

Journal of the Senate

SEVENTEENTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Friday, February 7, 2014, 8:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Susan Wagle.
The roll was called with thirty-three senators present.
Senators Apple, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Haley, Holmes, Longbine and Masterson were excused.

Invocation by Father Don Davidson:

Last Sunday was a less than religious event known as Ground Hog Day when the curious and questionable meteorological ability of a subterranean rodent is placed in the forefront. We are told that we have six more weeks of winter, which with respect to the obvious, would be true no matter of the specifics of a critter's criteria. We may not appreciate it, but we really have no control over the weather and today may highlight that reality. Let us remember our utter dependence on you, Our God, for all things necessary for life and our role as caretaker of your creation, even scene stealing rodents. In your name we pray. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Susan Wagle.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 352, AN ACT concerning real estate appraisers; relating to licensing; compliance standards; amending K.S.A. 58-4121 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Federal and State Affairs.

SB 353, AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to state valuation and assessment of complex industrial property; duties of the director of property valuation; qualified appraiser; abatement of portion of taxes in certain circumstances; no-fund warrants, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

SB 354, AN ACT concerning crimes and punishments; relating to mistreatment of an elder person or dependent adult; amending K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 21-5417 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 355, AN ACT concerning the Kansas power of attorney act; relating to durable powers of attorney; duties of the attorney in fact; amending K.S.A. 58-651 and 58-664 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 58-652 and 58-656 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 345, SB 346, SB 349.**

Judiciary: **SB 348.**

Local Government: **SB 347.**

Public Health and Welfare: **SB 350.**

Transportation: **SB 351.**

CHANGE OF REFERENCE

The President withdrew **SB 251** from the Committee on **Financial Institutions and Insurance**, and referred the bill to the Committee on **Ways and Means**.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS

KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION

January 29, 2014, 2014

Executive Director, Kim Christiansen, Director Utilities Division, Jeff McClanahan, and Director Transportation, Division Mike Hoeme, submitted the 2014 Utilities and Common Carriers Annual Report.

KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION

February 01, 2014

Executive Director, Kim Christiansen, and Director Utilities Division, Jeff McClanahan, submitted the Annual Price Deregulation Report.

President Wagle announced the above reports are on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and are available for review at any time.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Federal and State Affairs** recommends **Substitute for HB 2002** be passed.

Also, because the committee is of the opinion that the bill is of a noncontroversial nature, **SB 263** be placed on the consent calendar.

On motion of Senator Bruce, the Senate recessed until the sound of the gavel.

The Senate met pursuant to recess, with Vice President King in the chair.

TRIBUTES

The Committee on **Organization, Calendar and Rules** authorizes the following tributes for the week of February 3-7, 2014:

Senator Bowers: congratulating Webb Conrad on being named Phillips County EMS Response Officer of the Year, congratulating Steve Doocy on being named Distinguished Kansan of the Year;

Senator Kelly: honoring Gary and Barbara Slimmer on their 50th Wedding Anniversary; and

Senator Petersen: honoring James Chitty for over 10,000 hours of volunteer service.

On motion of Senator Smith, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Monday, February 10, 2014.

ROSE MARIE GLATT, CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks*.
COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate*.

