

House Calendar

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

9th DAY OF THE ADJOURNED SESSION

House Convenes at 1:00 P.M.

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NOTICE CALENDAR

Committee Bill for Second Reading

H. 505

An act relating to allowing the treasurer to defer the December 1, 2011 education payments to help towns affected by federal disasters in 2011 in Vermont.

(Rep. Wilson of Manchester will speak for the Committee on **Ways and Means.**)

H. 515

An act relating to holding public agencies harmless for disclosure of property tax adjustment information.

(Rep. Hubert of Milton will speak for the Committee on **Government Operations.**)

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Adjustment

Room: 10, State House

House Committee on Appropriation

Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – The House Appropriations Committee will hold a public hearing in room 10 of the State House on the Governor's proposed FY 2012 budget adjustment. The proposed budget adjustment can be viewed on the Joint Fiscal website at http://www.leg.state.vt.us/jfo/budget_fy2012.aspx. Testimony should be limited to 2-3 minutes (subject to change) and space reserved in advance with Theresa Utton-Jerman in room 40 of the State House or (802) 828-5767 or e-mail tutton@leg.state.vt.us.

INFORMATION NOTICE

The following items were recently received by the Joint Fiscal Committee:

JFO #2547 – One limited service position to for inventory management and emergency supply distribution under the terms of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Readiness Initiative. These duties are currently performed by a contractor. Conversion to a limited service position will save approximately \$65,000 per year. This position will be funded through a previously approved grant.

JFO #2548 – \$996,566 grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to the Vermont Department of Public Service. These funds will be used to create a self-sustaining market for energy-efficient retrofitting of commercial buildings. The project will utilize existing partnerships between regulators, efficiency experts, the lending industry, and the business community to create a program that provides access to financing capital through a combination of private and federal funding sources.

JFO #2549 – \$852,557 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Agency of Transportation. These funds will be used to provide deferral disaster assistance for damages caused by flooding on May 20, 2011 in the Franklin County, Washington County and Windham County.

JFO #2550 – \$18,090,369 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Vermont Health Access. This grant will be used for planning of design and implementation of a Health benefit Exchange pursuant to the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Twenty-seven (7) limited service positions are included with this request.

Deadline for Introducing Bills

Pursuant to Rule 40(b) of the Rules and Orders of the Vermont House of Representatives, during the second year of the biennium, except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no member may introduce a bill into the House drafted in standard form after the last day of January. Bills may be introduced in Short Form until the second Friday after Town Meeting Day.

In order to meet this deadline all draft requests must be submitted to the Legislative Council no later than the close of business on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. Requests for short form bills may be made until Wednesday, February 15, 2012.

Pursuant to Rule 40(c) during the second year of the biennium, except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no committee, except the Committees on Appropriations, Ways and Means or Government Operations, may introduce a bill drafted in standard form after the last day of March. The Committees on Appropriations, Ways and Means bills may be drafted in standard form at any time, and Government Operations bills, pertaining to city or town charter changes, may be drafted in standard form at any time.