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THE FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), March 30, 2021

Assembly called to order at 11:47 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Father Jeff Paul.

We waken our souls at the harp of harmony: chord of grace, chord of gladness, chord of glory, beautify our being, awaken our hearts, inspire our souls.

The chord of peace preserve our souls this lovely day of Spring in the time of the pandemic.

We invoke blessing and protection upon this Assembly, upon all who work herein.

AMEN.

Pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and the Speaker and Chief Clerk be authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

Motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which was referred Assembly Bill No. 187, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Amend, and do pass as amended.

EDGAR FLORES, *Chair*

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, March 29, 2021

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Assembly Bill No. 9.

SHERRY RODRIGUEZ
Assistant Secretary of the Senate

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections:

Assembly Resolution No. 5—Providing for the appointment of an additional attache for the Assembly.

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That Jean Spell is elected as an additional attache of the Assembly for the 81st Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved the adoption of the resolution.
Resolution adopted.

Mr. Speaker announced if there were no objections, the Assembly would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Assembly in recess at 11:53 a.m.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION

At 11:53 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Quorum present.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved the adoption of the resolution.
Remarks by Assemblywoman Hardy.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN HARDY:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 urges employers in Nevada to provide personal protective equipment to employees to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the virus that causes COVID-19 spreads very easily from person to person. Personal protective equipment, such as face coverings and hand sanitizer, is critical to reducing transmission. Because of the risk of death or severe health outcomes posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important for employers in the state to protect employees against exposure in the workplace. This measure is effective upon adoption.

Resolution adopted.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that Assembly Bills Nos. 90 and 363 be withdrawn from the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that Assembly Bills Nos. 90 and 363 be rereferred to the Committee on Revenue.

Motion carried.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

March 29, 2021

The Fiscal Analysis Division, pursuant to Joint Standing Rule 14.6, has determined the eligibility for exemption of: Assembly Bills Nos. 274, 299, 336 and 337.

SARAH COFFMAN
Fiscal Analysis Division

March 30, 2021

The Fiscal Analysis Division, pursuant to Joint Standing Rule 14.6, has determined the eligibility for exemption of: Assembly Bill No. 378.

SARAH COFFMAN
Fiscal Analysis Division

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 446—AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; revising provisions governing the exemption of certain older motor vehicles from emission control compliance; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 447—AN ACT making an appropriation to the Nevada Center for Civic Engagement to support the We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Program in Nevada's elementary, junior high, middle and high schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Assembly Bill No. 227.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the Speaker and Chief Clerk signed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson requested that the following remarks be entered in the Journal.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TOLLES:

I would like to take a moment to remember someone who was a friend to many in this room and across this state, and to present this joint proclamation with my colleague and friend from Assembly District 30 to honor Brent Boynton.

Brent was an anchor, reporter, and assistant news director at KOLO-TV. He was recognized as an Emmy-nominated television journalist and became an inductee into the Nevada Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame in 2005. He was a journalism instructor at the Donald W. Reynolds School of Journalism at the University of Nevada, Reno. He was a communications director for former Nevada Governor Jim Gibbons, a political consultant, and a media trainer. He served as vice president of news and production at KNPB Reno, and community outreach coordinator at the Reno Housing Authority.

Brent gave his time freely as a volunteer at many organizations. One was the Education Alliance of Washoe County, where I had the privilege of serving with him along with my colleague from Assembly District 30. Brent was known as a generous, kind, and natural broadcaster and an admired and respected professional journalist. He was a mentor with a big heart. He had an incredible capacity for forgiveness and impacted many lives with his personal skill of listening based in empathy.

He is survived by his loving wife Patricia Boynton of Reno, son Nicholas Boynton-Steele, extended family, and personal and professional friends. Now and forever, may he be proclaimed as somebody special to remember in the state of Nevada, along with so many that we have lost his past year.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:

Mr. Brent Boynton was a member of the Nevada Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame. To be allowed into the Nevada Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame you have to work in broadcasting for more than 20 years, which is really hard to do. I know that my family, especially my husband, considered him a close friend. He was such a kind, congenial person and we absolutely feel his loss.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the Assembly adjourn until Friday, April 2, 2021, at 11:30 a.m., and that it do so in memory of Brent Boynton.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Approved:

JASON FRIERSON
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG
Chief Clerk of the Assembly