

Journal of the House

Thursday, January 23, 2025

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Jay Voorhees of Trinity Methodist Church in Montpelier.

Rules Suspended, House Bills Introduced

Pending first reading of House bills, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the rules were suspended and the bills were read the first time by number and referred to committee or placed on the Notice Calendar as follows:

H. 62

By Reps. Higley of Lowell, Bailey of Hyde Park, Burditt of West Rutland, Burt of Cabot, Casey of Hubbardton, Coffin of Cavendish, Demar of Enosburgh, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Feltus of Lyndon, Howland of Rutland Town, Keyser of Rutland City, Labor of Morgan, Luneau of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Nelson of Derby, Nielsen of Brandon, Oliver of Sheldon, Page of Newport City, Parsons of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Quimby of Lyndon, Southworth of Walden, Tagliavia of Corinth, Taylor of Milton, and Toof of St. Albans Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to repealing the Global Warming Solutions Act

To the Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure.

H. 63

By Reps. McCann of Montpelier, Boyden of Cambridge, Casey of Montpelier, Headrick of Burlington, Logan of Burlington, McGill of Bridport, and Priestley of Bradford,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to fair employment practices and legislative leave

To the Committee on General and Housing.

H. 64

By Reps. Oliver of Sheldon, Arsenault of Williston, Bartley of Fairfax, Bosch of Clarendon, Boutin of Barre City, Branagan of Georgia, Demar of Enosburgh, Dolan of Essex Junction, Dolgin of St. Johnsbury, Goodnow of Brattleboro, Goslant of Northfield, Harvey of Castleton, Labor of Morgan, LaLonde of South Burlington, Malay of Pittsford, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Page of Newport City, Pinsonault of Dorset, Pritchard of Pawlet, and Quimby of Lyndon,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to after-hours access to orders against sexual assault

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 65

By Reps. Higley of Lowell, Burt of Cabot, Casey of Hubbardton, Coffin of Cavendish, Demar of Enosburgh, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Donahue of Northfield, Feltus of Lyndon, Galfetti of Barre Town, Goslant of Northfield, Howland of Rutland Town, Keyser of Rutland City, Labor of Morgan, Luneau of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Nelson of Derby, Nielsen of Brandon, Oliver of Sheldon, Page of Newport City, Parsons of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Quimby of Lyndon, Southworth of Walden, Tagliavia of Corinth, Taylor of Milton, and Toof of St. Albans Town,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to revoking Vermont's use of California's Clean Air Act waiver

To the Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure.

H. 66

By Rep. Scheu of Middlebury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the number of votes required for a write-in candidate to win a primary election

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

H. 67

By Reps. Boyden of Cambridge, Waters Evans of Charlotte, and Garofano of Essex,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to legislative operations and government accountability

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

H. 68

By Reps. Hango of Berkshire, Birong of Vergennes, Bartley of Fairfax, Boyden of Cambridge, Branagan of Georgia, Christie of Hartford, Coffin of Cavendish, Demar of Enosburgh, Galfetti of Barre Town, Goslant of Northfield, Gregoire of Fairfield, Higley of Lowell, Kascenska of Burke, Keyser of Rutland City, Laroche of Franklin, Luneau of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, North of Ferrisburgh, Noyes of Wolcott, Page of Newport City, Pinsonault of Dorset, Southworth of Walden, Stone of Burlington, and Tagliavia of Corinth,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to expanding the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program

To the Committee on Education.

H. 69

By Reps. Higley of Lowell, Burditt of West Rutland, Burt of Cabot, Casey of Hubbardton, Coffin of Cavendish, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Maguire of Rutland City, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Nielsen of Brandon, Powers of Waterford, and Tagliavia of Corinth,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to reporting on adverse reactions related to immunizations

To the Committee on Human Services.

