Senate Journal

Second Regular Session of the Fifty-ninth Legislature of the State of Oklahoma

Twenty-seventh Legislative Day, Monday, March 25, 2024

The Senate was called to order by Senator Bullard.

Roll Call:

Present: Alvord, Bergstrom, Brooks, Bullard, Burns, Coleman, Dahm, Daniels, Deevers, Dossett, Dugger, Floyd, Garvin, Gollihare, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Haste, Hicks, Howard, Jech, Jett, Kidd, Kirt, Matthews, McCortney, Murdock, Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson, Pemberton, Prieto, Pugh, Rader, Rogers, Rosino, Seifried, Stanley, Stephens, Stewart, Thompson (Kristen), Thompson (Roger), Treat, Weaver, Woods and Young.—46.

Excused: Boren and Standridge.—2.

Senator Bullard declared a quorum present.

The prayer was offered by Senator John Haste.

REPORT OF ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED MEASURES

SBs 458 and **941** were each correctly enrolled and after fourth reading, properly signed and ordered transmitted to the Honorable House for signature of the Speaker.

HBs 1547 and **1712** were each correctly engrossed and, together with engrossed **SAs**, properly signed and ordered returned to the Honorable House.

FIRST AND SECOND READING RESCINDED

Senator McCortney asked unanimous consent, which was granted, that the Senate rescind the First Reading and Second Reading of Engrossed **HB 2320**, so the engrossed version may be returned to the Honorable House of Representatives for necessary corrections.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Advising the Honorable Senate that the House of Representatives is ready to convene in Joint Session.

Advising fourth reading of and returning Enrolled SBs 458 and 941.

The above-numbered enrolled measures were referred to the Governor.

Advising fourth reading of and transmitting for signature Enrolled **HBs 1006** and **2260**.

The above-numbered enrolled measures were, after fourth reading, properly signed and ordered returned to the Honorable House.

Advising passage of and transmitting for consideration Engrossed **HB 2320** and **HCR 1012**.

HB 2320 – By Hilbert, Boles, Hasenbeck, Moore, Johns, Hardin, Lowe (Dick), Roberts, Davis, Rosecrants, Fetgatter, Deck, West (Josh), Menz and Schreiber of the House and McCortney of the Senate.

An Act relating to the Teachers' Retirement System; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Section 3103, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 306, O.S.L. 2022 (62 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3103), which relates to the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act; modifying term; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 17-116.10, which relates to postretirement employment; modifying provisions relating to retirement benefits; providing effective dates; providing for contingent effective dates based on outcome of approval of the emergency clause; and declaring an emergency.

HCR 1012 – By Pittman of the House and Matthews of the Senate.

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the importance of the Tuskegee Airmen; designating the fourth Thursday of March as Tuskegee Airmen Recognition Day.

The above-numbered measures were read the first time.

Senator McCortney moved that the Senate join the House of Representatives in Joint Session, and that upon adjournment of the Joint Session, and when the clerk's desk is clear, the Senate stand adjourned to convene Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., which motion prevailed.

JOINT SESSION

The Second Joint Session of the Second Regular Session of the Fifty-ninth Legislature was called to order by the President of the Senate, Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell.

Senator McCortney moved that the attendance roll call of the Senate be considered the attendance roll call of the Senate in Joint Session, which motion was declared adopted.

Representative Echols moved that the attendance roll call of the House of Representatives be considered the attendance roll call of the House in Joint Session, which motion was declared adopted.

President Pinnell declared quorums of the Senate and House present and Joint Session duly assembled.

The invocation was offered by Tommy Howell, Chaplain of the Oklahoma Veterans Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nadine Lewis, Vice-Chair of the Oklahoma Veterans Council followed by the National Anthem sung by Kendra Bennett.

Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell, President Pro Tempore Treat and Speaker McCall addressed the Joint Session.

Pete Peterson, Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans Council, introduced the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Senate Veterans and Military Affairs committee, Senator Brenda Stanley and Senator Warren Hamilton.

Chairman Peterson introduced the Chair of the House of Representatives Veterans and Military Affairs committee, Representative Josh West.

Chairman Peterson introduced Vice-Chair Lewis who recognized Senator Adam Pugh as Senator of the Year and Representative Josh West as Representative of the Year.

Vice-Chair Lewis recognized various veterans and active duty military personnel.

Chairman Peterson addressed the Joint Session.

The benediction was offered by Tommy Howell.

