Journal of the Senate

THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber, Topeka, Kansas Thursday, March 9, 2017, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Susan Wagle.

The roll was called with 39 senators present.

Senator Schmidt was excused.

Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

I'm asking all of you to join me today. In 1 Timothy 2:2-3, the Lord says You should pray for all who have authority. Pray for the leaders so that we can have quiet and peaceful lives...lives full of worship and respect for God. Verse 3 says, "This is good, and it pleases God our Savior."

So, I'm asking all of you to join me today; everyone under the sound of my voice; on the floor; in the balcony; in the halls; if you can hear me, join me in sending up a chorus of audible...not just silent prayers. All of us here have some authority, so let's pray for each other and all that are in authority.

When we do this, God says, in Matthew 18:19-20, that we will be blessed with Divine, Heavenly power, due to our coming together; due to the synergy of us uniting in prayer.

So, please repeat after me this simple childlike prayer.

Heavenly Father, in this time of prayer, we come before You together, together in our need for Your wisdom; together in our need for Your guidance; together in our need for Your resources. Please meet everyone of us, at our various points of need; we come together today, praying for one another.

Republicans praying for Democrats; Democrats praying for Republicans; all of us praying for each other. We pray for the heads of this nation; for the heads of Kansas and all the United States; for the heads of our counties and cities; for the heads of our families; and all that are in authority. We thank You for the privilege of prayer and for the peace that follows.

Your Word says, "This is good, and it pleases God our Savior." Amen and Amen

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Susan Wagle.

POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Faust-Goudeau rose on a Point of Personal Privilege to recognize members of the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature in the gallery today.

Senators Faust-Goudeau and McGinn honored members of Donate Life Kansas, in recognition of donor transplantation. Kansas Donate Life will be celebrated in April.

The senate honored all guests with a standing ovation.

Senator Julia Lynn recognized the Olathe Northwest High School Robotics 1710 Team. Guests introduced were Cole Brabec, Jordan Love, Kanisa Goss, Neel Patel, CeCe Miller, Markus Beccera, Charly Want, Melanie Hiradi, Jerusha Rowden and coaches Ladina Wingfield, Jean Melech and Darren Worcester.

The senate honored the students with a standing ovation.

Senator Ed Berger recognized individuals shadowing senators today. Guests introduced were Gage Schoenhoff - Senator Estes, Aaron Soellner - Senator Billinger, Emily Harner - Senator Bollier, Samantha Ryan - Senator Faust-Goudeau, Hannah Schoenecker - Senator Francisco, Aurora Roberts - Senator Lynn and Damien Espinosa - Senator Berger.

CHANGE OF REFERENCE

An objection having been made to **SB 116** appearing on the **Consent Calendar**, the President directed the bill be removed and placed on the calendar under the heading of **General Orders**.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senators Kelly and Longbine introduced the following Senate resolution, which was

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1720—

A RESOLUTION commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Wamego First United Methodist Church.

WHEREAS, March 13, 2017, marks the 150th anniversary of the Wamego First United Methodist Church's founding; and

WHEREAS, Methodism was brought to the early pioneers of Wamego by circuit riders, and the Methodist-Episcopal Church was established on March 13, 1867, and grew to 60 members by 1870. During those early years, services were held in various halls around the community; and

WHEREAS, In 1878, a wood-framed church was built north of Sixth and Lincoln Streets, and in 1905, under the guidance of Reverend G.A. Marvel, plans for a church made of native stone were begun; and

WHEREAS, On June 9, 1908, the cornerstone for the stone church was laid during a special ceremony, and Reverend Marvel read a list of articles placed in the cornerstone; and

WHEREAS, In 1909, the native stone church, which still stands today, was completed at an approximate cost of \$14,000 and includes 32 beautiful stained-glass windows that were donated by members and friends of the church; and

WHEREAS, In 1942, the basement of the church was refinished, and the kitchen was remodeled and modernized to provide better facilities for the many fellowship events and Sunday school classes held at the church; and

WHEREAS, In 1947, the sanctuary was completely remodeled and air conditioning was added with funds provided by a generous gift from Henry M. and Matilda A. Mitchell; and

