



## **JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE**

**Monday, March 29, 2021**

The House of Representatives was called to order at 9:27 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. Lord, You have entrusted us as stewards of Your creation. Please provide a special blessing to those who serve here and guide them as they make decisions 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 Monday, March 29, 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:

**EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. H.J. No. 367 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF GREGORY DUNCAN HARRIS OF WINDSOR TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NEW ENGLAND BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

**EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS. H.J. No. 368 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BERT J. HUNTER OF GREENWICH TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY.**

**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. H.B. No. 5545 (File No. 145) AN ACT CONCERNING THE BUDGET OF THE CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.**

**COMMERCE. H.B. No. 5614 (File No. 146) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION ON THE DISPARATE IMPACT OF COVID-19.**

**HOUSING. H.B. No. 5679 (File No. 147) AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT FOR CERTAIN FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS.**

**HOUSING. H.B. No. 5681 (File No. 148) AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITY REIMBURSEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL EQUITY.**

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5895 (File No. 149) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE ON THE REDUCTION OF STUDENT LOAN DEBT.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6110 (RAISED) (File No. 150) AN ACT CONCERNING THE ONLINE SALE AND DELIVERY OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS.**

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. Substitute for H.B. No. 6229 (File No. 151) AN ACT ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF FOOD-INSECURE STUDENTS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

**INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. H.B. No. 6387 (RAISED) (File No. 152) AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LIVING ORGAN DONORS.**

**PUBLIC HEALTH. Substitute for H.B. No. 6397 (RAISED) (File No. 153) AN ACT EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF A REPORTING ENTITY TO THE ALL-PAYER CLAIMS DATABASE.**

**PUBLIC HEALTH. Substitute for H.B. No. 6398 (RAISED) (File No. 154) AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.**

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. H.B. No. 6403 (RAISED) (File No. 155) AN ACT REQUIRING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FOR THE MERGER OR CLOSING OF INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6408 (RAISED) (File No. 156) AN ACT REQUIRING HOUSING AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS TO PROSPECTIVE TENANTS.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6417 (RAISED) (File No. 157) AN ACT REQUIRING BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF YOUTH CAMPS.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6430 (RAISED) (File No. 158) AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING AUTHORITY JURISDICTION.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6431 (RAISED) (File No. 159) AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUSTICE-IMPACTED PERSONS.**

**COMMERCE. H.B. No. 6434 (RAISED) (File No. 160) AN ACT CONCERNING MANUFACTURER NEEDS IN THE STATE.**

**COMMERCE. H.B. No. 6435 (RAISED) (File No. 161) AN ACT EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES.**

**AGING. H.B. No. 6457 (RAISED) (File No. 162) AN ACT CONCERNING NURSING HOME SERVICES.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6508 (RAISED) (File No. 163) AN ACT CONCERNING REMOTE LEARNING ATTENDANCE.**

**CHILDREN. H.B. No. 6509 (RAISED) (File No. 164) AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6510 (RAISED) (File No. 165) AN ACT REQUIRING THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6511 (RAISED) (File No. 166) AN ACT REQUIRING BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR YOUTH SPORTS COACHES, TRAINERS AND INSTRUCTORS.**

**ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY. H.B. No. 6524 (RAISED) (File No. 167) AN ACT CONCERNING THE SOLICITATION OF NEW FUEL CELL ELECTRICITY GENERATION PROJECTS.**

**ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY. Substitute for H.B. No. 6525 (RAISED) (File No. 168) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES.**

**ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY. Substitute for H.B. No. 6526 (RAISED) (File No. 169) AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRIC SUPPLIERS.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6528 (RAISED) (File No. 170) AN ACT CONCERNING THE SEALING OF EVICTION RECORDS.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6529 (RAISED) (File No. 171) AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING AUTHORITIES.**

**HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6531 (RAISED) (File No. 172) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL IN EVICTION PROCEEDINGS.**

**AGING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6552 (RAISED) (File No. 173) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHTS OF RESIDENTS IN NURSING HOME FACILITIES TO USE THE TECHNOLOGY OF THEIR CHOICE FOR VIRTUAL CONNECTIONS TO FAMILY, FRIENDS AND OTHER PERSONS.**

**AGING. Substitute for H.B. No. 6553 (RAISED) (File No. 174) AN ACT PROTECTING PROPERTY OWNERS AGE SIXTY AND OLDER FROM FORECLOSURE.**

**CHILDREN. H.B. No. 6565 (RAISED) (File No. 175) AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S SERVICES.**

**CHILDREN. Substitute for H.B. No. 6566 (RAISED) (File No. 176) AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN PURCHASING FROZEN DESSERTS FROM ICE CREAM TRUCKS AND DRIVER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.**

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. H.B. No. 6580 (RAISED) (File No. 177) AN ACT CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS.**

**COMMERCE. H.B. No. 6601 (RAISED) (File No. 178) AN ACT PROMOTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND OPTIMIZING STATE SERVICES THROUGH THE USE OF INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES DEVELOPED IN CONNECTICUT.**

**FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES  
CHANGES OF REFERENCE  
HOUSE BILLS**

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

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. H.B. No. 6404 (RAISED) AN ACT FUNDING THE DEBT-FREE COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM.**  
The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. H.B. No. 6406 (RAISED) AN ACT EXEMPTING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FROM THE SALES TAX.**

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

**HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT. H.B. No. 6407 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OF MILITARY MEMBERS' SPOUSES.**

The bill was then referred to the Committee on General Law.

**VETERANS' AFFAIRS. H.B. No. 6481 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL REGISTRATION MARKER PLATES FOR VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO SERVED IN PERIODS OF WAR.**

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**EDUCATION. H.B. No. 6535 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO SCHOOL SECURITY.**

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**EDUCATION. H.B. No. 6558 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT.**

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**COMMERCE. H.B. No. 6607 (RAISED) AN ACT INCENTIVIZING THE ADOPTION OF CYBERSECURITY STANDARDS FOR BUSINESSES.**

**The bill was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary.**

**EDUCATION. H.B. No. 6617 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF STATE GRANT COMMITMENTS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS AND REVISIONS TO THE SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS STATUTES.**

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

**EDUCATION. H.B. No. 6618 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN FUNDING ISSUES AFFECTING BOARDS OF EDUCATION.**

**The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House adjourned at 9:28 o'clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.