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TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY

IN SENATE

Senate Chamber, Sacramento Thursday, February 3, 2011

The Senate met at 9 a.m. Hon. Curren Price, of the 26th District, presiding. Secretary Greg Schmidt at the Desk. Assistant Secretary Zachary L. Twilla reading.

QUORUM CALL OF THE SENATE

Without objection, a quorum call was placed upon the Senate. The President directed the Sergeant at Arms to close the doors and to bring in the absent Members.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER QUORUM CALL OF THE SENATE ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names: Alquist, Anderson, Berryhill, Blakeslee, Calderon, Cannella, Corbett, Correa, DeSaulnier, Dutton, Emmerson, Evans, Fuller, Gaines, Hancock, Harman, Hernandez, Huff, Kehoe, La Malfa, Leno, Lowenthal, Negrete McLeod, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Rubio, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Vargas, Walters, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—36.

Quorum present.

(NOTE: Senators De León and Liu will be excused this day on personal business.)

PRAYER

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

The great American poet, John Russell Lowell wrote on his theology of life:

God is in all that liberates and lifts,

In all that humbles, sweetens, and consoles.

The Divine Presence is manifest in the world around us in so many simple ways: a kind word from a friend, a smile from a stranger, a hand held out to support someone in need.

God's presence surrounds us, waiting for us to discover it.

May the Holy One of Blessing enable us to be messengers of all that liberates and lifts, and to see all that humbles, sweetens and consoles.

May this be God's will.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Senator Leno led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consideration of Governor's Appointments

Senator Steinberg placed the following Governor's appointments before the Senate:

JOHN J. MENCHACA, Member, California State Lottery Commission. ROBERT B. WEISENMILLER, Ph.D., Member, State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

The President put the question: "Will the Senate advise and consent to the appointments by the Governor?"

Roll Call

The roll was called and the appointments were confirmed by the following vote:

AYES (36)—Senators Alquist, Anderson, Berryhill, Blakeslee, Calderon, Cannella, Corbett, Correa, DeSaulnier, Dutton, Emmerson, Evans, Fuller, Gaines, Hancock, Harman, Hernandez, Huff, Kehoe, La Malfa, Leno, Lowenthal, Negrete McLeod, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Rubio, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Vargas, Walters, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee.

NOES (0)—None.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

The following Senators were granted leaves of absence for the day due to personal business: Senators De León and Liu.

FURTHER PROCEEDINGS UNDER QUORUM CALL OF THE SENATE DISPENSED WITH

At 9:25 a.m., on motion of Senator Steinberg, further proceedings under the quorum call of the Senate were dispensed with.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Senator Steinberg moved that the Senate stand in recess until the hour of 3:30 p.m. The Desk shall remain open to receive communications and to conduct the business of the day. At 3:30 p.m., the Senate will adjourn until Monday, February 7, 2011.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE MEASURES

The following measures were introduced, read the first time and transmitted to the Committee on Rules for assignment:

Senate Bill 165: By Senators La Malfa—An act to amend Section 15104 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

Senate Bill 166: By Senator Steinberg—An act to add Section 1374.73 to the Health and Safety Code, and to add Section 10144.51 to the Insurance Code, relating to health care coverage.

Senate Bill 167: By Senator Huff—An act to amend Section 6093 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation.

Senate Bill 168: By Senator Corbett—An act to add Section 102.5 to the Elections Code, relating to petitions.

Senate Bill 169: By Senator Gaines—An act to repeal Section 736.5 of the Insurance Code, relating to insurers.

Senate Bill 170: By Senator Pavley—An act to add Sections 40453 and 40542 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to air pollution.

Senate Bill 171: By Senator Wolk—An act to add Section 97.79 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to local government finance, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

Senate Bill 172: By Senator Huff—An act to amend Section 48352 of the Education Code, relating to school districts.

REQUESTS TO ADJOURN IN MEMORIAM

Senator Berryhill requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Robert Holm of Lodi.

Senator DeSaulnier requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Paul Katz of Concord.

Senators Gaines and Steinberg requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Sam LaCara of Sacramento.

Senator Pavley requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Judith Roslyn Kletter of San Francisco.

Senator Rubio requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Dr. Raghvendra Pratap Singh of Bakersfield.

Senator Wright requested that when the Senate adjourns this day it do so in memory of Nelma Mitchell of Los Angeles.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:30 p.m., on motion of Senator Steinberg, the Senate adjourned pursuant to the Senators' requests until 2 p.m., Monday, February 7, 2011.

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk