

Journal of the House

Friday, March 29, 2024

At nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rep. Caleb Elder of Starksboro, Matt Flinner of Ripton, Willy Watson of St. Albans City, and Pat Melvin of Starksboro.

Pages Honored

In appreciation of their many services to the members of the General Assembly, the Speaker recognized the following named Pages who completed their service today and presented them with commemorative pins:

James Ashley Carr of Montpelier
Burke Donovan of St. Johnsbury
Willa Kaeck of New Haven
Emerson Morrill of Vergennes
Elladaye Orr of Fayston
Guinevere Velto of Springfield

Message from Rep. Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington

March 28, 2024

Speaker Jill Krowinski, Vermont House of Representatives
House Clerk BetsyAnn Wrask, Vermont House of Representatives
115 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633

Dear Speaker Krowinski and House Clerk Wrask:

On March 5, 2024, I won my election to become the next mayor of Burlington. This is a joyous moment in my public service career. I will be the first woman to serve in this role in the city's 159-year history. I will also be the first out LGBTQ+ person to ever serve in this role. It is also a bittersweet moment, as I must resign as a member of the House of Representatives in order to effectively serve the city. My resignation will be effective as of April 1, 2024.

Very few Vermonters earn the privilege of serving as a member of the House of Representatives. I consider my almost two terms representing the people of Chittenden-17 to be one of my proudest moments. I also feel proud

of my work serving as the Leader of the small but mighty House Progressive Caucus. I am proud of the role our caucus plays in this body to expand our collective capacity to consider what is truly *possible* and what is *needed* to solve the complex problems facing our State. Thank you to my Progressive colleagues.

I would like to extend my appreciation and gratitude to the entire House leadership team over my tenure. In 2021, the Vermont House made history by electing women to every House leadership role, including our very skilled House Clerk. I am honored to have been part of this continued historic pattern of leadership in the Vermont House.

I appreciate my colleagues on the House Commerce and Economic Development Committee and our ability to work toward compromise as a tripartisan body. I learned a great deal alongside my committee leaders and colleagues, and I am proud of our work to elevate issues of equity for workers, businesses owned by marginalized community members, and Vermonters using our unemployment and workers' compensation programs.

The legislative and State House staff who are essential to the work of any legislator. Each of the employees holds themselves to a high level of professionalism and commit to high quality work. Legislators are extremely fortunate to work alongside these Vermonters. Thank you all for your work and service to our State.

Finally, and most importantly, I would like to extend my appreciation to my family - my wife Megan and my young children, Ruby and Elliot. Each of our families play a critical role in supporting everyone serving in this body. My family has been tremendously patient with the long hours, missed bedtimes and school events, and the economic strain on our household from this job's low salary and lack of benefits. I look forward to a day where this incredible job becomes more accessible to working people and to Vermonters with small children being able to serve.

Our Legislature will be a stronger, healthier, and more representative body for all Vermonters, if we fairly compensate legislators and adopt rules that reflect modern times.

Thank you again for the honor to serve Vermonters.

Peace,

Emma Mulvaney-Stanak (she/her)
State Representative Chittenden-17

cc: Governor Philip B. Scott

Senate Bills Referred

Senate bills of the following titles were severally taken up, read the first time, and referred to committee as follows:

S. 98

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to Green Mountain Care Board authority over prescription drug costs

To the Committee on Health Care.

S. 114

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to the establishment of the Psychedelic Therapy Advisory Working Group

To the Committee on Human Services.

S. 120

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to postsecondary schools and sexual misconduct protections

To the Committee on Education.

S. 192

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to forensic facility admissions criteria and processes

To the Committee on Human Services.

S. 204

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to supporting Vermont's young readers through evidence-based literacy instruction

To the Committee on Education.