Upon motion of Representative Echols, the Joint Session was ordered dissolved at the hour of 3:05 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were reported by the committees named, ordered printed and placed on the Calendar:

DO PASS:

HB 1506 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

Nays: Deevers

HB 1723 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

HB 2975 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 2981 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Rosino, Stanley, Stewart

HB 2986 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 3104 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Weaver, Young

HB 3186 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Jech, Kidd, Rogers, Woods

Nays: Hamilton

HB 3196 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 3346 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Rosino, Stanley, Stewart

HB 3354 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Weaver, Young

Constitutional Privilege: Thompson (Kristen)

HB 3559 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Rosino, Stanley, Stewart

HB 3560 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Stanley, Stewart, Thompson (Roger)

HB 3571 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Weaver, Young

Constitutional Privilege: Thompson (Kristen)

HB 3596 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

HB 3597 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver

Nays: Deevers, Young

HB 3704 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

HB 3736 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

HB 3822 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 3933 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Rosino, Stanley, Stewart

HB 3964 – Finance

Ayes: Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Stanley, Stewart, Thompson (Roger)

Nays: Daniels

HB 3995 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver, Young

HB 4018 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Hicks, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Stanley, Stewart

HB 4060 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers, Woods

HB 4062 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Stanley, Stewart, Thompson (Roger)

DO PASS, As Amended:

HB 3076 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Weaver, Young

Constitutional Privilege: Thompson (Kristen)

HB 3343 – Finance

Ayes: Daniels, Hall, Howard, Kirt, Murdock, Rader, Stanley, Stewart, Thompson (Roger)

HB 3595 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Jett, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Thompson (Kristen), Weaver

Nays: Brooks, Young

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were reported by the committees named and referred to a second committee:

DO PASS:

HB 2302 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 3972 - Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dahm, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pemberton, Stephens

DO PASS, As Amended:

HB 3158 – Business and Commerce

Ayes: Brooks, Coleman, Deevers, Haste, Newhouse, Prieto, Pugh, Seifried, Weaver, Young

HB 3232 - Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pederson, Pemberton, Stephens Nays: Dahm

HB 3429 - Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dahm, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pederson, Pemberton, Stephens

HB 3504 – Agriculture and Rural Affairs

Ayes: Alvord, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Jech, Kidd, Rogers

HB 3787 – Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dahm, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pederson, Pemberton, Stephens

HB 4012 - Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pederson, Pemberton, Stephens Nays: Dahm

HB 4042 - Tourism and Wildlife

Ayes: Bergstrom, Bullard, Dossett, Dugger, Gollihare, Pederson, Pemberton, Stephens Nays: Dahm

SECOND READING

The following was read for the second time and referred as indicated:

HCR 1012 - Direct to Calendar

FIRST READING

The following were introduced and read the first time:

SCR 19 – By Pederson of the Senate and Strom of the House.

A Concurrent Resolution encouraging further economic ties and friendship between the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan; and directing distribution.

SCR 20 – By Pederson of the Senate and Dobrinski of the House.

A Concurrent Resolution designating April 15 as Purple Up! For Military Kids Day in Oklahoma; and thanking military families.

SR 32 – By Kidd.

A Resolution declaring April 17, 2024, as the 25th annual 4-H Day at the Capitol.

SR 33 – By Green.

A Resolution honoring the life of former Senator Donald Forrest Ferrell; recognizing his public service in elected office and as a member of the United States Air Force and Air National Guard; remembering his time as Oklahoma's Adjutant General; appreciating his lengthy career as a newspaper reporter, editor, and publisher; and directing distribution.

SR 34 – By Jech.

A Resolution honoring the life and distinguished career of Lieutenant General Thomas P. Stafford; and directing distribution.

CHANGE IN AUTHORS/COAUTHORS

The following measures were authored/coauthored:

SB 119 - Remove as principal author Representative Lepak and substitute with

Representative McBride

Coauthored by Representative Lepak

Coauthored by Representative Fetgatter

Coauthored by Representative McCall

Coauthored by Representative Baker

Coauthored by Representative ODonnell

Coauthored by Representative Echols

Coauthored by Representative West (Tammy)

SCR 19 - Coauthored by Representative Pae

HB 3013 - Coauthored by Senator Jett

HB 3095 - Remove as coauthor Representative Dollens

HB 3156 - Coauthored by Representative Gann

HB 3797 - Remove as author Senator Floyd; authored by Senator Garvin

HB 4018 - Coauthored by Representative Munson

HCR 1012 - Coauthored by Representative Stark

Pursuant to the McCortney motion, the Senate adjourned at 2:10 p.m. to meet Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.