

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Ms. Brittney L. Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Madam President:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the Senate that on the eighteenth day of January, 2022, he approved and signed bills originating in the Senate of the following titles:

S. 222. An act relating to authorizing temporary Open Meeting Law procedures in response to COVID-19.

S. 223. An act relating to authorizing temporary elections procedures for annual meetings in the year 2022.

Bills Introduced

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

S. 273.

By Senators Bray, Baruth, Chittenden, Hardy and Ram Hinsdale,

An act relating to amending a birth certificate to reflect gender identity.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

S. 274.

By Senator Parent,

An act relating to joint meetings of town and village legislative bodies.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

S. 275.

By Senators Pearson, Baruth, Benning, Clarkson, Lyons, Pollina and Ram Hinsdale,

An act relating to providing adoptees with access to adoption agency records.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 276.

By Senator MacDonald,

An act relating to requirements for drivers who are elders to renew operator's licenses.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. 277.

By Senator MacDonald,

An act relating to motor vehicle efficiency feebates.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. 278.

By Senators Parent and Brock,

An act relating to airport expansion and primary agricultural soil mitigation.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

S. 279.

By Senator Ram Hinsdale,

An act relating to inadmissibility of statements gained by the use of deception by law enforcement during a custodial interrogation.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Appointment of Senate Members to Joint Fiscal Committee

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 501, the President, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve on the Joint Fiscal Committee for terms of two years ending February 1, 2023:

Senator Cummings, *ex officio*

Senator Sears

Senator Kitchel, *ex officio*

[Senator Balint]

Senator Westman

Senator Baruth

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Balint, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, January 20, 2022.