.

H.C.R. 69. House concurrent resolution congratulating the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery on its centennial.

H.C.R. 70. House concurrent resolution honoring Dr. Dennis LeBlanc for his four decades of outstanding dental service in Derby.

H.C.R. 71. House concurrent resolution honoring civic activist Shirley Searles Squires of Guilford.

H.C.R. 72. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Windsor High School Division III championship baseball team.

H.C.R. 73. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Mt. Abraham Union High School Eagles Division II championship field hockey team.

H.C.R. 74. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Brookfield Ice Harvest at the Floating Bridge on its 40th anniversary and honoring the event's founder, Al Wilder.

H.C.R. 75. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks Division I championship boys' soccer team.

H.C.R. 76. House concurrent resolution congratulating The Pharmacy in Bennington and its founding pharmacists, Philip J. O'Neill and Edward P. Molloy, on the retailer's 50th anniversary.

H.C.R. 77. House concurrent resolution congratulating Bennington Project Independence on its 40th anniversary and the 10th anniversary of its home at the Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center.

H.C.R. 78. House concurrent resolution recognizing March 15, 2019 as Brain Injury Awareness Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 79. House concurrent resolution in memory of former Norwich University professor and Northfield civic leader Donald MacPherson Wallace Jr..

H.C.R. 80. House concurrent resolution designating March 12, 2019 as Vermont Lions Day at the State House.

H.C.R. 81. House concurrent resolution honoring Daniel Roberts on his half century of exemplary service as a Tunbridge volunteer firefighter.

H.C.R. 82. House concurrent resolution in memory of former Assistant Sergeant at Arms and Head Doorkeeper Laurence A. Wade Sr. of East Barre.

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. 6. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Linda Hall for her 30 years of outstanding volunteer leadership as the director of the Solomon Wright Public Library in Pownal.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Appointment of Senate Members to Legislative Council

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. §402, the President announced the appointment by the President *pro tempore* of the following Senators to serve on the Legislative Council for terms of two years:

Senator Ashe, *ex officio*
Senator Clarkson
Senator Mazza
Senator McNeil

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

S. 32.

Senate bill of the following title, appearing on the Calendar for notice and carrying an appropriation or requiring the expenditure of funds, under the rule was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

An act relating to the public financing of campaigns.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 156.

By Senators Hooker, Clarkson and McCormack,

An act relating to binding interest arbitration for State employees and municipal public safety employees.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 157.

By Senator Pollina,

An act relating to expanding the powers of the State Ethics Commission.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 158.

By Senator Pearson,

An act relating to consumer protection and repairing goods under warranty.

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

Bills Referred

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

H. 26.

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

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

H. 287.

An act relating to small probate estates.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 511.

An act relating to criminal statutes of limitations.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 512.

An act relating to miscellaneous court and Judiciary related amendments.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill Amended; Bill Passed**S. 42.**

Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to requiring at least one member of the Green Mountain Care Board to be a health care professional.

Was taken up.

Thereupon, pending third reading of the bill, Senator White moved to amend the bill by in Sec. 1, 18 V.S.A. § 9374, in subdivision (a)(2), in the third sentence, after the following: "chapter 23 or 33," by inserting the

following: an individual licensed as a naturopathic physician pursuant to 26 V.S.A. chapter 81,

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon, the bill was read the third time and passed.

Bill Passed

S. 118.

Senate bill of the following title was read the third time and passed:

An act relating to the time frame for the adoption of administrative rules.

Committee Relieved of Further Consideration; Bill Committed

S. 145.

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

An act relating to addressing racial bias,

and the bill was committed to the Committee on Government Operations.

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:

By Senators Campion and Sears,

By Reps. Brownell and others,

S.C.R. 6.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Linda Hall for her 30 years of outstanding volunteer leadership as the director of the Solomon Wright Public Library in Pownal.

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 All Members of the House,

By All Members of the Senate,

H.C.R. 67.

House concurrent resolution designating Tuesday, March 19, 2019 as Project Trio Day at the State House.

By Reps. Toll and others,

By Senators Kitchel, Benning, Mazza, Cummings, MacDonald, Perchlik, Pollina, Starr and Westman,

H.C.R. 68.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Cabot Creamery Co-operative on its centennial.

By Reps. Toof and others,

By Senators Parent and Brock,

H.C.R. 69.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery on its centennial.

By Reps. Smith and others,

H.C.R. 70.

House concurrent resolution honoring Dr. Dennis LeBlanc for his four decades of outstanding dental service in Derby.

By Rep. Coffey,

H.C.R. 71.

House concurrent resolution honoring civic activist Shirley Searles Squires of Guilford.

By Reps. Ralph and Bartholomew,

H.C.R. 72.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Windsor High School Division III championship baseball team.

By Reps. Elder and others,

By Senators Bray and Hardy,

H.C.R. 73.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Mt. Abraham Union High School Eagles Division II championship field hockey team.

By Reps. Jickling and Hooper,

By Senator MacDonald,

H.C.R. 74.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Brookfield Ice Harvest at the Floating Bridge on its 40th anniversary and honoring the event's founder, Al Wilder.

By Reps. Yantachka and others,

By Senators Ashe, Baruth, Ingram, Lyons, Pearson and Sirotkin,

H.C.R. 75.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks Division I championship boys' soccer team.

By Reps. Morrissey and others,

By Senators Campion and Sears,

H.C.R. 76.

House concurrent resolution congratulating The Pharmacy in Bennington and its founding pharmacists, Philip J. O'Neill and Edward P. Molloy, on the retailer's 50th anniversary.

By Reps. Morrissey and others,

By Senators Campion and Sears,

H.C.R. 77.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Bennington Project Independence on its 40th anniversary and the 10th anniversary of its home at the Dr. Richard A. Sleeman Center.

By Rep. Squirrel,

H.C.R. 78.

House concurrent resolution recognizing March 15, 2019 as Brain Injury Awareness Day in Vermont.

By Reps. Donahue and Goslant,

H.C.R. 79.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Norwich University professor and Northfield civic leader Donald MacPherson Wallace Jr..

By Rep. Walz,

H.C.R. 80.

House concurrent resolution designating March 12, 2019 as Vermont Lions Day at the State House.

By Rep. O'Brien,

H.C.R. 81.

House concurrent resolution honoring Daniel Roberts on his half century of exemplary service as a Tunbridge volunteer firefighter.

By Reps. McFaun and LaClair,

H.C.R. 82.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Assistant Sergeant at Arms and Head Doorkeeper Laurence A. Wade Sr. of East Barre.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 18.