

Journal of the Senate

FIFTEENTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Monday, January 29, 2018, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Susan Wagle.
The roll was called with 40 senators present.
Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

God of grace, God of mercy! In humility and thanksgiving, we come again into these sacred halls and approach these sacred desks; sacred because You've ordained, according to Your Word in Romans 13:1-7, that the decisions made here are to be representative of the authority coming from You.

So, as we enter in, we can celebrate that on this day in history, You gave birth to this state and the sacred purpose of its leaders. You've given us a unique and significantly responsible position in this country.

You've placed us in the heartland...in the heart of a land where our leaders are struggling with difficult decisions and trying to answer serious questions.

Lord, give us here in Kansas a team spirit. And I pray that every member of this team, from top to bottom will be inspired and moved by Your Holy Spirit to show forth that the decisions, arising from these halls, represent on a far reaching basis the reality of Your Divine presence.

Someone said that to solve a problem, you had to get to the heart of it. You're permitting the Governor of this heartland to move to Washington and begin addressing issues fundamental to our freedoms when it comes to serving You.

In a like manner, Lord, from this heartland and from these sacred desks, let our decisions reflect the essentials of Your Divine influence. And, let them have a far reaching impact. Let there be a ripple effect where decisions made here will wind up blessing more than just the people of Kansas.

And Lord, this is a big one! You've ordained Washington D.C. to be the capital of our nation's government. So then, as You've done in the past, and our history confirms it, You can ordain Kansas as capital of God inspired decisions that will permeate this nation.

From Your Heart, to our hearts...and in due course, to the heart of this nation, I come to You, praying in the Name of Jesus, Amen and Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Susan Wagle.

In celebration of Kansas Day, Senator Givens led the singing of our state song: "Home on the Range".

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 336, AN ACT concerning civil actions; relating to wrongful conviction and imprisonment; compensation; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 75-6117 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 337, AN ACT concerning the department of health and environment; relating to animal conversion units; poultry facilities; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 65-171d and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

SB 338, AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to the practice of surgical technology; regulation of surgical technologists; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 65-2872 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

SB 339, AN ACT concerning workers compensation death benefits; initial payments; legal heirs; dependents; funeral expenses; conservatorship; adequacy and equivalency with respect to other benefit limits; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 44-510b and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Commerce.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Commerce: **SB 334**.

Financial Institutions and Insurance: **SB 335**.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

January 26, 2018

Kansas Highway Patrol Superintendent, Mark A. Bruce, submitted the report regarding state forfeiture funds.

The President announced that this report is on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and available for review at any time.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Announcing passage of **HB 2437**, **HB 2439**, **HB 2482**.

INTRODUCTION OF HOUSE BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HB 2437, **HB 2439**, **HB 2482** were thereupon introduced and read by title.

On motion of Senator Denning, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks*.

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate*.

