

Journal of the House

SEVENTH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Wednesday, January 23, 2019, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker pro tem Finch in the chair.

The roll was called with 119 members present.

Reps. Holscher and Lewis were excused on verified illness.

Reps. Baker, Dove, Houser and L. Ruiz were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Brubaker:

To you, O Lord,
We lift up our eyes, in You we trust.
No one whose hope is in You will ever be put to shame.
Show us your ways, O Lord, teach us your paths.
Guide us in Your truth and teach us.
Your ways are loving and faithful
for those who keep the demands of Your covenant.
For the sake of Your name, forgive our iniquity though it is great.
Guard our lives and let us not be put to shame.
May integrity and uprightness protect us because our hope is in You.
In Christ's Name I pray, Amen.
(Psalms 25)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Wheeler.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2063, AN ACT concerning property tax; relating to cities and counties; approval of budgets, assuming an abolished entity; amending K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 79-2925c and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Taxation.

HB 2064, AN ACT concerning the uniform act regulating traffic; relating to violations; appearance before a judge; amending K.S.A. 8-2104 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Agriculture: **HB 2062**.

Commerce, Labor and Economic Development: **HB 2060, HB 2061**.

Corrections and Juvenile Justice: **HB 2045, HB 2046, HB 2047, HB 2048, HB 2049, HB 2050, HB 2051, HB 2052**.

Insurance: **HB 2053, HB 2054, HB 2055, HB 2056, HB 2057, HB 2058, HB 2059**.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

From Mike Michael, Director, State Employee Health Plan, Division of Health Care Finance, Kansas Department of Health and Environment; CD containing the 2018 Annual Report.

The complete report is kept on file and open for inspection in the office of the Chief Clerk.

FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HR 6004, A RESOLUTION adopting permanent rules of the House of Representatives for the 2019-2020 biennium, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 104; Nays 15; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Aramberger, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barker, Bergquist, Blex, Burris, Burroughs, Capps, Carlin, Carlson, Carpenter, B., Carpenter, W., Claeys, Clark, Collins, Concannon, Corbet, Cox, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Dierks, Dietrich, Donohoe, Ellis, Eplee, Erickson, Esau, Finch, Francis, French, Frownfelter, Garber, Gartner, Hawkins, Helmer, Henderson, Hibbard, Highland, Hineman, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Horn, Howard, Huebert, Humphries, Jacobs, Jennings, Johnson, Karleskint, Kelly, Kessinger, Landwehr, Long, Lusk, Lynn, Mason, Mastroni, Moore, Murnan, Neighbor, Orr, Owens, Pannbacker, Parker, Patton, Phillips, Probst, Proehl, Rahjes, Ralph, Resman, Rhiley, Ruiz, S., Ryckman, Samsel, Sawyer, Schreiber, Seiwert, Smith, A., Smith, E., Sutton, Tarwater, Thimesch, Thomas, Thompson, Toplikar, Vickrey, Victors, Waggoner, Warfield, Warren, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wheeler, Whipple, Williams, Winn, Wolfe Moore, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Alcalá, Benson, Bishop, Carmichael, Clayton, Finney, Helgerson, Highberger, Hodge, Kuether, Ohaebosim, Ousley, Pittman, Stogsdill, Ward.

Present but not voting: none.

Absent or not voting: Baker, Dove, Holscher, Houser, Lewis, Ruiz, L.

The resolution was adopted, as amended.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

MR. SPEAKER: This rules package does not honor our constituents' requests for a more transparent process of government. No recorded votes in Committee; committee chairs able to block the majority of their committee. This rules package makes it difficult to bring a bill above the line without a super majority. There's a gut and go rule that few understand and will do little to improve transparency. With these rules, the Kansas House remains one of the least transparent, democratically-elected chambers in the country. As such, Mr. Speaker, I vote NO on **HR 6004**. – JIM WARD, JEFF PITTMAN

MR. SPEAKER: These rules ensure that the Kansas House remains committed to being more transparent in the citizens' ability to track legislation.

As to the issue of bills which might not be scheduled for a hearing in committee, these rules retain an excellent and full opportunity for all representatives to amend any bill in committee or in the Committee of the Whole which is germane to any proposed change.

Therefore Mr. Speaker I vote yes on **HR 6004** – JOHN TOPLIKAR, ADAM THOMAS, NICK HOHEISEL, CHARLOTTE ESAU, MEGAN LYNN

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Rules and Journal** recommends **SCR 1603** be 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 bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2065, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to authorized emergency vehicles; duties and liability; amending K.S.A. 8-1506, 8-1530 and 8-1541 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

HB 2066, AN ACT concerning advanced practice registered nurses; board of nursing; relating to definition of practice; prescribing authority; licensure requirements; rules and regulations; amending K.S.A. 65-1130 and 65-4101 and K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 65-1113, as amended by section 2 of of chapter 42 of the 2018 Session Laws of Kansas and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Health and Human Services.

REPORT ON ENROLLED RESOLUTIONS

HR 6001, **HR 6002**, **HR 6003** reported correctly enrolled and properly signed on January 23, 2019.

On motion of Rep. Hawkins, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 24, 2019.

JENNY HAUGH, JULIA WERNER, *Journal Clerks.*

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk.*

