

Journal of the House

FOURTEENTH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Friday, January 26, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

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

The roll was called with 115 members present.

Rep. Neighbor was excused on verified illness.

Rep. Ballard was excused on legislative business.

Reps. Aurand, Claeys, Huebert, Powell, Rahjes, Sawyer, Schwab and Whitmer were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Brubaker:

Our Heavenly Father,
thank You for a good week and all that has been accomplished.
As our leaders wrap up their work today and many head home,
give them safe travels and quality time with family and friends.
Lord, I know that You are concerned about the things
that we are concerned about,
so I know You understand why I ask that You help
our Kansas teams and others in the Big 12
show the SEC how to play basketball this weekend.
May all have a good weekend and come back on Monday,
refreshed and committed to working together
for the greater good of Kansas.
This I ask in Your Son's Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Osterman.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2556, AN ACT concerning emergency communications services; establishing the statewide interoperability council, by Committee on Government, Technology and Security.

HB 2557, AN ACT enacting the massage therapist licensure act; regulation and licensing of massage therapists; powers, duties and functions of the state board of healing arts, by Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 2558, AN ACT concerning wildlife; relating to controlled shooting areas; licenses; amending K.S.A. 32-946 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Agriculture.

HB 2559, AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to motor vehicles; exemptions; military personnel; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 79-5107 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Veterans and Military.

HB 2560, AN ACT concerning information systems and communications; creating the Kansas cybersecurity act; establishing the Kansas information security office; establishing the cybersecurity state fund, by Committee on Government, Technology and Security.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Agriculture: **HB 2552, HB 2553.**

Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget: **HB 2546, HB 2547.**

Commerce, Labor and Economic Development: **HB 2544.**

Corrections and Juvenile Justice: **HB 2551.**

Education: **HB 2540, HB 2541, HB 2542.**

Federal and State Affairs: **HB 2545.**

Judiciary: **HB 2548, HB 2549, HB 2550.**

Taxation: **HB 2554, HB 2555.**

Veterans and Military: **HB 2543.**

CONSENT CALENDAR

No objection was made to **HB 2437** appearing on the Consent Calendar for the second day.

On motion of Rep. Hineman, the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole, with Rep. Vickrey in the chair.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On motion of Rep. Vickrey, Committee of the Whole report, as follows, was adopted:

Recommended that **HB 2482** be passed.

Committee report to **HB 2439** be adopted.

Also, on motion of Rep. Hodge to amend **HB 2439**, Rep. Jennings requested a ruling on the amendment being germane to the bill. The Rules Chair ruled the amendment not germane.

Also, on motion of Rep. Jennings, **HB 2439** be amended, as amended by House Committee, following line 7, by inserting: "WHEREAS, The provisions of the amendments to the sections in this act shall be known as Caitlin's law.

Now, therefore:" ;and the bill be passed as amended.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Calendar and Printing recommends on requests for resolutions and certificates that

Request No. 7, by Representative Michael Houser, honoring Fireman Jack Getman for saving a life during an extraordinary rescue on the evening of January 11, 2018;

Request No. 8, by Representative Michael Houser, honoring Deputy Matt Hatfield for saving a life during an extraordinary rescue on the evening of January 11, 2018;

Request No. 9, by Representative Michael Houser, honoring Deputy Noble Dobkins for saving a life during an extraordinary rescue on the evening of January 11, 2018;

Request No. 10, by Representative Michael Houser, honoring Fireman Kale Kitterman for saving a life during an extraordinary rescue on the evening of January 11, 2018;

Request No. 11, by Representative Jeff Pittman, congratulating Ron and Kay Beaman on four decades of operating the Wheel Thing Skate Center;

Request No. 12, by Representative Jeff Pittman, commending Rod and Susan Brae for their appointment as Grand Marshals of the 35th Annual St Patrick's Day Parade and all of the work they do for the Leavenworth Community;

Request No. 13, by Representative Jim Kelly, congratulating Coffeyville Community College Red Ravens Women's Volleyball Team on winning the 2017 NJCAA Volleyball Championship;

Request No. 14, by Representative Pam Curtis, congratulating Ada Sanabria for being a member of Donnelly College Phi Theta Kappa;

Request No. 15, by Representative Valdenia Winn, congratulating Kai S. Evans for being a member of Kansas City Kansas Community College Phi Theta Kappa;

be approved and the Chief Clerk of the House be directed to order the printing of said certificates and order drafting of said resolutions.

On motion of Rep. Hineman, the committee report was adopted.

Upon unanimous consent, the House referred back to the regular business, Introduction of Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was introduced and read by title:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. **HCR 5022**—

By Representative Miller

A PROPOSITION to amend section 2 of article 2 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, relating to members of the senate and house of representatives.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 2 of article 2 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§ 2. **Senators and representatives.** (a) The number of representatives and senators shall be regulated by law, but shall not exceed ~~one hundred twenty-five~~ 125 representatives and ~~forty~~ 40 senators. Representatives and senators shall be elected from single-member districts prescribed by law. Representatives shall be elected for

two-year terms. Senators shall be elected for four-year terms. The terms of representatives and senators shall commence on the second Monday of January of the year following election.

(b) (1) On and after January 1, 2022, the number of representatives and senators shall be regulated by law, but shall not exceed 123 representatives and 41 senators. Senators shall be elected from single-member districts prescribed by law. Representatives shall be elected from single-member districts with three representative districts within each senate district.

(2) Representatives shall be elected for two-year terms.

(3) Senators elected at the general election held in 2024 from odd-numbered districts shall be elected for a two-year term for one term only. At the general election in 2026, such senators shall be elected for a four-year term and at each succeeding general election every fourth year for a four-year term. Senators elected from even-numbered districts at the general election in 2024 and thereafter shall be elected for a four-year term."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

"Explanatory statement. The purpose of this amendment is to reduce the number of representatives to 123 representatives and to increase the number of senators to 41 senators. It will also require that three representatives be elected from each one of three districts created within each senate district. The amendment would also stagger the terms of the members of the senate of the legislature.

"A vote in favor of this amendment would reduce the number of representatives to 123 representatives and increase the number of senators to 41. It will also require each senate district to contain three representative districts. Finally, the amendment will stagger the terms of members of the senate.

"A vote against this amendment would retain the current constitutional provisions relating to the number and terms of members of the legislature."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives, and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2018, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Speaker Ryckman announced the appointment of Rep. Parker to replace Rep. Pittman on Committee on House Government, Technology and Security on January 29.

REPORT ON ENROLLED RESOLUTIONS

HR 6040, HR 6042 reported correctly enrolled and properly signed on January 26, 2018.

On motion of Rep. Hineman, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Monday, January 29, 2018.

JENNY HAUGH, JULIA WERNER, *Journal Clerks.*

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk.*

