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IN SENATE

Senate Chamber, Sacramento Monday, February 1, 2010

The Senate met at 2:17 p.m. Hon. Curren Price, of the 26th 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: Aanestad, Alquist, Ashburn, Calderon, Cedillo, Cogdill, Corbett, Cox, Denham, DeSaulnier, Ducheny, Dutton, Florez, Hancock, Harman, Hollingsworth, Huff, Leno, Liu, Lowenthal, Maldonado, Negrete McLeod, Oropeza, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Romero, Runner, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Walters, Wiggins, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—37.

Quorum present.

(NOTE: Senator Kehoe will be excused this day on legislative business and Senator Correa will be excused this day on personal business.)

PRAYER

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

Life is a wonderful and mysterious gift. Every year, we witness the cycle of life by watching the trees change in each season. The writer Harry Emerson Fosdick realized that we humans have much to learn from the natural world, he wrote:

We ask the leaf, "Are you complete in yourself?" And the leaf answers, "No, my life is in the branches." We ask the branch, and the branch answers, "No, my life is in the root." We ask the root, and it answers, "No, my life is in the trunk and the branches, and the leaves. Keep the branches stripped of leaves, and I shall die." So it is with the great tree of being. Nothing is completely and merely individual.

When we look outside at the cold landscape of winter, and see the trees standing bare of their glory, we are reminded that we are as vulnerable as the trees. Our lives are not separate and complete in and of themselves; each of us is dependent on many layers to nourish and protect us. If we were asked "Are you complete in yourself?" We would have to answer: "No, my life is in my family, my friends, my community, my faith and beliefs—if you strip me of these, then surely I shall die."

Oh, Master of the Universe, we thank You for the precious gift of friends and family who fill our lives with blessings and protect us from the storms of life. We ask of You to shelter and sustain them, for without their support, we could not do the task that is asked of us. Blessed is the Creator, the giver of life.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES Committee on Rules

Senate Chamber, February 1, 2010

Mr. President: The Committee on Rules, to which were referred:

Req. No. 10 05325 (SB 23) Req. No. 10 00768 (SB 22)

Req. No. 10 05447 (SB 21)

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.

STEINBERG, Chair

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE MEASURES

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

Senate Bill 21: By Senator Ashburn—An act to add and repeal Section 17059.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

Senate Bill 22: By Senators Padilla and Strickland (Coauthor: Senator Dutton)—An act to amend Section 26003 of, and to add Section 26011.7 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to energy.

Senate Bill 23: By Senator Hollingsworth—An act to amend Section 8504 of the Government Code, relating to state government.

MEASURES WITHDRAWN FROM COMMITTEE

Without objection, SB 1, SB 2, SB 3, SB 4, SB 5, SB 6, SB 7, SB 8, SB 9, SB 10, SB 11, SB 12, SB 13, SB 14, SB 15, SB 16, SB 17, SB 18, SB 19, and SB 20 were withdrawn from Committee and placed on second reading.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk