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IN SENATE

Senate Chamber, Sacramento
Thursday, July 9, 2009

The Senate met at 9:55 a.m.

Hon. S. Joseph Simitian, of the 11th District, presiding.

Secretary Greg Schmidt at the Desk.

Assistant Secretary Zach Twilla reading.

ROLL CALL

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

Aanestad, Alquist, Ashburn, Benoit, Calderon, Cedillo, Cogdill, Correa, Cox, Denham, DeSaulnier, Ducheny, Dutton, Florez, Hancock, Hollingsworth, Huff, Kehoe, Leno, Liu, Lowenthal, Maldonado, Negrete, McLeod, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Romero, Runner, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Walters, Wiggins, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—37.

Quorum present.

(NOTE: Senators Corbett and Harman will be excused this day on legislative business and Senator Oropeza will be excused this day due to a family emergency.)



PRAYER

Upon invitation of the President, the following prayer was offered by Rev. Stephen Gilbert, Center for Spiritual Awareness.

Good morning.

I would like to start this day with a question: What is possible?

So often we dwell on the things that make what we want impossible. And from that mental atmosphere of impossibility, trying to move or shift obstacles embodies the futility of Sisyphus. Focusing on obstacles only reinforces them.

So . . . what IS possible? This is a question that often gets scoffed at precisely because it doesn't take into account the obstacles. It forces us to look for space between obstacles, to look for new resources, to test different directions, to be open to anything other than what we think we know.

Voltaire said, "No problem can stand the assault of sustained thinking." The thinking he is speaking of is not a stolid certainty of having the only answer. It is the thinking of collaboration, humility, and creativity. It is the thinking that comes out of continuing to ask *what is possible*.

God is a God of possibility. Let's allow this energy and spirit of possibility to work in us, and move us forward together.

God is the spirit of unity, of oneness, and is everywhere present. This means He is present in this room this morning, and in each person in this room. It lives in us, through us, and as us. All we need do is open to this great source of creativity within, which can and will inspire *you* to find *our* way.

God, our prayer this morning is simple: *work in us*. For we know that with God all things are possible.

God bless you. God bless California.

And so it is.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

Assembly Chamber, July 9, 2009

Mr. President: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day passed:

AB 57	AB 62	AB 67	AB 72
AB 58	AB 63	AB 68	AB 73
AB 59	AB 64	AB 69	AB 74
AB 60	AB 65	AB 70	AB 75
AB 61	AB 66	AB 71	AB 76

E. DOTSON WILSON, Chief Clerk of the Assembly

FIRST READING OF ASSEMBLY MEASURES

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

Assembly Bill 57—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 58—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 59—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 60—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 61—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 62—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 63—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 64—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 65—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 66—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 67—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 68—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 69—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 70—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 71—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 72—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 73—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 74—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 75—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

Assembly Bill 76—An act relating to the Budget Act of 2009.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

The following Senators were granted leaves of absence for the day due to legislative business: Senators Corbett and Harman.

The following Senator was granted leave of absence for the day due to a family emergency: Senator Oropeza.



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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