Journal of the Senate

EIGHTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS Thursday, January 18, 2007—2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice President John Vratil.

The roll was called with thirty-eight senators present.

Senators Donovan and McGinn were excused.

Vice President Vratil introduced as guest chaplain, Dr. Robert Meneilly, Senior Pastor Emeritus, Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS, who delivered the invocation:

Eternal One we address by different names and honor with different liturgies, hear our prayers.

Give to these who govern a clear sense of what is best for all of us alike. We acknowledge that the best government is one that teaches us to govern ourselves well.

We have come to realize that the right function of government is to make it easy for citizens to do good and difficult to do evil.

Give to our legislators assembled in this hallowed place wise minds and right hearts in all of their deliberations.

Help us who would be well governed to support our legislators when they are right and to right them when they may be wrong.

Help us as private citizens to be every bit as concerned with our duties as we are concerned with our rights.

Inspire these elected public servants to find ways to work together constructively, more concerned for the public good than party credits.

Renew us all in mind and heart to give ourselves anew to the divine commandments—to love God and our neighbors even as we love ourselves, and to do justice, love kindness and to walk humbly with our God—so may it be, Amen.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 117, An act concerning health insurance; relating to dependent coverage; amending K.S.A. 40-2209d and 40-2218 and K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 40-2118 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

SB 118, An act concerning children and minors; relating to children in need of care; amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 38-2249 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 119, An act concerning traffic infractions; authorizing dismissal of certain traffic infractions and ordinance traffic infractions, by Senator Betts.

SB 120, An act concerning certain thermal efficiency standards; relating to disclosure of such standards to potential real estate buyers; amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 66-1227 and 66-1228 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Utilities.

SB 121, An act concerning reciprocal insurance companies; pertaining to attorneys-in-fact; amending K.S.A. 40-1611 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

SB 122, An act concerning certain activities affecting state legislators and the lobbying thereof; pertaining to compensation for legislators; pertaining to lobbyists; amending K.S.A. 46-137a, 46-225, 46-237 and 46-271 and K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 46-247 and 46-265 and repealing the existing sections, by Senator Steineger.

SB 123, An act concerning water; providing for establishment of an upper Arkansas river conservation reserve enhancement program, by Committee on Ways and Means.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Assessment and Taxation: SB 115.

Education: SB 109.

Elections and Local Government: SB 99, SB 100, SB 101.

Financial Institutions & Insurance: SB 102, SB 111, SB 112, SB 113, SB 114.

Judiciary: SB 103, SB 110.

Public Health and Welfare: SB 104, SB 105, SB 106, SB 107, SB 116.

Transportation: SB 108.

REFERRAL OF APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments made by the Governor and submitted to the senate for confirmation, were referred to Committees as indicated:

Kansas Development Finance Authority, Member and chair

Brett Reber, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate, to serve a term of 4 years.

(Commerce)

Kansas Development Finance Authority, Member

Timothy C. Schaller, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate, to serve a term of 4 years.

(Commerce)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

STATE OF KANSAS Senate President January 18, 2007

Ms. Pat Saville Secretary of the Senate State of Kansas Senate Chamber Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Pat:

All members of the Senate serving on Joint Committees of the Legislature in 2006 are hereby reappointed for the 2007-2008 term of office with the exception of specific changes previously announced.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Stephen Morris Senate President

REPORT ON ENGROSSED BILLS

SB 36 reported correctly engrossed January 17, 2007.

REPORT ON ENROLLED BILLS

 $SR\ 1807,\ SR\ 1808$ reported correctly enrolled, properly signed and presented to the Secretary of the Senate on January 18, 2007.

On motion of Senator D. Schmidt the Senate adjourned until $8{:}00$ a.m., Friday, January 19, 2007.

HELEN MORELAND, CAROL PARRETT, BRENDA KLING, Journal Clerks. PAT SAVILLE, Secretary of the Senate. $\hfill \Box$