

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Kenzan of East Calais.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

S. 326.

Senate Committee 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 State Advisory Panel on Special Education.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 330.

By Senators Sirotkin, Baruth and Clarkson,

An act relating to regulating contracts that renew automatically.

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

S. 331.

By Senators Clarkson, Balint, Bray, Campion, Hardy, Hooker and Westman,

An act relating to reducing student loan debt for rural Vermont workers.

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

S. 332.

By Senators Parent, Balint, Brock and Hardy,

An act relating to regulating student loan servicers.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 333.

By Senators McCormack, Hooker and Nitka,

An act relating to expediting evictions for owner-occupied rental properties.

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

S. 334.

By Senators Nitka, Clarkson, Hooker and Starr,

An act relating to increasing gradually the mandatory age of school attendance.

To the Committee on Education.

Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered

S. 240.

Senator Sirotkin, for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs, to which was referred Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to recruiting new remote workers and new relocating workers.

Reported recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

**Sec. 1. REMOTE WORKERS; NEW WORKER RELOCATION
INCENTIVE PROGRAM; FUNDING AUTHORITY**

Of the amounts appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 80, Sec. 20 for the New Worker Relocation Incentive Program, the Agency may use not more than 50 percent of the funds in fiscal year 2020 to continue providing grants through the New Remote Worker Grant Program created in 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 197, Sec. 1, as amended by 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 80, Sec. 15.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage. And that when so amended the bill ought to pass.

Senator Kitchel, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which the bill was referred, reported that the bill be amended as recommended by the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and when so amended ought to pass.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, the recommendation of amendment was agreed to, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Third Reading Ordered

S. 186.

Senator Collamore, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to bonded officials.

Reported that the bill ought to pass.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Proposal of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered

H. 143.

Senator Pollina, for the Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to appointing town agents.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill recommending that the bill be amended in Sec. 13 (effective date), by striking out the date "July 1, 2019" and inserting in lieu thereof the date July 1, 2020

And that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with such proposal of amendment.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, the proposal of amendment was agreed to, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, January 23, 2020.