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SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

THIRD DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Wednesday, January 14, 2009

The House was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Morris presiding).

Reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was ordered to stand approved.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

January 12, 2009

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4400,
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4401,
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4402,

and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

January 12, 2009

Mr. Speaker:

The President has signed SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8400, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

HB 1113 by Representatives Driscoll, Warnick, Dunshee, Probst, Carlyle, Wallace, White, Chase, Ormsby, Seaquist, Simpson, Goodman, Wood, Sullivan, Maxwell, Orwall, Hinkle and Santos

AN ACT Relating to financing the school construction assistance grant program; amending 2008 c 328 s 5001 (uncodified); adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Capital Budget.

HB 1114 by Representatives Blake, Orcutt, Green, Springer, Van De Wege, Rolfes, McCune, Simpson, Goodman, Herrera, Warnick and Conway

AN ACT Relating to hunters under the age of fourteen; and amending RCW 77.32.010, 77.32.155, and 77.08.010.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1115 by Representatives Blake, Orcutt, Takko, Goodman, Warnick, Van De Wege, Green, Ericks, McCune, Herrera and Hinkle

AN ACT Relating to trapping; amending RCW 77.08.010 and 77.65.450; adding a new chapter to Title 77 RCW; creating a

new section; repealing RCW 77.15.190, 77.15.191, 77.15.192, 77.15.194, 77.15.196, 77.15.198, 77.32.545, and 77.65.460; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1116 by Representatives Blake, Pearson and Warnick

AN ACT Relating to visible clothing requirements for individuals recreating in a mixed-use area during hunting season; amending RCW 77.15.160 and 77.08.010; adding a new section to chapter 77.15 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1117 by Representatives Blake, Green and Ormsby

AN ACT Relating to enforcement of the requirements of chapter 77.55 RCW when a construction project is commenced without first obtaining a hydraulic project approval; amending RCW 77.55.291 and 77.15.300; adding new sections to chapter 77.55 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1118 by Representatives Blake, Orcutt, Green, Ormsby, Van De Wege and Herrera

AN ACT Relating to requirements of signs on public land; amending RCW 77.12.210, 79.10.210, 79.71.070, and 79A.05.305; reenacting and amending RCW 79.10.125; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1119 by Representatives Pedersen, Rodne, Goodman and Kelley

AN ACT Relating to the management of funds held By nonprofit institutions; adding a new chapter to Title 24 RCW; and repealing RCW 24.44.010, 24.44.020, 24.44.030, 24.44.040, 24.44.050, 24.44.060, 24.44.070, 24.44.080, 24.44.090, and 24.44.900.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1120 by Representatives Pedersen, Rodne and Goodman

AN ACT Relating to uniform laws; amending RCW 43.56.010, 43.56.020, and 43.56.040; and repealing RCW 43.56.050.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1121 by Representatives Rodne, Bailey, Kelley, Moeller, Ross, Simpson, McCoy, Hope, Green, Ormsby, Johnson, Morrell, Smith, Campbell, Armstrong and Conway

AN ACT Relating to creating the Washington state flag account; amending RCW 43.07.370; adding a new section to chapter 43.07 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 42.52 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1122 by Representatives Campbell, Flannigan and McCune

AN ACT Relating to procedures for resolving boundary disputes; and amending RCW 58.04.020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1123 by Representatives Campbell, Morrell, Hunter, Pedersen, Chase, Ormsby, Simpson, Wood and Conway

AN ACT Relating to reducing the spread of methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus; and adding a new section to chapter 70.41 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1124 by Representative Hurst

AN ACT Relating to the acceptance of gifts By state officers and employees; and amending RCW 42.52.150.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1125 by Representatives Hurst and Conway

AN ACT Relating to health insurance for enlisted members of the Washington national guard; and adding a new section to chapter 38.24 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 1126 by Representatives Hurst and Wallace

AN ACT Relating to business and occupation tax credits for employers of certain military personnel; and adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

HB 1127 by Representative Hurst

AN ACT Relating to financial information; and amending RCW 19.200.010 and 63.14.123.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1128 by Representatives Kenney, Bailey, Pettigrew, Chase, Hudgins, Haler, Hasegawa, Darneille, Kelley and Sullivan

AN ACT Relating to innovation partnership zones; and amending RCW 43.330.270 and 43.330.280.

Referred to Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade.

HB 1129 by Representatives Kenney, Pettigrew, Ericks, Lias, Hudgins, Rolfes, Sells, Hasegawa, O'Brien, Chase, Dunshee, Wallace, Ormsby, Sullivan and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to lifelong learning accounts; adding a new section to chapter 28B.50 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade.

HB 1130 by Representatives Kenney, Haigh, Sells, Hudgins, Dunshee, Chase, Hasegawa, Darneille, Ormsby, Morrell and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to creating a higher education coordination board work group to develop a single, coordinated student access portal; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

HB 1131 by Representatives Kenney, Pettigrew, Haler, Ericks, Bailey, Lias, Hasegawa, Hudgins, Darneille, Chase, Dunshee, Kelley, Sullivan and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to the Washington state economic development commission; amending RCW 43.162.010 and 43.162.020; and adding a new section to chapter 43.162 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade.

HB 1132 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Pedersen, Warnick, Maxwell, Ross, Eddy, Springer, Johnson, Kelley and Hinkle

AN ACT Relating to distressed property conveyances; amending RCW 61.34.020; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1133 by Representatives McCoy and Eddy

AN ACT Relating to modifying the renewable energy and energy conservation requirements of the energy independence act; and amending RCW 19.285.010, 19.285.030, 19.285.040, 19.285.050, and 19.285.080.

