



STATE OF WISCONSIN Senate Journal

One-Hundred and Second Regular Session

12:04 P.M.

TUESDAY, January 20, 2015

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senate President Lazich.

CALL OF ROLL

The roll was called, disclosing the presence of a quorum.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 15, the official attendance for session was:

Senators Bewley, Carpenter, Cowles, Erpenbach, Farrow, S. Fitzgerald, Gudex, Hansen, Harris Dodd, Harsdorf, C. Larson, Lasee, Lassa, Lazich, LeMahieu, Marklein, Miller, Moulton, Nass, Olsen, Petrowski, Ringhand, Risser, Roth, Shilling, L. Taylor, Tiffany, Vinehout, Vukmir, Wanggaard and Wirch - 31.

Absent with leave - Senator Darling - 1.

Vacancies - 20th Senate District - 1.

The Senate stood for a moment of silent meditation.

The Senate remained standing and Senator Tiffany led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that Senator Darling be granted a leave of absence for today's session.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (6), the Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** offered by Senators Risser, L. Taylor, Erpenbach, Miller, Vinehout, Harris Dodd, Bewley, Ringhand, C. Larson, Carpenter, Wirch, Hansen, Lassa and Shilling.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** offered by Senators Risser, L. Taylor, Erpenbach, Miller, Vinehout, Harris Dodd, Bewley, Ringhand, C. Larson, Carpenter, Hansen, Lassa and Shilling.

Senate Substitute Amendment 2 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** offered by Senators L. Taylor and Risser.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Kremer added as a co-sponsor of **Senate Joint Resolution 2**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Kremer added as a co-sponsor of **Senate Bill 4**.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENTS OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND SENATE BILLS

Senate Joint Resolution 2

Relating to: election of chief justice (second consideration).

Read a second time.

Senator Tiffany moved that Senate Substitute Amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** be laid on the table.

The question was: Shall Senate Substitute Amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** be laid on the table?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 17; noes, 14; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Cowles, Farrow, S. Fitzgerald, Gudex, Harsdorf, Lasee, Lazich, LeMahieu, Marklein, Moulton, Nass, Olsen, Petrowski, Roth, Tiffany, Vukmir and Wanggaard - 17.

Noes - Senators Bewley, Carpenter, Erpenbach, Hansen, Harris Dodd, C. Larson, Lassa, Miller, Ringhand, Risser, Shilling, L. Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch - 14.

Absent or not voting - Senator Darling - 1.

Tabled.

Senator Tiffany moved that Senate Substitute Amendment 2 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** be laid on the table.

The question was: Shall Senate Substitute Amendment 2 to **Senate Joint Resolution 2** be laid on the table?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 17; noes, 14; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Cowles, Farrow, S. Fitzgerald, Gudex, Harsdorf, Lasee, Lazich, LeMahieu, Marklein, Moulton, Nass, Olsen, Petrowski, Roth, Tiffany, Vukmir and Wanggaard - 17.

Noes - Senators Bewley, Carpenter, Erpenbach, Hansen, Harris Dodd, C. Larson, Lassa, Miller, Ringhand, Risser, Shilling, L. Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch - 14.

Absent or not voting - Senator Darling - 1.

Tabled.

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Noes - Senators Bewley, Carpenter, Erpenbach, Hansen, Harris Dodd, C. Larson, Lassa, Miller, Ringhand, Risser, Shilling, L. Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch - 14.

Absent or not voting - Senator Darling - 1.

Tabled.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that the bill be considered for final action at this time.

Senate Joint Resolution 2

Read a third time

The question was: Adoption of **Senate Joint Resolution 2**?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 17; noes, 14; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Cowles, Farrow, S. Fitzgerald, Gudex, Harsdorf, Lasee, Lazich, LeMahieu, Marklein, Moulton, Nass, Olsen, Petrowski, Roth, Tiffany, Vukmir and Wanggaard - 17.

Noes - Senators Bewley, Carpenter, Erpenbach, Hansen, Harris Dodd, C. Larson, Lassa, Miller, Ringhand, Risser, Shilling, L. Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch - 14.

Absent or not voting - Senator Darling - 1.

Adopted.

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly:

Senate Joint Resolution 2

Messaged.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT HONORS, AND REMARKS UNDER SPECIAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of the Kenosha Unified School District. KUSD has just announced their high school graduation rate has hit its highest level in 15 years. According to the district, its overall graduation rate was 88.4% in 2014. The rate increased among almost all student groups including low income, minority students and students with disabilities.

