Journal of the House

THIRD DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, TOPEKA, KS, Wednesday, January 13, 2010, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker O'Neal in the chair. The roll was called with 122 members present. Rep. Donohoe was excused on verified illness. Reps. Kelley and Suellentrop were excused on excused absence by the Speaker. Prayer by Chaplain Brubaker:

Our Heavenly Father,

Once again I stand before this great body of leaders and recognize the privilege, honor and responsibility to lift these great leaders of our state to You in prayer. Hold me accountable and diligent in praying for them daily, corporately and individually. I ask early in this session, that we will daily seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness and know that all other things will be added unto us. Collectively as a body of leaders making decisions for hundreds of thousands of Kansans, we seek Your wisdom and leadership. As individuals, these leaders have many responsibilities and concerns in their personal and professional lives. Again, may they seek You first and know that You will work in and through all situations. For Representative Palmer's husband, I ask for quick healing for him and strength and courage for her. Thank you for your faithfulness specifically to Representatives Rardin, Hawk, Siegfreid and Donohoe over the past few months. Lord, for all these specific needs, we thank You for Your touch, strength and loving care. Continue to lead us today in all ways and we will give you thanks and honor. Let us pause for a moment of silence for the people of Haiti.

In Christ's Name I pray, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Horst.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2435, An act concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to attempt, conspiracy and criminal solicitation to commit certain crimes; amending K.S.A. 21-3301, 21-3302, 21-3303, 21-3447, 21-3449, 21-3450, 21-3502, 21-3504, 21-3506, 21-3513, 21-3516 and 21-4643 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 21-4642 and repealing the existing sections, by Representative Kinzer.

HB 2436, An act designating bridge No. 62 on United States highway 77 in Marshall county as the Michael Hugh Breeding memorial bridge, by Representative Schwartz.

HB 2437, An act relating to license plates; concerning the Kansas arts license plate; relating to certain fees; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1,141 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Transportation.

HB 2438, An act relating to motor vehicles; concerning restricted drivers' licenses; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-2,101 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Transportation.

HB 2439, An act regulating traffic; prohibiting the sending, reading or writing of text messages while operating a motor vehicle; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-2118 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Transportation.

HB 2440, An act concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to the notification of victims of persons committed to the custody of the secretary of social and rehabilitation services; amending K.S.A. 22-3303, 22-3305, 22-3428, 22-3428a, 22-3430, 22-3431 and 22-3727 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice.

HB 2441, An act relating to crimes and punishment; prohibiting text messaging while operating a moving motor vehicle; amending K.S.A. 21-3404 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Appropriations.

HB 2442, An act establishing the Kansas streamlining government commission; providing for an independent review of state agencies of the executive branch of state government; prescribing powers, duties and functions for the commission and certain other state agencies; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 75-2973 and 75-4319 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Appropriations.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

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

Agriculture and Natural Resources: HB 2426.

Commerce and Labor: HB 2425

Corrections and Juvenile Justice: HB 2430, HB 2432.

Economic Development and Tourism: **HB 2434**.

Education: **HB 2433**.

Energy and Utilities: HB 2419, HB 2420, HB 2421, HB 2422, HB 2423; HR 6005.

Insurance: HB 2424 (jointly); HB 2427 (jointly).

Judiciary: HB 2429; HCR 5026.

Taxation: HB 2431.

Vision 2020: **HB 2424** (jointly); **HB 2427** (jointly); **HB 2428**.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

From Major General Tod M. Bunting, The Adjutant General, Kansas National Guard, Annual Report 2009 of the Kansas Adjutant General's Department.

From Kansas Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Advisory Committee, Legislative Report, January 2010.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was introduced and read by title:

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6006-

By Representatives Bethell and Hawk

A RESOLUTION declaring January as Kansas Mentoring Month.

WHEREAS, The citizens of Kansas recognize that our success depends on helping every child succeed in school and reach their full potential in life and to accomplish this young Kansans need a solid foundation of support to help them become well-educated, confident and productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mentoring is a proven, effective strategy that helps children and young adults by matching them with a caring, responsible adult who can provide guidance and direction and build their confidence; and

WHEREAS, Mentors build character, encourage success, boost confidence, lift expectations and expand the universe of a child, serving as friends, role models, teachers and sources of stability and support during a critical time in a child's life; and

WHEREAS, Research shows that mentoring has beneficial and long-term effects on youth by increasing their chances of high school graduation and college attendance and decreasing the likelihood of substance abuse and other risky behaviors; and

WHEREAS, Mentoring strengthens our Kansas economic and social well-being by helping young people fulfill their potential while helping maintain healthy families and promoting more vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, Every day residents of Kansas are making a profound difference in the lives of our young people by serving as mentors, supported by many private and public sector organizations that offer mentoring opportunities for youth; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Kansas children are in need of a caring adult mentor in their lives, and closing this mentoring gap will take more investment, partnerships and volunteers ready to make a difference in a child's life; and

WHEREAS, Kansas recognizes this need by supporting Kansas Mentors, a statewide mentoring partnership that works with over 175 mentoring programs to increase the number of young Kansans being served by quality mentoring relationships; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month is an opportunity to raise public awareness of the importance of mentoring, recognize the dedicated individuals who serve mentors and encourage more citizens to help build a brighter future for Kansas youth through mentoring: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That the month of January 2010 is hereby declared Kansas Mentoring Month and call upon the people of Kansas to recognize the importance of mentoring, to look for opportunities to serve as mentors in their communities and to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

READING AND CORRECTION OF THE JOURNAL

In the Journal, on page 791, under Introduction of Bills and Concurrent Resolutions, "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 6004" should be deleted and "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5024" should be inserted. The resolution as it appears is correct.

On motion of Rep. Merrick, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 14, 2010.

CHARLENE SWANSON,	Journal Clerk

SUSAN W. KANNARR, Chief Clerk.