Referred to Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1134 by Representatives McCoy, Chase, Armstrong, Hinkle, Condotta and Warnick

AN ACT Relating to creating customer rebates and public utility tax credits for light and power businesses and gas companies; adding new sections to chapter 82.16 RCW; creating a new

section; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1135 by Representatives McCoy, Chase, Kenney, Hinkle and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to exempting agricultural anaerobic digesters from solid waste handling permitting; amending RCW 70.95.170; and adding a new section to chapter 70.95 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Ecology & Parks.

HB 1136 by Representatives McCoy and Chase

AN ACT Relating to incorporating considerations of impacts to plant species identified by the natural heritage program in local government permitting processes; amending RCW 79.70.030; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 36.01 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1137 by Representatives Finn, Blake, Orcutt, Ormsby, McCune, Morrell, Van De Wege, Sullivan and Herrera

AN ACT Relating to protecting landowners' investments in Christmas trees; amending RCW 79.02.300, 79.02.310, 79.02.320, and 64.12.030; and repealing RCW 79.02.340 and 79.02.350.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1138 by Representatives Liias, Clibborn, Moeller, Green, Cody, Driscoll, Morrell and Pedersen

AN ACT Relating to allowing persons with certain medical conditions to access the restroom in a retail establishment; adding a new section to chapter 70.54 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1139 by Representative Liias

AN ACT Relating to increasing the membership of public transportation benefit area authorities; and amending RCW 36.57A.050.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1140 by Representatives Liias, Morrell, Ericks, Miloscia, Ormsby, Rolfes, Simpson and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to the manufactured/mobile home dispute resolution program; amending RCW 59.30.040; and adding new sections to chapter 59.30 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1141 by Representatives Liias, Sells, Chase, Springer, Ormsby, Simpson, Miloscia, Williams, Nelson, Dickerson, White, Goodman and Hinkle

AN ACT Relating to a sales and use tax rebate for materials and services related to the construction of affordable housing; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1142 by Representatives O'Brien, Sells, Chase, Hurst, Springer, McCune, Kelley, Simpson and Maxwell

AN ACT Relating to electronic monitoring of sex offenders; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1143 by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Sells, Ericks, Springer, Ormsby and Simpson

AN ACT Relating to increasing the availability of safe sex offender housing; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

HB 1144 by Representatives O'Brien, Sells, Chase, Ericks, Springer, Simpson and Goodman

AN ACT Relating to crimes against property; amending RCW 9A.48.070, 9A.48.080, 9A.48.090, 9A.56.030, 9A.56.040, 9A.56.050, 9A.56.060, 9A.56.096, 9A.56.150, 9A.56.160, and 9A.56.170; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.535; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1145 by Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Sells, Chase, Wallace and Kelley

AN ACT Relating to creating the new crime of wrongfully removing or tampering with an electronic monitoring device; amending RCW 9.94A.507; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.515; adding a new section to chapter 9A.76 RCW; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1146 by Representatives O'Brien, Sells and Chase

AN ACT Relating to the possession of inhalants; adding a new section to chapter 69.50 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1147 by Representatives Hunt, Alexander, Williams, Orwall, DeBolt and Simpson

AN ACT Relating to modifying provisions of local option taxes; amending RCW 82.14.460, 82.14.450, and 84.55.050; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1148 by Representatives Williams, Rodne, Simpson, Upthegrove, Haigh, Nelson, Rolfes, Sullivan, Hunt, Liias, Chase, Moeller, Goodman, Ormsby, Hurst, Kenney, KirBy, Eddy, Conway, Pedersen, Dunshee, Dickerson, Hasegawa, Sells, Appleton, Campbell and Herrera

AN ACT Relating to protecting animals from perpetrators of domestic violence; amending RCW 26.50.060 and 26.50.110; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1149 by Representatives Williams, Roach, Simpson, KirBy, Dunshee, Nelson and Ormsby

AN ACT Relating to protecting consumers from breaches of security; amending RCW 19.255.010; adding new sections to chapter 19.255 RCW; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1150 by Representatives Williams, Simpson, Upthegrove, Ormsby, Campbell and Goodman

AN ACT Relating to civil remedies for damages to a companion animal; and amending RCW 4.24.320.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1151 by Representatives Williams, Simpson, Hunt, Roberts, Eddy and Green

AN ACT Relating to operating a motor vehicle while smoking; adding a new section to chapter 46.61 RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1152 by Representatives Williams, Roach, Wallace, Orcutt, Moeller, Upthegrove, Simpson and Wood

AN ACT Relating to providing notification stickers to drivers with certain disabilities or impairments; adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1153 by Representatives Takko, Blake and Haigh

AN ACT Relating to special purpose districts; amending RCW 86.09.175, 86.09.178, 86.09.181, 86.09.259, 86.09.268, 86.09.271, and 86.09.466; adding a new section to chapter

86.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 85.38 RCW; and repealing RCW 86.09.274, 86.09.277, and 86.09.280.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1154 by Representatives Takko, Van De Wege, Blake, Kessler, Sells, Orcutt, Herrera and Hinkle

AN ACT Relating to prohibiting local governments from imposing fees, taxes, or other charges on the transfer of disposable shopping bags; adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.82 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.01 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.14 RCW; creating new sections; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1155 by Representatives Hinkle, Green, Cody and Wallace

AN ACT Relating to billing for medical services provided through special education programs; and repealing RCW 74.09.5241, 74.09.5243, 74.09.5245, 74.09.5247, 74.09.5249, 74.09.5251, 74.09.5253, 74.09.5254, 74.09.5255, and 74.09.5256.