Senator Wanggaard, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of a man who has dedicated his life in service to his country and in particular, this state, former Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Jon Wilcox. Born and raised in Wisconsin, Jon Wilcox served honorably from 1959-1961 in the United States Army. Following his service, he attended the University of Wisconsin Law School, earning his law degree in 1965. In 1969, he was elected to the State Assembly, serving until 1975. He served on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress from 1975 until 1980. From 1979 to 1992, he served the people of Wauwata County as a judge and as the chairman of the Wisconsin Committee of Chief Justices from 1985-1992. He also served as chairman of the Wisconsin Sentencing Commission from 1987-92. He concluded his professional career of service to Wisconsin when he retired from the Wisconsin Supreme Court after serving for 15 years.

Senator Vinehout, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of the Pepin/Alma Eagles football team that capped off an incredible season by advancing to the State Championship game this past fall for the first time in the program's history. They were narrowly defeated in the Championship game after their late comeback bid fell just short, losing 17-12 to Owen-Withee. The success of the Pepin/Alma football team is a real tribute to their hard work, dedication and sportsmanship. It is also a tribute to their coach Mike Olson who was named the Green Bay Packers High School Football Coach of the Week after leading his team to the State Championship game. The team was also honored as a recipient of the WIAA State Tournament Team Sportsmanship Award for the exemplary conduct and sportsmanship displayed by athletes, coaches, fans and other supporters of the program. Congratulations to the 2014 Pepin/Alma Eagles football team on their incredible season. Congratulations to Coach Olson; Assistant Coaches Ingli, Brownell, Anderson, Sticht, Kilian and Nuzum; Managers Evan Olson, Micah Bacon and Jacobie Radatz; Statisticians Emily Kircher, Laura Glander, Andi Terpstra and Briana Jahnke; Athletic Trainer Kurt Jacobson; and players Tyler Meixner, Ryan Engstrand, Ben Mueller, Caiden Haake, Sam Mueller, Logan Carroll, Cole Glass, Adam Fayerweather, Nick Spencer, Lance Johnson, Trevor Heit, Jacob Kircher, Jonah Bacon, Jordan Meixner, Lane Larson, Zach Vreeland, Andrew Brevick, Jacob Riesgraf, Cole Engstrand, Blaze Bergmann, Austin Fetzer, Madison Larson, Trey Johnson, Jarett Pearson, Derek Dusek, Jacob

Brynjulfson, Erik Ehlert, James Sterry, Spencer Hanson, Sam Mathias, Jimmy Johnson, Zane Lehnartz, Matt Serene, Ronnie Engstrand and Randall Engstrand.

Senator Olsen, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of his staffer, Mary Pluta, who has been with him since he was in the Assembly. Mary had a very serious operation this morning that was successful. Senator Olsen would like everyone to keep her recovery in their prayers as she has a long road to recovery and is a wonderful woman.

Senator Taylor, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.. He lost his life trying to stand up for justice and fairness. Senator Taylor would like to honor the individuals who put together the Martin Luther King, Jr. program in Milwaukee, which is one of the largest in the nation. It allows young people to come in and show their talent. There has been a large diversity of young people showing their talent across the board. Senator Taylor hopes we will look at some of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s speeches and words to help find a different way to proceed as we move forward in this great body.

Senator Hansen, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Yesterday, an event in Green Bay honoring Selma's 50 years, drew the biggest crowd ever with several hundred people marching across the bridge.

Senator Hansen, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of President Barack Obama, who gives his State of the Union address

tonight, trying to move the country forward. May he never be held with a bad reputation because of the color of his skin.

Senator Shilling, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of Dana Sampson, her sister, who was very generous and donated a kidney to a perfect stranger. Senate Shilling is very proud of her generosity and selflessness.

Senator Carpenter, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of the Basilica of St. Josaphat, a historical landmark, a center of faith, a tourist destination, and a community asset in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, located in the Third Senate District.

Senator Carpenter, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of Milwaukee Soldiers Home, one of the three remaining original Soldiers Homes in the country located on the Zablocki Veteran's Administration grounds in Milwaukee.

Senator Farrow, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourns, it do so in honor of his father, John H. Farrow, who is celebrating his 80th birthday this week.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, January 22, 2015.

Adjourned.

2:45 P.M.