

Journal of the Senate

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the House No. 48

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 considered Senate proposal of amendment to the following House bill:

H. 508. An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the City of Burlington.

And has concurred therein.

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 519.

House 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 Vermont State Employees' Retirement System Group G membership.

Bills Passed in Concurrence

House bills of the following titles were read the third time and passed in concurrence:

H. 549. An act relating to eligibility of sentenced or detained individuals to obtain a State-issued nondriver identification card, replacement operator's license, or replacement learner's permit.

H. 917. An act relating to military affairs.

Proposal of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered**H. 410.**

Senator Norris, for the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to the calculation of recidivism and other related criminology measures.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House amend the bill in Sec. 1, 13 V.S.A. chapter 233, in section 8121, in the fourth sentence, by striking out "clock for calculating" and after the word "recidivism" by inserting "calculation"

And that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with such proposal of amendment.

Senator Norris, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which the bill was referred, reported recommending that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with proposal of amendment as recommended by the Committee on Judiciary.

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

House Proposal of Amendment Concurred In**S. 181.**

House proposal of amendment to Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to eliminating the requirement for a presentence investigation for imposition of a deferred sentence.

Was taken up.

The House proposes to the Senate to amend the bill in Sec. 1, 13 V.S.A. § 7041, by inserting a new subdivision to be subdivision (a)(3) to read as follows:

(3) If the offense is not a listed crime as provided in subdivision 5301(7) of this title, the court may, at its discretion, order a presentence investigation.

Thereupon, the question, Shall the Senate concur in the House proposal of amendment?, was decided in the affirmative.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Baruth, the Senate adjourned until eleven o'clock and thirty minutes in the morning.