H. 70

By Reps. Higley of Lowell, Bailey of Hyde Park, Burt of Cabot, Casey of Hubbardton, Demar of Enosburgh, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Feltus of Lyndon, Galfetti of Barre Town, Goslant of Northfield, Hango of Berkshire, Howland of Rutland Town, Keyser of Rutland City, Labor of Morgan, Lipsky of Stowe, Luneau of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Nelson of Derby, Nielsen of Brandon, Oliver of Sheldon, Page of Newport City, Parsons of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Quimby of Lyndon, Southworth of Walden, Tagliavia of Corinth, and Taylor of Milton,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the inclusion of use value appraisal land in the conserved land inventory

To the Committee on Environment.

H. 71

By Reps. Bluemle of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Berbeco of Winooski, Black of Essex, Cina of Burlington, Goldman of Rockingham, and Page of Newport City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to health care entity transaction oversight and clinical decision making

To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 72

By Rep. Satcowitz of Randolph,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to municipal ordinances governing nuisance properties containing salvage and scrap

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

H. 73

By Rep. Parsons of Newbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the zoning requirements for group homes

To the Committee on Environment.

H. 74

By Reps. Harrison of Chittenden, Noyes of Wolcott, Bailey of Hyde Park, Bartley of Fairfax, Birong of Vergennes, Bosch of Clarendon, Boyden of Cambridge, Burditt of West Rutland, Burrows of West Windsor, Burtt of Cabot, Casey of Hubbardton, Christie of Hartford, Coffin of Cavendish, Cooper of Pownal, Demar of Enosburgh, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Galfetti of Barre Town, Greer of Bennington, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Harple of Glover, Harvey of Castleton, Headrick of Burlington, Higley of Lowell, Howard of Rutland City, Howland of Rutland Town, Kascenska of Burke, Keyser of Rutland City, Krasnow of South Burlington, Labor of Morgan, Laroche of Franklin, Luneau of St. Albans City, Maguire of Rutland City, Malay of Pittsford,

Marcotte of Coventry, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, McGill of Bridport, Micklus of Milton, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morris of Springfield, Morrissey of Bennington, Morrow of Weston, Nielsen of Brandon, North of Ferrisburgh, Ode of Burlington, Page of Newport City, Pinsonault of Dorset, Priestley of Bradford, Pritchard of Pawlet, Southworth of Walden, Surprenant of Barnard, Tagliavia of Corinth, Taylor of Milton, Toof of St. Albans Town, Waszazak of Barre City, Wells of Brownington, White of Bethel, Winter of Ludlow, and Wood of Waterbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to exempting Social Security benefits from Vermont income tax

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 75

By Rep. Cordes of Lincoln,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to clinician participation in patient choice at end of life and DNR/COLST orders

To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 76

By Reps. Hango of Berkshire, Bartley of Fairfax, Birong of Vergennes, Branagan of Georgia, Christie of Hartford, Coffin of Cavendish, Demar of Enosburgh, Galfetti of Barre Town, Goslant of Northfield, Gregoire of Fairfield, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Burlington, Kascenska of Burke, Keyser of Rutland City, Laroche of Franklin, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, North of Ferrisburgh, Noyes of Wolcott, Page of Newport City, Pinsonault of Dorset, Southworth of Walden, and Tagliavia of Corinth,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to an income tax exemption for National Guard active duty subsistence and quarters allowance

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 77

By Reps. McCann of Montpelier, Cordes of Lincoln, Dodge of Essex, Goldman of Rockingham, Headrick of Burlington, Logan of Burlington, Pouech of Hinesburg, Priestley of Bradford, Tomlinson of Winooski, and Waszazak of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating a new income tax bracket

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 78

By the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the use of the Australian ballot system in local elections

Pursuant to House Rule 48, placed on the Notice Calendar.

**Committee Relieved of Consideration and Bill Committed to
Other Committee**

H. 50

Rep. Mihaly of Calais moved that the Committee on General and Housing be relieved of House bill, entitled

An act relating to identifying State real property suitable for conversion into affordable housing

And that the bill be committed to the Committee on Corrections and Institutions, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

At three o'clock and sixteen 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.