

Journal of the Senate

EIGHTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Thursday, January 18, 2018, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice President Jeff Longbine.
The roll was called with 40 senators present.
Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

Lord God, You're our Creator and Sustainer. You're our Way Maker and Provider. You've blessed us with another day...a day that was NOT promised to us.

You didn't promise us another 24 hours, and the clock is ticking. But prayerfully, You'll take us through this day guiding us to make wise decisions.

In Ephesians 5:16 and Colosians 4:5, You speak to us about time; not so much about its passing, but more about its usage. It's more about quality of days than quantity. More about hours invested, than in hours spent.

You've set limits on the amount of time that we have...the quantity, but it's up to us to maximize the quality. When You said we're to make the most of our time, it meant we're to be concerned with the usage of it over the amount of it.

Lord, we want our service to You and Your people, to be top notch...of the highest quality.

I'm reminded of that longstanding farmer, as he put his old tractor to rest, he said "Ya done me good!"

When the measuring of time for us is ended and our stewardship of time has concluded, we want to hear those previous words from You in Matthew 25:21, "Servant, well done." So, in this time that You've blessed us with, give us Your wisdom and Your guidance.

I come to You in the precious name of the Lord Jesus, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Longbine.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

SB 292, AN ACT concerning financial institutions; relating to credit unions; pertaining to the expulsion of members; amending K.S.A. 17-2219 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

SB 293, AN ACT concerning municipal energy agencies; relating to the state corporation commission, jurisdiction; amending K.S.A. 12-8,111 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Utilities.

SB 294, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to the vehicle dealers and manufacturers licensing act; renewal of licenses; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 8-2404

and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Transportation.

SB 295, AN ACT concerning legislative review of exceptions to disclosure of public records; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 9-513c, 40-5007a, 40-5009a, 40-5012a and 45-229 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 296, AN ACT concerning the safety belt use act; relating to evidence of failure to use a safety belt and admissibility in other actions; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 8-2504 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 297, AN ACT concerning driving; relating to tests for alcohol or drugs; implied consent; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 8-1001 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

SB 298, AN ACT repealing K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 12-16,219; dealing with cities and counties and residential fire sprinkler systems, by Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government.

SB 299, AN ACT concerning elections; dealing with election commissioners; amending K.S.A. 19-3419a, 19-3420 and 19-3424 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government.

SB 300, AN ACT concerning the Kansas medical assistance program; relating to powers, duties and functions of the department of health and environment, Kansas department for aging and disability services and department of administration; requiring prior legislative approval for substantial changes, by Committee on Ways and Means.

SB 301, AN ACT concerning the department of wildlife, parks and tourism; relating to hunting; outfitters and guides, by Committee on Ways and Means.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Judiciary: **SB 288**, **SB 289**, **SB 290**.

Transportation: **SB 291**.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senators Petersen, Alley, Baumgardner, Berger, Billinger, Bollier, Bowers, Denning, Doll, Estes, Faust-Goudeau, Fitzgerald, Francisco, Givens, Goddard, Haley, Hardy, Hawk, Hensley, Hilderbrand, Holland, Kelly, Kerschen, Longbine, Lynn, Masterson, McGinn, Olson, Pettey, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Rogers, V. Schmidt, Skubal, Suellentrop, Sykes, Taylor, Tyson, Wagle and Wilborn introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1759—

A RESOLUTION urging the Federal Aviation Administration to accept Kansas' application for the Unmanned Aerial Systems Integration Pilot Program.

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) established a pilot program to speed the integration of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) into the National Airspace System (NAS) by creating partnerships between government bodies, UAS operators and other private stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, The goal of the program is to conduct advanced UAS operations safely and with public support with oversight by the FAA; and

WHEREAS, The program is designed to tackle the most significant challenges in integrating drones into the national airspace while reducing risks to public safety and security; and

WHEREAS, The program is further designed to provide greater regulatory certainty and stability to local governments and communities; and

WHEREAS, Industries within the State of Kansas could see immediate opportunities from the program, including commerce, search and rescue, emergency management, precision agriculture and infrastructure inspections and monitoring; and

WHEREAS, The program will evaluate a number of operational concepts, including night operations, flights over people, flights beyond the pilot's line of sight, package delivery, detect-and-avoid technologies, counter-UAS security operations, reliability and security of data links between pilots and aircraft, and local management of UAS operations subject to FAA oversight; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas is heavily vested in UAS and is demonstrating national leadership in this industry by becoming the first state to have an operational unmanned traffic management system in place for state agencies, all 138 airports and 37 institutions of higher education; and

WHEREAS, The program is an opportunity for state, local, and tribal governments to partner with private sector entities, such as UAS operators or manufacturers, to accelerate safe UAS integration; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas submitted an application to be included in the pilot program conducted by the FAA: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we urge the U.S. Department of Transportation to consider and select the application made by the State of Kansas in order to further promote unmanned aerial systems and the associated industries in Kansas; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Chao and an enrolled copy to each member of the Kansas congressional delegation.

On emergency motion of Senator Petersen **SR 1759** was adopted unanimously.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 261** be passed and, because the committee is of the opinion that the bill is of a noncontroversial nature, be placed on the consent calendar.

On motion of Senator Denning, the senate adjourned pro forma until 8:00 a.m. January 19, 2018.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

