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The House convened at 1:00 p.m., with Speaker D. Johnson presiding.

The prayer was offered by Associate Pastor Beth Walch, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present except Representatives Hager, Hauck, and Warrey.

A quorum was declared by the Speaker.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED a committee of two be appointed to escort Miss North Dakota, Sidni Kast, to the podium, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER D. JOHNSON APPOINTED Reps. Hoverson and VanWinkle to the escort committee.

REMARKS OF MISS NORTH DAKOTA SIDNI KAST

Hello everyone and thank you for having me here today to speak to you!

As stated, my name is Sidni Kast. I was born and raised in Minot by my parents Scott and Brenda and today we are also joined by my grandparents Adrian and Shirley who recently celebrated 68 years of marriage last August. I graduated from Minot High School in 2016, went on to get my Biology degree from Minot State University in 2019 and am currently pursuing my doctorate in physical therapy from the University of North Dakota where I will be graduating in May of 2024. But how did I get here, today, speaking to you as Miss North Dakota?

This journey started back in 2019 on a whim, and under my mom's advice of course. I decided to apply for the job of Miss Norsk Hostfest. I did this because the winner would earn a \$1,000 scholarship and I knew that was something I needed if I wanted to pursue a doctorate degree as the cost of higher education continues to increase. Following this I was given the option to compete as Miss ND, something I never considered doing but I took a leap of faith for scholarship and the opportunity to sing on a stage again.

That first year I competed I made the top 10 but was cut when they announced the top 5 and felt pretty defeated. I was an athlete all my life so competitive was my middle name. It felt as though I had failed when in reality it just wasn't my time yet.

So I started my education at UND and made the decision to give it one last shot. Because even if I didn't win Miss North Dakota, I would walk away with scholarship dollars for my education, life skills, and friendships.

However, on June 11, 2022, my life changed in ways I never imagined. It was the day I was crowned Miss North Dakota and began the job of a lifetime. To give you a little background on myself, and something I always preface with is I am no stereotypical "pageant girl". In fact MOST of the women who compete in the Miss America Organization aren't. This organization has been around for over 100 years and has evolved with the women who compete in it. It gives young women the opportunity to discover what they are unconditionally passionate about. And the reason I say unconditional is because you as leaders all understand, it is not easy to fight for a cause 24/7 but when you love it, it is worth the sacrifices. And now, through those sacrifices, I can proudly say I have earned roughly \$16,000 from the Miss America Organization.

So what is it that I am unconditionally passionate about? As Miss North Dakota I have the opportunity to travel across our beautiful state to speak about what is called my "social

impact initiative" which is a cause or issue a title holder speaks about to students, business owners, community members and today, you. The name of my social impact is called the "One Body Movement". This focuses on a holistic approach to taking care of our bodies each and every day. As a future physical therapist, I will be known as a movement expert. But when I created this idea, I wanted it to be more than movement because our overall health is so much more than that. Specifically I focus on physical, mental, and spiritual health each having a direct correlation to the other and impacting the overall quality of life of each of us. When I explain this to people of all ages I try to make them understand it from a different perspective because oftentimes when we think of health is what we see on Instagram, TV, movies. You know the 12 pack abs and perfectly toned arms but I want people of all ages to know, our health is so much more than what we see on the outside. Our health is not only what we feed our bodies, but what we feed our minds. It is who we surround ourselves with but also how we surround ourselves when we're alone.

When I go to school and am speaking to students, I compare their bodies to a car. Because our bodies, like a car, are machines that require maintenance. Now I want you to imagine your car or perhaps your dream car. It likely has four tires. Now, I want you to imagine that each of those tires represents a different part of your life. For me those tires include my physical health, my mental health, my social health and my work/school health. Now for each person those tires will likely represent different things because we all have different responsibilities. But have you ever felt there was a moment in your life where one, or maybe even two of those tires were deflated? The low tire pressure light came on or perhaps the tires were just flat? As we all know, if we have a flat tire, the car won't move forward. Personally I know that a little too well, you could ask my dad (also known as my personal mechanic) if you'd like more details. I'll give you the perfect example of a real life scenario.

