

# Journal of the Senate

## TWELFTH DAY

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SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS  
Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice President Rick Wilborn  
The roll was called with 36 senators present.  
Senators Claeys, Holscher, Longbine and O'Shea were excused.  
Invocation by Sister Diane Steele, SCL, Ph.D., President, University of Saint Mary:

Gracious and Loving God, thank You for these generous men and women who serve the people of the great state of Kansas. Grant them wisdom in their deliberations, insight in the problem solving, peace in the midst of tension and, mostly, oh God, bless them with the ability to listen to Your presence in each other and to treat all with great respect. For their job is difficult and finding common ground that serves the people is not easy. Bless them with a deep sense of the common good and resolve to tackle challenges together for Your people.

And as we celebrate education this week, we give thanks for all who dedicate their lives to the noble task of educating and shaping our young, our greatest treasure. For those who unlock the mystery of reading, for those who guide the young in the wonder and adventure of learning, may we honor them and reward them for the important work they do.

Grant us humility as we remember that we are all still students in the school of life. Grant us grateful hearts this day and always. Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Wilborn.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

**SB 99**, AN ACT establishing the advisory commission on Asian-American Pacific Islander affairs; providing for the composition thereof; appointment of members; powers and duties, by Committee on Federal and State Affairs.

**SB 100**, AN ACT concerning real property; relating to the conveyance thereof; prohibiting the conveyance of title to certain real property to foreign individuals and entities, by Committee on Federal and State Affairs.

**SB 101**, AN ACT concerning sales taxation; relating to exemptions; providing for a sales tax exemption for area agencies on aging; amending K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 79-3606 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

**SB 102**, AN ACT concerning postsecondary education; relating to technical colleges; establishing residency criteria for students of technical colleges; amending K.S.A. 71-1803 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Education.

**REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Assessment and Taxation: **SB 89, SB 94, SB 96, SB 97.**

Commerce: **SB 91.**

Education: **SB 98.**

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 92, SB 93.**

Judiciary: **SB 87, SB 95.**

Transportation: **SB 90.**

Utilities: **SB 88.**

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS**

The following reports were submitted to the Senate and are on file with the Secretary of the Senate:

Department of Wildlife and Parks Recovery Plan Progress Annual Report for currently listed threatened or endangered species (January 25, 2023)

Department of Wildlife and Parks 2022 Land Report (January 23, 2023)

**INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS**

Committee on Education introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read: SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1705–

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending  
the members of the 2023 Kansas Teacher of the Year team.

WHEREAS, The Kansas State Department of Education sponsors the Kansas Teacher of the Year program, which identifies, recognizes and utilizes representatives of excellent teaching in the elementary and secondary classrooms of the state; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the program is to build and utilize a network of exemplary teachers who are leaders in the improvement of schools, student performance and the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, Two teachers – one elementary and one secondary – in each of the state's four United States congressional districts were selected as finalists for recognition as Kansas Teacher of the Year, with the recipient being chosen from among the eight finalists; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Teacher of the Year is awarded the Hubbard Foundation Kansas Teacher of the Year Ambassadorship, which enables the person selected to devote significant time during the second semester to activities supporting the mission of the program. The 2023 Kansas Teacher of the Year and the finalists were honored at an awards banquet on September 24, 2022. All members received a cash award as well as mementos of the event; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Teacher of the Year is nominated to represent Kansas in the National Teacher of the Year program, a project of the Council of Chief State School Officers, presented by Voya Financial; and

WHEREAS, The 2023 Kansas Teacher of the Year is Brian Skinner, Newton USD 373; and the regional finalists are: Jessica Gazzano, Spring Hill USD 230; Erica

Huggard, Emporia USD 253; Mallory Keefe, Cheney USD 268; Pamela Munoz, Topeka USD 501; Kendal Norberg, Louisburg USD 416; Jaimie Swindler, Ottawa USD 290; Carly Torres, Hutchinson USD 308: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the members of the 2023 Kansas Teacher of the Year team; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send eight enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Baumgardner.

On emergency motion of Senator Baumgardner **SR 1705** was adopted by voice vote.

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Your Committee on **Judiciary** begs leave to submit the following report:

The following appointment was referred to and considered by the committee and your committee recommends that the Senate approve and consent to such appointment:

By the Governor:

*Member, State Board of Indigents' Defense Services:* K.S.A. 22-4519

Alexandra (Nicki) Rose, to fill a term expiring on January 15, 2025

On motion of Senator Alley, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Thursday, January 26, 2023.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

