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Pursuant of the provisions of the Proclamation of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, the 2007–2008 First Extraordinary Session was called to order by Senator Gloria Romero, at 6:40 p.m.

Pursuant to Section 9150 of the Government Code, Greg Schmidt, Secretary of the Senate; Tony Beard Jr., Sergeant at Arms; and Paula K. Rossetto, Minute Clerk, are in their respective places.

Assistant Secretary Kipchoge Randall reading.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Aanestad, Ackerman, Alquist, Ashburn, Battin, Calderon, Cedillo, Cogdill, Corbett, Correa, Cox, Denham, Ducheny, Dutton, Florez, Harman, Hollingsworth, Kehoe, Kuehl, Lowenthal, Machado, Maldonado, Margett, McClintock, Migden, Negrete McLeod, Oropeza, Padilla, Perata, Ridley-Thomas, Romero, Runner, Scott, Simitian, Steinberg, Torlakson, Vincent, Wiggins, Wyland, and Yee—40.

Quorum present.



PRAYER

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Canon James Richardson:

Almighty and Merciful God, we pause to remember those who lost their lives in the attacks upon our nation six years ago on this day. We pray you will continue to hold their families in your loving embrace. Let us pray in silence for a moment.

We pray for the safety of our soldiers and sailors who are serving our country both near and far from our shores. We give thanks for their devotion to our freedom, and may they serve with honor and return safely home. We pray for our enemies, and all who wish us harm, that we may never have hearts of stone.

We pray for our elected leaders, especially those who serve in this chamber. Give to them the strength to finish this year's legislative session with integrity and distinction. We ask that you watch over these your servants, and may they go from blessing to blessing.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**A PROCLAMATION**

by the Governor of the State of California

WHEREAS, an extraordinary occasion has arisen and now exists requiring that the Legislature of the State of California be convened in extraordinary session; now therefore,

I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Section 3(b) Article IV of the Constitution of the State of California, do hereby convene the Legislature of the State of California to meet in extraordinary session at Sacramento, California on the 11th day of September, 2007, at a time to be determined, for the following purpose and to legislate upon the following subjects:

1. To consider and act upon legislation to comprehensively reform California's health care system that relies on shared financing and contributions from individuals, employers, health providers, federal, state and local government, and others.
2. To consider and act upon legislation that will provide for health care coverage for all Californians and access to health insurance without regard to medical history.
3. To consider and act upon legislation to make health care more affordable by: (a) reducing the cost to employers and insured individuals associated with uncompensated health care services delivered to the uninsured and low Medi-Cal reimbursement rates, (b) preventing chronic diseases, and (c) promoting more cost effective health care delivery.



4. To consider and act upon legislation to modify or extend existing programs to provide for a transition to comprehensive health care reform.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 11th day of September, 2007

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
Governor of California

[SEAL]

DEBRA BOWEN
Secretary of State

REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Senator Perata, asked for and was granted, unanimous consent that the Officers, Committee on Rules, the Standing Committees and the Standing Rules of the 2007–2008 Regular Session be deemed the same for the 2007–2008 First Extraordinary Session.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED

The oath of office was administered to Senator Don Perata, President pro Tempore; Greg Schmidt, Secretary of the Senate; and Tony Beard, Sergeant at Arms.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE MEASURES

The following measures were introduced, read the first time.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1: By Senator Perata—Relative to the Joint Rules for the 2007–08 First Extraordinary Session.

REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT (SCR 1)

Senator Perata asked for, and was granted, unanimous consent to take up SCR 1 at this time, without reference to file.

Consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution 1

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1—Relative to the Joint Rules for the 2007–08 First Extraordinary Session.

Resolution read.

Roll Call

The roll was called and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES (33)—Senators Ackerman, Alquist, Ashburn, Battin, Calderon, Cedillo, Cogdill, Corbett, Correa, Cox, Denham, Ducheny, Dutton, Harman, Hollingsworth, Kehoe, Kuehl, Lowenthal, Machado, Maldonado, Margett, McClintock, Migden, Oropeza, Padilla, Perata, Romero, Scott, Simitian, Steinberg, Torlakson, Wiggins, and Wyland.

NOES (1)—Senator Aanestad.

Resolution ordered transmitted to the Assembly.



REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**Committee on Rules**

Senate Chamber, September 11, 2007

Madam President: The Committee on Rules, to which were referred:

Req. No. 07-28877 (SB 1) Req. No. 0728883 (SB 2)

Has had the same under consideration and finds the same within the purview of the call and refers them to the Committee on Rules pursuant to the provisions of Rule 24.

PERATA, Chair

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 1: By Senator Perata (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Nunez)—An act relating to health care.

Senate Bill 2: By Senator Perata (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Nunez)—An act relating to health care.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:44 p.m., the President declared the Senate adjourned on call of the President pro Tempore.

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk

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