

SIXTY FOURTH DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Monday, March 16, 2015

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

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) called upon Representative Moeller to preside.

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

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4623, by Representatives Buys, Tarleton, Carlyle, Van Werven, Morris, and Lytton

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State House of Representatives to honor the successes and sacrifices of commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State commercial fishing fleet begins leaving in March and May, and the Blessing of the Fleet will occur at Fishermen's Terminal in Ballard on March 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, This is the 87th year the Ballard First Lutheran Church has held the blessing and the 19th year Pastor Erik Wilson Weiberg has offered the blessing; and

WHEREAS, This is the 40th year the Blessing of the Fleet will occur at the Port of Bellingham, and this year it will be presented at Zuanich Point Park in Squalicum Harbor on May 16, 2015, at 11:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, This is the 32nd year the Blessing of the Fleet will occur in Blaine Harbor, and this year it will be presented at Blaine Boating Center on May 3, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State commercial fishing fleet is one of the world's largest distant water fleets; and

WHEREAS, The commercial fishing industry directly and indirectly employs thousands of people and is one of the largest industries in Washington State, the annual harvest is vital to the growth and stability of the Washington State economy; and

WHEREAS, The life of a fisher is fraught with danger and hardship most people will never face, and strength and courage are requirements for anyone who chooses to work on the sea, as fishers must brave the elements in order to harvest the ocean's resources; and

WHEREAS, The men and women who work on fishing boats, often in dangerous circumstances, deserve our admiration, thanks, and, when tragedy strikes, our remembrance; and

WHEREAS, Too often, the brave men and women of our fishing fleet lose their lives, a tragedy that not only impacts the close-knit community of fishing families in our region, but also our entire state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives extend its condolences to the families and friends of all our fishers who have lost their lives at sea, wish the entire commercial fishing fleet a safe and prosperous season, and express its hope that all of our fishers will return home safely to their families, friends, and communities.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4623.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4623 was adopted.

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4624, by Representative Moeller

WHEREAS, In 2015, over a half million people will die of cancer in the United States making it the nation's second leading cause of death; and

WHEREAS, Of all cancer deaths, more people in the United States die from lung cancer than any other type of cancer; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, over 200,000 people in the United States were diagnosed with lung cancer and over 150,000 people in the United States died from lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, African American males are more likely to die from lung cancer than any other racial or ethnic population; and

WHEREAS, While the number of deaths from cancer has declined for men, except men of color, the number of lung cancer rates for women have been rising; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the human costs, the direct medical costs of cancer have been estimated to be around ninety billion dollars per year, with lung cancer representing a significant portion of those costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize the effects that lung cancer has had on Washington residents and honor those who are living with the disease and those who are caring for them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the American Cancer Society and the Secretary of the Washington State Department of Health.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4624.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4624 was adopted.

RESOLUTION**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4625, by Representatives Buys and Van Werven**

WHEREAS, Skyler Hamilton, an esteemed resident of the City of Everson and a student at Meridian High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamilton earned this award by generously giving his time and energy to his community; and

WHEREAS, The success of the State of Washington, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure on the dedication of young people like Mr. Hamilton, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives congratulate and honor Skyler Hamilton as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognize his outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit, and extend best wishes for his continued success and happiness.

The Speaker (Representative Moeller presiding) stated the question before the House to be adoption of House Resolution No. 4625.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4625 was adopted.

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

SB 5172 March 12, 2015
Prime Sponsor, Senator Danmeier: Revising the lien for collection of sewer charges by counties. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Griffey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fitzgibbon; McBride; McCaslin; Peterson and Pike.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SB 5271 March 12, 2015
Prime Sponsor, Senator Roach: Concerning standards adopted by the national fire protection association and the state building code council. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Griffey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fitzgibbon; McBride; Peterson and Pike.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Taylor, Ranking Minority Member and McCaslin.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SB 5337 March 12, 2015
Prime Sponsor, Senator Fraser: Modifying per diem rates for port district officers and employees. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Griffey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fitzgibbon; McBride; Peterson and Pike.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Taylor, Ranking Minority Member and McCaslin.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SSB 5350 March 12, 2015
Prime Sponsor, Committee on Government Operations & Security: Concerning water-sewer districts. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Griffey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fitzgibbon; McBride; McCaslin; Peterson and Pike.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

SB 5556 March 12, 2015
Prime Sponsor, Senator Warnick: Concerning irrigation district administration. Reported by Committee on Local Government

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Takko, Chair; Gregerson, Vice Chair; Taylor, Ranking Minority Member; Griffey, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Fitzgibbon; McBride; McCaslin; Peterson and Pike.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

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

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., March 17, 2015, the 65th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

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