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The Senate convened at 1:00 p.m., with President Dalrymple presiding.

The prayer was offered by Father Steven Reiske, Secretary to Bishop Sullivan, Diocese of Fargo, Fargo.

The roll was called and all members were present.

A quorum was declared by the President.

CORRECTION AND REVISION OF THE JOURNAL

MR. PRESIDENT: Your Committee on Correction and Revision of the Journal (Sen. Watne, Chairman) has carefully reexamined the Journals of the Fourth and Fifth Days and recommends that they be corrected as follows and when so corrected, recommends that they be approved:

Page 63, line 15, after "Traynor" insert "and Reps. Kretschmar and Maragos"

Page 72, after line 22, insert:

"MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (MARK L. JOHNSON, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1081, HB 1082, HB 1147, HCR 3005."

SEN. WATNE MOVED that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2142: SEN. KREBSBACH (Industry, Business and Labor Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 72 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with DO PASS, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2151: SEN. KILZER (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ pages 72-73 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with DO PASS, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. G. NELSON MOVED that SB 2132 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Natural Resources Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed.

REQUEST

SEN. G. NELSON REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2132. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

MOTION

SEN. G. NELSON MOVED that SB 2130 and SB 2131 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Judiciary Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed.

REQUEST

SEN. G. NELSON REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2030. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

REQUEST

SEN. G. NELSON REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2031. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

MOTION

SEN. G. NELSON MOVED that SB 2199 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Human Services Committee** and be rereferred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**, which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Sen. G. Nelson's motion, SB 2199 was rereferred.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2065: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to access to corporate central credit union records.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 49 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Andrist; Bercier; Bowman; Christenson; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Espegard; Every; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Kelsh; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; Kroeplin; Lee; Lindaas; Lyson; Mathern, D.; Mathern, T.; Mutch; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; Nichols; O'Connell; Polovitz; Robinson; Schobinger; Solberg; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Thane; Tollefson; Tomac; Traynor; Trenbeath; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Watne

SB 2065 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2147: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-40.2-05 and 15-40.2-09 of the North Dakota Century Code or in the alternative to amend and reenact section 15.1-29-01 and subsection 1 of section 15.1-29-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school district tuition payment appeals to the state board of public school education; and to repeal section 15.1-29-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to appealing a school board's decision to not pay tuition for a kindergarten student.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 49 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Andrist; Bercier; Bowman; Christenson; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Espegard; Every; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Kelsh; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; Kroeplin; Lee; Lindaas; Lyson; Mathern, D.; Mathern, T.; Mutch; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; Nichols; O'Connell; Polovitz; Robinson; Schobinger; Solberg; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Thane; Tollefson; Tomac; Traynor; Trenbeath; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Watne

SB 2147 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2164: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 1-03-04 and 6-01-01, subsections 1 and 2 of section 6-01-01.1, subsections 5 and 8 of section 6-01-02, subsection 1 of section 6-01-04.1, subsection 1 of section 6-01-04.2, subsection 4 of section 6-01-10, section 6-01-13, subsection 1 of section 6-01-15, section 6-01-17.2, subsection 2 of section 6-02-01, sections 6-03-11, 6-03-13.5, 6-03-70, and 6-05-02, subsection 2 of section 6-05-04, subsections 1 and 3 of section 6-05-15.4, subsection 2 section 6-05-15.5, section 6-05-28, subsection 1 of section 6-06-08, sections 6-06-08.2 and 6-06-08.3, subsection 2 of section 6-06-35, section 6-06-36, subsection 4 of section 6-08.1-01, section 6-08.2-02, subsection 3 of section 6-08.3-01, section 6-09-29, subsection 4 of section 6-09-35, section 6-10-06, sections 7-01-03, 7-01-09, and 7-01-11, subsection 2 of section 7-01-12, section 7-01-14, subsection 5 of section 7-02-01, subsections 1, 9, and 10 of section 7-02-08, sections 7-03-01, 7-03-03, 7-03-04, and 7-03-05, subsection 4 of section 7-03-07, sections 7-04-20, 7-05-01, 7-05-02, 7-05-03, 7-05-04, 7-05-05, 7-05-06, 7-05-07, 7-06-01, 7-06-02, 7-06-03, 7-06-04, 7-06-05, 7-06-07, 7-07-02, 7-07-03, 7-07-05, 7-07-06, 7-07-07, 7-07-08, 7-07-12, 7-08-01, 7-08-03, and 7-08-05, subsection 2 of section 10-04-05, subsection 2 of section 12.1-06.1-01, subsection 1 of 13-03.1-01, subsection 1 of 13-03.1-11, sections 13-04.1-01, 13-04.1-03, 13-04.1-05, 13-04.1-06, 13-04.1-08, 13-04.1-10, 13-04.1-11, 13-04.1-13, 13-05-01, 13-05-03, 13-05-05, and 13-05-06, subsection 1 of section 13-05-06.1, sections 13-05-08, 13-05-08.1, and 23-21.1-03, subsection 2 of section 51-17-02, subsection 1 of section 54-06-04, subsection 16 of section 54-11-01, and section 54-11-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the name of the department of banking and financial institutions.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 49 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Andrist; Bercier; Bowman; Christenson; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Espegard; Every; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Kelsh; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; Kroeplin; Lee; Lindaas; Lyson; Mathern, D.; Mathern, T.; Mutch; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; Nichols; O'Connell; Polovitz; Robinson; Schobinger; Solberg; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Thane; Tollefson; Tomac; Traynor; Trenbeath; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Watne

