

Journal of the Senate

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Deborah McKinley of East Craftsbury.

Appointment of Senate Members to the Joint Carbon Emissions Reduction Committee

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 601, the President announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve on the Joint Carbon Emissions Reduction Committee for a term of two years:

Senator Ashe
Senator Bray
Senator Lyons
Senator Pearson
Senator Westman

Appointment of Senate Member to New England Board of Higher Education

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 V.S.A. § 2731, the President announced the appointment of the following Senator to serve on the New England Board of Higher Education for a term of six years:

Senator Perchlik

Bills Introduced

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

S. 300.

By Senators Brock, Collamore, Cummings and McNeil,

An act relating to planning for the care and treatment of patients with cognitive impairments.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 301.

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

An act relating to repealing the sunset on 30 V.S.A. § 248a.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 302.

By Senators Collamore, Hooker and McNeil,

An act relating to establishing a mental health mobile response unit pilot program in the city of Rutland.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 303.

By Senators Sirotkin and Sears,

An act relating to automobile minimum liability coverage.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 304.

By Senators Brock, Benning, Collamore, Cummings, McNeil, Pearson and Westman,

An act relating to an Interbranch Cybersecurity Task Force.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 305.

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

An act relating to making State-formed nonprofits subject to the Public Records Act.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 306.

By Senator Hooker,

An act relating to raising an income tax surcharge in order to reduce State retirement liabilities.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 307.

By Senators Hooker and Pollina,

An act relating to binding interest arbitration for employees of the Vermont Judiciary and the Vermont State Colleges.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 308.

By Senators Brock, Clarkson and Collamore,

An act relating to tax increment financing districts.

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

S. 309.

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

An act relating to limitations on health care contract provisions and surprise medical bills.

To the Committee on Finance.

Message from the House No. 5

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Alona Tate, 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. 33. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Adjournment

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