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CARSON CITY (Monday), May 15, 2023

Assembly called to order at 11:51 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Assemblywoman Backus, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain Craig Swope.

Father, we gather today to serve. May we never lose our heart for service. Help us to never forget why we are here. The temptation to serve ourselves is always with us. Help us to be purposeful in finding ways to serve. Let us assume there is something we can do. Let us assume that we can make a difference, and with those assumptions, help us make a difference for those we serve. Let us be an example for service and not self. We ask this in your Son's Name.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Jauregui 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 Commerce and Labor, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 210, 437, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

ELAINE MARZOLA, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 2, 3, 8, 16, 18, 21, 25, 87, 169, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SELENA TORRES, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Growth and Infrastructure, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 27, 66, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

HOWARD WATTS, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 42, 44, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SARAH PETERS, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, to which were referred Senate Bill No. 406; Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 of the 81st Session, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

MICHELLE GORELOW, *Chair*

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 513—AN ACT relating to foreclosure mediation; eliminating the foreclosure mediation program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Assembly Bill No. 404.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that Assembly Bill No. 404 be taken from the General File and placed on the Chief Clerk's Desk.

Motion carried.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 37.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Summers-Armstrong.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN SUMMERS-ARMSTRONG:

Senate Bill 37 authorizes an attorney employed by the state of Nevada, or any agency or political subdivision of the state, to act as a neutral third-party mediator to help parties resolve a dispute or other matter providing the attorney has the permission of his or her supervisor, the involved parties have no conflict of interest with the attorney's employer, the mediation is provided through or in association with an organization that provides such services, the attorney receives no compensation for such service, and the attorney complies with the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 37:

YEAS—41.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Backus.

Senate Bill No. 37 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Senate Bill No. 55.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywoman La Rue Hatch.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN LA RUE HATCH:

Senate Bill 55 cleans up language related to the courts, specifically regarding minimum wage for community service and court titles.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 55:

YEAS—41.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Backus.

Senate Bill No. 55 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Senate Bill No. 62.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Brittney Miller.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BRITTNEY MILLER:

Senate Bill 62 relates to the Commission on Judicial Discipline, clarifying the jurisdiction of the Commission and the State Bar of Nevada with regard to judges who are licensed to practice law in this state.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 62:

YEAS—41.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Backus.

Senate Bill No. 62 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Senate Bill No. 67.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblyman Gray.

ASSEMBLYMAN GRAY:

Senate Bill 67 revises the definition of “sexual offense” in statutes relating to parole to conform to the definition elsewhere in the *Nevada Revised Statutes* with the effect of ensuring that persons who have been convicted of certain sexual offenses but who are not currently subject to related provisions governing parole will be subject to these provisions going forward.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 67:

YEAS—41.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Backus.

Senate Bill No. 67 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Senate Bill No. 171.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblymen Jauregui, Gurr, and Peters.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN JAUREGUI:

Senate Bill 171 prohibits a person from purchasing, owning, or having in possession, control, or custody a firearm if the person has been convicted in the immediately preceding ten years of committing or attempting to commit an offense that is a gross misdemeanor constituting a hate crime under Nevada law.

ASSEMBLYMAN GURR:

I rise in opposition to Senate Bill 171. Senate Bill 171 is a bill that restricts Second Amendment rights and was rammed through during only one public hearing, which minimized public participation regarding extremely controversial issues, limiting Second Amendment rights through vague and ambiguous definitions of hate crimes. The bill adds, I think, nonviolent hate crimes to the list of offenses with which someone can lose their Second Amendment rights. We already have laws restricting violent criminals from purchasing firearms in Nevada, thus I believe the letter of the law is already satisfied by existing statute. We already have laws designed to keep guns out of the hands of the same violent criminals that would fall under this law.

The only effective change in SB 171 would be to add nonviolent hate crimes to legal precedent. Considering our First Amendment rights and how many other countries have lost their free speech rights to hate speech laws, I believe this is a very dangerous precedent to set. I would add that if this body would expend more time, energy, and resources to resolving our huge mental health issues and our revolving-door legal system, we may have an impact in the future on these issues without passing any more duplicative laws.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN PETERS:

I rise in support of SB 171. Today, we have an opportunity to reaffirm our promise that hate has no home here in Nevada. Senate Bill 171 is a commonsense measure that will prevent criminals convicted of hate crimes from having access to firearms, which they could use to commit further crimes. We know that not only is gun violence on the rise but also, too, are hate crimes. As the Vice Chair of the LGBTQ+ Caucus, I am particularly disturbed by the fact that members of the LGBTQ+ [lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning, plus] community are the second most likely group to be victims of hate crimes. Hate crimes are committed against the marginalized and the vulnerable, those we have a duty to protect. I urge you all to join me in supporting Senate Bill 171 to create a safer and more inclusive Nevada.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 171:

YEAS—27.

NAYS—DeLong, Dickman, Gallant, Gray, Gurr, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Hibbetts, Kasama, Koenig, McArthur, O’Neill, Yurek—14.

EXCUSED—Backus.

Senate Bill No. 171 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the Assembly recess until 1:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly in recess at 12:16 p.m.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION

At 1:43 p.m.
Mr. Speaker presiding.
Quorum present.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, May 15, 2023

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Assembly Bills Nos. 354, 355.