WHEREAS, In 1963, with the church having grown to 400 members, plans were begun to construct a fellowship and education building north of the stone church; and

WHEREAS, On January 16, 1966, a consecration service was held for the newly constructed Fellowship Hall, which was connected to the stone church and contained a newer, larger kitchen in addition to more space for educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 1992, a grand celebration for 125 years of Methodism in Wamego was held, and the cornerstone from 1908 was opened and resealed; and

WHEREAS, In August, 1999, a Vision Awareness event occurred and resulted in the first of five capital campaigns, which ultimately raised \$2.5 million for the building project; and

WHEREAS, In February, 2003, ground was broken for the building project and construction began; and

WHEREAS, On October 31, 2004, the new education wing with more classrooms, larger offices for the pastor and staff, an enlarged and remodeled kitchen, larger handicapped-accessible restrooms, a larger elevator and an enlarged sanctuary were dedicated; and

WHEREAS, On March 12, 2017, the congregation celebrated 150 years of faithfulness with a church service, music by the chancel choir, the hand bell choir, the Prairie Rose Quartet, the dedication of two original pieces of artwork, an old-fashioned potluck luncheon and an open house; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 150 years, members of the Wamego First United Methodist Church have dedicated their time, talents, gifts, prayers, service and witness to make the Wamego First United Methodist Church a vibrant part of Wamego history: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Wamego First United Methodist Church; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Kelly.

On emergency motion of Senator Kelly SR 1720 was adopted unanimously.

Guests introduced were Rev. Michael Tomson-DeGreeff, Teresa Weixelman, David Mize and Janette Mize.

The senate honored the guests with a standing ovation.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE March 9, 2017

Pursuant to Rule 8, the **Select Committee on Education Finance** is established with the appointments of: Senator Denning (Chairperson), Senator McGinn (Vice-Chairperson), Senator Hensley (Ranking Minority Member), Senator Baumgardner, Senator Bollier, Senator Estes, Senator Goddard, Senator Kerschen, and Senator Pettey.

Susan Wagle President of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Announcing passage of SB 43.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources recommends HB 2192 be passed.

Committee on **Assessment and Taxation** recommends **SB 96** be amended on page 3, in line 1, by striking "5702(1)" and inserting "5702(k)"; in line 18, by striking "(u),"; in line 31, by striking the second "or"; in line 32, before "electronic" by inserting ", tobacco products or"; in line 39, after "salesperson" by inserting ", and which is knowingly utilized by the retail dealer to market and sell cigarettes and tobacco products to consumers";

On page 8, in line 13, after the semicolon by inserting "or"; by striking all in line 15; in line 21, after the semicolon by inserting "or"; in line 22, by striking all after "act"; in line 23, by striking all before the period; in line 26, after the comma by inserting "in any of the following ways,"; in line 27, before the first comma by inserting "the person"; also in line 27, by striking second comma and inserting "of"; in line 28, before "license" by inserting "person's"; also in line 28, by striking all after "licenses"; by striking all in line 29; in line 30, by striking all before the colon and inserting ", if the person";

On page 9, in line 5, after the semicolon by inserting "or"; by striking all in line 7; in line 13, after the semicolon by inserting "or"; in line 14, by striking all after "act"; in line 15, by striking all before the period;

On page 13, in line 28, by striking all after "retail"; in line 29, by striking all before "that":

On page 16, in line 6, after "(C)" by inserting "within 72 hours of receipt,"; in line 9, by striking all before the period;

On page 17, in line 40, by striking "and sold";

On page 28, following line 31, by inserting:

"New Sec. 24. (a) No provisions of this act shall: (1) Be deemed to amend or modify any compact described in K.S.A. 79-3323(a); or (2) be enforced in a manner which would cause the state to breach the terms of any compact described in K.S.A. 79-3323(a).

(b) The provisions of this section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas cigarette and tobacco products act.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 184** be amended on page 2, in line 13, after the semicolon by inserting "and"; in line 14, by striking all after "(3)"; by striking all in line 15; in line 16, by striking "(5)"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on Ways and Means recommends SB 174 be passed.

On motion of Senator Denning, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 a.m., Friday, March 10, 2017.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, Journal Clerks.

COREY CARNAHAN, Secretary of the Senate.