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#### **IN SENATE**

Senate Chamber, Sacramento Monday, February 28, 2011

The Senate met at 2 p.m. Hon. Jean Fuller, of the 18th District, presiding. Secretary Greg Schmidt at the Desk. Assistant Secretary Zachary L. Twilla reading.

## **ROLL CALL**

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names: Alquist, Anderson, Berryhill, Blakeslee, Calderon, Cannella, Corbett, Correa, De León, DeSaulnier, Dutton, Emmerson, Evans, Fuller, Gaines, Hancock, Harman, Hernandez, Huff, Kehoe, La Malfa, Leno, Lieu, Liu, Lowenthal, Negrete McLeod, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Rubio, Runner, Steinberg, Strickland, Vargas, Walters, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—39.

Quorum present.

(NOTE: Senator Simitian will be excused this day on personal business.)

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#### **PRAYER**

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

For some, prayer comes easily to the lips, others search for words, finding it difficult to give voice to what is in their hearts.

However, the Rev. Costen Harrell gave this piece of advice about the essence of prayer. He taught that "Prayer is opening the heart to God. It is not all petition. It has its listening side. Prayer," he said, "is more than speaking to God; it is giving God an opportunity to speak to us."

May it be God's will that we turn towards God with hearts open to hearing and seeing the Divine message in the many ways that it is manifest in our world each and every day.—AMEN.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

The following Senator was granted leave of absence for the day due to personal business: Senator Simitian.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:30 p.m., the President declared the Senate adjourned on call of the President pro Tempore.

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk