SEVENTY-FIFTH DAY

MORNING SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Friday, March 23, 2007

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Owen. The Secretary called the roll and announced to the President that all Senators were present with the exception of Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Marr, Pflug, Pridemore, Roach and Weinstein.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of the Inter-Tribal Society Honor Guard members, Sonny Bargala, US Army Retired and Jesse McDaniel III, US Navy Retired presented the Colors. Reverend Irwin Porter of the Church of the Indian Fellowship offered the prayer.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

MOTION

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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ESHB 1050 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Education: Allowing certain students with disabilities to participate in graduation ceremonies. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Clements, Eide, Hewitt, Hobbs, Holmquist, Kauffman, Oemig, Rasmussen, Weinstein and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>2SHB 1096</u> Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Creating postsecondary opportunity programs. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 21, 2007

SHB 1097 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness: Protecting frail elders and vulnerable adults and persons with developmental disabilities from perpetrators who commit their crimes while providing transportation, within the course of their employment, to frail elders and vulnerable adults and persons with developmental disabilities. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

<u>SHB 1099</u> Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care & Wellness: Regulating certain dental professions. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair, Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Parlette and Pflug

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1114 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Prohibiting the marketing of estate distribution documents by persons not authorized to practice law in this state. Revised for 1st Substitute: Prohibiting the marketing of estate distribution documents by persons not authorized to practice law in this state. (REVISED FOR ENGROSSED: Prohibiting the marketing of estate distribution documents by persons not authorized to practice law in this state or who are not a financial institution.) Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray and Weinstein

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Carrell and Roach

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 21, 2007

HB 1126 Prime Sponsor, Morrell: Changing late renewal penalty provisions for concealed pistol licenses. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 21, 2007

HB 1143 Prime Sponsor, Lantz: Concerning notices of dishonor. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1144 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Providing a uniform method of transferring a municipal court judgment into district court. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray and Weinstein

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Carrell and Roach

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

HB 1145 Prime Sponsor, Lantz: Modifying the definition of an "account receivable" for purposes of commencing an action. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>2SHB 1201</u> Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Extending medicaid coverage for foster care youth who reach age eighteen. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Parlette and Pflug

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 21, 2007

SHB 1268 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Local Government: Authorizing donation of unclaimed personal property to nonprofit charitable organizations. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SHB 1337 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Health Care & Wellness: Requiring insurance coverage for colorectal cancer screening. Revised for 1st Substitute: Regarding coverage for colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Fairley, Kastama and Kohl-Welles

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Pflug. Without recommendation. Signed by Senators Carrell and Parlette

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>HB 1437</u> Prime Sponsor, Eddy: Concerning fees for petitioners of sexual assault protection orders. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>SHB 1458</u> Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Requiring notice to property owners before condemnation decisions. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by

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Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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ESHB 1497 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Increasing the operating fee waiver authority for Central Washington University. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 21, 2007

SHB 1642 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Concerning criminal violations of no-contact orders, protection orders, and restraining orders. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair, Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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2SHB 1677 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Creating the outdoor education and recreation grant program for schools and others. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Clements, Eide, Hewitt, Hobbs, Holmquist, Kauffman, Oemig, Rasmussen, Weinstein and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

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HB 1722 Prime Sponsor, Conway: Clarifying the authority of physician assistants to execute certain certificates and other forms for labor and industries. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Parlette and Pflug

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1779 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Creating the GET ready for math and science scholarship program. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>HB 1793</u> Prime Sponsor, Lantz: Removing the limit on the number of cities eligible for indigent defense grants through

the office of public defense. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray, Roach and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 1825 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Providing dedicated funding for public health services. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Parlette and Pflug

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

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ESHB 1883 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Higher Education: Modifying the higher education coordinating board. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Delvin and Schoesler

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Berkey

MINORITY recommendation: Without recommendation. Signed by Senator Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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<u>HB 1939</u> Prime Sponsor, Goodman: Modifying privileged communications provisions. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, McCaslin, Murray and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1966 Prime Sponsor, Curtis: Clarifying the authority of physician assistants to sign and attest to documents. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Carrell, Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Parlette and Pflug

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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E2SHB 2176 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Appropriations: Revising provisions involving court interpreters. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Carrell, Hargrove, Murray and Weinstein

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

March 22, 2007

SHB 2275 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Regarding funding of state parks. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Fraser, Hargrove, Morton, Poulsen, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker

Passed to Committee on Transportation.