Referred to Committee on Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1156 by Representatives Anderson, Sullivan, Priest, Haigh, Quall, Dammeier, McCune, Wallace, Kelley and Herrera

AN ACT Relating to creating a preference in the alternative route certification program for veterans and national guard members; amending RCW 28A.660.040 and 28A.660.050; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.660 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Education.

HB 1157 by Representatives Anderson and Morris

AN ACT Relating to a statewide enhanced 911 emergency radio network to improve public notification during an ongoing emergency; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1158 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Pedersen, Warnick and Klippert

AN ACT Relating to electronic signatures for juror questionnaires; and amending RCW 2.36.072.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1159 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Pedersen, White and Upthegrove

AN ACT Relating to increasing the number of district court judges in King county; and amending RCW 3.34.010.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1160 by Representatives Condotta, Chandler and Crouse

AN ACT Relating to eliminating the family leave insurance program; amending RCW 51.44.033; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040 and 43.79A.040; repealing RCW 49.86.005, 49.86.010, 49.86.020, 49.86.030, 49.86.040, 49.86.050, 49.86.060, 49.86.070, 49.86.080, 49.86.090, 49.86.100, 49.86.110, 49.86.120, 49.86.130, 49.86.140, 49.86.150, 49.86.160, 49.86.170, 49.86.180, 49.86.190, 49.86.200, 49.86.210, 49.86.900, 49.86.901, and 49.86.902; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

HB 1161 by Representatives Dickerson, Darneille, Hunt, Pettigrew, O'Brien, Roberts, Kagi, Pedersen, Conway, Simpson, Goodman, Kenney, Quall, Santos and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to early intervention services for children with disabilities; amending RCW 43.88C.010; adding new sections to chapter 70.195 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

HB 1162 by Representatives Dickerson, Quall, Sullivan, Haigh, Orwall, Liias, Takko, Kagi, Green, Simpson, Kenney and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to social emotional learning in public schools; adding new sections to chapter 28A.300 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Education.

HB 1163 by Representatives Blake, Morrell, McCune and Hinkle

AN ACT Relating to creating incentives for the construction of improved fish passage projects; amending RCW 19.285.030, 77.57.010, 77.57.030, and 77.55.021; adding new sections to chapter 77.85 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 77.55 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1164 by Representatives Dunshee, Ormsby, Kenney and Sullivan

AN ACT Relating to loans to local governments for public works projects; amending RCW 43.155.050, 43.155.068, and 43.155.070; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Capital Budget.

HB 1165 by Representatives Morrell, Campbell, Priest, Dickerson, Hudgins, Rodne, Cody, Nelson, Chase, O'Brien, Dunshee, Kenney, Wood, Hunt, McCoy, Upthegrove, Hasegawa, Anderson, Appleton, Pedersen, Hunter, Darneille, Roberts, Rolfes, White, Kagi, Ormsby, Conway, Orwall, Simpson, Goodman, Van De Wege and Santos

AN ACT Relating to providing safe collection and disposal of unwanted drugs from residential sources through a producer provided and funded product stewardship program; reenacting and amending RCW 69.41.030; adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1166 by Representatives Hasegawa, Kenney, Simpson, Chase, Ormsby and Santos

AN ACT Relating to allowing loans to community development financial institutions under the linked deposit program; and amending RCW 43.86A.060.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1167 by Representatives Hasegawa, Kenney, Simpson, Chase and Santos

AN ACT Relating to the linked deposit program; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1168 by Representatives Simpson and Wood

AN ACT Relating to reducing the environmental health impact of cleaning in state facilities; and adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1169 by Representative Simpson

AN ACT Relating to fire department vehicle use of lights designated for certain law enforcement purposes; and amending RCW 46.37.190.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 1170 by Representatives McCoy, Rodne, Kelley, Warnick, Sequist, Angel, Green, Shea, Sells, McCune, Kagi, Ormsby and Smith

AN ACT Relating to the modification of parenting plans based on the military service of a parent; and amending RCW 26.09.004, 26.09.010, and 26.09.260.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1171 by Representatives Sullivan and Newhouse

AN ACT Relating to the Washington beer commission; and amending RCW 15.89.020, 15.89.040, 15.89.050, 15.89.070, 15.89.100, 15.89.110, and 66.28.010.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1172 by Representatives Simpson, Nelson and Rolfes

AN ACT Relating to the implementation of a regional transfer of development rights program; amending RCW 43.362.005 and 43.362.010; and adding new sections to chapter 43.362 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1173 by Representatives Miloscia, Simpson, Chase, Ormsby, Hasegawa, Williams, Roberts, Goodman and Sullivan

AN ACT Relating to providing affordable housing for all; amending RCW 43.185B.040, 36.22.178, 43.185A.100, 43.185C.005, 43.185C.010, 43.185C.020, 43.185C.040, 43.185C.050, 43.185C.070, 43.185C.080, 43.185C.090, 43.185C.100, 43.185C.130, 43.185C.160, 43.185C.900, 36.22.179, 36.22.1791, 43.185C.170, 43.185C.180, 43.185B.030, 43.20A.790, and 43.185C.150; reenacting and amending RCW 43.185.070; adding new sections to chapter 43.185C RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; creating new sections; and recodifying RCW 36.22.179, 36.22.1791, 43.20A.790, 43.63A.650, 36.22.178, 43.185A.100, and 43.185B.040.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1174 by Representatives Miloscia, Chase, Armstrong, Ormsby, Goodman, Hasegawa and Williams

