Journal of the House

Thursday, January 26, 2023

At three o'clock in the afternoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of a devotion.

Message from the Senate No. 10

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 resolutions of the following titles:

- **J.R.S. 10.** Joint resolution providing for the election of a Sergeant at Arms, and three Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College.
- **J.R.S. 11.** Joint resolution establishing a procedure for the conduct of the election of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College trustees by plurality vote by the General Assembly in 2023.

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

House Bills Introduced

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

H. 109

By Reps. Noyes of Wolcott, Andrews of Westford, Anthony of Barre City, Berbeco of Winooski, Black of Essex, Boyden of Cambridge, Brumsted of Shelburne, Buss of Woodstock, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Carroll of Bennington, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Demrow of Corinth, Dodge of Essex, Dolan of Essex Junction, Donnally of Hyde Park, Garofano of Essex, Goldman of Rockingham, Hango of Berkshire, Jerome of Brandon, Krasnow of South Burlington, LaBounty of Lyndon, Lalley of Shelburne, LaMont of Morristown, Lipsky of Stowe, McFaun of Barre Town, McGill of Bridport, Minier of South Burlington, Nicoll of Ludlow, Pajala of Londonderry, Priestley of Bradford, Rice of Dorset, Small of Winooski,

Surprenant of Barnard, Torre of Moretown, Troiano of Stannard, Whitman of Bennington, and Williams of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to rate reimbursement for home-delivered meals

To the Committee on Human Services.

H. 110

By Rep. Sibilia of Dover,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to extending the sunset under 30 V.S.A. § 248a

To the Committee on Environment and Energy.

H. 111

By Reps. Sims of Craftsbury, Harrison of Chittenden, Andrews of Westford, Andriano of Orwell, Anthony of Barre City, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Birong of Vergennes, Bos-Lun of Westminster, Boyden of Cambridge, Branagan of Georgia, Burrows of West Windsor, Buss of Woodstock, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Clifford of Rutland City, Cole of Hartford, Cordes of Lincoln, Demrow of Corinth, Donahue of Northfield, Donnally of Hyde Park, Elder of Starksboro, Farlice-Rubio of Barnet, Galfetti of Barre Town, Graning of Jericho, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Jerome of Brandon, Labor of Morgan, Lalley of Shelburne, Leavitt of Grand Isle, Lipsky of Stowe, Maguire of Rutland City, McCann of Montpelier, McGill of Bridport, Morgan, M. of Milton, Mrowicki of Putney, Nicoll of Ludlow, Noyes of Wolcott, O'Brien of Tunbridge, Pajala of Londonderry, Patt of Worcester, Roberts of Halifax, Smith of Derby, Surprenant of Barnard, Taylor of Milton, Templeman of Brownington, Torre of Moretown, Troiano of Stannard, White of Bethel, Williams of Barre City, and Williams of Granby,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to workforce housing

To the Committee on General and Housing.

H. 112

By Rep. Small of Winooski,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to opioid use disorder response services

To the Committee on Human Services.

H. 113

By Reps. Sibilia of Dover and Pajala of Londonderry,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the public, pious, or charitable uses property tax exemption

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 114

By Reps. Priestley of Bradford, Anthony of Barre City, Graning of Jericho, Headrick of Burlington, Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Sims of Craftsbury, and Small of Winooski,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to restricting electronic monitoring of employees and employment-related automated decision systems

To the Committee on General and Housing.

H. 115

By Reps. Cordes of Lincoln, Cole of Hartford, Elder of Starksboro, McCann of Montpelier, McGill of Bridport, Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Priestley of Bradford, Sims of Craftsbury, and Surprenant of Barnard,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to health insurance coverage for donated human breast milk To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 116

By Reps. Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Anthony of Barre City, Arsenault of Williston, Bluemle of Burlington, Bos-Lun of Westminster, Burke of Brattleboro, Burrows of West Windsor, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Dodge of Essex, Garofano of Essex, Headrick of Burlington, Howard of Rutland City, Logan of Burlington, Mrowicki of Putney, Nicoll of Ludlow, Priestley of Bradford, Small of Winooski, Torre of Moretown, Troiano of Stannard, White of Bethel, and Williams of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous employment protections and standards

To the Committee on General and Housing.

H. 117

By Reps. Black of Essex, Andrews of Westford, Berbeco of Winooski, Bluemle of Burlington, Brady of Williston, Brown of Richmond, Cina of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Dodge of Essex, Dolan of Essex Junction, Donnally of Hyde Park, Garofano of Essex, Goldman of Rockingham, Houghton of Essex Junction, James of Manchester, LaLonde of South Burlington, Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Notte of Rutland City, Priestley of Bradford, Stebbins of Burlington, and Stone of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to preventing death by suicide

To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 118

By Reps. Donahue of Northfield, Noyes of Wolcott, Andriano of Orwell, Branagan of Georgia, Cina of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Garofano of Essex, Goldman of Rockingham, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, McFaun of Barre Town, and Pajala of Londonderry,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to Medicare Savings Program eligibility

To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 119

By Reps. Bartholomew of Hartland, Austin of Colchester, Burke of Brattleboro, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Lalley of Shelburne, Pouech of Hinesburg, and Sheldon of Middlebury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to excessive motor vehicle noise

To the Committee on Transportation.

H. 120

By Reps. Masland of Thetford, Anthony of Barre City, Beck of St. Johnsbury, and Sims of Craftsbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to imposing sales and use tax on vendor-hosted prewritten computer software

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 121

By Reps. Marcotte of Coventry, Carroll of Bennington, Graning of Jericho, Jerome of Brandon, Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Nicoll of Ludlow, Priestley of Bradford, Sammis of Castleton, and White of Bethel,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to enhancing consumer privacy

To the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development.

Ceremonial Reading

H.C.R. 5

House concurrent resolution congratulating Ariana Wunderle of Bartonsville on establishing a Guinness World Record for the longest distance walking a tightrope while wearing high heels

Offered by: Representatives Bos-Lun of Westminster and Goldman of Rockingham

Offered by: Senators Harrison and Hashim

Whereas, as the daughter of circus parents, and starting at two years of age, Ariana Wunderle appeared in the Cirkus Smirkus ring as a clown, an acrobat, and ultimately a tightrope walker, a circus craft she commenced learning at seven years of age after seeing older children performing on the high wire, and

Whereas, bravery, concentration, and fortitude are attributes an accomplished tightrope walker must possess, and Ariana Wunderle exuded confidence throughout her Circus Smirkus career, and

Whereas, as a Bellows Falls Union High School senior, she conducted a fundraiser for Circus Smirkus, a nonprofit organization, and, as part of the project, she challenged herself to establish a new Guinness World Record for walking the longest distance on a tight rope while wearing high heels, and

Whereas, she completed a 639-foot, seven-inch distance, far surpassing the prior 50-foot record, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Ariana Wunderle, now a first-year student at Ithaca College, anticipates new challenges in the classroom and as a circus performer, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Ariana Wunderle of Bartonsville on establishing a Guinness World Record for the longest distance walking a tightrope while wearing high heels, and be it further <u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Ariana Wunderle and to Circus Smirkus.

Having been adopted in concurrence on January 20, 2023 in accord with Joint Rule 16b, was read.

Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to Other Committee

H. 83

Rep. Kornheiser of Brattleboro moved that the Committee on Ways and Means be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to tax credits for living organ donations

And that the bill be committed to the Committee on Human Services, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

At three o'clock and twenty-three minutes in the afternoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon.