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FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Committee Bill Introduced

Senate committee bill of the following title was introduced, read the first time, and, under the rule, placed on the Calendar for notice the next legislative day:

S. 301.

By the Committee on Agriculture,

An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects.

Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered

S. 154.

Senator Perchlik, for the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to the Vermont State Plane Coordinate System.

Reported recommending that the bill be amended in Sec. 1, 1 V.S.A. chapter 17, by striking out section 679 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new section 679 to read as follows:

§ 679. TRANSITION

The Vermont Coordinate System 1927 shall not be used for projects commenced after January 1, 2000;, and the Vermont Coordinate System 1983 will be the sole system for projects commenced after this date shall not be used for projects commenced after release of the State Plane Coordinate System 2022 by the National Geodetic Survey.

And that when so amended the bill ought to pass.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, the recommendation of amendment was agreed to, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

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Bill Committed

Pending entry on the Calendar for notice, on motion of Senator Starr, Senate Committee bill entitled:

S. 301. An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects.

Was committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Message from the House No. 9

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Courtney Reckord, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed House bills of the following titles:

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

H. 554. An act relating to approval of the adoption of the charter of the Town of South Hero.

H. 659. An act relating to captive insurance.

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

The House has considered joint resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

J.R.S. 40. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment on January 26, 2024.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted on the part of the Senate:

By Senators Cummings, Perchlik and Watson,

By Reps. Anthony and others,

S.C.R. 8.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring those who assumed summer 2023 flood recovery leadership roles in Montpelier and Barre City.

By Senators Cummings, Perchlik and Watson,

By Reps. Casey and McCann,

S.C.R. 9.

Senate concurrent resolution commemorating the 175th anniversary of the chartering of the National Life Insurance Company.

House Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted in concurrence:

By Rep. Patt,

By Senator Ram Hinsdale,

H.C.R. 142.

House concurrent resolution recognizing January 27, 2024 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day in Vermont.

By Reps. Cina and others,

H.C.R. 143.

House concurrent resolution designating January 31, 2024 as Mental Health Advocacy Day at the State House.

Adjournment

Senator Baruth moved that the Senate adjourn, to reconvene on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 40.

Which was agreed to on a division of the Senate, Yeas 25, Nays 3.