



## **JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE**

**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

The House of Representatives was called to order at 6:38 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, Ann M. Clark of Bloomfield, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Let us pray. Heavenly Creator, who presides over all things in heaven and on earth, guide us as we take up the business of the State and allow us to prudently select bills that will benefit all our citizens. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ann M. Clark of Bloomfield, 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 Wednesday, March 10, 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.

### **FAVORABLE REPORT OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

The following House Joint Resolution was received from the committee indicated, the resolution read the second time and tabled for the Calendar:

**EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. H.J. No. 63 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF CHRISTY L. SCOTT OF BERLIN TO BE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER.**

### **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. 5125 (COMM) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL LIABILITY FOR ENTITIES THAT HAVE OPERATED PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC'**, to provide immunity from civil liability to entities that have operated pursuant to health and safety guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### COMMERCE

**H.B. No. 6606 (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE RENOVATION OF HISTORIC MIXED-USE BUILDINGS IN THE STATE'**, to require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to study economic development issues affecting distressed municipalities and opportunity zones in the state and establish a task force to study impediments to the renovation of historic mixed-use buildings in the state.

**H.B. No. 6607 (RAISED) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT INCENTIVIZING THE ADOPTION OF CYBERSECURITY STANDARDS FOR BUSINESSES'**, to incentivize the adoption of cybersecurity standards for businesses by allowing businesses that adopt certain cybersecurity framework to plead an affirmative defense to any cause of action that alleges that a failure to implement reasonable cybersecurity controls resulted in a data breach concerning personal or restricted information.

#### JUDICIARY

**H.B. No. 6608 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REAL ESTATE ABUTTING A RIGHT-OF-WAY'**, to clarify the ownership of "orphan" roadways in this state.

#### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

**H.B. No. 6609 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE FAILURE TO FILE FOR CERTAIN GRAND LIST EXEMPTIONS'**, to allow certain persons to file for a certain property tax exemption, notwithstanding certain statutory deadlines.

**H.B. No. 6610 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF OUTDOOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE BY RESTAURANTS'**, to require municipal zoning commissions to permit restaurants to engage in outdoor food and beverage service as an accessory use of such restaurant's permitted use.

**H.B. No. 6611 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND OTHER POLICIES REGARDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT'**, to provide for (1) an assessment of the state-wide need for affordable housing and an allocation of such need to planning regions and municipalities, (2) the creation of affordable housing planning and zoning goals for each municipality, (3) the implementation schedule for such goals, (4) enforcement of such goals, and (5) state support to meet affordable housing needs beyond those met through such goals.

**H.B. No. 6612 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROTECTIONS FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND THE ZONING ENABLING ACT'**, to (1) clarify and enforce protections for licensed family child care homes and prevent landlords and certain homeowners associations from placing restrictions on the operation of such homes, and (2) reorganize the zoning enabling act.

**H.B. No. 6613 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSORY APARTMENTS, MIDDLE HOUSING AND**

**MULTIFAMILY HOUSING'**, to require municipal zoning commissions to adopt regulations allowing accessory apartments, middle housing and multifamily housing.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

**H.B. No. 6614 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN AT PHARMACIES'**, to authorize the administration of the influenza vaccine to children ages twelve to seventeen at pharmacies.

**H.B. No. 6615 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SAFE DRINKING WATER'**, to require (1) water companies to provide drinking water to consumers in the event of a water main break or loss of system pressure; (2) small community water systems to prepare capacity implementation plans; and (3) bottlers to test approved water sources for unregulated contaminants and report such results to the department.

#### **COMMERCE**

**S.B. No. 3 (COMM) COMMERCE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DIVERSE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, WORKER PROTECTIONS AND SMALL BUSINESS REVITALIZATION'**, to grow the economy by supporting diverse economic opportunities, worker protections and small business revitalization.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

**S.B. No. 115 (COMM) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF CIGARETTES, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS BY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES, PHARMACIES AND PLACES OF BUSINESS WITH A PHARMACY LOCATED THEREIN'**, to prohibit the sale of cigarettes, tobacco products, electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products by health care facilities, pharmacies and places of business with a pharmacy located therein.

#### **JUDICIARY**

**S.B. No. 1023 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES'**, to amend various statutes relating to the responsibilities of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with respect to the provision of sexual harassment training, the filing of discriminatory practice complaints, the approval of affirmative action plans, the administration of oaths, the deprivation of rights, privileges or immunities on account of age, and reasonable accommodation of a person with a disability.

#### **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**S.B. No. 1024 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ZONING AUTHORITY, CERTAIN DESIGN GUIDELINES, QUALIFICATIONS OF CERTAIN LAND USE OFFICIALS AND CERTAIN SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS'**, to (1) allow municipalities to require that land use applicants pay the costs of any technical review of applications, (2) make several changes to the Zoning Enabling Act, (3) establish requirements for zoning regulations concerning accessory apartments, mixed-use developments and multifamily housing, (4) convene a working group to develop model design guidelines for buildings and context-appropriate streets, (5) require certain qualifications of certain land use officials, and (6) address the jurisdiction and capacities of certain sewage disposal systems.

**S.B. No. 1025 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SHORT-TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES'**, to (1) require that (A) short-term rental properties be licensed by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, (B) short-term rental operators notify owners of abutting and adjacent properties regarding use of a dwelling unit as a short-term rental property, and (C) short-term rental operators maintain minimum insurance coverage and the Insurance Commissioner adopt regulations concerning such coverage, (2) permit municipalities to tax short-term rental operators, and (3) subject short-term rental transactions to the sales and use tax.

**S.B. No. 1026 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TRAINING FOR CERTAIN PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICIALS'**, to permit municipalities to require training for members of planning commissions, zoning commissions, combined planning and zoning commissions and zoning boards of appeals.

**S.B. No. 1027 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND ZONING REGULATIONS'**, to require (1) municipalities to permit accessory dwelling units, and (2) a majority vote of the members of a zoning commission to adopt a protested zoning regulation or zoning district boundary change.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

**S.B. No. 1028 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS' SCOPE OF PRACTICE'**, to make various revisions to the general statutes concerning physician assistants' scope of practice.

#### **JUDICIARY**

**S.B. No. 1029 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST LICENSED NURSING HOME FACILITIES FOR FAILURE TO MEET STANDARDS OF CARE RELATED TO COVID-19'**, to allow a person to bring a civil action against a licensed nursing home facility for injuries resulting from the failure to comply with standards of care related to COVID-19.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

**S.B. No. 1030 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES'**, to implement the recommendations of the Nursing Home and Assisted Living Oversight Working Group regarding long-term care facilities and make other revisions to the long-term care facility statutes.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

**S.B. No. 1031 (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE TO MITIGATE ICE AND SNOW ACCUMULATIONS'**, to provide a means and incentive for commercial applicators of sodium chloride to responsibly utilize such product to mitigate ice and snow accumulations.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House adjourned at 6:40 o'clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.