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SHB 2317 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Higher Education: Requiring development of a definition of "high demand." Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 20, 2007

SHB 2335 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Finance: Exempting certain amateur radio repeaters from leasehold excise taxes. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Prentice, Chair; Fraser, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Pridemore, Vice Chair, Operating Budget; Brandland, Carrell, Fairley, Hatfield, Hewitt, Hobbs, Honeyford, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Oemig, Parlette, Rasmussen, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Tom and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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EHJR 4204 Prime Sponsor, Schual-Berke: Amending the Constitution to provide for a simple majority of voters voting to authorize a school levy. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Tom, Vice Chair; Eide, Hobbs, Kauffman, Oemig, Rasmussen and Weinstein

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Clements, Hewitt, Holmquist and Zarelli

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HCR 4404 Prime Sponsor, Kenney: Approving the 2006 update to the state comprehensive plan for workforce training. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

SGA 9144 JANET LEWIS, appointed November 14, 2005, for the term ending June 30, 2009, as Member of the Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9255 SANFORD KINZER, appointed October 17, 2005, for the term ending September 30, 2011, as Member, Board of Trustees, Central Washington University. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SGA 9269 CELESTE STRAHL, appointed February 16, 2007, for the term ending September 30, 2007, as Member, Board of Trustees, Technical College District #26 (Lake Washington). Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That said appointment be confirmed. Signed by Senators Shin, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair; Berkey, Delvin, Schoesler and Sheldon

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTION

On motion of Eide, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Substitute House Bill No. 1099 which was referred to the Committee on Rules, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2176 which was referred to the Committee on Ways & Means and Substitute House Bill No. 2275 which was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the third order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

March 22, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

CRAIG W. GIBELYOU, appointed March 8, 2007, for the term ending December 5, 2010, as Member of the Western State Hospital Advisory Board.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

March 14, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

TROY HUTSON, appointed March 14, 2007, for the term ending June 30, 2010, as Member of the Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board.

Sincerely.

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

March 13, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

AMANDA LEE, appointed May 1, 2007, for the term ending September 25, 2010, as Member of the Clemency and Pardons Board.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, all appointees listed on the Gubernatorial Appointments report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Rasmussen moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION 8668

By Senators Rasmussen, Hatfield, Hobbs, Hewitt, Berkey, Oemig, Shin, Zarelli, Clements, Schoesler, Morton, Honeyford, Parlette, McAuliffe, Holmquist, Kauffinan, Keiser, Prentice, Tom, Pridemore, Brandland and Eide

WHEREAS, Washington has been blessed with local granges since 1873 and a statewide grange organization since shortly before the admission of Washington Territory to statehood in 1889; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Grange enjoys the distinction of having more Grangers than any other state -- currently around 50,000 members of a nationwide total of 350,000 members in 37 states; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Grange coordinates the activities of the state's 300 subordinate granges; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Grange invites all state residents to consider becoming members of this progressive, active, and concerned organization; and

WHEREAS, The Grange continues to honor its long-standing commitment to boosting the standard of living for farmers and other rural residents; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Grange, a nonpartisan, grass roots organization, takes pride in sponsoring a multitude of activities ranging from presenting college scholarships to legislative involvement and coordinating projects and contests; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to community building and involvement, many Pomona Granges organize countywide events such as softball or bowling leagues, camping clubs, or fund-raising drives for food banks, charities, or other community services; and

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WHEREAS, The Grange maintains a strong and abiding interest in quality of life issues important to rural and urban residents of our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate congratulate the Grange on more than 130 years of service in Washington Territory and the State of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the Washington State Grange for its many positive contributions to our communities and encourage officers and members to keep up the good and useful work they do; and

BE IT FÜRTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to State Grange President Terry Hunt at the Washington State Grange headquarters in Olympia.

Senator Rasmussen spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8668.

The motion by Senator Rasmussen carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced Mr. Terry Hunt, President of the Washington State Grange and members of the Grange who were seated in the gallery.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate reverted to the sixth order of business.

SECOND READING CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Murray moved that Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9113, Jennifer Faubion, as a member of the Board of Regents, University of Washington, be confirmed.

Senator Murray spoke in favor of the motion.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Brandland, Senators Hewitt, Pflug and Roach were excused.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, Senator Marr was excused.

APPOINTMENT OF JENNIFER FAUBION

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9113, Jennifer Faubion as a member of the Board of Regents, University of Washington.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9113, Jennifer Faubion as a member of the Board of Regents, University of Washington and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 41; Nays, 0; Absent, 4; Excused, 4.

Voting yea: Senators Benton, Berkey, Brandland, Brown, Carrell, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Fairley, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, Haugen, Hobbs, Holmquist, Honeyford, Kastama, Kauffman, Keiser, Kilmer, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, McCaslin, Morton, Murray, Oemig, Parlette, Poulsen, Prentice, Rasmussen, Regala, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Sheldon, Shin,

Spanel, Stevens, Swecker, Tom and Zarelli - 41

Absent: Senators Hatfield, Jacobsen, Pridemore and Weinstein - 4

Excused: Senators Hewitt, Marr, Pflug and Roach - 4

Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9113, Jennifer Faubion, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Board of Regents, University of Washington.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Regala, Senators Hatfield, Jacobsen and Pridemore were excused.

SECOND READING CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Rockefeller moved that Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9260, Earl Hale, as a member of the Higher Education Coordinating Board, be confirmed.

Senator Rockefeller spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF EARL HALE

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9260, Earl Hale as a member of the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9260, Earl Hale as a member of the Higher Education Coordinating Board and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 42; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 7.