S. 220

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to Vermont's public libraries

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

S. 254

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to including rechargeable batteries and battery-containing products under the State battery stewardship program

To the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Amendment Offered; Third Reading; Bill Passed**H. 883**

House bill, entitled

An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government

Was taken up and, pending third reading of the bill, **Rep. Donahue of Northfield** moved to amend the bill by adding a new section, Sec. B.1104, to read as follows:

Sec. B.1104 FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS FOR
CERTAIN PROVISIONS ENACTED IN 2024 LEGISLATION

(a) Access to the judicial system.

(1) The sum of \$2,261,500 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Judiciary in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's funding for new limited service positions, for contracts for sheriff's deputies and for language access services, and for the Court Technology Fund.

(2) The sum of \$1,701,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's funding for new limited service Deputy State's Attorney, Victim Advocate, and Administrative Staff positions.

(3) The sum of \$1,344,700 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of the Defender General in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's funding for limited service and approved positions, contracts, additional serious felony units, training, and case management.

(4)(A) The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's funding for new limited service positions to assist with remote hearings.

(B) The sum of \$750,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections in fiscal year 2025 for grants to the community justice centers for Justice Reinvestment II.

(5) The sum of \$397,400 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of the Attorney General in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's

funding for a new limited service position, grants to community justice centers, and additional resources for the Court Diversion Program.

(6) The sum of \$42,700 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Center for Crime Victim Services in fiscal year 2025 to provide a partial year's funding for the Center's new Grants Administrator position.

(7) The sum of \$262,500 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Administration in fiscal year 2025 for a partial year's grant to the Vermont Access to Justice Coalition to provide legal services to Vermonters with low incomes.

(8) The sum of \$150,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of the Defender General in fiscal year 2025 to restore funding for the Public Defense Special Fund.

(9) The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Center for Crime Victim Services in fiscal year 2025 to cover the deficit in the Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund.

(b) Medicaid expansion.

(1) The sum of \$1,200,000 in Global Commitment funds is appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2025 for implementation of the expansion of eligibility for Dr. Dynasaur to Vermont residents with a modified adjusted gross income at or below 312 percent of the federal poverty level who are individuals under 21 years of age or individuals who are pregnant.

(A) The sum of \$360,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal year 2025 for the State match for implementation of the Dr. Dynasaur eligibility expansion.

(B) The sum of \$840,000 in federal funds is appropriated to the Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal year 2025 for implementation of the Dr. Dynasaur eligibility expansion.

(2) The sum of \$450,000 in Global Commitment funds is appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2025 to carry out a technical analysis relating to expanding access to Medicaid and Dr. Dynasaur, to rates paid to health care providers for delivering services to individuals on Medicaid and Dr. Dynasaur, and to the structure of Vermont's health insurance markets.

(A) The sum of \$250,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal year 2025 for the State match for the technical analysis.

(B) The sum of \$200,000 in federal funds is appropriated to the Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal year 2025 for the technical analysis.

(3) The sum of \$200,000 is appropriated to the Department of Vermont Health Access in fiscal year 2025, of which \$100,000 is from the General Fund and \$100,000 is in federal funds, to implement increases to the eligibility thresholds for the Medicare Savings Programs.

(c) Long-term housing solutions.

(1) The sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Housing and Community Development in fiscal year 2025 for the Vermont Rental Housing Improvement Program established in 10 V.S.A. § 699.

(2) The following amounts are appropriated from the General Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board in fiscal year 2025:

(A) \$1,000,000 to administer and support the Land Access and Opportunity Board; and

(B) \$7,300,000 to provide support and enhance capacity for the production and preservation of affordable rental housing and homeownership units, fund the construction and preservation of emergency shelter for households experiencing homelessness, and fund permanent supportive housing.

(3) The sum of \$900,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Human Services' State Refugee Office in fiscal year 2025 for grants to support transitional housing for refugees.

(4) The sum of \$400,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity in fiscal year 2025 for a grant to the Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity for the Rental Housing Stabilization Services Program established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 43.

(5) The sum of \$1,025,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2025 for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for the Tenant Representation Pilot Program established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 44.

(6) The sum of \$2,500,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Vermont State Housing Authority in fiscal year 2025 for the Rent Arrears Assistance Fund established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 45.

(7) The sum of \$700,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2025 for a grant to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board for the Resident Services Program.

(8) The sum of \$2,700,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity in fiscal year 2025 for grants, whether alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency Solutions Grants, consistent with the HUD-recognized Continuum of Care Program to community agencies to assist individuals experiencing homelessness by preserving existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be amended as offered by Rep. Donahue of Northfield?, **Rep. Donahue of Northfield** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the bill be amended as offered by Rep. Donahue of Northfield?, was decided in the negative. Yeas, 41. Nays, 97.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bartley of Fairfax	Graham of Williamstown	Morrissey of Bennington
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Gregoire of Fairfield	Oliver of Sheldon
Branagan of Georgia	Hango of Berkshire	Parsons of Newbury
Brownell of Pownal	Headrick of Burlington	Peterson of Clarendon
Burditt of West Rutland	Higley of Lowell	Quimby of Lyndon
Canfield of Fair Haven	Labor of Morgan	Sammis of Castleton
Cina of Burlington	Laroche of Franklin	Shaw of Pittsford
Clifford of Rutland City	Lipsky of Stowe	Sibilia of Dover
Demar of Enosburgh	Maguire of Rutland City	Sims of Craftsbury
Dickinson of St. Albans	Marcotte of Coventry	Small of Winooski
Town *	Mattos of Milton	Smith of Derby
Donahue of Northfield	McCoy of Poultney	Taylor of Milton
Galfetti of Barre Town	McFaun of Barre Town	Toof of St. Albans Town
Goslant of Northfield	Minier of South Burlington	Walker of Swanton

Those who voted in the negative are:

Andrews of Westford	Cordes of Lincoln	Morris of Springfield
Anthony of Barre City	Demrow of Corinth	Mrowicki of Putney
Arrison of Weathersfield	Dodge of Essex	Nicoll of Ludlow
Arsenault of Williston	Dolan of Essex Junction	Notte of Rutland City
Austin of Colchester	Dolan of Waitsfield	Noyes of Wolcott
Bartholomew of Hartland	Durfee of Shaftsbury	Nugent of South Burlington
Berbeco of Winooski	Elder of Starksboro	O'Brien of Tunbridge
Birong of Vergennes	Emmons of Springfield	Ode of Burlington
Black of Essex	Farlice-Rubio of Barnet	Page of Newport City
Bluemle of Burlington	Garofano of Essex	Pajala of Londonderry
Bongartz of Manchester	Goldman of Rockingham	Patt of Worcester

Bos-Lun of Westminster	Graning of Jericho	Pouech of Hinesburg
Boyden of Cambridge	Harrison of Chittenden	Priestley of Bradford
Brady of Williston	Holcombe of Norwich	Rachelson of Burlington
Brennan of Colchester	Hooper of Randolph	Rice of Dorset
Brown of Richmond	Hooper of Burlington	Roberts of Halifax
Brumsted of Shelburne	Houghton of Essex Junction	Satcowitz of Randolph
Burke of Brattleboro	Hyman of South Burlington	Scheu of Middlebury
Burrows of West Windsor	James of Manchester	Sheldon of Middlebury
Buss of Woodstock	Jerome of Brandon	Squirrell of Underhill
Campbell of St. Johnsbury	Kornheiser of Brattleboro	Stebbins of Burlington
Carpenter of Hyde Park	LaBounty of Lyndon	Stevens of Waterbury
Carroll of Bennington	Lalley of Shelburne	Stone of Burlington
Casey of Montpelier	LaLonde of South	Taylor of Colchester
Chapin of East Montpelier	Burlington	Templeman of Brownington
Chase of Chester	Lanpher of Vergennes	Toleno of Brattleboro
Chase of Colchester	Leavitt of Grand Isle	Torre of Moretown
Chesnut-Tangerman of	Long of Newfane	Troiano of Stannard
Middletown Springs	Masland of Thetford	Waters Evans of Charlotte
Christie of Hartford	McCann of Montpelier	White of Bethel
Coffey of Guilford	McCarthy of St. Albans	Whitman of Bennington
Cole of Hartford	City	Williams of Barre City
Conlon of Cornwall	McGill of Bridport	
Corcoran of Bennington	Mihaly of Calais	

