

# Journal of the Senate

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026

The Senate was called to order by the President.

## Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

## Bills Introduced

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

### S. 219.

By Senators Hardy, Watson and White,  
An act relating to an energy navigator program report.  
To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

### S. 220.

By Senator Baruth,  
An act relating to addressing education spending in fiscal years 2028 and 2029.  
To the Committee on Finance.

### S. 221.

By Senator Westman,  
An act relating to creating an equitable vision for implementing civic education.  
To the Committee on Education.

### S. 222.

By Senators Norris and Mattos,  
An act relating to survivor and disability benefits for emergency personnel.  
To the Committee on Government Operations.

### S. 223.

By Sens. Bongartz and Watson,

An act relating to water quality of the waters of Vermont.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**S. 224.**

By Senators Watson and Bongartz,

An act relating to the management of the State's lakes.

To the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

**S. 225.**

By Senators Clarkson and Brock,

An act relating the Vermont Economic Growth Incentive Program.

To the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill Recommitted**

**S. 23.**

Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to the use of synthetic media in elections.

Was taken up.

Thereupon, pending the question, Shall the Senate concur in the House proposal of amendment?, on motion of Senator Collamore, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Government Operations.

**Adjournment**

On motion of Senator Baruth, the Senate adjourned until eleven o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon on Friday, January 9, 2026.