SB 2164 passed and the title was agreed to.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, the emergency clause carried, and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2048.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2085, SB 2103, SB 2136, SB 2165.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (MARK L. JOHNSON, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed unchanged: SCR 4007.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (MARK L. JOHNSON, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1050, HB 1079, HB 1095, HCR 3003, HCR 3004.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the Senate be on the Fifth, Ninth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 17, 2001, which motion prevailed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- SB 2059: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2059 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 5, line 15, replace "This" with "Sections 2 and 5 of this Act are effective for taxes that become due after December 31, 1999. The remainder of this"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2062: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2062 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 16, replace "taxable years beginning" with "taxes that become due"

Page 1, line 17, replace "2000" with "1999"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2064: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2064 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2066: Education Committee (Sen. Freborg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2066 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2069: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2069 was rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2070: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2070 was rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2071: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2071 was rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2072: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2072 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2091: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2091 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2092: Human Services Committee (Sen. Lee, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2092 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- SB 2093: Human Services Committee (Sen. Lee, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2093 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 3, after "program" insert "; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency"
- Page 1, after line 10, insert:
 - "SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.
 - **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2096: Human Services Committee (Sen. Lee, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2096 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- SB 2118: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Traynor, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2118 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 13, after "finds" insert "by a preponderance of the evidence"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2137: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2137 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Sens. Bercier, Christenson, Lyson, T. Mathern and Reps. Cleary, Jensen introduced:

SB 2217: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a North Dakota human rights commission; to amend and reenact sections 14-02.4-19 and 14-02.4-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to actions, limitations, and mediation for discriminatory practices; to repeal section 14-02.4-12.1 and chapter 14-02.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to housing discrimination; to provide a penalty; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

Sens. Kroeplin, Klein and Reps. Brandenburg, DeKrey, Niemeier introduced:

SB 2218: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-39.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales and use tax exemption for office furniture and computer and telecommunications equipment in a new or expanding primary sector business; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

Sens. T. Mathern, Heitkamp, Thane and Reps. Koppang, Gulleson, Cleary introduced:

SB 2219: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 25-03.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to involuntary treatment and commitment procedures.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Lyson introduced:

SB 2220: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 27-20-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to costs and expenses of transporting juveniles for medical care and treatment.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

Sens. Heitkamp, G. Nelson and Reps. Belter, Gulleson introduced:

SB 2221: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-35.3-05, a new section to chapter 57-38, and a new subsection to section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a credit against financial institutions taxes and corporate, individual, estate, and trust income taxes for charitable contributions; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

Sens. Urlacher, Krauter, Wardner and Rep. Haas introduced:

SB 2222: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-24.5-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the mill levy for the southwest water authority.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

Sens. Urlacher, Krauter, Wardner and Rep. Haas introduced:

SB 2223: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-24.5-04 and 61-24.5-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the board of directors of the southwest water authority; and to repeal section 61-24.5-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the initial board of directors of the southwest water authority.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

