

THE SEVENTEENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Wednesday), February 17, 2021

Senate called to order at 11:05 a.m.

President Marshall presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Reverend Peggy Locke.

O great and awesome God, we give You thanks today, Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent for many. We are but dust, and to dust we, one day, shall return. We are in need of Your great love, mercy and forgiveness.

In this season of reflection and repentance, turn our hearts to draw near to You. May we look ahead with anticipation and thankfulness to the celebration of Christ's resurrection, Easter. We invite Your divine intervention into our lives. We pray for our Nation, our State our families and friends. End this COVID virus that has moved across our world and has touched so many with grief and loss. We give You thanks for the vaccines.

Protect and bless all of those serving in harm's way. May Your grace, hope and peace reside in our hearts and in our homes.

In Jesus' Name,

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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Madam President:

Your Committee on Growth and Infrastructure, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 17, 29, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

DALLAS HARRIS, *Chair*

Madam President:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Be adopted.

JULIA RATTI, *Chair*

Madam President:

Your Committee on Natural Resources, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 23, 52, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

FABIAN DONATE, *Chair*

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Hardy has approved the addition of Senators Harris, Kieckhefer, Ratti and Spearman as sponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senators Ratti, Cannizzaro, Harris, Spearman; Assemblymen Yeager and Benitez-Thompson:

Senate Bill No. 124—AN ACT relating to public assistance; revising provisions relating to the eligibility of certain convicted persons for public assistance; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer:

Senate Bill No. 125—AN ACT relating to wildlife; requiring a person who wishes to transport, possess or use a golden eagle in falconry to obtain a falconry license; requiring such a person to prove that he or she complies with certain requirements before he or she is issued a falconry license; authorizing persons who have been issued a falconry license to take, transport, possess or use golden eagles in falconry; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Settlemeyer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By Senators Dondero Loop and Lange:

Senate Bill No. 126—AN ACT relating to education; requiring each public school in a school district in certain larger counties and each large charter school in certain larger counties to establish and maintain a school library that meets certain standards; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt regulations prescribing the minimum standards for a school library; prescribing requirements and exceptions for employing a teacher librarian in a public school; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Hardy:

Senate Bill No. 127—AN ACT relating to the City of Mesquite; revising the process for appointing the City Manager and City Attorney; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senators Denis, Kieckhefer, Donate, Dondero Loop; Assemblymen Bilbray-Axelrod, Flores, González, Martínez, Marzola and Torres:

Senate Bill No. 128—AN ACT relating to higher education; directing the State Treasurer to conduct a study concerning the effectiveness of publicly

funded scholarship and grant programs in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Motion carried.

By Senator Hammond:

Senate Bill No. 129—AN ACT relating to pest control; creating a limited license for certain applicators of pesticides or to use restricted-use pesticides without first passing the applicable examination; requiring certain service containers to be labeled; providing that certain application devices are not required to bear certain labels; revising provisions relating to the imposition of a fine for the violation of a provision governing the custom application of pesticides; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hammond moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Hansen requested that his remarks be entered into the Journal.

Today is a sad day for me. A great and influential American passed away today, the talk-radio host, Rush Limbaugh. He received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and had an estimated 50-million people in his radio audience. He was a great entertainer and a highly-influential political commentator for over 30 years. He had a personal influence on my own life, and because of his influence, I was able to be a radio, talk-show host on KOH Radio for six years. Whether you loved him or hated him, for many people he was influential for over three decades. He had been having a valiant fight against a terrible cancer, and today, he passed away. He was one of the greatest and influential Americans of both the 20th and 21st centuries, and many of us were fortunate to have been able to listen to him argue and debate. He was loved by many people, including myself, and he had an influence on the United States of America. I am thankful I was able to listen to him and participate in the great American process we call the "political arena."

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate adjourn until Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Approved:

KATE MARSHALL
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate