



JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

Monday, February 22, 2021

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:49 o'clock p.m., in accordance with the provisions of House Rule 50, and under the authority of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the House Minority Leader.

Prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Brandon T. McCall of New Haven, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Let us pray. Lord, be with us as we work today. Fill us with inspiration and energy, and help us to work as a team so we can bring out the best in each other. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brandon T. McCall of New Haven, Connecticut.

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House of Representatives was called to order, by the Office of the House Clerk under the authority of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the House Minority Leader.

It was moved that the House agenda dated Monday, February 22, 2021 be adopted, and the items on said agenda - illustrating Business on the Clerk's desk - were acted upon as indicated, and the matters contained in the agenda were incorporated by reference into the House Journal and the House Transcript.

COMMUNICATION FROM HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR

The following communication was received from His Excellency, the Governor, on the date indicated, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

February 22, 2021

Corrected Letter

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor to nominate for appointment by you **EDWARD VINCENT O'HANLAN** of Old Lyme to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve for a term of eight years from the date of confirmation by you in succession to the Honorable Stanley T. Fuger, Jr. who elected senior judge status and has since then retired.

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Governor

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS
HOUSE AND SENATE BILLS**

Pursuant to House Rule 50, 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.

JUDICIARY

H.B. No. 6490 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A GRANDPARENT'S RIGHT TO VISITATION WITH HIS OR HER GRANDCHILD', to allow a grandparent the right of visitation with his or her grandchild upon demonstrating to the court that clear and convincing circumstances support the granting of such visitation.

H.B. No. 6491 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NONLETHAL ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPONS', to remove the prohibition on possession of nonlethal electronic defense weapons.

PUBLIC HEALTH

S.B. No. 922 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE STATUTES PERTAINING TO DISCHARGES IN A RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME', to allow residential care homes to qualify as home and community based settings under the regulations of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

JUDICIARY

S.B. No. 923 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVIEW OF ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS BY THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION', to require the Connecticut Sentencing Commission to review the animal cruelty laws in this state and other states and make recommendations, if any, to the legislature for changes to state laws.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House adjourned at 3:50 o'clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.