

THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Wednesday), February 27, 2013

Senate called to order at 11:10 a.m.

President Krolicki presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Henderson.

Our Father in Heaven, what a beautiful day You have given us. I am so blessed to have three of my granddaughters with me today. We thank You for the preciousness of family. We are able to go through joys, sorrows and struggles, and together we make it.

Many here are away from their families for a season. Please bless them in this voluntary separation. I pray that, as a Legislature, we be able to be a family. We ask Your favor as we go through joys, sorrows and struggles. May we take it together as one.

I pray in the Name of the One who created family.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Ansley Griffin.

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 Health and Human Services, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 81, 86, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

JUSTIN C. JONES, *Chair*

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Natural Resources, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 121, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

AARON D. FORD, *Chair*

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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THE HONORABLE MOISES DENIS

Nevada State Senate, Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada 89701

DEAR MAJORITY LEADER DENIS,

This letter serves as a formal request to address the Joint Session of the Nevada Legislature on Thursday, March 28th, at 5 p.m. PT. It is my understanding that this date and time are available. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Ashley Carrigan, my state director, at 775-686-5770.

I thank you in advance for this opportunity.

Sincerely,
DEAN HELLER
U.S. Senator

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senator Brower:

Senate Bill No. 193—AN ACT relating to public employees; requiring a decision by the board of trustees of a school district to reduce the existing workforce of certain licensed educational personnel in the school district to include consideration of performance evaluations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Smith moved that Senate Standing Rule No. 40 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Remarks by Senator Smith.

Thank you Mr. President. This bill is very education focused. It is about teachers, and these bills have generally been heard in the Education Committee, so we think it is the more appropriate place.

Motion carried.

By Senator Brower and Assemblyman Hickey:

Senate Bill No. 194—AN ACT relating to campaign practices; requiring certain persons who do not file declarations of candidacy, acceptances of candidacy or appear on an election ballot within a certain period to dispose of unspent contributions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Brower moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senator Roberson:

Senate Bill No. 195—AN ACT relating to education; authorizing parents and legal guardians of certain pupils to submit to the board of trustees of a school district a petition requesting the board of trustees to implement an intervention action at an underperforming public school; prescribing the intervention actions which may be implemented; requiring the board of trustees of a school district that receives a sufficient petition to implement the intervention action within a prescribed time; prescribing the requirements of the intervention actions; authorizing the parent or legal guardian of a pupil enrolled in a school for which a certain intervention action is implemented to submit an application to attend a school outside the zone of attendance the pupil would otherwise be required to attend; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Roberson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 29.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Settelmeyer.

Senate Bill No. 29 allows the Administrator of the Manufactured Housing Division of the Department of Business and Industry to waive the eligibility requirements for assistance from the Fund for Low-Income Owners of Manufactured Homes if the applicant demonstrates that his or her circumstances warrant such a waiver.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 29:

YEAS—21

NAYS—None.

Senate Bill No. 29 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR**Senator Denis requested that his remarks be entered in the Journal.**

I imagine most of us have experienced the care of a nurse: first, as a child, and later as an adult. Today, we honor those who choose to provide healthcare for others as we recognize Nevada Nurses Day at the Legislature. As we know, there are many demands placed on the healthcare system these days and the role of nurses is becoming more and more important.

Today's event is sponsored by the Nevada Nurses Association. The Association has been around for more than 80 years promoting professional nursing practices and representing Nevada's registered nurses. The Association is the State affiliate of the American Nurses Association, and in 1923, established the profession of nursing and licensure of nursing in Nevada. The Association supports the needs of the profession by offering continuing education courses and employment listings and in publishing newsletters keeping members apprised of important issues.

Registered nurses are the largest group of healthcare workers in the United States, with estimates of about 2.6 million nurses. The role of registered nurses extends to activities beyond patient care and includes contributing to healthcare policies, responding to emergencies and strategic planning to help improve the delivery of care. I invite you to join us for the Nevada Nurses Day lunch today for an opportunity to talk to these health care professionals to learn more about the many responsibilities these key caregivers offer.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Atkinson, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Martha Drohobyzer.

On request of Senator Cegavske, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Susan Van Beuge.

On request of Senator Goicoechea, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Bobbi Shanks.

On request of Senator Gustavson, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Madelon Lawson.

On request of Senator Hardy, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Eileen Davies.

On request of Senator Jones, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Ruth Flack.

On request of Senator Parks, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Evette Wilson.

On request of Senator Segerblom, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Donna Miller and Sarah Leysath.

On request of Senator Spearman, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Melissa Lanier, Tracy Harig and Michael Collins.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Victoria Volz.

On request of President Krolicki, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Pastor Henderson's three granddaughters: Bailey Griffin, Darby Griffin and Ansley Griffin.

Senator Denis moved that the Senate adjourn until Thursday, February 28, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Approved:

BRIAN K. KROLICKI
President of the Senate

Attest: DAVID A. BYERMAN
Secretary of the Senate