



## **JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

**Monday, March 2, 2020**

The Senate was called to order at 1:09 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule 9(d), and under the authority of the President Pro Tempore and the Senate Republican Leader.

The prayer was offered by Acting Chaplain, Kathy Zabel of Burlington, Connecticut

The following is the prayer:

14. Help us to learn that to honor is to show respect, to meet another's need, to give someone encouragement, to love in word and deed

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Pursuant to Senate Rule 9(d) the Senate is called into Session, by the Office of the Senate Clerk's under the authority of the President Pro Tempore and the Senate Republican Leader.

It is hereby moved that Senate Agenda Number 1, dated March 2, 2020, is adopted, the items on said Agenda shall be acted upon as indicated and that the Agenda shall be incorporated into the Senate Journal and Senate Transcript.

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### **REPORTS**

The following reports were received, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committees indicated:

Report – University of Connecticut – UConn 2000 Report #49 Semi-Annual Report for Period Ended January 2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-109x(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: February 28, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report - Office of Policy and Management - Annual Report of State-wide Trends Related to Taxable Property and Exemptions from Property Tax on the 2018 Grand List. (Pursuant to Section 12-120a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: March 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report – Public Utilities Regulatory Authority– 2020 Report To The General Assembly Regarding The Connecticut Electric Efficiency Partners Program. (Pursuant to Section 16-243v of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: March 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology.

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**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS  
SENATE AND HOUSE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

In accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule 9(d), the first reading of the following bills and resolutions was waived, the list of bills and resolutions as prepared by the Clerks was accepted, and the bills and resolutions referred to the Committees as indicated thereon in concurrence:

**COMMERCE**

S.B. No. **20** (COMM) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT HIRE FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS', to establish a tax credit for businesses that hire formerly incarcerated individuals.

S.B. No. **374** (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING OPPORTUNITY ZONES', to require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to study the state's financial incentives relating to opportunity zones.

**JUDICIARY**

S.B. No. **375** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AGENCY COMPLIANCE WITH PROBATE COURT ORDERS', to require each state agency to follow any order, denial or decree of a Probate Court that is applicable to a determination made by the state agency, and clarify that a state agency has standing to appeal any such order, denial or decree to the Superior Court with respect to such order's applicability to the state agency's determination.

S.B. No. **376** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT PROVIDING IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL LIABILITY TO A PHYSICIAN WHO ACCOMPANIES AND ASSISTS A STATE, REGIONAL OR MUNICIPAL SWAT TEAM', to provide immunity from civil liability to a physician who accompanies and assists a state, regional or municipal SWAT team.

S.B. No. **377** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO LEGAL COUNSEL FOR CHILDREN IN IMMIGRATION REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS', to establish: (1) A right to legal representation for certain individuals in immigration removal proceedings at the federal Executive Office for Immigration Review; and (2) a task force to study the unmet legal needs of indigent residents subject to federal immigration removal hearings.

S.B. No. **378** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPEDITIOUS PROCESSING OF A REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION OF HELPFULNESS IN CERTAIN IMMIGRATION-RELATED MATTERS', to assure expeditious processing of requests for certification of helpfulness in certain immigration-related matters.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

S.B. No. **379** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS FROM REQUIRING COGNITIVE TESTING FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS SOLELY BASED ON AGE', to prevent health care institutions from requiring cognitive testing of health care providers solely based on the age of the provider.

S.B. No. **380** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF A FAMILY MEMBER OF A PATIENT ADMITTED TO A HOSPITAL', to require hospitals to notify a patient's designated family member not later than twenty-four hours after admission.

**COMMERCE**

H.B. No. **5418** (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAN ENERGY INCENTIVES FOR MANUFACTURERS', to require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to study methods to incentivize manufacturers' use of clean energy.

H.B. No. **5419** (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT REQUIRING BUSINESSES RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO MAKE GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO EMPLOY PERSONS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER OR INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES', to require businesses receiving financial assistance from the Department of Economic and Community Development to make good faith efforts to employ persons with autism spectrum disorder or intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

H.B. No. **5420** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AID IN DYING FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS', to provide aid in dying to terminally ill patients.

H.B. No. **5421** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SURGICAL SMOKE IN THE OPERATING ROOM', to require hospitals and outpatient surgical facilities to adopt and implement a policy to prevent human exposure to surgical smoke through the use of a surgical smoke evacuation system.

H.B. No. **5422** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A TRANSITION PLAN FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY WHO ARE A RESIDENT OF A COMMUNITY-BASED RESIDENTIAL FACILITY OR PARTICIPANT IN A DAY CARE PROGRAM, DAY CAMP PROGRAM OR RECREATIONAL PROGRAM', to require the Department of Developmental Services to develop a transition plan for persons with intellectual disability who are a resident of a community-based residential facility or a participant in a day care program, day camp program or recreational program.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The Senate at 1:10 p.m. adjourned under provisions of Senate Rule 9(d) subject to the call of the chair.