Sens. Nichols, O'Connell, Solberg and Reps. Delzer, Onstad, Solberg introduced:

SB 2224: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to having of no-mow areas.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

Sens. Nichols, Every, Urlacher and Rep. Onstad introduced:

SB 2225: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to small game hunting by certain nonresidents born in North Dakota; and to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hunting by nonresidents.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

Sens. Watne, Mutch and Rep. N. Johnson introduced:

SB 2226: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 34-01-20 and 34-11.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prohibited employer retaliation for employee reporting of violations of laws, ordinances, or regulations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Heitkamp, Traynor and Rep. Carlson introduced:

SB 2227: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 49-23-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to damages to underground facilities.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

Sens. Krebsbach, Espegard and Reps. DeKrey, Keiser introduced:

SB 2228: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 47-14-05 and subsection 2 of section 51-13-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to fees for late payment of consumer debt.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

Sens. Robinson, Nething and Reps. R. Kelsch, Timm introduced:

SB 2229: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the adjutant general for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Sens. Solberg, G. Nelson, Traynor and Reps. Devlin, N. Johnson introduced:

SB 2230: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-13-10 and 44-02-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to filling a vacancy in a legislative office and resignation of a member of the legislative assembly; to repeal section 16.1-13-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duty of the governor when a vacancy occurs in the legislative assembly; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Sens. Nething, Wardner and Rep. N. Johnson introduced:

SB 2231: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 15-29-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authority of school district boards to establish student financial institutions; and to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 6-01-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to application fee for establishment of a separate banking facility.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

Sens. Kroeplin, Erbele and Reps. Aarsvold, Severson introduced:

SB 2232: A BILL for an Act to provide for an appropriation and a transfer of funds to the department of economic development and finance for allocation of grants for the remodeling of abandoned public school buildings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Sens. Mutch, O'Connell and Reps. DeKrey, Froseth, Mahoney introduced:

SB 2233: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-15-37.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to township levies for airport purposes; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

Sens. Kroeplin, Kelsh, Klein and Reps. Brusegaard, Schmidt introduced:

SB 2234: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 53-06.1-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the excise tax for pull tabs.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

Sens. Wanzek, G. Nelson, Nichols and Reps. Belter, Berg, Pollert introduced:

SB 2235: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the inspection, analysis, and verification of seeds and crops; and to provide for a report.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

Sens. Freborg, Fischer, Kelsh and Rep. Drovdal introduced:

SB 2236: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to offroad hunting.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

Sens. T. Mathern, Lee, Kelsh and Reps. Disrud, Hawken, S. Kelsh introduced:

SB 2237: A BILL for an Act to provide for an appropriation for the support of an early childhood and family center.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Sens. Freborg, G. Nelson and Reps. Brandenburg, Brusegaard, Nelson introduced:

SB 2238: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the administrative duties of school principals.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

Sens. Fischer, Flakoll, Lee and Reps. Delmore, Kliniske introduced:

SB 2239: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 25-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions for the newborn screening law; and to

amend and reenact sections 25-17-01, 25-17-02, 25-17-03, 25-17-04, 25-17-05, and 26.1-36-09.7 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to services and insurance coverage for treatment of metabolic diseases.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Robinson, Bowman, Grindberg and Reps. Carlisle, Kroeber introduced:

SB 2240: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-38 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an optional contribution by individual income taxpayers for programs and activities conducted by the silver-haired education association; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

FIRST READING OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Sens. Heitkamp, Nichols and Reps. Solberg, Warner introduced:

SCR 4009: A concurrent resolution urging Congress to allow the states to govern and determine the conditions under which travel and other activities may be conducted on the national grasslands.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 1050: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-07-01.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the filing of bills enacted by the Legislative Assembly.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HB 1079: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 43-29-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of a certificate required by the board of veterinary medical examiners.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

HB 1095: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 4-14.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to compensation of members of the agricultural products utilization commission.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HCR 3003: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study and develop a legislative redistricting plan or plans for use in the 2002 primary election.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HCR 3004: A concurrent resolution urging Congress not to implement or allow implementation of the Kyoto Protocol because of the potentially disastrous impact on American agriculture.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Christmann's motion.

WILLIAM R. HORTON, Secretary