SHERRY L. RODRIGUEZ
Assistant Secretary of the Senate

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the Speaker and Chief Clerk signed Assembly Bills Nos. 354, 355; Assembly Resolutions Nos. 7, 8; Senate Bill No. 171; Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 5, 7; Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF ASSEMBLY FLOOR

On request of Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Tim Provost.

On request of Assemblyman Ken Gray, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Ron McMillin.

On request of Assemblywoman Selena La Rue Hatch, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to the following teachers, students, and chaperones from George Westergard Elementary School: Cameron Thomas, Elayna Orput, Jaxson Hillygus, Zachary Aviles, Abbie Brenes, Abraham Partridge-Eppers, Addison Craft, Aliyah Sanchez, Allison Andrews, Amaya Diaz, Amelia Marshall, Amelia Uka, Analise Russell, Anna Hoffbuhr, Ariel Ramirez Zamora, Aurora Frugoli, Blake Beadle, Bo Pensotti, Boe Julian, Bond Buchanan, Brooklynn Timmerman, Caleb Hastings, Caley Bognot, Cameron Pratt, Camil Cerna Luna, Camila Guerrero, Campbell Scholl, Carter Bradshaw, Cody Dethmers, Colin Hobbs, Corbin Cummings, Ela Caglar, Ella Ryan, Ellie Amesbury, Emily Sy, Emma Fogelberg, Ethan York, Ezekiel Rodriguez, Gaby Chaidez, Garenjon Alsasua, Grace Ortiz, Grayson Tastet, Hope Dumond, Isabella Loewer, Isabella Tew, Isaiah Blunt, Jack Bumb, Jacob Koelewyn, James Lamb, Jocelyn Aguilera, Jose Cazares Lopez, Julia Gray, Kaleigh Saunders, Kalyani Pagilla, Keaton Orme, Keegan Vila, Kendall Hayman, Lauren Paffrath-Gollmer, Lily Christensen, Lily Ethridge, Lilyona Gonzales, Louis Loutas, Luca Borntein, Macee Joaquin, Madelyn Roland, Malek Moustafa, Matilda Baren, Mia Hewitt, Miranda Castillo Diaz, Natalie Bartolo, Nathan Eke, Nevaeh Mcconnell, Nolan Sallee, Olivia Olivia, Owen Cirullo, Owen Shin, Parker Hersey, Peyton Schmitt, Piper Federmann, Ramona Eiser, Reid Nasset, Reyna

Capistran, Rory Moynihan, Ryder Jacobs, Ryder Peek, Samantha Virrey-Nunez, Samuel Do Prado, Sarina Hussain, Sarita Chereen Quazi, Sean Garthe, Shawn Keefe, Skyler Urbanac-Ochoa, Sofia Blood, Sofia Crocker, Sophia Sabo, Stella Mortara, Stephen Worrall, Tea Detwiler, Valentina Paredes, Victor Rivera-Villa, Vihaan Baghel, William Cushard, Zechariah Lopez, Zoey Ensweiler, Zoey Mendez, and Zophya Fleeman Castro.

On request of Assemblyman Philip P.K. O’Neill, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to the following students, teachers, and chaperones from Hugh Gallagher Elementary School: Aerith Moore, Aidan Pitts, Alistair Hunt, Alyvia Picolet, Amanda Crosswhite, Amelia Cotham, Amelia Mavity, Andrea Wolf, Andrew Armenta, Annabelle Brown, Aria McIntier, Asher Baker, Audrey Lutz, August Burlison, Aurora Evans, Bentley Racey, Bruce Burke, Caroline Harrison, Chanse Lopez, Charlotte Kenner, Cirrus Moore, Colton Foutz, Cooper Sullivan, Coral Lattin, Crystal Pickett, Danielle Ghiglieri-Cottham, Dasan Woodson, Daxon West, Dean Hayley, Dean Hayley, Derek Naaz, Devin West, Emma Baxter, Emma Lopez-Linde, Francis Ennis, Heather Wickware, Holley Lamb, Hunter Ramsey, Isaac Edlund, Isaiah Becker, Jack Harrison-Arroyave, James Young, Jamie Pickett, Jody Dallas, Jonathan Banu, Juliana Wold, Kaiden Newsome, Kali Hurt, Karyn Yardic, Lane Pieretti, Laura Clough, Linnea Richardson, Madison Edlund, Madison Lauer, Mandy Burlison, Mathew Turner, Matthew Fuller, Maxwell Wickware, Nicholas Thomsen, Noah Alvear, Otto Gavenda, Payeton Segale, Payton Jones, Penelope Schultz, Rose Larkin, Ryan Crosswhite, Sarah Baker, Shannon Segale, Sonja Hess, Teagan Hill, Teagan Zysman, Teva Uken, Thomas Brown, Thomas Pickett, Todd Hess, Trenton Downer, Trinity Magney, Vivienne Armenta, Walker Segale-Van Dover, Wendy Young, William Baxter, and Wren Coston.

On request of Assemblyman Toby Yurek, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Trey Yurek and Tyler Yurek.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the Assembly adjourn until Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Approved:

STEVE YEAGER
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG
Chief Clerk of the Assembly