# Journal of the Senate

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

The Senate was called to order by the President.

## **Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Tom Harty of Bethel.

# **Pledge of Allegiance**

The President then led the members of the Senate in the pledge of allegiance.

## **Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations**

# S. 160.

Senate bill of the following title, appearing on the Calendar for notice and carrying an appropriation or requiring the expenditure of funds, under the rule was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

An act relating to State education property taxes and flood-related damage.

## Joint Senate Resolution Adopted on the Part of the Senate

#### J.R.S. 37.

Joint Senate resolution of the following title was offered, read and adopted on the part of the Senate, and is as follows:

By Senator Baruth,

**J.R.S. 37.** Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment on January 19, 2024.

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, January 19, 2024, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

#### **Bills Introduced**

Senate bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first time and referred:

## S. 263.

By Senators Harrison, Brock, Clarkson, Gulick, Hashim, Lyons, Perchlik, Vyhovsky and Wrenner,

44 Printed on 100% Recycled Paper An act relating to expanding Vermont's health care workforce through graduates of international medical schools.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

# S. 264.

By Senators Weeks, Campion, Gulick, Hashim, Ingalls, Norris, Williams and Wrenner,

An act relating to special plates for motor vehicles for veterans and members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

To the Committee on Transportation.

## S. 265.

By Senators Harrison, Hashim, McCormack and Wrenner,

An act relating to the disposal of development soils.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

## S. 266.

By Senators Weeks, Collamore and Williams,

An act relating to General Assembly communication funds.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

## S. 267.

By Senator Bray,

An act relating to retroactively reinstating 10 V.S.A. § 6081(b).

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

## S. 268.

By Senators Ram Hinsdale, Clarkson, Hardy, Harrison, Watson, White and Wrenner,

An act relating to establishing a baby bond trust program.

To the Committee on Government Operations.

## **Bills Referred**

House bills of the following titles were severally read the first time and referred:

# H. 27.

An act relating to coercive controlling behavior and abuse prevention orders.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

# H. 72.

An act relating to a harm-reduction criminal justice response to drug use.

To the Committee on Health and Welfare.

# Adjournment

On motion of Senator Baruth, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, January 17, 2024.