

Journal of the House

Thursday, January 8, 2026

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Peter Plagge, Waterbury Congregational Church.

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 as follows:

H. 603

By Rep. Ode of Burlington,
House bill, entitled

An act relating to excluding military disability retirement from personal income taxation

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 604

By Rep. Kimbell of Woodstock,
House bill, entitled

An act relating to semiautomatic assault weapons

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 605

By Rep. Noyes of Wolcott,
House bill, entitled

An act relating to speed limits in downtown centers and village centers

To the Committee on Transportation.

H. 606

By Reps. Arsenault of Williston, LaLonde of South Burlington, Bishop of Colchester, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Chapin of East Montpelier, Cole of Hartford, Dolan of Essex Junction, Garofano of Essex,

Goldman of Rockingham, Graning of Jericho, Headrick of Burlington, Holcombe of Norwich, James of Manchester, Krasnow of South Burlington, McCann of Montpelier, Mrowicki of Putney, Olson of Starksboro, Pezzo of Colchester, Pouech of Hinesburg, Satcowitz of Randolph, Scheu of Middlebury, Sheldon of Middlebury, Squirrell of Underhill, Stone of Burlington, and Waters Evans of Charlotte,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to firearms procedures

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 607

By Rep. Krasnow of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to institutional real estate investors' purchase of single- and two-family residences

To the Committee on General and Housing.

H. 608

By Rep. Wood of Waterbury,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to allowing purple paint markings as notice for posting against hunting and fishing

To the Committee on Environment.

H. 609

By Reps. Campbell of St. Johnsbury and James of Manchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to thermal energy networks

To the Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure.

H. 610

By Reps. Campbell of St. Johnsbury and James of Manchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to an energy navigator program report

To the Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure.

H. 611

By Rep. Berbeco of Winooski,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous provisions affecting the Department of Vermont Health Access

To the Committee on Health Care.

H. 612

By Rep. LaLonde of South Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the Vermont Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 613

By Reps. Bos-Lun of Westminster, Berbeco of Winooski, Burrows of West Windsor, Carris Duncan of Whitingham, Cina of Burlington, Cole of Hartford, Dodge of Essex, Donahue of Northfield, Goldman of Rockingham, Headrick of Burlington, Howard of Rutland City, Logan of Burlington, McCann of Montpelier, McGill of Bridport, Mrowicki of Putney, Olson of Starksboro, Pezzo of Colchester, Pouech of Hinesburg, and Rachelson of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to victims of officer-involved shootings of an individual experiencing a mental health crisis

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 614

By Reps. Headrick of Burlington, Greer of Bennington, and Wells of Brownington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the consultation and endorsement by the Abenaki First Nations of Odanak and Wôlinak in the development of Indigenous history and culture curricula

To the Committee on Education.

H. 615

By Reps. Headrick of Burlington, Cole of Hartford, Greer of Bennington, McCann of Montpelier, and Pezzo of Colchester,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to protecting political expression and promoting civil rights in education

To the Committee on Education.

H. 616

By Rep. Boutin of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to the right to enroll full time in virtual learning

To the Committee on Education.

H. 617

By Rep. Hooper of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to seizure disorders in schools

To the Committee on Education.

H. 618

By Rep. McCann of Montpelier,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to school counselors

To the Committee on Education.

H. 619

By Rep. Waszazak of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to an income tax surcharge

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 620

By Rep. Waszazak of Barre City,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating a wealth tax commission

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 621

By Reps. Waszazak of Barre City, Yacovone of Morristown, and Bluemle of Burlington,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to personal income tax brackets

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. 622

By Rep. Bartley of Fairfax,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to stewardship trusts

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 623

By Rep. Casey of Montpelier,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to licensure of massage therapists

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

H. 624

By Reps. LaLonde of South Burlington and Goodnow of Brattleboro,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to creating the Adult Involuntary Guardianship Working Group

To the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 625

By Rep. Casey of Montpelier,

House bill, entitled

An act relating to adoption of the Interstate Massage Compact

To the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs.

Joint House Resolution Adopted**J.R.H. 6**

Joint resolution authorizing the Green Mountain Boys State educational program to use the State House facilities on June 25, 2026

Was taken up and adopted on the part of the House.

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.