AN ACT Relating to independent assessments of agency quality management programs; and amending RCW 43.17.390.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1175 by Representatives Miloscia, Chase, Hasegawa, Williams, Green and Simpson

AN ACT Relating to improving ethics and integrity; amending RCW 42.52.320 and 42.52.360; adding new sections to chapter 42.52 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 44.28 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 43.09 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1176 by Representatives Uptegrove and Orwall

AN ACT Relating to the Washington state veterinary board of governors; amending RCW 18.92.021, 18.92.046, 18.130.050, and 18.130.060; and adding a new section to chapter 18.92 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1177 by Representatives Uptegrove, Williams, Moeller, Appleton, Pedersen, Ormsby, Dickerson, Carlyle, Roberts, Wood, Cody and Nelson

AN ACT Relating to reclassifying possession of forty grams or less of marijuana from a misdemeanor to a class 2 civil infraction; amending RCW 69.50.4014, 69.50.408, 69.50.412, and 10.31.100; adding a new section to chapter 69.50 RCW; repealing RCW 69.50.425; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1178 by Representatives Uptegrove, Nelson, Rolfes and Simpson

AN ACT Relating to the enforcement of environmental permits affecting aquatic resources; amending RCW 77.15.300; adding new sections to chapter 77.55 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1179 by Representatives Uptegrove, Williams and Simpson

AN ACT Relating to a permit to withdraw public groundwaters; and amending RCW 90.44.050.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1180 by Representatives Dickerson, Hudgins, Campbell, Dunshee, Pedersen, Hunt, Rolfes, Appleton, Moeller, Kagi, Van De Wege, Hunter, Cody, Chase, Green, Morrell, Pettigrew, White, Williams, Simpson and Kenney

AN ACT Relating to the use of bisphenol A; reenacting and amending RCW 70.105D.070; adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1181 by Representatives Ross, Liias, Johnson, Ericks, Van De Wege, Hurst, O'Brien, Hunt, Parker, Kessler, Simpson, Hinkle and Kelley

AN ACT Relating to access to public records By persons serving criminal sentences in correctional facilities; and adding a new section to chapter 42.56 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 1182 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Miloscia, Williams and Ormsby

AN ACT Relating to the uniform child abduction prevention act; and adding a new chapter to Title 26 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1183 by Representatives Goodman, Rodne, Pettigrew, Roberts, Williams, Appleton and Wood

AN ACT Relating to legal representation of children in dependency proceedings; amending RCW 13.34.100; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1184 by Representative Chase

AN ACT Relating to modifying the loan repayment period for conservation projects funded By municipal utilities; and amending RCW 35.92.360.

Referred to Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1185 by Representative Chase

AN ACT Relating to the siting of new personal wireless service facilities on school property; amending RCW 28A.335.040; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.335 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Education.

HB 1186 by Representative Chase

AN ACT Relating to small-scale powered equipment; adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 82 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Ecology & Parks.

HB 1187 by Representatives Chase and Hunt

AN ACT Relating to solar water heater systems; and adding new sections to chapter 19.27 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB 1188 by Representatives Chase, Hinkle, Kagi and Ormsby

AN ACT Relating to providing tax exemptions for solar hot water components; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; providing an effective date; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1189 by Representatives Chase and Campbell

AN ACT Relating to retail store carryout bags; adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 1190 by Representative Chase

AN ACT Relating to construction standards for state construction projects; and adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1191 by Representatives Chase, Morris, Simpson, Wallace, Williams, Van De Wege, Takko, Nelson, Sullivan, Orwall, Hasegawa, Linville, Kenney, Roberts, Rolfes, Dickerson, Kristiansen, Dunshee, O'Brien, Sells, Ormsby, Miloscia, Conway, Kagi, Lias, Driscoll, White, Darneille, Kessler, KirBy, Moeller, Ericks, Quall, Eddy, Finn, Hinkle, Jacks, Crouse, Flannigan, Morrell, Condotta, Appleton, Green, Campbell, Seaquist, Wood, McCoy, Pettigrew, Hurst, Cody, McCune, Pedersen and Goodman

AN ACT Relating to providing incentives to support renewable energy; adding a new chapter to Title 82 RCW; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1192 by Representatives Morrell, Parker, Kenney and Kelley

AN ACT Relating to unsolicited goods and the promotional advertising of prizes; amending RCW 19.56.020, 19.170.010, 19.170.020, 19.170.030, and 19.170.040; adding new sections to chapter 19.56 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 19.170 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

HB 1193 by Representatives Lias, Roberts, Ormsby, Simpson, Goodman and Van De Wege

AN ACT Relating to creating a program to allow youth to preregister to vote; and adding a new section to chapter 29A.08 RCW.

Referred to Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's introduction sheet under the fourth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

The Speaker assumed the chair.

SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed the following:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4400,
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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8400,

The Speaker called upon Representative Morris to preside.

The Senate appeared at the Chamber doors and requested admission. The Sergeant at Arms of the House and the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate escorted President of the Senate Brad Owen, President Pro Tempore Rosa Franklin, and Deputy Minority Leader Mike Carrell to seats on the rostrum. The Senators were invited to sit within the Chamber.

JOINT SESSION

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) called the Joint Session to order. The Clerk called the roll of House members. The Clerk called the roll of Senate members. A quorum of the Legislature was present.

The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) called upon President Owen to preside.

