Journal of the Senate

THIRTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber, Topeka, Kansas Friday, March 4, 2011, 8:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Stephen Morris. The roll was called with thirty-six senators present. Senators Brungardt, Donovan, Kelsey and King were excused. Invocation by Chaplain Fred S. Hollomon:

Heavenly Father,

Help us to be willing to pay the price for achievement. We ought to know by now there has to be:

A lot of hurt before the healing; A lot of clouds before it clears. A lot of tackles before a touchdown That turns the silence into cheers

A lot of battles before the victory; A lot of sweat to grow the crop. A lot of tears before the laughter; A lot of climbing to the top.

A lot of pain before a birth; A boot camp before the stripes. Lots of study before diplomas; A lot of growing before it's ripe.

We should have learned from You, O God, that Jesus had to endure the cross before the resurrection.

I pray in the Name of Jesus Christ,

AMEN

The pledge of allegiance was led by President Stephen Morris.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Ethics and Elections: **SB 222**. Federal and State Affairs: **SB 223**.

Transportation: SB 225. Utilities: SB 224; SCR 1606. Ways and Means: SB 220, SB 221.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

SENATE RESOLUTION No. SR 1820-

A RESOLUTION establishing Anti-Bullying Awareness Week in Kansas. WHEREAS, The State of Kansas recognizes its responsibility to ensure physically safe and emotionally secure environments for all Kansas students and school staff; and WHEREAS, Bullying creates a climate of fear among students, inhibiting their ability to learn and contributing to other anti-social behavior; and

WHEREAS, It is important that we acknowledge and heighten awareness about the serious issues and the negative effects of bullying; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Legislature has required local boards of education to adopt and implement plans to address bullying on and while utilizing school property, including a provision for the training and education of staff members and students; and

WHEREAS, Bullying is a community wide issue and students, families, and educators all have a role in addressing bullying situations and changing school culture; and

WHEREAS, October has been designated National Anti-Bullying Awareness Month: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That the first full week of October of each year beginning with October 2011 be designated Anti-Bullying Awareness Week in Kansas as a symbol of our commitment to ensuring safe and nurturing school environments; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send 12 enrolled copies of this resolution to the Kansas Board of Education, 120 SE 10th Avenue, Topeka, KS 66612.

On emergency motion of Senator Schodorf SR 1820 was adopted unanimously.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator McGinn rose on a Point of Personal Privilege to pay tribute to Sister Helen Prejean, author of the book "Dead Man Walking" and her involvement regarding the death penalty. Donna Schneweis was also introduced and they were acknowledged with

a standing ovation.

REPORT ON ENROLLED BILLS

SR 1818 reported correctly enrolled, properly signed and presented to the Secretary of the Senate on March 4, 2011.

On motion of Senator Emler, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Monday, March 7, 2011..

HELEN MORELAND, ROSE MARIE GLATT, SHIRLEY LAMOTT, Journal Clerks.

PAT SAVILLE, Secretary of the Senate