



## **JOURNAL OF THE SENATE**

**Monday, March 9, 2020**

The Senate was called to order at 10:15 a.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, Kevin Ricciardi of Branford, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Give us the hindsight to know where we have been, the foresight to know where we are going, and the insight to know when we are going too far.

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### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**

The following communications were received from His Excellency, the Governor, read by the Clerk and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Executive and Legislative Nominations:

March 9, 2020

**TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint ERIK M. CLEMONS, of New Haven, to the State Board of Education, to be a person experienced in a trade offered at the Technical High School System, in succession to William P. Davenport, to serve a term ending February 28, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont  
Governor

March 9, 2020

**TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint ELWOOD EXLEY, JR., of West Hartford, to the State Board of Education, to be a

member in succession to Erik M. Clemons, to serve a term ending February 28, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont  
Governor

March 9, 2020

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, reappoint MALIA SIEVE, of Waterford, to the State Board of Education, to be a member, to serve a term ending February 28, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont  
Governor

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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 9, 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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#### JUDICIARY

S.B. No. **448** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING OPIOID ABUSE AND TREATMENT', to require the Department of Correction to provide counseling to inmates who are suffering from opioid use disorder or at risk of developing or relapsing into an opioid use disorder prior to such inmate's release from a correctional facility and to require the Department of Correction, in consultation with the Departments of Public Health and Mental Health and Addiction Services to establish a medication-assisted treatment program for inmates with opioid use disorder.

#### COMMERCE

H.B. No. **5489** (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM', to establish a regulatory sandbox program, which allows a person to temporarily test an innovative product or service on a limited basis without otherwise being licensed or authorized to act by the laws of this state.

H.B. No. **5490** (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDITS', to (1) allow businesses to utilize accumulated credits against the tax imposed under chapter 208 and chapter 219 of the general statutes in exchange for human

capital investment, and (2) require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to conduct a study relating to research and development tax credits.

**JUDICIARY**

H.B. No. **5491** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO NOTARY PUBLICS, THE ISSUANCE OF TRADE NAME CERTIFICATES AND IMPROVED PUBLIC ACCESS TO BUSINESS RECORDS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE', to: (1) Revise statutory requirements applicable to notary publics, (2) establish a process for the issuance of trade name certificates, and (3) improve public access to business records filed with the Secretary of the State.

H.B. No. **5492** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE COST OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES', to provide cost-free telecommunications for incarcerated persons.

H.B. No. **5493** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROMPT PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AGAINST A DECEDENT'S ESTATE', to reduce the time period for a creditor to make a claim against the estate of a decedent.

H.B. No. **5494** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS', to ensure crime victims are permitted to attend and participate in violation of probation or conditional discharge hearings and to provide crime victims access to information about the arrest and conviction of a defendant in the case of identity theft when the defendant participates in accelerated rehabilitation.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The Senate at 10:16 a.m. adjourned under provisions of Senate Rule 9(d) subject to the call of the chair.

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**BUSINESS FROM THE HOUSE  
CHANGE OF REFERENCE  
HOUSE BILLS**

The following reports on House Bills recommending a change of reference were received from the Committees indicated, the reports of the Committees were accepted, and the bills referred as recommended:

HOUSING .H.B. No. **5127** (RAISED) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE'S LONG-TERM AND SHORT-TERM PLANNING CONCERNING HOUSING DEVELOPMENT."

The bill was referred to the Committee on Planning and Development.

COMMERCE. H.B. No. **5162** (RAISED) "AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LEARN HERE, LIVE HERE PROGRAM."

The bill was referred to the Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding.