Senate called to order at 11:38 a.m.
President Hutchison presiding.
Roll called.
All present except Senator Smith, who was excused.
Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Norm Milz.
Heavenly Father, as we come together today, may we be honest with ourselves and look at our State with a critical eye. You have blessed this State in so many ways. But we still have so much more to do to have this State be considered, not toward the bottom of the ratings, but near the top. Help us as members of the Senate look at the best of the nation, and work diligently to follow the patterns and programs they do. Help us look past our political leanings and work together to improve the lives of all the citizens of this State, and make equality not something to be thought of but achieved.
Help us in making a difference in the lives of all we represent. May we see that every citizen is precious to You and may we do all we can to help them see how vital they are to the State of Nevada.
All these things we bring to You in the Name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.
AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Aaron Ford II and Alexander Ford.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the Journal is dispensed with, and the President and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY
ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, Carson City, March 10, 2015
To the Honorable the Senate:
I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day passed, as amended, Assembly Bill No. 99.

CAROL AIELLO-SALA
Assistant Chief Clerk of the Assembly
By Senators Kieckhefer and Roberson:
Senate Bill No. 243—AN ACT relating to animals; requiring, with limited exceptions, an animal shelter to hold an impounded animal for not less than 5 consecutive business days before making it available for adoption; requiring an animal shelter to provide certain alternative methods of payment for applicable fees and charges owed to the animal shelter by the owner of an impounded animal; requiring, with limited exceptions, an animal shelter to make available for adoption an impounded animal for not less than 5 consecutive business days before destroying it; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.
Motion carried.

By Senator Brower:
Senate Bill No. 244—AN ACT relating to legal services; establishing certain requirements applicable to a contingent fee contract for legal services entered into by the Attorney General or any other officer, agency or employee of the Executive Department of the State Government; limiting the amount of the fee that may be collected by a retained attorney or law firm pursuant to such a contract; requiring the Attorney General to prepare and submit certain reports concerning such contracts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
Senator Brower moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.
Motion carried.

By the Committee on Transportation:
Senate Bill No. 245—AN ACT relating to public safety; increasing the maximum term of imprisonment for a person who leaves the scene of an accident that results in bodily injury to or the death of a person; prohibiting a prosecuting attorney from dismissing a charge against a person who leaves the scene of an accident that results in bodily injury to or the death of a person in exchange for certain pleas to a lesser charge or for any other reason in certain circumstances; providing that the sentence of a person convicted of such a crime may not be suspended nor may probation be granted to the person; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
Senator Hammond moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.
Motion carried.

By Senators Settelmeyer, Gustavson; Assemblywomen Seaman and Titus:
Senate Bill No. 246—AN ACT relating to craft distilleries; increasing the quantity of spirits a craft distillery may export to another state; allowing a craft distillery to sell or serve samples of its spirits at a location other than the
craft distillery; increasing the quantity of spirits that a craft distillery may sell at retail for consumption off the premises; allowing a craft distillery to donate and transport spirits for charitable purposes under certain circumstances; allowing a craft distillery to transfer in bulk certain spirits to a supplier; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Settelmeyer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 247—AN ACT relating to public health; prohibiting certain expenditures for new construction by or on behalf of a health facility in certain smaller cities and towns without the approval of the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hardy moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 248—AN ACT relating to persons with disabilities; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to place a designation on the driver's license, instruction permit or identification card of a person with a disability that, in the case of a driver's license or instruction permit, indicates the person has a disability or, in the case of an identification card, indicates the person is blind or has a disability, if the person requests the designation and provides specified documentation; additionally requiring the Department to place a designation on the driver's license, instruction permit or identification card of a person with a disability indicating that the person is disabled in a manner that renders the person unable to use a voting device without assistance, if the person requests the designation and provides specified documentation; providing that such a designation constitutes conclusive evidence of the condition of the holder; prohibiting a person who is not the rightful holder of such a designation from using such a designation to demonstrate that he or she is blind or has a disability; prohibiting an election board, or any member or officer of an election board, from requiring any additional documentation that a person with such a designation is entitled to assistance in casting a ballot; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hardy moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By Senators Goicoechea and Hardy:

Senate Bill No. 249—AN ACT relating to local government financial administration; reducing the time in which a person who is owed certain
money by a county may make a demand for payment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Goicoechea moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senators Hardy, Smith, Roberson, Brower, Farley, Ford, Goicoechea, Gustavson, Harris, Kieckhefer, Lipparelli; Assemblymen Oscarson and Titus:

Senate Bill No. 250—AN ACT relating to insurance; requiring certain policies of health insurance and health care plans to apply a prorated daily cost-sharing rate for certain prescriptions dispensed for a supply of less than 30 days; prohibiting certain policies of health insurance and health care plans from denying coverage for those prescriptions and from prorating any pharmacy dispensing fees for those prescriptions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hardy moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By Senators Hardy, Roberson, Brower, Farley, Harris, Ford, Goicoechea, Gustavson; Assemblymen Oscarson and Titus:

Senate Bill No. 251—AN ACT relating to professions; ratifying the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hardy moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

Assembly Bill No. 99.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Roberson moved that the following persons be accepted as accredited press representatives, and that they be assigned space at the press table and allowed the use of appropriate media facilities: BRASS CANNON PRODUCTIONS: Keith Wood; KOLO 8 NEWS NOW: Ray Kinney, Stanton Tang, Catherine Van.

Motion carried.

Senator Roberson moved that the Senate recess until 4:45 p.m. to meet with the Assembly in Joint Session to hear U.S. Representative Titus’s message.

Motion carried.

Senate in recess at 12:01 p.m.
At 4:51 p.m.
President Hutchison presiding.
Quorum present.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE
By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:
Senate Bill No. 252—AN ACT relating to business; revising provisions governing the imposition, collection and enforcement of the state business license fee to establish a quarterly business license fee based on the Nevada gross revenue of a business; revising provisions relating to the issuance of state business licenses and transferring certain responsibilities from the Secretary of State to the Department of Taxation; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
Senator Roberson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES
Senator Roberson moved that on March 18, 2015, all afternoon Senate Standing Committee meetings be cancelled except the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development and that all Senators attend the Revenue and Economic Development Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., in Room 1214.
Motion carried.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 4:54 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 5:04 p.m.
President Hutchison presiding.
Quorum present.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES
The Sergeant at Arms announced that Assemblyman Gardner and Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson were at the bar of the Senate. Assemblyman Gardner invited the Senate to meet in Joint Session with the Assembly to hear Representative Dina Titus.

The President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 5:05 p.m.
IN JOINT SESSION
At 5:09 p.m.
President Hutchison presiding.

The Secretary of the Senate called the Senate roll.
All present except Senator Smith, who was excused.

The Chief Clerk of the Assembly called the Assembly roll.
All present except Assemblywoman Dooling, who was excused.

The President appointed a Committee on Escort consisting of Senator Atkinson and Assemblyman Hickey to wait upon Representative Titus and escort her to the Assembly Chamber.

(Representative Titus’s message will be entered in the final Journal.)

Senator Woodhouse moved that the Senate and Assembly in Joint Session extend a vote of thanks to Representative Titus for her timely, able and constructive message.
Motion carried.

The Committee on Escort escorted Representative Titus to the bar of the Assembly.

Assemblyman Nelson moved that the Joint Session be dissolved.
Motion carried.

Joint Session dissolved at 5:35 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION
At 5:39 p.m.
President Hutchison presiding.
Quorum present.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR
Senator Spearman requested that her remarks be entered into the Journal.

