Journal of the House

SECOND DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, TOPEKA, KS, Tuesday, January 11, 2005, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker Mays in the chair. The roll was called with 121 members present.

Representatives-elect Beggs and M. Miller were excused on verified illness. Reps. Dillmore and Schwab were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Chamberlain:

Almighty God, in the cold and snow of winter, it is easy to forget that just below the surface of our fields, grain waits to spring forth in life giving abundance. When the temperature drops it is hard to remember the warm and productive days of summer. But you, O Lord, are forever faithful. You call forth the bounty of the earth and keep the seasons of time in motion. We trust in your promise of a spring that waits to reveal itself and its bounty to us.

Lord, just as we do not see the waiting spring, but know it is to come; we gather this day not knowing what the future of our work will bring, what the answers to difficult questions will be, where the money and the will and the energy will come from. But we do know this, O God of promise: that as we turn our hearts to you and open ourselves to the prompting of your spirit, we will be fed by your loving kindness. Seeds of faith and imagination are already scattered among us that will yield blessings for your people at the harvest. Bless our stewardship of the seed, O Lord, that at the harvest we may be found to be good and faithful servants. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Hutchins.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2036, An act concerning insurance contracts; relating to the applicability of arbitration provisions; amending K.S.A. 5-401 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Carter.

ĤB 2037, An act concerning the Kansas public employees retirement system; relating to disability benefits; amending K.S.A. 2004 Supp. 74-4927 and repealing the existing section, by Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits.

HB 2038, An act concerning multidisciplinary teams for adults in need of protective services; amending K.S.A. 2004 Supp. 39-1411 and 39-1430 and repealing the existing sections, by Representatives Gordon, Burgess, Flora, Hutchins, Kirk, Kuether, Lane, Mah and Mays.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and resolution were referred to committees as indicated:

Agriculture: HB 2035.

Corrections and Juvenile Justice: **HB 2034**. Federal and State Affairs: **HB 2033**.

Rules and Journal: **HR 6004**. Transportation: **HB 2032**.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Announcing adoption of **HCR 5002**, a concurrent resolution relating to a committee to wait upon the Governor and advise her the 2005 session of the Legislature is duly organized and ready to receive communication.

Also, announcing the appointment of Senators Umbarger and Kelly as Senate members of the committee to wait upon the Governor.

Announcing adoption of HCR 5003, a concurrent resolution providing for a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives for the purpose of hearing a message from the Governor.

The Senate announces the appointment of Senators Jordan and Francisco to escort the Governor and Senators Brownlee and Barone to escort the Lt. Governor. Also, Senators Huelskamp and Betts to escort the Supreme Court.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was introduced and read by title:

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6005-

By Representatives Mays and McKinney

A RESOLUTION recognizing January 13 as Amber Alert Day.

WHEREAS, In an effort to keep amber alert plans and procedures foremost on our minds, we recognize January 13 as Amber Alert Day; and

WHEREAS, On January 13, 1996, nine-year-old Amber Hagerman was abducted and murdered in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The area's association of radio managers, with the region's law enforcement agencies, reacted by developing a program to promptly distribute information when a child is abducted. They called the program the amber alert plan in memory of Amber Hagerman; and

WHEREAS, In September 2002 the Kansas amber alert plan was created as a partnership between the Kansas law enforcement and broadcasting communities; and

WHEREAS, In October 2002 President George W. Bush called for a national amber alert plan and charged Attorney General John Ashcroft with creating and administering the plan; and

WHEREAS, The first three hours are critical to the recovery of an abducted child. To date 183 children have been recovered as a result of amber alerts, and there have been eight successful amber alerts in Kansas: Now therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we recognize January 13 as Amber Alert Day.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

From M.L. Korphage, Director, Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, Remediation Site Status Report, January 10, 2005.

From M.L. Korphage, Director, Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, Abandoned Oil & Gas Well Status Report, January 10, 2005.

The complete reports are kept on file and open for inspection in the office of the Chief Clerk.

On motion of Rep. Aurand, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 12,2005.

CHARLENE SWANSON, Journal Clerk.

JANET E. JONES, Chief Clerk.