Voting yea: Senators Benton, Berkey, Brandland, Brown, Carrell, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Fairley, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, Haugen, Hobbs, Holmquist, Honeyford, Kastama, Kauffman, Keiser, Kilmer, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, McCaslin, Morton, Murray, Oemig, Parlette, Poulsen, Prentice, Rasmussen, Regala, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Sheldon, Shin, Spanel, Stevens, Swecker, Tom, Weinstein and Zarelli - 42

Excused: Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Marr, Pflug, Pridemore and Roach - 7

Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9260, Earl Hale, having received the constitutional majority was declared confirmed as a member of the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

MOTION

On motion of Rockefeller, the rules were suspended, the Senate, with a single vote, considered the confirmations of Gubernatorial Appointments and the vote of the Senate was recorded as a separate vote for each appointment.

SECOND READING CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

Senator Fraser moved that Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9188, Brian Vance, and Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9203, Leonor Fuller as members of the Board of Trustees, South Puget Sound Community College District No. 24, be confirmed.

Senator Fraser spoke in favor of the motion.

APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN VANCE

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9188, Brian

Vance and Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9203, Leonor Fuller as members of the Board of Trustees, South Puget Sound Community College District No. 24.

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9188, Brian Vance as a member of the Board of Trustees, South Puget Sound Community College District No. 24 and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 44; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Senators Benton, Berkey, Brandland, Brown, Carrell, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Fairley, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, Haugen, Hobbs, Holmquist, Honeyford, Kastama, Kauffman, Keiser, Kilmer, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, McCaslin, Morton, Murray, Oemig, Parlette, Pflug, Poulsen, Prentice, Rasmussen, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Sheldon, Shin, Spanel, Stevens, Swecker, Tom, Weinstein and Zarelli - 44

Excused: Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Marr and Pridemore - 5

APPOINTMENT OF LEONOR FULLER

The Secretary called the roll on the confirmation of Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9203, Leonor Fuller as a member of the Board of Trustees, South Puget Sound Community College District No. 24 and the appointment was confirmed by the following vote: Yeas, 44; Nays, 0; Absent, 0; Excused. 5.

Voting yea: Senators Benton, Berkey, Brandland, Brown, Carrell, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Fairley, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, Haugen, Hobbs, Holmquist, Honeyford, Kastama, Kauffman, Keiser, Kilmer, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, McCaslin, Morton, Murray, Oemig, Parlette, Pflug, Poulsen, Prentice, Rasmussen, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller, Schoesler, Sheldon, Shin, Spanel, Stevens, Swecker, Tom, Weinstein and Zarelli - 44

Excused: Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Marr and Pridemore - 5

Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9188, Brian Vance and Gubernatorial Appointment No. 9203, Leonor Fuller having received the constitutional majority were declared confirmed as members of the Board of Trustees, South Puget Sound Community College District No. 24.

MOTION

At 10:35 a.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate was declared to be at ease subject to the call of the President.

The Senate was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by President Owen.

SECOND READING

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1460, by Representatives Schual-Berke, Hankins, Cody, Campbell, Morrell, Green, Dickerson, Darneille, McDermott, Jarrett, Hudgins, Moeller, Kagi, Rodne, Williams, Ormsby, Haigh, Linville, Wood, Conway, O'Brien, Hasegawa, Santos and Lantz

Extending existing mental health parity requirements to individual and small group plans.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

Senator Pflug moved that the following amendment by Senator Pflug be adopted.

On page 15, after line 5 insert a new section to read:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The Washington state institute for public policy, in collaboration with the office of insurance commissioner, is directed to complete an evaluation of the effect of this act. The study shall include the impacts on premiums paid by small business, the number of firms offering coverage, and the number of employees covered by small business. To the extent possible, the cost benefit analysis should also examine any relevant changes in employee productivity and employee retention for the small business, and impacts on mental health service providers such as hospitals, and any associated reductions in uncompensated care. The study shall examine at least two year's of experience after implementation and be submitted to the legislature no later than December 1, 2011."

WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDMENT

On motion of Senator Pflug, the amendment by Senator Pflug on page 15, line 5 to Engrossed House Bill No. 1460 was withdrawn.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Keiser, the rules were suspended, Engrossed House Bill No. 1460 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Keiser and Pflug spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Brandland, Senator McCaslin was excused.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1460.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 1460 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 41; Nays, 3; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.

Voting yea: Senators Benton, Berkey, Brandland, Brown, Carrell, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Fairley, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, Haugen, Hobbs, Holmquist, Honeyford, Kastama, Kauffman, Keiser, Kilmer, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Morton, Murray, Oemig, Parlette, Pflug, Poulsen, Prentice, Pridemore, Rasmussen, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller, Shin, Spanel, Swecker, Tom, Weinstein and Zarelli - 41

Voting nay: Senators Schoesler, Sheldon and Stevens - 3
Excused: Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Jacobsen, Marr and
McCaslin - 5

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1460, having received the constitutional majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

At 11:14 p.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate

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BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

THOMAS HOEMANN, Secretary of the Senate

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