Journal of the Senate

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

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. 8.

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

By Senator Balint,

J.R.S. 8. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 15, 2021, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 1.

By Senators Kitchel, Benning and Starr,

An act relating to extending the baseload renewable power portfolio requirement.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 2.

By Senators White and Sears,

An act relating to spousal support and maintenance reform.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

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S. 3.

By Senators Sears, Clarkson, Lyons and White,

An act relating to competency to stand trial and insanity as a defense.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 4.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to a 48-hour waiting period for firearms transfers.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 5.

By Senator Sears,

An act relating to extreme risk protection orders.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 6.

By Senator Sears,

An act relating to repealing the Commissioner of Labor's authority to recommend a subminimum wage for individuals with a disability.

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

S. 7.

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.

S. 8.

By Senators Sears, Baruth and Hooker,

An act relating to sexual exploitation of children.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 9.

By Senators Sirotkin, Brock, Clarkson and Hooker,

An act relating to extending certain workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19.

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

S. 10.

By Senators Sirotkin, Brock, Clarkson and Hooker,

An act relating to extending certain unemployment insurance provisions related to COVID-19.

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

S. 11.

By Senators Sears and Brock,

An act relating to prohibiting robocalls.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 12.

By Senators Benning, Collamore, Brock, Ingalls, Mazza, Parent and Terenzini,

An act relating to exempting U.S. military retirement pay from Vermont income tax.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. 13.

By Senator Baruth,

An act relating to the implementation of the Pupil Weighting Factors Report.

To the Committee on Education.

S. 14.

By Senator Sirotkin,

An act relating to deed restrictions and housing density.

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

S. 15.

By Senators Hooker and Sirotkin,

An act relating to correcting defective ballots.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 16.

By Senators Sears and Ram,

An act relating to the creation of the School Discipline Advisory Council.

To the Committee on Education.

Message from the House No. 4

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Alona Tate, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Madam President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has adopted joint resolution of the following title:

J.R.H. 1. Joint resolution condemning the storming of the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021 as an attack on democracy.

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

The House has considered joint resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

J.R.S. 7. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Balint, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, January 13, 2021.