

# State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

## House Resolution

H.R. 9

House resolution amending House Rules regarding records in the Journal

Offered by: Committee on Rules

Whereas, the House's practice regarding whether to record devotional exercises in the Journal has been questioned in recent bienniums, and

Whereas, the House's custom is to not record debate in the Journal, and

Whereas, the Rules of the House are not explicit regarding whether devotional exercises or debate may be journalized, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That this legislative body amends Rule 19 of the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives as follows:

19. The Clerk shall prepare the Journal and cause it to be printed. The Journal shall record the proceedings of the House, except when the House is acting in Committee of the Whole, including the titles of bills, proposed amendments, the names of the members, and the votes which that they give on every question decided by roll call, and such other matters as may be pertinent, except that devotional exercises and members' comments during debate shall not be recorded in the Journal. The Journal shall not be read except at the direction of the House.