

Journal of the Senate

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Jeff Fuller of Waterbury Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President then led the members of the Senate in the pledge of allegiance.

Joint Senate Resolution Adopted on the Part of the Senate

J.R.S. 33.

Joint Senate resolution of the following title was offered, read and adopted on the part of the Senate, and is as follows:

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.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 263.

By Senators Westman, Cummings, Ingram, Lyons and McCormack,

An act relating to the Parent Child Center Network.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 264.

By Senators Pearson, Ingram and Pollina,

An act relating to paid vacation leave.

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

S. 265.

By Senators Pollina, Rodgers, Benning, Collamore and Pearson,
An act relating to the use of food residuals for farming.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 266.

By Senator Pollina,
An act relating to prohibiting the use of neonicotinoid-treated article seed.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 267.

By Senators Pearson, Perchlik, Ashe, Balint, Bray, Campion, MacDonald and Sirotkin,

An act relating to the Renewable Energy Standard.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

S. 268.

By Senators Clarkson, Hardy, Balint, Baruth, Hooker, McCormack and Pollina,

An act relating to crimes and criminal procedures related to firearms.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 269.

By Senators Lyons, Baruth, McCormack, Pearson and Pollina,

An act relating to immunity from liability for agritourism activities.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 270.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Baruth, Bray, Campion, Clarkson, Ingram, Lyons, McCormack and Perchlik,

An act relating to the professional regulation of massage therapy.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 271.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Baruth, Bray, Hooker, Ingram, McCormack and Perchlik,

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

To the Committee on Education.

S. 272.

By Senators Lyons, Campion, McCormack, Pearson and Pollina,

An act relating to the use and management of pesticides.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 273.

By Senators Hardy, Pearson, Balint, Bray, Campion, Clarkson, Hooker, McCormack, Perchlik, Pollina, Sirotkin and Starr,

An act relating to creating incentives for schools and establishing a goal for correctional facilities to purchase locally produced foods.

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 274.

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

An act relating to the school start time for high school students.

To the Committee on Education.

S. 275.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Bray, Clarkson, Hooker, Ingram, McCormack, Pearson, Perchlik and Pollina,

An act relating to training for judges assigned to the Family Division of Superior Court.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 276.

By Senators Pearson, Balint, Campion, Cummings, Hardy, Ingram and Lyons,

An act relating to exempting feminine hygiene products from Vermont's sales and use tax.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 277.

By Senators Perchlik and Bray,

An act relating to heating fuel and the Department of Public Service.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 278.

By Senators Perchlik, Bray, Hardy and Pollina,

An act relating to the State Energy Management Program.

To the Committee on Institutions.

S. 279.

By Senators Perchlik, Parent and Pollina,

An act relating to the sales tax and vehicle charging stations.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 280.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Bray, Campion, Clarkson, Hooker, McCormack, Pearson, Perchlik, Pollina and Starr,

An act relating to forest carbon sequestration programs.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

S. 281.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Baruth, Bray, Campion, Clarkson, Hooker, Ingram, McCormack, Perchlik, Pollina and Sirotkin,

An act relating to the Working Group on the Status of Libraries in Vermont.

To the Committee on Education.

S. 282.

By Senators Perchlik, Bray, Hardy and Pollina,

An act relating to State-owned heating systems.

To the Committee on Institutions.

S. 283.

By Senators Clarkson, McCormack and Nitka,

An act relating to the Town of Hartford's tax increment financing district.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 284.

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

An act relating to suicide prevention initiatives.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 285.

By Senators Hardy, Balint, Baruth, Bray, Campion, Clarkson, Hooker, Ingram, Lyons, McCormack, Parent, Perchlik and Pollina,

An act relating to the State House Artwork and Portrait Project Committee.

To the Committee on Institutions.

S. 286.

By Senator Westman,

An act relating to the membership of the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 287.

By Senator Pollina,

An act relating to the contractual rights of members of the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 288.

By Senators Lyons, Sirotkin, Campion, Hooker, Ingram, Clarkson and Hardy,

An act relating to banning flavored tobacco products and e-liquids.

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

S. 289.

By Senators Benning, Brock, Collamore, McNeil, Parent and Westman,

An act relating to allowing probation and parole officers to carry firearms while on duty.

To the Committee on Institutions.

S. 290.

By Senators Lyons, Cummings, Kitchel and Westman,
An act relating to health care reform implementation.
To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 291.

By Senators Perchlik and Ingram,
An act relating to lowering the blood alcohol content limit.
To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 292.

By Senators Collamore and Hooker,
An act relating to the use of colored signal lamps on law enforcement, fire department, emergency medical service, and funeral procession vehicles.
To the Committee on Transportation.

S. 293.

By Senators Collamore, Benning, Brock, McNeil and Parent,
An act relating to an exemption from attorney renewal fees.
To the Committee on Finance.

S. 294.

By Senators Sears, Baruth, Benning and White,
An act relating to expanding access to expungement and sealing of criminal history records.
To the Committee on Judiciary.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, January 15, 2020.