

Journal of the House

SIXTH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Tuesday, January 20, 2009, 2:30 p.m.

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker O'Neal in the chair.

The roll was called with 115 members present.

Rep. Svaty was excused on legislative business.

Reps. Aurand, Ballard, Finney, Garcia, Goyle, Henderson, McCray-Miller and Ward were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by guest chaplain, the Rev. Branson Roberts, pastor, Topeka First Church of the Nazarene:

Almighty God,

You are the Creator God, and everything exists for your glory. By your word you have shown us what you require of us: to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly before you.

Lord, we are so grateful for the privilege to live in this land, at such a time as this. Thank you for choosing and shaping ordinary people to rise up and lead this great nation.

You chose to shape a little boy from Georgia, and give him a dream of justice. And then you gave him the courage to live justly, and challenge us to live justly, to make that dream a reality.

And this morning, we watched evidence of Dr. King's dream come true, in the inauguration of our new President, Barack Obama, another boy who was abandoned by his father, and moved to Indonesia by his mother, and raised by his grandparents. But you chose to shape him for your purposes in our country today.

And now to this body of people, who are charged with serving the citizens of the great state of Kansas; whom you also have chosen, shaped, and given them a story for such a time as this.

O God, grant that all the public work which has been given to this body to do, will only motivate them to serve their fellow man.

Help them to set loyalty to the right things above all loyalty to party or to class.

Grant the importance of their work may never make them full of their own self-importance, but rather that it may make them humbly eager to serve and to help the people of Kansas. Give them wisdom of mind, clearness in their thinking, truth in their speaking, and always love in their hearts, so that they may try always to unite people and never to divide them.

Help them always to set the interests of the state above those of the party; and faithfulness to your requirements to justice and mercy above everything else.

So grant that at the end of this day, they may win the approval of their own conscience, the respect of their fellow man, and your "Well Done!"

I humbly offer this prayer for the sake of Jesus, who was also chosen by you to serve among his fellow man, and model the walk of justice and mercy. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Whitham

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2029, An act concerning cities; relating to annexation; amending K.S.A. 12-520b, 12-531 and 12-532 and repealing the existing sections, by Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights.

HB 2030, An act concerning cities; relating to annexation; amending K.S.A. 12-521 and repealing the existing section, by Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights.

HB 2031, An act concerning annexation of territory by cities; amending K.S.A. 12-519 and 12-521 and repealing the existing sections, by Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights.

HB 2032, An act concerning cities; relating to annexation; amending K.S.A. 12-531 and 12-532 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Local Government.

HB 2033, An act concerning utilities; requiring membership in the climate registry, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2034, An act concerning utilities; relating to greenhouse gas emissions, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2035, An act concerning utilities; relating to cooperatives; amending K.S.A. 66-104d and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2036, An act concerning the state corporation commission; relating to studies and reports, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2037, An act concerning telecommunications; establishing the broadband deployment assistance program; amending K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 66-2010 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2038, An act concerning utilities; relating to fossil-fuel electric generation standards and innovative renewable, distributive generation and transmission technology, by Committee on Energy and Utilities.

HB 2039, An act concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to warrants; amending K.S.A. 22-2304 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Schwab.

HB 2040, An act concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to parole; amending K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 22-3717 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Schwab.

HB 2041, An act relating to insurance; concerning title insurers and agents; amending K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 40-2404 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Commerce and Labor.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Energy and Utilities: **HB 2027**.

Taxation: **HB 2028**.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

From Thomas E. Wright, Chairman, Kansas Corporation Commission, Report to the 2009 Legislature Concerning the Pay Stations for Utility Payments in the State of Kansas.

The complete report is kept on file and open for inspection in the office of the Chief Clerk.

On motion of Rep. Merrick, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, 2009.

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk*.

CHARLENE SWANSON, *Journal Clerk*.

