

Journal of the Senate

SECOND DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Tuesday, January 15, 2002—2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice-President Sandy Praeger.

The roll was called with thirty-four senators present.

Senators Brownlee, Brungardt, Emler, Gooch, Jenkins and Jordan were excused.

Vice-President Praeger introduced as guest chaplain, the Rev. Tim Maddock, Northland Christian Church, Topeka, KS, who delivered the invocation:

Father God,

As these men and women gather to govern our state, we pause to recognize that without the wisdom that comes from you, all the best efforts of humanity turn to frustration and chaos. I pray that you will bless those within this chamber with wisdom and a cooperative spirit. And since we are so bold as to seek your blessing, help us to realize you expect us to bless in return. Guide and direct us, we pray, in Jesus name, Amen.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and resolution were introduced and read by title:

SB 385. An act making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002; amending K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-34,147 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Ways and Means.

SB 386. An act concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement system and systems thereunder; unfunded obligations for certain benefits, by Committee on Ways and Means.

SB 387. An act concerning state finance; maximum expenditures and demand transfers from the state general fund; amending K.S.A. 75-6702 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Ways and Means.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 1614—

By Committee on Ways and Means

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION encouraging decreased dependence on public moneys to finance long-term care and education concerning long-term care insurance.

WHEREAS, Science, technology, nutrition and other factors have increased life expectancy and have set our nation on a course for a major expansion of our mid-life and older populations; and

WHEREAS, The average life expectancy is now almost 80 years and, often, the blessing of longer life means that diseases of aging that require long-term or custodial care, such as Alzheimer's disease, are more prevalent; and

WHEREAS, Changes in the structure of the nuclear family, such as two-earner households, make families less able to care for an aging parent; and

WHEREAS, Currently, 5.8 million people aged 65 or older need long-term care and this number will increase as more people survive heart attacks, cancer, strokes and other ailments that were fatal; and

WHEREAS, Medicare does not cover the cost of nursing home care, assisted living, residential health care or other long-term care except for 100 days of rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, The primary source of private financing of long-term care is the income and savings of the elderly, the disabled and their families or medicaid, a program for the poor; and

WHEREAS, The average cost for care in a nursing home in the United States is \$40,000-\$50,000 a year and that figure is certain to increase; and

WHEREAS, Kansas seniors must spend their life savings and contribute all their income before medicaid pays for their care; and

WHEREAS, Long-term care insurance can play an important role in helping to provide protection against the cost of long-term care and the expenditure of a lifetime of savings; and

WHEREAS, Long-term care insurance can help assure the security, dignity and independence of Kansans as they age as well as decrease the dependence on public moneys to finance long-term care: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein: That in order to decrease dependence on public moneys to finance long-term care and, in order to help assure the security, dignity and independence of Kansas senior citizens, the secretary of the Kansas department on aging is urged to begin an education and awareness campaign that makes younger Kansans aware of the potential cost of long-term care and encourages them to invest in long-term care insurance at an age when it is affordable; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Department on Aging.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 380**.

Judiciary: **SB 382, SB 383, SB 384**.

Reapportionment: **SB 381**.

CHANGE OF REFERENCE

The Vice-President withdrew **SB 371** from the Committee on Judiciary, and referred the bill to the Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 14, 2002

To the Senate of the State of Kansas:

Submitted herewith for confirmation by the Senate are appointments made by me as Governor of the State of Kansas as of January 14, 2002, pursuant to law.

BILL GRAVES
Governor

Secretary, Department of Administration, Joyce H. Glasscock, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 75-3702a, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

Credit Union Administrator, Jerel L. Wright, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 17- 2233, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to serve a four-year term ending November 30, 2005.

Member, Board of Indigents' Defense Services, Ruth E. Graham, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 22-4519, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to serve a three- year term ending January 15, 2005.

Member, Board of Indigents' Defense Services, David L. Herndon, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 22-4519, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to serve a three-year term ending January 15, 2005.

Member, Kansas, Inc., Rolland A. Vincent, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 74- 8001, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to fulfill a term ending January 15, 2004.

Member and Chair, Kansas Parole Board, Marilyn Scafe, pursuant to the authority vested in me by KSA 22-3707, effective upon the date of confirmation by the Senate to serve a four-year term ending January 15, 2006.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT
Bureau of Waste Management
Division of Environment

A report summarizing the state Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program and its three grant programs; HHW, Small Quantity Generator (SQG) and Agricultural Waste Pesticide (AWP) was received. The report period was for the state fiscal year (SFY) 2001, July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001.

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT
Division of Environment
Bureau of Water
December 28, 2001

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, as required by KSA 65-163k, submitted the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2001.

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT
Division of Environment
Bureau of Water
Municipal Programs Section
December 31, 2001

Clyde D. Graeber, Secretary, Kansas Department of Health & Environment, submitted the Kansas Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund Annual Report for Federal Fiscal Year 2001.

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT
Division of Environment
Bureau of Environmental Field Services

Clyde D. Graeber, Secretary, Kansas Department of Health & Environment, submitted the 2002 Annual Report Regarding Status of Substitute Senate Bill 204 Implementation.

KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION
CONSERVATION DIVISION

January 14, 2002

M. L. Korphage, Director, submitted the Remediation Site Status Report.

KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION
CONSERVATION DIVISION

January 14, 2002

M. L. Korphage, Director, submitted the Abandoned Oil & Gas Well Status Report.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
Division of Accounts and Reports

January 14, 2002

Dale Brunton, Director, Division of Accounts and Reports, submitted a copy of the State of Kansas Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001.

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

January 14, 2002

E. Dean Carlson, Secretary of Transportation, in compliance with KSA Supp. 68-2315 as amended, submitted the annual report regarding the Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) historical highway program accomplishments and its future financial strategy. Also submitted was a report concerning KDOT's system of inventory of records pertaining to all real property owned by the Department and real estate transactions as per KSA 75-3516(d).

The Vice-President announced the above reports are on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and are available for review at any time.

On motion of Senator Oleen the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, 2002.

HELEN A. MORELAND, *Journal Clerk*.

PAT SAVILLE, *Secretary of Senate*.

