



JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

Monday, March 22, 2021

The House of Representatives was called to order at 9:17 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. Almighty Father, shower Your blessing upon us as we labor for the people we serve. Be with us in our deliberations and make us prudent in our decisions. 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 Monday, March 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.

FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following House Joint Resolutions were received from the committees indicated, the resolutions read the second time and tabled for the Calendar and printing:

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. Substitute for H.J. No. 58 (File No. 96) RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ALLOW NO-EXCUSE ABSENTEE VOTING.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. H.J. No. 59 (File No. 97) RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW FOR EARLY VOTING.

FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES HOUSE BILLS

The following House Bills were received from the committees indicated, the bills read the second time and tabled for the Calendar and printing:

HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. Substitute for H.B. No. 6228 (File No. 92) AN ACT PROHIBITING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM INQUIRING ABOUT A PROSPECTIVE STUDENT'S CRIMINAL HISTORY DURING THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS AND ESTABLISHING A PRISON EDUCATION PROGRAM OFFICE.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Substitute for H.B. No. 6425 (RAISED) (File No. 93) AN ACT CONCERNING AID IN DYING FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS.

HOUSING. H.B. No. 6530 (RAISED) (File No. 94) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING.

HOUSING. H.B. No. 6533 (RAISED) (File No. 95) AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF METHODS TO PROVIDE HOUSING ASSISTANCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

**BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

The following favorable reports of the Joint Standing Committees were received from the Senate, the resolutions read the second time and tabled for the Calendar:

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 14 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF KAREN E. DUBOIS-WALTON OF NEW HAVEN TO BE APPOINTED A MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 15 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BONNIE BURR OF BROOKFIELD TO BE A MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 16 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MALIA SIEVE OF WATERFORD TO BE REAPPOINTED A MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 17 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ERIK M. CLEMONS OF NEW HAVEN TO BE A MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 18 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF THE HONORABLE SALVATORE C. AGATI OF WATERTOWN TO BE A MEMBER OF THE JUDICIAL REVIEW COUNCIL.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. S.J. No. 19 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ROBERT R. BOUVIER OF WEST HARTFORD TO BE A MEMBER OF THE JUDICIAL REVIEW COUNCIL.

**BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
CHANGE OF REFERENCE
SENATE BILL**

The following favorable report on the Senate Bill recommending a change of reference was received from the committee indicated, the bill read, the report of the committee accepted and the bill referred as recommended in concurrence:

AGING. S.B. No. 974 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING HOMEMAKER AND COMPANION SERVICES.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**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.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

H.B. No. 5108 (COMM) HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A POLICY REGARDING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION ON CAMPUS', to require public institutions of higher education in the state to adopt a policy on freedom of expression on campus.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

H.B. No. 5164 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INSTALLERS OF RESIDENTIAL VERTICAL PLATFORM LIFTS', to establish a residential vertical platform lift technician's license.

H.B. No. 5201 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUAY THAI AS A FORM OF MIXED MARTIAL ARTS', to redefine the definition of mixed martial arts to include muay thai.

H.B. No. 5586 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT REQUIRING EXPANSION OF THE CRISIS INITIATIVE PILOT PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE STATE', to require the Division of State Police to expand the CRISIS Initiative pilot program to all areas of the state.

H.B. No. 5722 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT ALLOWING A PERSONAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR STIPENDS PAID TO VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE MEMBERS', to allow a personal income tax deduction for a stipend made by a municipality, volunteer fire department or volunteer ambulance association to a volunteer firefighter, fire police officer or volunteer ambulance member.

H.B. No. 6034 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROJECT LONGEVITY', to (1) expand the Project Longevity Initiative to the city of Waterbury, and (2) require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to create a plan to implement the initiative on a state-wide basis.

H.B. No. 6038 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROMOTION OF LOTTERY WINNINGS', to require the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to (1) obtain written consent before publishing the photograph of a person who redeems a winning lottery ticket on the corporation's Internet web site, and (2) remove a person's name from the list of winners published on such Internet web site upon request.

S.B. No. 570 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING A TRIBAL RESORT-CASINO IN BRIDGEPORT, SPORTS WAGERING, ONLINE CASINO GAMING AND ONLINE LOTTERY', to authorize a tribal resort-casino in Bridgeport, sports wagering, online casino gaming and online lottery.

S.B. No. 572 (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS AND REENTRY CENTERS', to establish programs to support alternative police response programs and individuals reentering the community from prison.

PUBLIC HEALTH

S.B. No. 1083 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES', to make various revisions to the public health statutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House adjourned at 9:19 o'clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.