

# Journal of the House

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY

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HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
TOPEKA, KS, Tuesday, March 10, 2015, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker Merrick in the chair.

The roll was called with 118 members present.

Reps. Bridges, Lane and Tietze were excused on verified illness.

Rep. Rhoades was excused on legislative business.

Reps. Sawyer and Schwab were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Brubaker:

Eternal God,  
Thank You for this day.  
Help us to make the most of it and not fail to  
be thankful for such a beautiful Spring day.  
As our nation turns their interest to  
conference tournament games this week,  
I am reminded of an athlete's prayer  
that very well could be prayed for these legislators.  
So I pray this prayer to You for them today:  
"God, let me play well but fairly.  
Help me to learn something that matters  
once the session is over.  
Let opposition make me strong but never hostile.  
Always let me help my opponent up.  
Never catch me rejoicing in the adversity of others.  
If I know victory, allow me to be happy;  
if I am denied, keep me from envy.  
If through *the legislature* I set an example,  
let it be a good one."  
In Christ's Name I pray, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Lusker.

## INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

There being no objection, the following remarks of Rep. Hill are spread upon the

Journal:

Today we once again have the opportunity to recognize Kansas Small Business Development Center's emerging and existing 2015 businesses of the year. These sixteen businesses represent economic vitality and human vibrancy and growth potential in the communities they serve. These businesses have achieved major accomplishments: established growing businesses, demonstrated vision, problem solving and exemplary corporate citizenship. Entrepreneurship is one of the most powerful drivers of growth and prosperity in our Kansas economy. It is the primary source of job creation and economic competitiveness. Challenging economic times have proven to be good times to launch a new business. Last year our Small Business Development Centers helped more than 11,500 small business owners, decision makers, entrepreneurs and aspiring business owners reach their goals through effective one-on-one consulting at no cost to the business as well as low-cost, high-impact training and vital requests for resources and information. It is the priority of KSBDC to reach as many potential entrepreneurs as possible and provide tools and services for Kansans in all parts of the state. We are pleased today to acknowledge the entrepreneurial spirit and energy represented by those we recognize today and thank them for the examples they provide as a source of encouragement and optimism.

I would like to recognize the 2015 SBDC existing businesses of the year – from Garden City, Garden City Propane LLC (Dennis and Risa DeVaney) , from Bird City, GS Gas Inc. (Karen Horenek) - from Wichita, Leading Edge Aerospace (Stan Unruh) - from Topeka, The Merchant (Lisa Boyd) – from Burns, The Walter's Farm (Becky and Carroll Walters) – from the Kansas City area, McDonald Marketing (Brad McDonald) – from Overland Park, Enhanced HomeCare, LLC (Randy Block and Cindy Singer – from Chanute, Advanced Systems Homes, Inc. ( Stanley, Daren and Scott Luebbering)

And now the emerging businesses of the year: from Liberal, Women's Specialists of Liberal PA (Dr. Lamberto Flores) - from Smith Center, Kingsbury Service (Marty and Rhett Kingsbury) — from Winfield, ReJuvv' Spa (Tracie Gordon) – from Manhattan, Kansas Regenerative Medicine Center LLC (Ken Woods and John Farley) – from Emporia, Flint Hills Music (Thomas Silkman) – from Lawrence, Cat Clinic of Lawrence (Dr. Jennifer O'Driscoll – from Lenexa, Velo -- Maps Coffee (Vincent Rodriquez) – from Garnett, Art in Iron (Mike Hill)

This afternoon these businesses will be honored at an event in the second floor rotunda at 5PM. I invite you all to join us for that opportunity.

The Kansas House of Representatives is pleased to welcome, thank and congratulate these honored guests today!

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

The following bill was introduced and read by title:

**HB 2404**, AN ACT concerning taxation; relating to countywide retailers' sales tax; property tax; allowing counties to eliminate county portion of property tax and replace revenues with increased sales taxes; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 12-187, 12-189 and 12-192 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Taxation.

**CHANGE OF REFERENCE**

Speaker Merrick announced the withdrawal of **HB 2095, HB 2253** from Committee on Appropriations and rereferral to Committee on Pensions and Benefits.

**MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

Announcing passage of **SB 6, SB 244, SB 247**.

**INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

The following Senate bills were thereupon introduced and read by title:

**SB 6, SB 244, SB 247**.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Committee on **Agriculture and Natural Resources** recommends **SB 46** be passed and, because the committee is of the opinion that the bill is of a noncontroversial nature, be placed on the consent calendar.

Committee on **Elections** recommends **SB 28** be passed.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **HB 2151** be amended by substituting a new bill to be designated as "Substitute for HOUSE BILL NO. 2151," as follows:

"Substitute for HOUSE BILL NO. 2151

By Committee on Judiciary

"AN ACT concerning grand juries; summoning; jury instructions; witnesses; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 22-3001 and repealing the existing section."; and the substitute bill be passed.

(**Sub HB 2151** was thereupon introduced and read by title.)

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGES**

Speaker Merrick announced the appointment of Rep. Alcala to replace Rep. Tietze on Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development on Tuesday, March 10.

Also, Rep. Carmichael to replace Rep. Bridges on Committee on Education on Tuesday, March 10.

Also, Rep. Ruiz to replace Rep. Bridges on Committee on Taxation on Tuesday, March 10.

Also, Rep. Whipple to replace Rep. Carmichael on Committee on Energy and Environment on Wednesday, March 11.

Also, Rep. Ruiz to replace Rep. Bridges on Committee on Taxation on Thursday, March 12.

Also, Rep. Burroughs to replace Rep. Bridges on Committee on Education on Thursday, March 12.

Also, Rep. Curtis to replace Rep. Ruiz on Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development on Wednesday, March 11.

On motion of Rep. Vickrey, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2015.

CHARLENE SWANSON, *Journal Clerk*.

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk*.