President Owen: "The purpose of the Joint Session is to administer the oath of office to statewide elected officials and to

receive the inaugural address from Her Excellency, Governor Christine Gregoire."

The President appointed a special committee to escort the Supreme Court Justices to the House Chamber: Representatives Driscoll and Shea, and Senators Franklin and Parlette.

The President appointed a special committee to escort the Statewide elected officials to the House Chamber: Representatives Conway and Parker, and Senators Pflug and Pridemore.

The President appointed a special committee to advise Her Excellency, Governor Christine Gregoire, that the joint session had assembled and to escort her to the House Chamber: Representatives Dammeier and Jacks, and Senators Hobbs and Becker.

The Supreme Court Justices arrived, were escorted to the floor of the House Chamber and were introduced: Chief Justice Gerry L. Alexander, and Justices Charles W. Johnson, Barbara A. Madsen, Richard B. Sanders, Tom Chambers, Susan J. Owens, Mary E. Fairhurst, James M. Johnson and Debra L. Stephens.

The Statewide elected officials arrived, were escorted to the floor of the House Chamber and were introduced: Secretary of State Sam Reed and wife Margie, State Treasurer Jim McIntire with guest Kristina Koons, State Auditor Brian Sonntag and wife Jann, Attorney General Rob McKenna and wife Marilyn, Superintendent of Public Instruction Randy Dorn and wife Kaye, Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler and wife Lela, and. Commissioner of Public Lands Peter Goldmark and wife Wendy.

The President introduced the special guests present in the Chambers: Governors Al Rosellini, Mike Lowry, Booth Gardner and Dan Evans, Brian Cladoosby, Swinomish Tribe, Herman Dillon, Puyallup Tribe, Melvin Sheldon, Tulalip Tribe, Charolotte Williams, Muckelshoot Tribe, Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Sheriff and former Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives John Lovick and former Secretary of State Ralph Munro.

The President introduced the members of the Consular Association of Washington: H. Ronald Masnik, Consul of Belgium and President of the Consular Association of Washington; Daravuth Huoth, Consul of Cambodia; Peter Lloyd, Consul General of Canada; Jorge Gilbert, Consul of Chile; Petra Walker, Consul of Germany; Helen Szablya, Consul of Hungary and Vice President of the Consular Association of Washington; Enid Dwyer, Consul of Jamaica; Yasuo Ishii, Consul of Japan; Haryong Lee, Consul General of the Republic of Korea; Stephen Zirschky, Consul of Latvia; Victor Lapatinskas, Consul of Lithuania; Marisela Quijano, Deputy Consul of Mexico; Kim Nesselquist, Consul of Norway; Miguel Angel Velasquez, Consul of Peru; Emityr Repkov, Consul of Russian Federation; Luis Fernando Esteban, Consul of Spain; Lars Jonsson, Consul of Sweden; John Gokchen, Consul General of Turkey; and Daniel Liao, Director General, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office. The President introduced Lu, Wenxiang, Deputy Consul General of the People's Republic of China in San Francisco.

Governor Christine Gregoire and her husband Mike Gregoire, daughters Courtney and Michelle Gregoire and son-in-law Scott Lindsey arrived, were escorted to the rostrum, and were introduced.

The flags were escorted to the rostrum by the Washington State Patrol Color Guard, commanded by Sergeant John Sager. The National Anthem was sung by Kate Elwanger of Olympia, a senior at Charles Wright Academy. The President led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. The prayer was offered by Father Michael J. Ryan, formerly of St. Michael's Parish, Olympia.

Father Ryan: "My sisters and brothers, generous and compassionate God, You have revealed Your glory to all the nations. God of power and might, wisdom and justice, through You authority is rightly administered, laws enacted and judgment is decreed. We pray today for Christine Gregoire, the governor of the great State of Washington, for the members of the Legislature, the judges and the elected civil officials and all others who are entrusted to guard our political welfare. May they be enabled by Your powerful protection to discharge their responsibilities with honesty and ability. And like Solomon of old, who was faced with the opportunity to enjoy unmediated power, he elected instead to ask of Heaven the gift of an understanding heart that he might discern between good and evil, and therefore judge rightly amongst the various demands and expectations of his people. No leader could ask for more but only a foolish one would ask for less.

And so as these newly elected officials begin their challenging times ahead, we ask You, God our Creator, to bless them with courage, with understanding hearts and we pray that all of the citizens of this State take the responsibility in the care of our human family. We are all one human family. Life is not about us, we are about life. So may we drop today any negative attitudes, cynicisms and come together in the care and the concern of one human family. Together we can do this. Apart we cannot.

And so we pray to You our Lord and God forever and ever. Amen."

OATHS OF OFFICE

Justice Debra L. Stephens administered the Oath of Office to Peter Goldmark, Commissioner of Public Lands.

Justice James Johnson administered the Oath of Office to Mike Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner.

Justice Mary E. Fairhurst administered the Oath of Office to Randy Dorn, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Justice Susan Owens administered the Oath of Office to Rob McKenna, Attorney General.

Justice Charles Johnson administered the Oath of Office to Brian Sonntag, State Auditor.

Justice Tom Chambers administered the Oath of Office to Jim McIntire, State Treasurer.

Justice Richard B. Sanders administered the Oath of Office to Sam Reed, Secretary of State.

Justice Barbara Madsen administered the Oath of Office to Brad Owen, Lieutenant Governor.

Chief Justice Gerry Alexander administered the Oath of Office to Christine Gregoire, Governor.

