

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), March 10, 2015

Senate called to order at 11:30 a.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Senators Segerblom and Smith, who were excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Norm Milz.

Almighty God, You have placed each one of us into the position of guiding this State. Send Your Spirit into this Chamber so we may do the very best we can for the citizens we serve. May our committee meetings and our discussions and decisions be for the betterment of the State.

We acknowledged, yesterday, the need to focus on the next generation and its learning. Today, we designate National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. Help us as we lead to educate and to advance the needs and care of others and also work to stop a system that seems to be in disarray. May the work we do together, today, in this Senate Session set a pattern that will improve the lives of all Nevadans.

All these things we bring to You trusting in Your grace and mercy, in the Name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 238—AN ACT relating to the City of Ely; disincorporating the City and forming the Town of Ely; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Roberson:

Senate Bill No. 239—AN ACT relating to real property; authorizing certain persons to file a notice to terminate a revolving line of credit secured by a deed of trust or mortgage; authorizing certain trustees to file a declaration of nonmonetary status under certain circumstances; revising provisions governing an action to declare void a trustee's sale; authorizing a beneficiary to substitute as trustee for the purpose of reconveying a deed of trust; providing that a failure to comply with the provisions of law governing a trustee's sale does not affect the validity of a sale in favor of a bona fide purchaser; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senators Roberson, Hardy, Brower, Lipparelli, Farley, Gustavson, Hammond, Harris, Kieckhefer, Settlemeyer; Assemblymen Wheeler, Dickman and Paul Anderson:

Senate Bill No. 240—AN ACT relating to public safety; requiring a court to transmit within 5 business days certain records of adjudication concerning a person's mental health to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for certain purposes relating to the purchase or possession of a firearm; authorizing the inclusion, correction and removal of the information in such records in each appropriate database of the National Crime Information Center; requiring each agency of criminal justice to submit information relating to records of criminal history within 60 days after the date of the conviction; requiring the Central Repository, upon request, to conduct a background check without charge on a person who wishes to acquire a firearm; prohibiting certain persons from having possession, custody or control of a firearm; prohibiting certain persons from selling a firearm under certain circumstances; revising the functions of the Department of Health and Human Services; requiring a mental health professional to notify certain persons when a patient makes certain explicit threats of imminent serious physical harm or death; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Roberson:

Senate Bill No. 241—AN ACT relating to collective bargaining; excluding school administrators from membership in a bargaining unit for the purposes of collective bargaining; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Roberson:

Senate Bill No. 242—AN ACT relating to payday lending; enacting the Payday Lender Best Practices Act; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 145.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Manendo.

Senate Bill No. 145 authorizes a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof or the National Guard, who is stationed at a military installation in Nevada to enroll in the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 145:

YEAS—19.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Segerblom, Smith—2.

Senate Bill No. 145 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 156.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Parks.

Senate Bill No. 156 provides that a person who unlawfully proceeds through a temporary roadblock established because of flooding or water on the roadway is liable for the expenses of any emergency response that is required to: (1) remove the driver or any passenger from the vehicle; and/or (2) move or remove the vehicle from the roadway or any area near the roadway if the vehicle creates a hazard.

The bill also provides that a person who is convicted of reckless driving for driving a vehicle into any area temporarily covered by a rise in water may be liable for the expenses of any emergency response that is required to: (1) remove the driver or any passenger from the vehicle; and/or (2) move or remove the vehicle from the area.

The liability imposed by Senate Bill No. 156 must not exceed \$2,000 per incident.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 156:

YEAS—19.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Segerblom, Smith—2.

Senate Bill No. 156 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 188.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Manendo.

Senate Bill No. 188 replaces the word "accident" or "collision" with "crash" in *Nevada Revised Statutes* where the term is used to refer to motor vehicle accidents. The bill also directs the Legislative Counsel to make conforming changes to the *Nevada Administrative Code*.

This bill is effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations or performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of the bill, and on January 1, 2016, for all other purposes.

There was discussion about trying to change attitudes and thoughts about this issue. As recently as this last Sunday, reporter Steve Sebelius, in his column, talked about "blood on the asphalt," and mentioned the word crash. I would like to give him kudos for that. Sadly, in Las Vegas, there was a TV news report about a group of friends gathering to remember two teens who were killed in a suspected DUI crash at Boulder Highway and Russell. Jennifer Kastner from the ABC affiliate Channel 13 in Las Vegas, used this term in her story as well. I think this is working. People in the media are using this terminology instead of the word accident, and I urge the passage of this bill.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 188:

YEAS—19.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Segerblom, Smith—2.

Senate Bill No. 188 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Woodhouse requested that her remarks be entered in the Journal.

March is Women's History Month and this past Sunday was International Women's Day, where people around the world celebrated the achievements of women while calling for greater equality. The 2015 theme for International Women's Day was "Make It Happen"—encouraging effective action for advancing and recognizing women globally.

With that theme in mind, I would like to go through some statistics for you. Many of you probably saw the report released over the weekend from WalletHub, where Nevada was ranked 8th worst state in the Country for women. For example, Nevada has the highest unemployment rate for women in the Country. We also ranked 50th in both female uninsured rates and women's preventative health care. We are 34th in high school dropout rates for women, and 28th in the percentage of those living in poverty.

Now, let us go beyond Nevada's boundaries. The United States is one of nine countries worldwide that does not provide for paid maternity leave. Women now earn the majority of college degrees in America, but they only make up 5 percent of Fortune 500 CEOs. American women only make 78 cents to every dollar a man makes for the same job. One-in-three women in the world will suffer physical or sexual violence. In state legislatures around the Country, women only represent 24 percent of over 7,300 seats. Overall, America ranks 95th in the world for percentage of women in its National Legislature. After reading these statistics, one thing comes to mind: we can do better; we have to do better. And, to continue with the theme of Sunday's International Women's Day, let us "Make It Happen."

I want to remind all of my colleagues here, today, that as Legislators, we have an opportunity to take steps toward gender equality in Nevada every time we come into this building. This Session, we have a chance to pass an equal pay bill with some real teeth. We also have a chance to pass a clean bill that will protect survivors of domestic violence. There are countless other bills that can "Make It Happen."

When considering these pieces of legislation, I urge all of you to remember the statistics I just read. More importantly, I urge all of you to think of our daughters, our mothers, our sisters. Think of the women who contribute to Nevada every day, and fight for them. Thank you.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Brower, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Grace Warner Elementary School students: Jaylene Castillo, Asiana Colon, Samantha Duplantier, Zacaria Ellis, Victoria Gonzales, Tayden Hammond, Drew Harding, Storm Lawton, Todd McKenzie, Natalia Robinson, Melissa Rizo-Eraza, Siera Sanchez, Sara Seely, Saheb Singh, Kevin Soto and Paul Spencer.

On request of Senator Denis, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Trevor Holman.

On request of Senator Farley, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Denise Tanata-Ashby.

On request of Senator Kihuen, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Palavu Kolotita.

On request of Senator Lipparelli, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Rick Myers.

On request of Senator Roberson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate was extended to the NAIOP Southern Nevada Chapter: Brett Bottenberg Katrina Bruce, Toby Burke, Blaine De Brouwer, Sallie Doebler, Susan Fisher, Jeff Foster, Charles Van Geel, Jay Heller, Bart Larsen, Rod Martin, Mike Montandon, Steve Neiger, John Ramous, John Restrepo, Mike Shohet and Jody Walker.

Senator Roberson moved that the Senate adjourn until Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Approved:

MARK A. HUTCHISON
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate