

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the House No. 41

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 a House bill of the following title:

H. 107. An act relating to paid family and medical leave.

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

The House has adopted joint resolution of the following title:

J.R.H. 3. Joint resolution authorizing the Green Mountain Boys State educational program to use the State House.

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

Message from the Governor

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

Mr. President:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the Senate that on the ninth day of April, 2019 he approved and signed 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.

**Message from the Governor
Appointments Referred**

A message was received from the Governor, by Brittney L. Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, submitting the following appointments, which were referred to committees as indicated:

The nomination of

Harritt, Susan of Jericho - Member of the Human Services Board - from April 1, 2019 to February 28, 2023.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The nomination of

Donegan, Roger of Hinesburg - Member of the State Labor Relations Board - from April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

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

The nomination of

Fiske, John of Rutland - Member of the Electricians' Licensing Board - from April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

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

The nomination of

Foster, Ted of Middlebury - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2024.

To the Committee on Finance.

The nomination of

Collier, Anthony of Colchester - Member of the Vermont Economic Development Authority - from April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

To the Committee on Finance.

The nomination of

Phillips, Leigh of Burlington - Chair of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Board - from April 1, 2019 to February 28, 2025.

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

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations**H. 523.**

House 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 miscellaneous changes to the State's retirement systems.

Joint Resolution Placed on Calendar**J.R.H. 3.**

Joint resolution originating in the House of the following title was read the first time and is as follows:

Joint resolution authorizing the Green Mountain Boys State educational program to use the State House.

Whereas, the American Legion Department of Vermont sponsors the Green Mountain Boys State educational program, providing a group of boys entering the 12th grade a special opportunity to study the workings of State government in Montpelier, and

Whereas, as part of their visit to the State's capital city, the boys conduct a mock legislative session in the State House, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the Sergeant at Arms shall make available the chambers and committee rooms of the State House for the Green Mountain Boys State educational program on Thursday, June 20, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the American Legion Department of Vermont in Montpelier.

Thereupon, in the discretion of the President, under Rule 51, the joint resolution was placed on the Calendar for action tomorrow.

Bill Referred

House bill of the following title was read the first time and referred:

H. 107.

An act relating to paid family and medical leave.

To the Committee on Rules.

The nominations of

Minoli, Wanda L. of Montpelier - Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles - March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2021.

Minoli, Wanda L. of Montpelier - Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles - October 2, 2018 to February 28, 2019.

Were collectively confirmed by the Senate.

The nomination of

Flynn, Joseph of South Hero - Secretary, Agency of Transportation - March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2021.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

The nominations of

Touchette, Michael P. of Colchester - Commissioner, Department of Corrections - December 22, 2018 to February 28, 2019.

Touchette, Michael P. of Colchester - Commissioner, Corrections, Department of - March 1, 2019, to February 28, 2021.

Were collectively confirmed by the Senate.

The nomination of

Sansom, Kaj of Montpelier - Commissioner, Department of Taxes - March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2021.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

The nomination of

Young, Susanne R. of Northfield - Secretary, Agency of Administration - March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2021.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

The nomination of

Anderson, Thomas D. of Stowe - Commissioner, Public Safety Department - March 1, 2019, to February 28, 2023.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

The nomination of

Quinn, John J. of Northfield - Secretary, Agency of Digital Services - March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2021.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

Appointment Confirmed

Under suspension of the rules (and particularly, Senate Rule 93), as moved by Senator White, the following Gubernatorial appointment was confirmed by the Senate, without a report given by the Committee to which it was referred and without debate:

The nomination of

Olsen, Oliver K. of South Londonderry - Member, State Board of Education - March 1, 2018 to February 28, 2024.

Was confirmed by the Senate.

Message from the House No. 42

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 considered joint resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

J.R.S. 23. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, April 11, 2019.