GOVERNOR'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Governor Gregoire: "Thank you, Father Ryan, for that beautiful prayer and blessing. And thank you, Kate Elwanger, for your wonderful performance of the National Anthem.

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Chief Justice, distinguished justices of the court, honored officials, members of the Washington State Legislature, former governors, tribal leaders, local government officials, members of the Consular Association of Washington, my fellow citizens: Good afternoon.

I first want to express my condolences at the passing of Representative Steve Hailey of the 9th District. His career ended much too soon. I also want to share my personal sadness at the passing last week of Representative Bill Grant. All of us, this chamber, Bill's beloved 16th District, Bill's family — and the people of Washington — are the poorer for his loss. Bill brought to this chamber a sense of bipartisanship, humor and compassion that we will sorely miss.

I am deeply honored to stand before you in the first moments of my second term as governor of the Great State of Washington. I am grateful and humbled that the people of Washington have chosen me to lead this state through the most difficult and trying times maybe since the Great Depression.

I know all of us in this chamber are honored to be here, and are ready to take on a crisis the likes of which our generation has never seen, let alone imagined. All of us, Democrats and Republicans — the newly elected and the seasoned — have a huge opportunity — the opportunity to bring Washington more firmly into the 21st century. For us — and for all Washingtonians — there are two words that will define us as we confront the challenge and seize the opportunity. Those words are Courage and Generosity.

The people of Washington are looking to us to act with remarkable courage. In turn, I believe Washingtonians will respond with very personal compassion and generosity for their neighbors. And more than ever, the people of Washington do not want partisan politics! They want us to work together to build a better state for them and their children. So I will challenge all of us today — and throughout the session — to join together. Let's use this crisis! Let's summon the courage to make the hard decisions. And let's make sure Washington emerges better positioned to create jobs, prepare our kids for the future and provide affordable health care. Let's make sure we improve our ranking from third best place to do business — to number one!

With me today is my family: My husband Mike, who plans to continue his work on behalf of veterans and children's literacy; our daughter Courtney, and, of course, our brand-new son-in-law Scott; and our daughter Michelle. My family is here not only to share this important day with me, but to remind us of just what we have at stake this legislative session — and it's the well-being of all Washington families. Too many of our families are struggling just to put food on the table and a roof over their heads. They are worried about keeping a job or finding one. They lose sleep wondering if they can save the business where they have poured their sweat and their savings. And last week, Mother Nature laid on another layer of misery, forcing thousands of people from their homes when our rivers rose and hillsides came down. Our highway transportation system and the commerce that depends on it ground to a halt. But it could have been worse if Washingtonians had not responded so quickly and wisely to the warnings and evacuated by the hundreds. For that, we owe a huge debt of gratitude to the skill of local responders, and our own state and federal agencies. I also want to thank the hundreds of Washingtonians who stepped up to help their suffering neighbors and

friends. But the misery continues, and we're working very hard to help with recovery.

Last fall, a different kind of storm rolled over the nation's incredibly mismanaged mortgage and credit markets. That financial storm is now parked over Washington and almost every other state, and it's raining buckets of hardship for families and businesses. We've all worked to create a world-class education system and affordable, accessible health care, and to rapidly build on our already amazing, diverse economy. I promise you we cannot and will not forget that work. But today, our work is more basic and urgent. Our work is to help our families and businesses survive at a time when they are forced to juggle bills and cut back spending ... when too many stores, restaurants and car dealerships are struggling for customers ... and last month, when 75 percent more Washington workers filed for unemployment benefits than a year ago.

We all know our state didn't make this economic crisis, and we all know we can't unilaterally solve it. But we cannot just ride out the hard times and then go back to business as usual. Instead, we must renew hope for Washingtonians who are suffering today, and lay — for them — a platform for a better tomorrow.

First, we can and must quickly create new jobs for working families by rebuilding roads and schools, and creating a green economy for the 21st century — all in partnership with President-elect Barack Obama's "American Recovery and Reinvestment" plan.

Second, like our struggling families and businesses, we can and will tighten our belts, balance our budget and focus on basic needs — protection of our children, our schools and colleges, our public safety, our environment and our economy. Third, we won't waste this crisis! We can and must reform state government. In this moment of clarity, we must grab the opportunity to reform so we can respond to the evolving needs of this century.

Fourth, we can and must approach all our challenges as a computer engineer might. Let's build a new platform that makes Washington unique — that can support the exciting possibilities of the 21st century rather than the fading possibilities of the last. And finally, this is the time for generosity among all Washingtonians.

Real solutions to many of our problems will come from partnerships with our families, our communities, our faith-based organizations and our service groups. This is our time. A time like no other. Our time to show courage. Our time to reach across the aisle — Democrats and Republicans — to help our people. Our time for all to light the lamp of generosity.

And if we need an example of this can-do spirit, we can reach back 76 years to an even worse time — the Great Depression — a time of breadlines, massive unemployment, despair and hope for a better day. The first thing President Franklin Roosevelt did was get people back to work, and by the way, so did Governor Clarence Martin right here in Washington. Indeed, the most visible Northwest project built under Roosevelt's jobs plan was the world-famous Grand Coulee Dam. Tomorrow, I will introduce the "Washington Jobs Now" plan. It is nowhere near as big as the Grand Coulee Dam project back in the 20th century, but it will leave a legacy of roads, schools and green-collar jobs to thrust our state firmly into the 21st century! And I urge you to help me do it — and in the first days of this new session.

This is our moment to act with courage — boldly and urgently — as our President-elect is doing — to speed up a recovery. We can quickly create thousands of new jobs this year and next by accelerating nearly \$1 billion in public works projects. These projects will build new roads and schools, and create green-collar jobs to lay more groundwork for the prosperity to come.

