

Journal of the House

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

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

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by Pastor Seth Powers, Union Baptist Church, Waterford, VT.

Rep. Krowinski of Burlington in chair.

Message from the Senate No. 22

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Marshall, its Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House that:

The Senate has on its part adopted joint resolution of the following title:

J.R.S. 47. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Message from Governor

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Ms. Brittney L. Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

Madam Speaker:

I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the thirteenth day of February 2018, he signed a bill originating in the House of the following title:

H. 633 An act relating to fiscal year 2018 budget adjustments

Bill Referred to Committee on Appropriations

H. 620

House bill, entitled

An act relating to State-owned airports and economic development

Appearing on the Calendar, carrying an appropriation, under rule 35(a), was referred to the committee on Appropriations.

Joint Resolution Adopted in Concurrence

J.R.S. 47

By Senator Ashe,

J.R.S. 47. Joint resolution relating to weekend adjournment.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, February 16, 2018, it be to meet again no later than Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Was taken up, read and adopted in concurrence.

Bill Amended, Read Third Time; Bill Passed

H. 559

House bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous environmental subjects

Was taken up and pending third reading of the bill, **Rep. Ode of Burlington** moved to amend the bill as follows:

Representative Ode of Burlington moves that the bill be amended by adding a Sec. 8a to read:

* * * Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund * * *

Sec. 8a. FORGIVENESS OF REPAYMENT OF PLANNING ADVANCES

The Secretary of Natural Resources shall not require a municipality to repay engineering planning advances awarded under 24 V.S.A. chapter 120, subchapter 2 if the Secretary determines that:

(1) the engineering planning advance was awarded prior to September 1, 2011; and

(2) due to the effects of Tropical Storm Irene, documentation is no longer available to establish the engineering planning scope and associated construction project for which the engineering planning advance was awarded.

Which was agreed to. Thereupon, the bill was read the third time and passed.

**Favorable Report; Second Reading;
Third Reading Ordered**

H. 829

Rep. LaClair of Barre Town, for the committee on Government Operations, to which had been referred House bill, entitled

An act relating to appointing town grand jurors

Reported in favor of its passage. The bill, having appeared on the Calendar one day for notice, was taken up, read the second time and third reading ordered.

Adjournment

At one o'clock and thirty-seven minutes in the afternoon, on motion of **Rep. Turner of Milton**, the House adjourned until tomorrow at one o'clock in the afternoon.