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## IN SENATE

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Senate Chamber, Sacramento  
Monday, May 16, 2011

The Senate met at 12 p.m.  
Hon. S. Joseph Simitian, of the 11th 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, Simitian, Steinberg, Vargas, Walters, Wolk, Wright, and Yee—38.

Quorum present.

*(NOTE: Senators Strickland and Wyland will be excused this day on personal business.)*



**PRAYER**

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

*O Great and Glorious God*, Throughout the millennia humanity has turned to you and asked how can we live a life of meaning? Your sacred text teaches us that it is not through acquiring material wealth or social status. No. You have taught us that to live a life of meaning, a life imbued with holiness, we must strive not only to improve our own lot, but the lives of others as well. To care for the poor, the widow and the orphan, to remove stumbling blocks before the blind and create a society governed by fairness and compassion, this you have taught us is the path to meaning and holiness.

May the work of our hands and the meditations of our hearts be ever directed towards creating a better and more just world. May this be God's will.—AMEN.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

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

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY**

The following Senators were granted leaves of absence for the day due to personal business: Senators Strickland and Wyland.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk

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