Journal of the Senate

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS Friday, February 9, 2001—9:30 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Dave Kerr.
The roll was called with thirty-three senators present.
Senators Allen, Barnett, Gilstrap, Haley, Jordan, Pugh, and Wagle were excused.
Invocation by Chaplain Fred S. Hollomon:

Heavenly Father,

When the weather is foreboding, And it's time to head for home, Travelers need protection As they leave the old green dome.

Paraphrasing Robert Frost, Some have promises to keep; With hours spent behind the wheel, And miles to go before they sleep. Don't let them slip on icy stretches,

Or let them nod off from fatigue; And when Monday rolls around, May we account for our colleagues.

Keep them company on Interstate 70, Keep them alert on I-35. Whether east, west, north or south, Help them safely to arrive.

Some will head for well known cities, Others go to towns quite small. Keep their vehicles smoothly running Wherever snow or rain may fall.

I ask this in the Name of Christ,

AMEN

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

The following petition was presented, read and filed:

 ${\bf SP~3}$, by Senator Jean Schodorf: A petition favoring racetrack electronic gaming, signed by 997 constituents from the Wichita area.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 299. An act relating to the promotion of energy efficiency; providing certain income tax credits; establishing a program to provide net metering, by Committee on Utilities.

SB 300, An act concerning the juvenile justice authority; relating to requirements of employees; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 75-7055 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 301, An act concerning juvenile offenders; relating to trial home visits, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 302, An act concerning the Kansas juvenile justice code; relating to sentencing; amending K.S.A. 38-1663 and 38-1664 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 303, An act concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to collection of DNA specimens; limitation of actions; testing; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 21-2511 and 21-3106 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 304, An act concerning salaries and compensation for state officers and employees; amending K.S.A. 40-102, 46-137a and 46-137b and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 75-3101, 75-3103, 75-3104, 75-3108, 75-3110 and 75-3111a and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Ways and Means.

SB 305, An act concerning infectious disease tests for adult and juvenile offenders; costs; amending K.S.A. 38-1692 and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 65-6009 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 306, An act concerning telecommunications; relating to the provision of local exchange telephone service; amending K.S.A. 12-2001, 17-1901, 17-1902 and 17-1906 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Commerce.

SB 307, An act concerning the employment security law; relating to job training funds; amending K.S.A. 44-710a and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Commerce.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Commerce: SB 298.

Judiciary: SB 295, SB 296, SB 297. Transportation: HB 2045, HB 2144. Ways and Means: SB 292, SB 293, SB 294.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senators Hensley, Adkins, Allen, Barnett, Barone, Brownlee, Brungardt, Clark, Corbin, Donovan, Downey, Emler, Feleciano, Gilstrap, Gooch, Goodwin, Haley, Harrington, Huelskamp, Jackson, Jenkins, Jordan, Kerr, Lee, Lyon, Morris, O'Connor, Oleen, Praeger, Pugh, Salmans, Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Tyson, Umbarger, Vratil and Wagle introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1816-

A RESOLUTION recognizing National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans week.

WHEREAS, In 2001, America's National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans will be observed February 11-17; and

WHEREAS, The National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans was established as an official Department of Veterans Affairs program in March 1978. The purpose of this national program is to pay tribute and express appreciation to hospitalized veterans, increase community awareness of the role of the medical centers and encourage citizens to visit hospitalized veterans and become involved as volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The week of February 11 is your opportunity to say thank you to a special group of men and women—more than 62,000 veterans of the United States armed services, who are cared for every day in Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and nursing homes. Their service and sacrifice have helped preserve the freedoms and the values that Americans cherish; and

WHEREAS, During the national salute the Department of Veterans Affairs invites individuals, veterans groups, military personnel, civic organizations, businesses, schools, local media, celebrities and sports stars to participate in a variety of activities at the Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers which pay tribute and express appreciation to our hospitalized veterans. Those activities and events include special ward visits and valentine distributions, photo opportunities, school essay contests, special recreation activities and veteran recognition programs. The week also provides an opportunity for the community to become acquainted with the volunteer opportunities within the medical centers: Now, therefore

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we recognize National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans week and urge Kansans to become involved in the lives of our hospitalized veterans; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Edgar L. Tucker, Director, VA Eastern Kansas Health Care System, 2200 Gage Boulevard, Topeka, Kansas 66622.

On emergency motion of Senator Hensley SR 1816 was adopted unanimously.

Senator Hensley introduced Edgar Tucker, Director of the VA Medical Center in Topeka and Leavenworth, Kansas.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on ${\bf Transportation}$ recommends ${\bf SB~115}$ be amended on page 1, following line 27, by inserting:

- "Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1730a is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1730a. (a) As used in chapter 8 of Kansas Statutes Annotated, "church bus" means every motor vehicle owned by a religious organization, and operated for the transportation of persons to or from services or activities of such religious organization. As used in this section, "religious organization" means any organization, church, body of communicants or group, gathered in common membership for mutual edification in piety, worship and religious observances, or a society of individuals united for religious purposes at a definite place.
- (b) As used in chapter 8 of Kansas Statutes Annotated "day care program" means the same as is ascribed thereto in K.S.A. 39-1006, and amendments thereto, and "day care program bus" means every motor vehicle used primarily to carry out functions of a day care program or used by a child care provider licensed by Kansas who provides transportation for children six through 18 years of age.
- (c) Any church bus or day care program bus, in addition to any other equipment and distinctive markings required by law, may be equipped with: (1) Signal lamps which conform to the requirements of K.S.A. 8-1730, and amendments thereto, and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; and (2) a stop signal arm which conforms to requirements applicable to school buses which have been adopted by rules and regulations of the state board of education.";

By renumbering sections accordingly;

Also on page 1, in line 28, by striking "is" and inserting "and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1730a are":

In the title, in line 10, following "72-8313" by inserting "and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1730a"; also in line 10, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"; and the bill be passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Oleen the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Monday, February 12, 2001.

HELEN A. MORELAND, Journal Clerk.

PAT SAVILLE, Secretary of Senate.