Journal of the House

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rep. O'Brien of Tunbridge.

Pledge of Allegiance

Speaker Krowinski led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Message from the Senate No. 42

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Bloomer, its Secretary, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has considered bills originating in the House of the following titles:

H. 149. An act relating to modernizing statutes related to the Vermont National Guard.

H. 338. An act relating to reapportionment proposal deadlines.

And has passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

H.C.R. 35. House concurrent resolution honoring Fagan Hart for her admirable leadership of the Vermont Children's Trust Foundation.

H.C.R. 36. House concurrent resolution honoring Ludy Biddle for her outstanding leadership at NeighborWorks of Western Vermont.

H.C.R. 37. House concurrent resolution honoring Westfield Selectboard Chair extraordinaire Yves Daigle.

H.C.R. 38. House concurrent resolution honoring the musical achievements of Vermont Symphony Orchestra Music Director Jaime Laredo.

H.C.R. 39. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2021 Essex High School Hornets Vermont-NEA Scholars' Bowl State championship team.

H.C.R. 40. House concurrent resolution congratulating Fatima Khan on

earning a finalist ranking in U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders's 2021 State of the Union Essay Contest.

H.C.R. 41. House concurrent resolution honoring former Brattleboro Fire Chief Michael Bucossi for his outstanding leadership and community service.

House Bill Introduced

H. 447

By Reps. Emmons of Springfield, Bock of Chester and Morris of Springfield,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Springfield

Was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Bill Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 88

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to insurance, banking, and securities

Appearing on the Calendar for Notice, and pursuant to Rule 35(a), affecting the revenue of the State, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 446

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous natural resources and development subjects

Appearing on the Calendar for Notice, and pursuant to Rule 35(a), carrying an appropriation, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Favorable Report; Second Reading;

Third Reading Ordered

S. 60

Rep. Patt of Worcester, for the Committee on Energy and Technology, to which had been referred Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing municipal and cooperative utilities to offer innovative rates and services

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Reported in favor of its passage in concurrence.

The bill, having appeared on the Calendar for Notice, was taken up, read the second time, and third reading ordered.

Message from the Senate No. 43

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has adopted proposed amendments to the Vermont Constitution entitled:

Prop 2. Declaration of rights; clarifying the prohibition on slavery and indentured servitude.

Prop 5. Declaration of rights; right to personal reproductive liberty.

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

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

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

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

Adjournment

At ten o'clock and thirty-two minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock and fifteen minutes in the afternoon.