Journal of the House

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rep. Christie of Hartford.

Pledge of Allegiance

Page Sara DiGuglielmo of Shelburne led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

House Bills Introduced

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time, and referred to committee as follows:

H. 53

By Reps. Dolan of Essex Junction, LaLonde of South Burlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Christie of Hartford, Notte of Rutland City, and Rachelson of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to driver's license suspensions

To the Committee on Transportation.

H. 54

By Rep. Anthony of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to support for municipal services that have traditionally been provided by the State

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

Second Reading; Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered

H. 1

Rep. Wood of Waterbury, for the Committee on Human Services, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to legislative oversight of payment reform and conflict-free case management for developmental disability services

Reported in favor of its passage when amended as follows:

In Sec. 1 (payment reform and conflict-free case management; legislative oversight), in subsection (c), by striking out "2023" and inserting in lieu thereof "2024"

The bill, having appeared on the Notice Calendar, was taken up, read the second time, report of the Committee on Human Services agreed to, and third reading ordered.

Committee Bill; Second Reading; Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered; Rules Suspended, All Remaining Stages of Passage; Third Reading; Bill Passed; Rules Suspended, Messaged Forthwith

H. 42

Rep. McCarthy of St. Albans City spoke for the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

House bill, entitled

An act relating to temporary alternative procedures for annual municipal meetings and electronic meetings of public bodies

Rep. Beck of St. Johnsbury, for the Committee on Ways and Means, recommended that the bill ought to pass when amended as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 1, annual municipal meetings; alternative procedures for 2023 and 2024, in subsection (b), in the first sentence, following "<u>16 V.S.A. §</u>" by striking out "<u>711(e)</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof "<u>723(a)</u>".

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 1, annual municipal meetings; alternative procedures for 2023 and 2024, in subsection (b), in the first sentence, following the words "<u>to</u> its annual municipal meeting", by striking out the word "<u>held</u>"

<u>Third</u>: In Sec. 3, suspension of school budget ballot language requirement, following the words "<u>the ballot language requirement is suspended during</u>", by striking out the words "<u>fiscal year</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof "<u>the years 2023 and</u>".

The bill, having appeared on the Notice Calendar, was taken up, read the second time, and the report of the Committee on Ways and Means agreed to.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read a third time?, **Rep. McCarthy** of St. Albans City moved to amend the bill as follows:

In Sec. 1, annual municipal meetings; alternative procedures for 2023 and 2024, in subsection (a), in the second sentence, following the words "moves

the date of" by striking out "the 2024" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "an"

Which was agreed to. Thereupon, third reading was ordered.

On motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the rules were suspended and the bill placed in all remaining stages of passage. The bill was read the third time and passed.

Thereupon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the rules were suspended and the bill was ordered messaged to the Senate forthwith.

Message from the Senate No. 6

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

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

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

J.R.S. 8. 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-one minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.