

Journal of the Senate

TENTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Monday, January 22, 2018, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice President Jeff Longbine.

The roll was called with 39 senators present.

Senator Lynn was excused.

Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

Lord, we thank You for another weekend of rest from activities under this dome. We also thank You, that You enabled the government on the national level, to get back to work. And with your guidance, please bring varying options, both here and at the national level, into agreements that align with Your will and Your way.

In the composing of good music, there is often some discord or dissonance that's purposely written into the piece. Yet it turns into something beautiful, if the instruments are in tune with each other and each one plays its part.

Lord, it's the same as what You referred to in Romans 12:3-6. You said none of us is to think more highly of ourselves than another...even though we bring different and sometimes disagreeable viewpoints to the discussion.

As we tackle the many issues that we face, we see division and even discord in our opinions. People are arguing for the rights of the preborn while others of us are arguing for women's reproductive rights. When it comes to taxes, what should we do? When should we move to the left? When should we go to the right?

You've purposely made us different with different views. As our Creator and Master Composer, please tune each of us to You. Use Your tuning fork to bring us in line. Only You can blend our differences into something worthy of Your signature. In Jesus' Name, I pray, Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Longbine.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Suellentrop rose on a Point of Personal Privilege to introduce Julie Samaniego from Wichita and honoring her for 30 years of adoption advocacy for women who choose adoption and for couples wanting to adopt. Ms. Samaniego is also the founder of the faith-based organization, Circle of Love.

The senate honored Ms. Samaniego with a standing ovation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 303, AN ACT concerning income taxation; relating to deductions, expense

deduction; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 79-32,143a and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

SB 304, AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to health insurance; prescription medication; step therapy protocols, by Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

SB 305, AN ACT concerning the department of health and environment; relating to regulation of programs for children; authority; exemption from certain licensure and inspection requirements; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 65-508 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

SB 306, AN ACT concerning state officers and employees; restricting outside employment, by Senator Hensley.

SB 307, AN ACT concerning amusement rides; relating to the Kansas amusement ride act; relating to home-owned amusement rides and agritourism activities; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 40-4801, 40-4802, 44-1601, 44-1602, 44-1603, 44-1606, 44-1607, 44-1608, 44-1609, 44-1610, 44-1611, 44-1612, 44-1613, 44-1614, 44-1616, 44-1617, 44-1618 and 44-1619 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Ways and Means.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bill was referred to Committee as indicated:

Financial Institutions and Insurance: **SB 302**.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senator Fitzgerald introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1760—

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Sporting
Kansas City professional soccer club on an outstanding 2017 season and
for winning their fourth Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup title.

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City was founded as a Major League Soccer (MLS) charter team in 1995 by Lamar Hunt and was known then as the Kansas City Wizards; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, the team officially moved to its new home in Wyandotte County, Kansas, at the state-of-the-art Children's Mercy Park and was rebranded from the Kansas City Wizards to Sporting Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City was crowned MLS Cup champions in 2000 and 2013, solidifying over a decade of dominance in MLS; and

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City won the 2017 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup title; and

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City has won the Open Cup in three of the last six years and is one of only three MLS teams to have four Open Cup titles; and

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City won 12 games in the 2017 regular season and won an additional five thrilling games on their way to being crowned the 2017 U.S. Open Cup champions for the first time since 2015; and

WHEREAS, Four of the five games were played in Kansas City, Kansas, at

Children's Mercy Park in front of a hometown crowd of more than 18,000 faithful fans in "The Cauldron" and the general stands each night; and

WHEREAS, Sporting Kansas City amassed a remarkable 12 goals during the course of the Open Cup championship; and

WHEREAS, One of the more memorable games occurred on August 9, 2017, when Sporting Kansas City and the San Jose Earthquakes became ensnarled in a penalty shootout after a 1-1 draw. Sporting Kansas City would eventually win the shootout 5-4, thanks in large part to goalkeeper Tim Melia's efforts; and

WHEREAS, In one of the most thrilling games in Sporting Kansas City's history, the team edged out the New York Red Bulls 2-1 in the Open Cup final with a 25th minute header from Latif Blessing and a 66th minute strike from Daniel Sallio: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That the owners, manager, coaches, trainers, other organizational personnel and, most of all, the players and fans of the Sporting Kansas City professional soccer club are be congratulated on their outstanding 2017 season, for winning their fourth Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup title and for bringing tremendous pride to the people of Kansas; and

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

On emergency motion of Senator Fitzgerald **SR 1760** was adopted unanimously.

Guests introduced were Jake Reid, Alan Kietrich and Marty Neushemel.

The senate honored the guests with a standing ovation.

REPORT ON ENROLLED BILLS

SR 1759 reported correctly enrolled, properly signed and presented to the Secretary of the Senate on January 22, 2018.

On motion of Senator Denning, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 23, 2018.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

