

Senate Calendar

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023

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NEW BUSINESS

Second Reading

Favorable

S. 54.

An act relating to individual and small group insurance markets.

Reported favorably by Senator Cummings for the Committee on Finance.

(Committee vote: 6-0-1)

CONFIRMATIONS

The following appointments will be considered by the Senate, as a group, under suspension of the Rules, as moved by the President *pro tempore*, for confirmation together and without debate, by consent thereby given by the Senate. However, upon request of any senator, any appointment may be singled out and acted upon separately by the Senate, with consideration given to the report of the Committee to which the appointment was referred, and with full debate; and further, all appointments for the positions of Secretaries of Agencies, Commissioners of Departments, Judges, Magistrates, and members of the Public Utility Commission shall be fully and separately acted upon.

Kyle Harris of Roxbury - Member of the Cannabis Control Board - By Senator Watson for the Committee on Government Operations. (2/8/23)

June Heston of Richmond - Member of the State Police Advisory Commission - By Senator White for the Committee on Government Operations. (2/8/23)

Glenn Boyde of Colchester - Member of the State Police Advisory Committee - By Senator Vyhovsky for the Committee on Government Operations. (2/8/23)

John Filipek (Ret.) of Jericho - Member of the State Police Advisory Committee - By Senator Norris for the Committee on Government Operations. (2/8/23)

Kevin Gaffney of Jericho - Commissioner of the Department of Financial Regulation - By Senator Cummings for the Committee on Finance. (2/8/23)

Jennifer L. Barrett of Newport - Superior Court Judge - By Senator Norris for the Committee on Judiciary. (2/15/23)

Nathan Besio of Colchester - Member of the Vermont Human Rights Commission - By Senator Vyhovsky for the Committee on Judiciary. (2/15/23)

Jireh Billings of Bridgewater - Member of the Capitol Complex Commission - By Senator Wrenner for the Committee on Institutions. (2/15/23)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

February 16, 2023 - 5:00 P.M. - 109 State Street, Room 267 - Re: Housing - Senate Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and House Committee on General and Housing.

NOTICE OF JOINT ASSEMBLY

February 16, 2023 - 10:30 A.M. – House Chamber - Election of a Sergeant at Arms, and three (3) trustees for the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College.

The following rules shall apply to the conduct of these elections:

First: All nominations for these offices will be presented in alphabetical order prior to voting.

Second: There will be only one nominating speech of not more than three (3) minutes and not more than two seconding speeches of not more than one (1) minute each for each nominee.

JFO NOTICE

Grants and Positions that have been submitted to the Joint Fiscal Committee by the Administration, under 32 V.S.A. §5(b)(3):

JFO #3136: \$5,000,000.00 to the Agency of Administration, Public Service Department, VT Community Broadband Board (VCBB) from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program to deliver broadband to unserved and underserved areas in Vermont. This is a 5-year grant and will fill in the technical gaps existing in the VCBB's program of broadband deployment.

[Received 1/23/2023]

JFO #3137: One (1) limited-service position to the Vermont Department of Health, Senior Health Asbestos and Lead Engineer, to perform senior professional level work to educate, advise on and enforce Vermont asbestos

and lead control regulations. The position is funded through 9/30/2024 through an existing Environmental Protection Agency grant.

[Received 1/23/2023]

JFO #3138: One (1) limited-service position, Statewide Grants Administrator, to the Agency of Administration, Department of Finance and Management to cover increased grant activity due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The position is funded through Act 185 of 2022. Sec G.801 of the Act appropriates ARPA funds for administrative costs related to the pandemic. This position is funded through 12/31/2026.

[Received 2/9/23]

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

CROSSOVER DATES

The Joint Rules Committee established the following crossover deadlines:

(1) All **Senate/House** bills must be reported out of the last committee of reference (including the Committees on Appropriations and Finance/Ways and Means, except as provided below in (2) and the exceptions listed below) on or before **Friday, March 17, 2023**, and filed with the Secretary/Clerk so they may be placed on the Calendar for Notice the next legislative day – Committee bills must be voted out of Committee by **Friday, March 17, 2023**.

(2) All **Senate/House** bills referred pursuant to Senate Rule 31 or House Rule 35(a) to the Committees on Appropriations and Finance/Ways and Means must be reported out by the last of those committees on or before **Friday, March 24, 2023**, and filed with the Secretary/Clerk so they may be placed on the Calendar for Notice the next legislative day.

Note: The Senate will not act on bills that do not meet these crossover deadlines, without the consent of the Senate Rules Committee.

Exceptions to the foregoing deadlines include the major money bills (the general Appropriations bill (“The Big Bill”), the Transportation Capital bill, the Capital Construction bill and the Fee/Revenue bills)