Today is Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day on the Capitol. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded January 15, in 1908, at Howard University. It is America’s first Greek letter organization established by Black college women. Led by international president Dorothy Buchanan Wilson, Alpha Kappa Alpha is a sisterhood of college-educated women who have chosen this affiliation in support of servant leadership. Alpha Kappa Alpha cultivates and encourages high scholastic and ethical standards, promotes unity and friendship and serves all mankind through a nucleus of more than 265 thousand women in more than 950 chapters in the United States, the Caribbean, Canada, Asia, Europe and Africa. There are other groups that are participating today. I’d like to acknowledge them. They are: The Theta Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; The Links, Incorporated; The National Coalition of 100 Black Women; Psi Phi Epsilon Omega Henderson Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated; the Girlfriends Inc. and Jack and Jill of America. Please help me make them welcome.

Senator Roberson requested that his remarks be entered into the Journal.
Thank you, Mr. President. I am pleased to announce that we have three distinguished Senators to induct into the 2015 Senate Hall of Fame, and that the induction ceremony will take place here, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22.

For the new members of the Senate, I want to explain that the Senate Hall of Fame was created by Former Senator William J. “Bill” Raggio, who established this Senate institution to honor former Senators with a significant number of years of legislative service and who served with distinction in leadership positions both within the Senate and outside the Legislature. Each regular session, these members are selected by the leadership of the Senate from recommendations made by the Legislative Counsel Bureau’s Research Director based on his historical research and analysis.

Former Senator James I. Gibson of Clark County was inducted as the first member of the Senate Hall of Fame in 1989. There are now a total of 39 members and three honorary members of the Senate Hall of Fame. Their photos can be found on the walls in the hallways near the entrance to the Senate Chamber.

Today, I am pleased to announce that the three inductees for 2015 are former Senator Terry Care, Democrat of Clark County; former Senator Dean A. Rhoads, Republican of Elko County; and former Senator Randolph J. Townsend, Republican of Washoe County.

Senator Care had a total of 12 years of service as a Nevada Legislator, serving from 1998 to 2010. He served as Assistant Majority Leader during the 2009 Legislative Session and during the 2008 and 2010 Special Sessions. A member of the Senate Judiciary Committee during his entire Senate career, he chaired that Committee during the 2009 Legislative Session. He also served as Vice Chair for the Senate Committee on Government Affairs and the Senate Committee on Taxation, and is a member of the Uniform Law Commission’s Executive Committee.

The second inductee is Senator Dean Rhoads of Elko County. Several of us served in the Legislature with former Senator Rhoads before he was termed out in November 2012. He served in the Assembly for 6 years—from 1976 to 1982—and in the Senate for 28 years—from 1984 to 2012. He was the Senate Majority Whip for much of his last decade of service and chaired the Senate Committee on Natural Resources from 1995 to 2007. He also chaired the Senate Committee on Taxation in 1993 and the Senate Committee on Transportation in 1985. He chaired numerous interim and statutory committees including a record run of 26 years as the Chair of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands.

Finally, the third inductee is Senator Randolph Townsend of Washoe County, who served in the Senate for nearly 28 years from 1982 to 2010. He held a number of leadership positions and chairmanships during his tenure, including the Chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor from 1995 to 1997, 2004 to 2004, and 2007 to 2008. He was, and still is, known for his vast knowledge of energy issues and his tireless work on mental health issues and economic development.

Please mark April 22nd on your calendars as the date we will induct Senators Care, Rhoads and Townsend into the Senate Hall of Fame. Thank you, Mr. President.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Ford, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Celeste Hunter, Berna Rhodes-Ford.

On request of Senator Harris, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Sylvia Allen, Rachel Anderson, Lois Bolden, Jacki E. Brown, Constance Brooks, Marian Burns, Leaha Crawford, Ida Gaines, Bobby Gordon, Verlia Hoggard, Kathy Knight, E. Lavonne Lewis, Marilyn Jordan, Sandra Mack, Sandra Morgan, Carrie Peery, Billie Rayford, Karma Rodgers, Diane Stith, Willie Mae Worthey Terri Yates.
On request of Senator Roberson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Kathleen Turner-Knight.

On request of Senator Spearman, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tamela Katchmore.

Senator Roberson moved that the Senate adjourn until Thursday, March 12, 2015, at 11 a.m.
Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Approved: MARK A. HUTCHISON
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate

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