The time to act is now! My "Washington Jobs Now" plan will stretch over the next two years — even as we undertake the largest transportation construction cycle in state history! We now have 1,400 transportation projects under way, or about to start, worth \$3 billion. By combining this historic transportation package with my "Washington Jobs Now" plan, we will provide nearly 20,000 jobs in the next two years.

Franklin Roosevelt did more than create jobs. And so must we.

That's why I'm urging you to also act on an unemployment insurance proposal I'll soon introduce to help laid-off workers and struggling businesses. Our state has the healthiest Unemployment Trust Fund in the country. We need to put these funds to work through a temporary increase in benefits for workers and a temporary tax cut for businesses. Unemployment benefits are a uniquely powerful tool to benefit our economy. Benefits go directly to folks who need help and they are spent locally to boost business. Every dollar of benefits results in another \$1.64 of buying power in our economy. And the tax break will help businesses weather the downturn.

And we must help ease the suffering of families struggling to feed their kids. Last fall, we greatly expanded eligibility for food stamps, which brings to our state \$825 million in federal funding this year. Every \$5 spent in food stamps ultimately means \$9.20 circulating through our economy.

And finally, I have an urgent proposal to keep families in their homes. We helped homeowners last year, and this year, I'm asking you to approve legislation to help struggling homeowners work out ways to avoid foreclosure with time extensions. My "Washington Jobs Now" plan and the recovery proposals address some short-term needs, but they amount to more than a short-term fix. They help us build that new foundation to prepare Washington for the future.

I welcome a new dawn in Washington, D.C. — where Barack Obama and the new Congress are ready to create jobs, rebuild our nation, and help working people and businesses. Next week President-elect Obama will introduce his plan to get Americans back to work. His plan includes funding for schools, infrastructure and expansion of a green economy. I am working with the President-elect to make sure his plan includes ready-to-go projects here in Washington. The President-elect's plan will double our commitment to renewable energy production — a huge opportunity for Washington, which is already leading in renewable energy production.

Let's join that new dawn with our own plan to accelerate jobs and economic recovery. I know many of you have ideas for an economic recovery plan. I want to work with you, and with everyone else, for an effective package that will quickly pass. There is no reason to delay. The sooner we do it, the better it will be for working Washington families and businesses. When this recession ends, and it will end, we must be ready for a new economy. We need to preserve our education system to make sure we provide workers skilled in science, math, engineering and technology. We need to nurture and cultivate our growing life sciences and global health sectors. We need to deliver on the promise of a green economy and thousands of green collar-jobs. This is the economic future for our children and our state. Economic recovery also means tightening our belts and living within our means. We must do what the people who sent us here are doing.

There is a growing number of Washington families out there right now who suddenly find themselves living on an unemployment check. They know what it means to tighten their belts. I have proposed a two-year spending plan that addresses the largest budget gap in state history. This budget contains as much care and

compassion as we could muster. But it still hurts real people, and with each cut I chose, I saw their faces. I don't like this budget, but I proposed it for one simple reason — I must.

Let's face it. We were dealt a terrible hand by forces beyond our control. We are forced to make unprecedented and difficult choices.

Ladies and gentlemen, this is a time for real courage! I sent you a budget that rests on our basic values. And we lay the foundation to reap the results when the recovery comes. And so we will — all of us — Democrats and Republicans — working together to make the wisest, most compassionate decisions. I'm ready to work with all of you. This is what the people expect.

And one thing we have to do together is reform state government to bring it into the 21st century, and soon. At very basic levels, businesses are struggling to reform, to change the way they do business because they simply must to survive. And our business leaders tell me that American companies, large and small, will emerge from this recession forever changed.

We have to do the same. And that's government reform. This is our chance to reform state government to make it a more nimble and relevant partner in a new state economy. Ladies and gentlemen, we need to reboot! Over the decades, state government has evolved — layer upon layer upon layer. But too much of what served the people well in 1940 or 1960 or 1990 does not serve the people well in the 21st century. There are sacred cows standing in the way. There are political roadblocks. But let's step up to the challenge for the people who sent us here. For example, we have some 470 separate boards and commissions across numerous agencies.

Is there anybody in this chamber, or this state, who believes we need any more than half of 470 boards and commissions to serve the people of Washington? There are almost 60 involved with the Department of Social and Health Services alone.

And that's not the only issue we face. For instance, we have three agencies managing natural resources, each with its own scientist standing in the same Washington stream. We need to reform, and we will. We need a lean, nimble state government serving our people in the 21st century.

We know we can do it because in some cases we already have. Today, almost 40 percent of license tabs are renewed online, saving hassles and gas. We can close 26 licensing offices across the state while extending hours of operation at the 10 most popular locations. We are finding new ways to serve our customers. And customer service is what it's all about.

Today, 18,000 full-time students at our community and technical colleges are earning course credits online. It would take an additional four community colleges to offer all those classes the old-fashioned way. Thousands of people go online to check the balance on their food stamp debit card. And more than half of small business owners are filing their state taxes online. I ask you, if we can serve our motorists, our businesses, our students and our poor with 21st century technology, why can't we serve all citizens in ways that are more convenient for them, and cheaper and more effective for government? The answer is, we can. The answer is, we will!

I'm putting the finishing touches on a package of reforms for you to consider this session. I'm asking you to act on them this year. It will take courage. But the time has come to put our sacred cows out to pasture forever.