Those members absent with leave of the House and not voting are:

Andriano of Orwell	Logan of Burlington	Surprenant of Barnard
Howard of Rutland City	Morgan of Milton	Williams of Granby
Krasnow of South	Mulvaney-Stanak of	Wood of Waterbury
Burlington	Burlington	
LaMont of Morristown	Pearl of Danville	

Rep. Dickinson of St. Albans Town explained her vote as follows:

“Madam Speaker:

I vote yes for transparency for our constituents in our House budget.”

Thereafter, the bill was read a third time and passed.

**Committee Bill; Second Reading; Bill Amended; Amendment Offered;
Consideration Interrupted; Third Reading Ordered**

H. 875

Rep. Waters Evans of Charlotte spoke for the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the State Ethics Commission and the State Code of Ethics

Rep. Dolan of Waitsfield, for the Committee on Appropriations, recommended that the bill ought to pass when amended by striking out Sec. 17, State Ethics Commission; positions; appropriation, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 17 to read as follows:

Sec. 17. [Deleted.]

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

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read a third time?, **Rep. Brennan of Colchester** moved to amend the bill in Sec. 22, 24 V.S.A. chapter 60, in section 1998, municipal charters; supplemental ethics policies, by adding two new subsections to be subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(c) A municipality shall be exempt from the entirety of this chapter upon submitting a letter from its legislative body to the State Ethics Commission by December 31 of each year certifying that the municipality has adopted an ethics policy and framework that does not conflict with the provisions of this chapter. The letter may be sent by e-mail or regular mail and may include a copy of the municipal ethics policy.

(d) The State Ethics Commission may provide municipalities not exempted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section a model ethics policy or other resources.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be amended as offered by Rep. Brennan of Colchester?, **Rep. Brennan of Colchester** demanded the Yeas and Nays, which demand was sustained by the Constitutional number. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll and the question, Shall the bill be amended as offered by Rep. Brennan of Colchester?, was decided in the negative. Yeas, 43. Nays, 95.

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Arrison of Weathersfield	Goslant of Northfield	Morrissey of Bennington
Bartley of Fairfax	Graham of Williamstown	Oliver of Sheldon
Beck of St. Johnsbury	Gregoire of Fairfield	Page of Newport City
Branagan of Georgia	Hango of Berkshire	Pajala of Londonderry
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 Burrows of West Windsor
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 Lipsky of Stowe
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 McCann of Montpelier
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 Rachelson of Burlington
 Rice of Dorset
 Sammis of Castleton
 Satcowitz of Randolph
 Scheu of Middlebury
 Sheldon of Middlebury
 Sims of Craftsbury
 Small of Winooski
 Squirrell of Underhill
 Stebbins of Burlington
 Stevens of Waterbury
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Troiano of Stannard
 Williams of Granby
 Wood of Waterbury

Rep. Anthony of Barre City explained his vote as follows:

“Madam Speaker:

I voted no only in light of the absence of ‘equivalence’ language embedded in a municipal ethics regime.”

Rep. Graning of Jericho explained her vote as follows:

“Madam Speaker:

When we create a system to ensure ethical behavior and allow for self-certification of compliance, we open the door to misuse and even abuse.”

Rep. McCarthy of St. Albans City explained his vote as follows:

“Madam Speaker:

I vote no. All towns should have the benefit of a common starting point and support from the State Ethics Commission on the Municipal Code of Ethics.”

Rep. Walker of Swanton explained his vote as follows:

“Madam Speaker:

It is always interesting to me when we believe in local control and when we don’t.”

On motion of **Rep. Brumsted of Shelburne**, the rules were suspended to interrupt the Orders of the Day for the purpose of introductions and announcements.

At eleven o'clock and forty-eight minutes in the forenoon, the Speaker declared a recess until the fall of the gavel.

At two o'clock and seven minutes in the afternoon, the Speaker called the House to order.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be read a third time?, **Rep. McCarthy of St. Albans City** moved to amend the bill in Sec. 22, 24 V.S.A. chapter 60, in section 1995, by striking out subsection (d) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) Training provided by the Commission.

(1) The State Ethics Commission shall develop and make available to municipalities ethics training required of municipal officers by subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(2) The Commission shall develop and make available to municipalities trainings regarding how to investigate and resolve complaints that allege violations of the Municipal Code of Ethics.

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

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 Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 29th day of March 2024, he signed bills originating in the House of the following titles:

H. 518 An act relating to the approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Essex

H. 801 An act relating to approval of the adoption of the charter of the Town of Waterbury

Action on Bill Postponed

S. 278

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to prohibiting a comparative negligence defense in an action for a negligence claim relating to a sexual act or sexual conduct

Was taken up and, pending second reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Burditt of West Rutland**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 876

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to the corrections laws

Was taken up and, pending second reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Emmons of Springfield**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 657

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the modernization of Vermont's communications taxes and fees

Was taken up and, pending third reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Sims of Craftsbury**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 829

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating permanent upstream eviction protections and enhancing housing stability

Was taken up and, pending third reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Stevens of Waterbury**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 871

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the development of an updated State aid to school construction program

Was taken up and, pending third reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Conlon of Cornwall**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 879

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Emergency Temporary Shelter Program

Was taken up and, pending third reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. McGill of Bridport**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 862

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Barre

Was taken up and, pending second reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Waters Evans of Charlotte**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Action on Bill Postponed

H. 882

House bill, entitled

An act relating to capital construction and State bonding budget adjustment

Was taken up and, pending second reading of the bill, on motion of **Rep. Emmons of Springfield**, action on the bill was postponed until April 2, 2024.

Message from the Senate No. 39

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

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part passed Senate bills of the following titles:

S. 159. An act relating to the County and Regional Governance Study Committee.

S. 285. An act relating to law enforcement interrogation policies.

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

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

S.C.R. 12. Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the educator, baker, peace activist, and writer Jules Rabin of Marshfield on his 100th birthday.

The Senate has on its part adopted concurrent resolutions originating in the House of the following titles:

H.C.R. 192. House concurrent resolution congratulating Trey Lee on his achievements as a Fair Haven Union High School wrestler.

H.C.R. 193. House concurrent resolution honoring Steve Mason for his dedicated and superb leadership of the Lowell School Board and the North Country Supervisory Union Board.

H.C.R. 194. House concurrent resolution in memory of Rutland City Police Officer Jessica Marie Ebbighausen of Ira.

H.C.R. 195. House concurrent resolution recognizing April 5, 2024 as Civilian Conservation Corps Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 196. House concurrent resolution honoring Robert Bick for his remarkable three decades of leadership at the Howard Center.

H.C.R. 197. House concurrent resolution designating April 3, 2024 as Prevention Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 198. House concurrent resolution designating April 18, 2024 as USS VERMONT (SSN 792) Day in Vermont.

H.C.R. 199. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Boys & Girls Clubs of Vermont's 2024 Youth of the Year honorees and designating April 4, 2024 as Boys & Girls Club Day at the State House.

H.C.R. 200. House concurrent resolution commemorating Vermont's historic April 8, 2024 total solar eclipse.

Adjournment

At three o'clock and thirty-seven minutes in the afternoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 50.

Concurrent Resolutions Adopted

The following concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the Consent Calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no member having requested floor consideration as provided by Rule 16b of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are hereby adopted on the part of the House:

H.C.R. 192

House concurrent resolution congratulating Trey Lee on his achievements as a Fair Haven Union High School wrestler

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[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the House and Senate Calendar Addendums on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2024 Adjourned Session.]