THE THIRTIETH DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), March 5, 2013

Senate called to order at 11:20 a.m.
President Krolicki presiding.
Roll called.
All present.
Prayer video conferenced from Las Vegas by William Stoddard, Las Vegas 7th Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Dear Father in Heaven, at the commencement of this Floor Session of the Nevada State Senate, we express our thanks and appreciation to the men and women of our State Senate, as well as their aids, assistants and staff. We are appreciative of their selfless efforts on behalf of the people of Nevada to serve our State, and participate in the legislative process to improve our quality of life. They help us in our pursuit of happiness as citizens of this great State.

We are also thankful for the liberties Thou hast afforded us, including our right to elect representatives to the Nevada State Legislature to help govern this land in accordance with the righteous desires of the people.

In this regard, we pray for Thy choicest blessings to be upon the members of this Body of State Senators, and that they will have wisdom in their deliberations, patience in their discussions and inspiration from Thy throne in their ultimate decisions concerning the enactment of legislation to govern the affairs of this State. Please help them to make good use of their time, to receive meaningful input from their constituents and to have the benefit of valuable and accurate advice and assistance from their advisors, assistants and staff members.

Please bless these Senators, and those who work with them, to be kind and civil to each other, to be considerate of all others and to smile and be happy in their work.

May they be protected and kept safe from harm, and may they have health, vigor and energy during these long days of deliberation while the Legislature is in session. Finally, we ask that Thou would bless these Senators that their final work product may be for the best good of the people of the State of Nevada.

We petition Thee for these blessings, and Thy assistance, in the Name of the Messiah.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The President announced that under previous order, the reading of the Journal is waived for the remainder of the 77th Legislative Session and the President and Secretary are authorized to make any necessary corrections and additions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. President:
Your Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 114, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

KELVIN ATKINSON, Chair

Mr. President:
Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which were referred Senate Bill Nos. 24, 25, 26 and 46, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

DAVID R. PARKS, Chair
Mr. President:

Your Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 178, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

PAT SPEARMAN, Chair

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senator Gustavson:

Senate Bill No. 214—AN ACT relating to postconviction relief; requiring a person to obtain permission from the court before filing a second or successive petition for habeas corpus in certain circumstances; revising provisions governing the appointment of counsel for a postconviction petition for habeas corpus in which the petitioner has been sentenced to death; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Gustavson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 86.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Smith.

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of Senate Bill No. 86, which expands programs providing respite care or relief for informal caretakers, to include any person with Alzheimer’s disease or other related dementia, regardless of the age of the person. Under the current program, which is funded through the tobacco settlement, only senior citizens are eligible to receive respite care or relief for informal caretakers. However, dementia affects people of all ages. Anyone under age 65 suffering from dementia is not currently eligible for respite care. This is a tragic situation that will be rectified through passage of this bill. The effective date of this bill was amended so it will now be effective upon passage and approval. I urge your support.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 86:

YEAS—21.

NAYS—None.

Senate Bill No. 86 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 175.

Bill read third time.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 175:

YEAS—21.

NAYS—None.

Senate Bill No. 175 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to Assembly.

Assembly Bill No. 68.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Kihuen.
Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of Assembly Bill No. 68, which makes various changes to the distribution of revenue from the local government tax distribution account, also known as the Consolidated Tax Distribution or C-Tax. These changes were proposed as a result of a study conducted during the 2011-2012 Interim. The bill passed unanimously out of Committee. I urge your support.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 68:
YEAS—21.
NAYS—None.

Assembly Bill No. 68 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.
Bill ordered transmitted to Assembly.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

SENATOR HARDY:
Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to introduce Carol Harter and her husband Mike Harter. They will be receiving a proclamation this evening. Carol is being recognized for being the first female appointed as President of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Under her tutelage, UNLV realized unprecedented growth, creating more than 100 new degree programs and establishing the William S. Boyd School of Law, the School of Architecture and the School of Dental Medicine. In her 11 years at the helm—the longest tenure of any UNLV President—Carol was instrumental in raising more than $550 million. The Board of Regents of the University of Nevada named her the UNLV President Emerita and Regents Professor and honored her by naming the Carol C. Harter Classroom Building Complex after her. We regret she is not here with us today but she is very deserving of a warm round of applause.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Cegavske, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Nicole Cavenagh and Connie Trenholm.

On request of Senator Denis, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Rick Kuhlmeier.

On request of Senator Hardy, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Devina Robinson, Laird and Rhonda Sanders and Laura Schmitt.

On request of Senator Kieckhefer, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Mitchell Forman, Stephanie Kenny and Dr. John Yacenda.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Carla Brutico, Stacey Escalante, Delia Oliveri and Pam Witzel.

Senator Denis moved that the Senate adjourn until Thursday, March 7, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.
Motion carried.
Senate adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Approved: BRIAN K. KROLICKI

President of the Senate

Attest: DAVID A. BYERMAN

Secretary of the Senate