I can't reform government all by myself. For starters, I've asked Auditor Sonntag to help us figure out ways to sunset boards and commissions and to help us establish a 21st century way of doing business. I am also partnering with business and labor, state employees, citizens, and you, to get the job done. We need to make

sure we have a government for the 21st century so our workers and businesses can compete with anyone in the world.

Finally this afternoon, I issue an urgent call to all Washingtonians — each and every one of us — to come together to help our neighbors in a spirit of shared generosity.

First, please join me by recognizing the men and women, who, for the past five years, have sacrificed by putting their lives on hold to fight in distant wars — and who, in some cases, have sacrificed their very lives. In Iraq last week, I met, among others, Sergeant First Class Gerald Frazier of the Washington National Guard's Heavy Brigade Combat Team. Jerry is typical of the Washington men and women helping Iraq rebuild into a democracy — focused, committed and above all, generous. Jerry and his fellow soldiers run the American combat base at Ramadi. Let me describe their lives to you. They live in a dusty, barren desert, and they work 12 to 14-hour days, seven days a week. Jerry and his fellow soldiers definitely don't come home to home-cooked meals — one of the seasonings on their food is dust, a lot of it. They live in retro-fitted shipping containers, and for recreation, they have a little temporary building with a TV and some weights. Because they're in a combat zone, they don't go outside the camp. They were tickled pink when I gave them a Washington state flag to hang alongside their 12th Man flag. Let us thank them for their generosity — to the people of Iraq and to all of us.

So today, I am honored to introduce to you Jerry Frazier's wife Val, and their two children, Caitlin and Jerry Junior, who are here to represent all the families of the dedicated men and women of the 81st Brigade. These families care enough about this world to see their spouses and parents off to a dangerous war in order to help others, and us, maintain the freedoms we have. Val and your children, please stand for a well-deserved round of applause.

Thank you, each of you, for your generosity to our country and our community. Let your spirit of giving be our spirit too. Let's help our neighbors in need, as the Frazier family has, and as our grandparents and great-grandparents did during the Great Depression so long ago. We must find and embrace the generous spirit of those times. Let's recognize the suffering of our neighbors.

With the terrible flooding last week, we saw once again the spark of generosity in the hearts of Washingtonians. We saw it from the people of Spokane, who turned out in huge numbers to help the city clear storm drains to ease flooding. We saw it in Snohomish where neighbors are still helping neighbors clean up, in Orting where townspeople packed sandbags, and in Lewis County where a hotel cut its room rates in half to accommodate people fleeing their homes.

Today, I want to issue a challenge. I ask every Washingtonian right now, today, to commit to at least one hour a month to help other Washingtonians in need. I personally embrace that challenge. And so does every member of my family. Will you join us? Mother Teresa once said, "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

And please know that we are in a time when for too many people, the things that matter most are incredibly basic — food, shelter, utilities and something deeper — the knowledge that somebody cares about them. There is no shortage of things we can do — help build shelter for poor families ... volunteer at a food bank or homeless shelter ... check "yes" on our utility bills to donate heat and lights to a fellow customer. And we can start by looking around — knocking on a neighbor's door to see if they need help — and by opening our hearts. You know, the Jewish faith teaches that any society in which people care only for themselves is a society that — literally — is headed for poverty. I believe that, too. As Mother Teresa says, no one person can do it all. But just think what we can do for each other if everybody takes responsibility.

I also want to challenge each person — if you have the means — to commit to donating four non-perishable food items each month to a food bank, or the equivalent in cash. I asked Northwest Harvest what it would mean if even one in four Washingtonians answered the challenge for just one month. Here's what it said: The donations would feed more than 4,200 people for a month! That's a lot of food for hungry kids, seniors and families if we all stepped up to the challenge.

And there is another challenge we can embrace next Monday — the holiday celebrating the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. President-elect Obama is calling for a national day of service, and I urge all who can take part to do it. Let us join hands, and let us help each other through these difficult times.

Ladies and gentlemen, we will get through this hard time and open the door to a better, brighter day. We are Democrats and Republicans. But we are so much more. We are the sons and daughters of our gleaming high-tech cities ... of our rolling wheat fields and lush orchards ... of our fishing and timber towns. We are from small hamlets and far-flung suburbs. We are teachers, lawyers, salesmen, homemakers, cops, retirees, engineers, nurses, firefighters, computer experts. We are the people of Washington. We represent all the people of Washington, and we share a distinction that transcends who we are and what we are. We are One Washington and we come to serve. We are here in the year 2009 to make hard choices with courage and political will. We are here to protect families, get people back to work and prepare for the 21st century. We are here to reform our government to better serve our future, and we are here together as a family is together — to help and support each other, and to build for tomorrow.

This is the time for courage, and this is the time for generosity among all Washingtonians.

Let's do it, ladies and gentlemen, let's get to work!

God bless you all.

And God bless the Great State of Washington!"

The President asked the special committee to escort Governor Gregoire and her family from the House Chamber.

The President asked the special committee to escort the Statewide elected officials from the House Chamber.

The President asked the special committee to escort the Supreme Court Justices from the House Chamber.

MOTION

On motion of Representative Kessler, the Joint Session was dissolved. The Speaker (Representative Morris presiding) assumed the chair.

The Sergeant at Arms of the House and the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate escorted President of the Senate Owen, President Pro Tempore Franklin and Deputy Minority Leader Carrell, and members of the Washington State Senate from the House Chamber.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eleventh order of business.

MOTION

On motion of Representative Kessler, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., January 13, 2005, the 4th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk