

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 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. 60

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 a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 327. An act relating to economic development.

And has passed the same in concurrence with proposal of amendment in the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Bills Referred

Pursuant to Temporary Rule 44A the following bills having failed to meet crossover and being released by the Committee on Rules were referred to the Committee on Government Operations:

H. 902. An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the City of Barre.

H. 956. An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of Burlington relating to the Office of Racial Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging.

Action Reconsidered; Bill Placed on Notice Calendar

S. 239.

Assuring the Chair that she voted with the majority whereby the Senate concurred in the House proposal of amendment, Senator Lyons moved that the Senate reconsider its action on Senate bill entitled:

An act relating to the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Working Group.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon, pending the question, Shall the Senate concur in the House proposal of amendment?, the bill, and the corrected House proposal of amendment, were placed on the Calendar for notice on the next legislative day.

Bills Passed in Concurrence with Proposal of Amendment

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

H. 512. An act relating to the regulation of the event ticketing market.

H. 536. An act relating to toxic heavy metals in baby food products.

H. 559. An act relating to the Parole Board.

Bills Passed in Concurrence

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

H. 674. An act relating to the creation of the Vermont Sister State Program.

H. 814. An act relating to neurological rights and the use of artificial intelligence technology in health and human services.

Bill Passed in Concurrence with Proposal of Amendment

H. 941.

House bill of the following title was read the third time and passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment:

An act relating to municipal regulation of agriculture.

Proposals of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered

H. 952.

Senator Harrison, for the Committee on Institutions, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to capital construction and State bonding budget adjustment.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: By striking out Sec. 1, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 1, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 1 is amended to read:

Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the ~~\$111,965,288.44~~ \$123,564,624.67 authorized in Secs. 2–16 this act, not more than ~~\$61,969,761.44~~ \$61,569,761.44 shall be appropriated in the first year of the biennium, and the remainder shall be appropriated in the second year.

* * *

Second: By striking out Sec. 2, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 2, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 2 to read as follows:

Sec. 2. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

* * *

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026:

* * *

(2) Statewide, three-acre parcel stormwater compliance: ~~\$1,500,000.00~~ \$1,100,000.00

* * *

(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027:

(1) Statewide, major maintenance: ~~\$8,500,000.00~~ \$8,538,413.18

* * *

(4) ~~Statewide, three-acre parcel stormwater compliance: \$1,100,000.00~~
[Repealed.]

* * *

(7) Montpelier, State House replacement of ~~historie~~ interior finishes:
\$50,000.00

(8) Montpelier, 120 State Street HVAC – steam lines interior renovation: ~~\$2,000,000.00~~ \$1,000,000.00

* * *

(12) Montpelier, State House entryway upgrades, design documents, including comprehensive parking plan and delivery truck access, and second-floor egress design: \$1,325,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2026 \$13,726,680.44 \$13,326,680.44

Appropriation – FY 2027 ~~\$15,925,000.00~~ \$15,188,413.18

Total Appropriation – Section 2 ~~\$28,951,680.44~~ \$28,515,093.62

Third: By striking out Sec. 3, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 3, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 3 to read as follows:

Sec. 3. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 3 is amended to read:

Sec. 3. HUMAN SERVICES

* * *

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the following projects:

(1) Statewide, planning, design, and construction for HVAC system upgrades at correctional facilities: ~~\$1,000,000.00~~ \$9,426,254.21

* * *

(5) ~~Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility (NSCF) sprinkler system upgrades:~~ ~~\$500,000.00~~ [Repealed.]

(6) Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility (NSCF) boiler replacement: \$700,000.00

(7) Recovery House, Inc., residential treatment center, renovations: \$220,000.00

(8) Maintenance, replacement, and renovations at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility or other facilities serving the incarcerated women's population: \$598,850.00

* * *

Appropriation – FY 2027 ~~\$4,800,000.00~~ \$14,245,104.21

Total Appropriation – Section 3 ~~\$13,025,000.00~~ \$22,470,104.21

Fourth: By adding a new section to be Sec. 4a to read as follows:

Sec. 4a. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 5 is amended to read:

Sec. 5. GRANT PROGRAMS

* * *

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 for the Building Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

(1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant Program: ~~\$300,000.00~~ \$400,000.00

(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation Grant Program: \$300,000.00 \$400,000.00

* * *

Appropriation – FY 2027 \$2,100,000.00 \$2,300,000.00
 Total Appropriation – Section 5 \$4,200,000.00 \$4,400,000.00

Fifth: By adding a new section to be Sec. 5a to read as follows:

Sec. 5a. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 9 is amended to read:

Sec. 9. NATURAL RESOURCES

* * *

(g) The sum of \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2027 to the Agency of Natural Resources for technical support to municipalities to design and implement stormwater utilities.

Appropriation – FY 2026 \$5,805,000.00
 Appropriation – FY 2027 \$5,319,360.00 \$5,419,360.00
 Total Appropriation – Section 9 \$11,124,360.00 \$11,224,360.00

Sixth: By striking out Sec. 8, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 17, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 8 to read as follows:

Sec. 8. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 17 is amended to read:

Sec. 17. REALLOCATION AND REVERSION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

(a) The following sums ~~are reallocated~~ appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services from prior capital appropriations are reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act:

* * *

(12) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 13(b)(2), as added by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 10 (CJTC East Cottage): \$43,190.08

(13) of the amounts appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 2(c) (various projects): \$1,624,241.12

(14) of the amounts appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 2(b) (various projects): \$393,854.32

(15) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 3(a)(2) (women's correctional facilities): \$97,890.12

(16) of the amounts appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 2(c) (various projects): \$618,000.00

(17) of the amounts appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 2(b) (various projects): \$350,420.67

(18) of the amounts appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 2(c) (various projects): \$150,000.00

(19) of the amounts appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 3(b)(1) (women's correctional facilities, replacement): \$868,850.00

(b) The following sums appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development from prior capital appropriations are reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act:

* * *

(3) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 4(a)(4) (Unmarked Burial Fund): \$31,320.70

* * *

(h) Of the amount appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Vermont Veterans' Home in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1103(a)(7) and authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(d)(7) (design for the renovation of the Brandon and Cardinal units), \$1,500,000.00 is ~~reallocated~~ reverted to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act.

(i) Of the amount appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Department of Buildings and General Services in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1103(a)(9) and authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(d)(10) (111 State Street; renovation of the stack area), \$200,000.00 is ~~reallocated~~ reverted to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act.

* * *

(n) Of the amount appropriated to the Vermont Veterans' Home in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15(b)(2) (elevator upgrade), \$500,000.00 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 6 of this act.

(o) Of the amount appropriated to the Enhanced 911 Board in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 6(b)(9), as added by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 5 (Enhanced 911 Compliance Grants Program), \$63,413.15 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act.

(p) Of the amount appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 11(j), as added by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139, Sec. 7 (State-owned forest and recreational access points), \$0.03 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act.

(q) The following sums appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Department of Buildings and General Services in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1105(a) are reverted to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act:

(1) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(1) (planning, reuse, and contingency): \$119,114.60

(2) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(6) (120 State Street renovation): \$1,000,000.00

(3) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(8) (CJTC administration building and West Cottage): \$450,000.00

(4) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(10) (DCF short-term stabilization facility): \$372,557.10

(5) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(11) (Washington County Superior Courthouse in Barre): \$750,000.00

(6) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(13) (planning and design of the Rutland Field Station): \$250,000.00

(7) of the amount authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(c)(15) (EV charging stations): \$995,040.00

(r) Of the amount appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Department of Buildings and General Services in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1103(a)(3) and authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(d)(3), as amended by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162, Sec. 11 (120 State Street renovation), \$1,500,000.00 is reverted to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act.

Bonded Dollars	\$5,074,938.48	\$9,816,118.67
Cash	\$1,700,000.00	\$7,136,711.70
Total Reallocations, Reversions, and Transfers – Section 17	\$6,774,938.48	\$16,083,980.37

Seventh: By striking out Sec. 9, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 19, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 9 to read as follows:

Sec. 9. 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 33, Sec. 19 is amended to read:

Sec. 19. FY 2026 AND 2027; CAPITAL PROJECTS; FY 2026 AND FY 2027 APPROPRIATIONS ACT ACTS; INTENT; AUTHORIZATIONS

* * *

(b) Intent. It is the intent of the General Assembly to authorize certain capital projects eligible for funding by 32 V.S.A. § 1001b in this act but appropriate the funds for these projects in the FY 2026 and FY 2027 Appropriations Act Acts. It is also the intent of the General Assembly that the FY 2026 and FY 2027 Appropriations Act appropriate Acts transfer funds to the Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b for projects in FY 2026 and FY 2027.

(c) Authorizations; Capital Infrastructure subaccount. In FY 2026, spending authority for the following capital projects from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments are authorized as follows:

* * *

(7) to the Vermont Veterans' Home for the design and construction of the American unit and sprinkler system installation: \$1,500,000.00

* * *

(f) Authorizations; Capital Infrastructure subaccount. In FY 2027, spending authority for the following capital projects from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments are authorized as follows:

(1) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for statewide major maintenance: \$1,281,173.60

(2) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for statewide physical security enhancements: \$225,000.00

(3) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for statewide three-acre parcel stormwater compliance: \$1,000,000.00

(4) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for Asa Bloomer roof replacement: \$3,600,000.00

(5) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for Rutland multimodal garage renovation: \$900,000.00

(6) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs: \$3,000,000.00

(7) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for HVAC upgrades at correctional facilities: \$1,050,000.00

(8) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for statewide correctional facilities security upgrades: \$225,000.00

(9) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for door control upgrades at correctional facilities: \$2,700,000.00

(10) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the Northern State Correctional Facility boiler replacement: \$1,000,000.00

(11) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility sprinkler system upgrades: \$500,000.00

(12) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for maintenance and renovations at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility: \$500,000.00

(13) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the Department for Children and Families' youth short-term stabilization facility: \$772,557.10

(14) to the Department of Environmental Conservation for the State match for federal Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: \$2,498,000.00

(15) to the Department of Environmental Conservation for Waterbury Dam Penstock project cost overruns: \$150,000.00

(16) to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for park infrastructure and rehabilitation, improvement, and three-acre rule compliance: \$400,000.00

(17) to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for dam maintenance and safety planning: \$200,000.00

(18) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety for an Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) facility: \$500,000.00

(19) to the Judiciary for the Essex County Courthouse connector project: \$500,000.00

(20) to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Judiciary for renovations at the White River Junction courthouse: \$1,600,000.00

(21) to the Vermont Historical Society for the replacement of a climate control unit: \$566,724.00

(22) to the Department of Corrections to work with the Agency of Digital Services to install a Wi-Fi system in State correctional facilities that is appropriately designed to address the safety, security, and confidentiality risks of the correctional environment: \$250,000.00

Eighth: In Sec. 13, Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation; Little River State Park lease, following “Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166, in fiscal year 2027, the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and Recreation is authorized to” by striking out the words “enter into” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “negotiate”

Ninth: By adding a new section to be Sec. 14a to read as follows:

Sec. 14a. REPEAL OF AUTHORITY TO SELL 110 STATE STREET

2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 22(a) (authority for BGS to sell 110 State Street, Montpelier) is repealed.

Tenth: By striking out Sec. 18, effective date, and its reader assistance heading in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof two new reader assistance headings and three new sections to be Secs. 18–20 to read as follows:

* * * Stormwater Utilities * * *

Sec. 18. 24 V.S.A. § 4414(9) is amended to read:

(9) Stormwater management and control. Any municipality may adopt bylaws to implement stormwater management and control consistent with the program developed by the Secretary of Natural Resources pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1264. The creation of a regional stormwater utility under statute or rules of the Agency of Natural Resources shall not prevent a municipality from regulating stormwater under this subdivision, including adoption by the municipality of a bylaw establishing a municipal stormwater utility. Municipalities shall not charge an impervious surface fee or other stormwater fee under this subdivision or under other provisions of this title on property regulated under the Required Agricultural Practices for discharges of agricultural waste or agricultural nonpoint source pollution.

Sec. 19. 24 V.S.A. § 3626 is added to read:

§ 3626. MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE AND OPERATE
STORMWATER UTILITY

The creation of a regional stormwater utility under statute or rules of the Agency of Natural Resources shall not prevent a municipality from regulating stormwater under this chapter, including adoption by the municipality of a bylaw authorizing the operation of a municipal stormwater utility that establishes an assessment on an equivalent residential unit or impervious surface.

* * * Effective Date * * *

Sec. 20. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

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

Senator Mattos, for the Committee on Finance, to which the bill was referred, reported recommending that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with proposals of amendment as recommended by the Committee on Institutions.

Senator Perchlik, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which the bill was referred, reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended as recommended by the Committee on Institutions, with further recommendation of proposal of amendment by adding a reader assistance heading and a new section to be Sec. 19a to read as follows:

* * * General Assembly * * *

Sec. 19a. STATE HOUSE; ENTRYWAY DESIGN; SPECIAL COMMITTEE

(a) A special committee consisting of the Joint Legislative Management Committee and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions (special committee) is hereby established. The special committee is authorized to meet to review, approve, or recommend alterations to the State House entryway design at a regularly scheduled Joint Legislative Management Committee meeting.

(b) The special committee shall be entitled to per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 23.

And that when so amended the bill ought to pass in concurrence with proposal of amendment.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, and the recommendations of proposal of amendment of the Committee on Institutions were amended as recommended by the Committee on Appropriations.

Thereupon, the proposals of amendment recommended by the Committee on Institutions, as amended, were collectively agreed to and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Proposals of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered

H. 639.

Senator Clarkson, for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to genetic data privacy.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. chapter 61A, in section 2421b, in subsection (d), by striking out subdivisions (2) and (3) in their entireties and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (2) to read as follows:

(2) Genetic data and biological samples of consumers shall:

(A) not be stored within the territorial boundaries of any country currently sanctioned in any way by the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control or designated as a foreign adversary under 15 C.F.R. § 7.4(a); and

(B) only be transferred or stored outside the United States with the express consent of the consumer.

Second: In Sec. 1, 9 V.S.A. chapter 61A, in section 2421c, by adding a new subsection to be subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c)(1) A consumer pursuing a civil action pursuant to subsection 2461(b) of this title against a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company or service provider for an alleged violation of this subchapter shall, before initiating the civil action, send a written notice to the company or service provider that includes as many details as possible of the alleged violation.

(2) If the company or service provider does not cure the alleged violation within 60 days after the notice is received by the company or service provider or if there is a disagreement as to whether the alleged violation has been cured, the consumer shall have the right to initiate a civil action against the company or service provider pursuant to subsection 2461(b) of this title.

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

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

Proposal of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered

H. 739.

Senator Major, for the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to prohibiting the use and sale of the herbicide paraquat.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 6 V.S.A. § 1105d is added to read:

§ 1105d. USE AND SALE OF PARAQUAT; REPORT

(a) Definition. As used in this section, “paraquat” means an herbicide:

(1) known as paraquat, with the chemical name 1,1'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium ion and the Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) registry number 4685-14-7;

(2) known as paraquat dichloride, with the chemical name 1,1'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride and the CAS registry number 1910-42-5;

(3) known as paraquat dimethyl sulfate, with the chemical name 1,1'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dimethyl sulfate and the CAS registry number 2074-50-2; or

(4) known as paraquat, with the chemical name 1,1'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium ion and all salts thereof.

(b) Prohibition. No person shall sell, use, or apply paraquat except when authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets under subsection (c) of this section.

(c) Authorized use. The Secretary may issue a written permit for the sale, use, or application of paraquat within fruit-producing tree orchards or for growing any crop listed in the U.S. Department of Agriculture Crop Group 13-07: Berry and Small Fruit Crop Group on or before December 31, 2030. The Secretary shall ensure that any authorized certified applicator of paraquat has received all training required by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets not more than one year prior to receiving a permit for authorized use of paraquat. A written exemption order under this subsection shall:

(1) be valid for not more than three years or until December 31, 2030, whichever comes first;

(2) specify the name on the label of the paraquat, uses, and crops or plants to which the permit applies; the date the permit takes effect; the permit's duration; and the permit's geographic scope, which may include specific farms, fields, or properties; and

(3) include permit conditions that minimize drift based on drift mitigation measures identified by the Environmental Protection Agency, require adherence to label directions to minimize applicator exposure, and exclusively limit applications to tree rows or vine rows for necessary weed control.

(d) Reporting. The Secretary shall report annually on all data regarding any use of paraquat in the State. The report shall include the amount of paraquat used and the date and location where the paraquat was used. The Secretary shall submit the report to the House Committee on Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry and the Senate Committee on Agriculture on or before December 15 of each year.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on November 1, 2026.

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 Agriculture.

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.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence**J.R.H. 10.**

Joint House resolution entitled:

Joint resolution authorizing the 2026 Green Mountain Girls State educational program to use the State House.

Having been placed on the Calendar for action, was taken up and adopted in concurrence.

Third Reading Ordered**H. 270.**

Senator Benson, for the Committee on Health and Welfare, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to confidentiality in peer support sessions for emergency service providers.

Reported that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

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

Third Reading Ordered**H. 385.**

Senator Gulick, for the Committee on Finance, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to remedies and protections for victims of coerced debt.

Reported that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

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

Adjournment

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