Over the last few months I have been quite busy. From the months of June to December I was jampacked with Miss ND appearances, continuing my graduate program, taking finals all while preparing for Miss America. My school/work life tire was filled to the brim, I had never felt more successful with my accomplishments and felt I was finally reaching my full potential professionally. My physical health was at an all time high as I continued to take care of myself to look and feel my best on stage. But what I wasn't giving enough energy to, and what was put on the back burner, were my social health and my mental health. I felt my friendships were put on hold, and I wasn't taking enough time to reflect on how I felt because that time simply did not exist. Has that ever happened to you before where work took priority over family/friends? You spent more time at the office than you did at home?

That is what I was experiencing leading up to Miss America. I had flat tires and I wasn't able to move forward efficiently. No matter how hard I pressed the gas, I felt stuck. And I think we all do that when it comes to certain events or times of the year. We put some important things on the back burner and it catches up to us. So what I preach when I speak to people, and it's a message that even I still learn from and consider when I make decisions is we have to find the balance, as best as we can, between our different tires of life. But at the end of the day, even though I've made all of these comparisons between a car and our bodies, the biggest difference is this. You can replace the tires on your car, you can replace the entire vehicle if you need to, but you cannot replace your body. Because you are only given one. And that is why I call it the "One Body Movement" because it helps people understand themselves as a whole, and not just their imperfections.

So how do we get people to buy-in to this concept? How do we break down the barriers that society has built up? This brings me to a method that many physical therapists use when getting their patients to buy-in to treatment. We ask the most important guestion: "what is your why". Your "why" is the thing that gets you out of bed in the morning, the thing that makes you start something, the thing that makes you, you. I'm guessing when you all started doing this, whether it be 40 years ago or 40 days ago, you each had a why. Whether you're a business owner, or you just started that new year's resolution, you probably had a reason to do so. When it comes to our patients, those whys become more simple than you would think. They want to improve on walking so they can keep up with their grandkids. They want to have better balance so they can enjoy a sunset walk on the beach with their spouse. Or there's that commercial where the grandfather prepares all year lifting weights overhead so when the time comes, he can lift his granddaughter to put the star on top of the Christmas tree. And THAT is what my goal is. It is to show you that taking care of yourself does not have to be for the 12 pack of abs because let's be honest, it's unrealistic but that is what society often makes us think we need to be. But instead it should be for those little moments. The things we don't think about getting to do, until we can't do them anymore. And the reason I love this topic so much and am so passionate about it is that everyone can relate to it. And a quote that rings true is this: "If you do not make time for your wellness, you will be forced to make time for your illness."

What I believe our state needs is better funding for public education and resources to take care of themselves and help future generations thrive. I have been fortunate to grow up in a community that gave me the tools I needed to succeed in my health journey but not everyone is able to have the same opportunity. Our schools especially need better resources when it comes to mental health as that is often the route of all problems as the mind is our most powerful organ. A statement one of my professors made last year that really struck me was: "your zip code defines your health status". I'll say it again, "your zip code defines your health status". Now if this were 5 years ago and you said that to me I wouldn't really understand it because how could where you live dictate if you were diagnosed with cancer, struggled with disease, or worse. But that just proves how much our environment can influence our health and why we need to put regulations in place that gives each member of society a fighting chance. And it is often these people, with the higher chance of poor health, to be unable to afford the demanding prices of a hospital stay. That is why I am so passionate about educating people on the prevention of illness. But, when I tell people this, the first thing they mention is the cost. Why buy the expensive fruits and vegetables when you can go a cheaper route with the chips. That gym membership is way too much. Therapy? That's not included in my insurance plan! But do you want to know what's more expensive than all of those things combined? Hospital bills. Surgery expenses. But people get so stuck on looking at the cost of today that they don't realize our lives are a lifelong investment. Sooner or later, you have to pay up and it's up to you to decide which route you take.

So perspective is a huge part of all of this right? That's something I've learned when it comes to my own life. It was last spring when I relied on my perspective pretty frequently. Oftentimes, in many graduate programs, the first year is the most challenging. It's time for weaning out of the class, even though our professors obviously want everyone to succeed. You have to prove to them, and to yourself, that you're truly passionate about this profession or else you wouldn't put yourself through such a grueling time. So when I was going through this, and trust me, there were days I asked myself - is this worth it? And I would then remind myself of the Sidni a short year before that very moment. The Sidni who was impatiently waiting for an answer on whether or not she was accepted into the school of her dreams to pursue a field that she knew was the perfect fit for her. So that perspective, that shift in mindset is exactly what got me through a difficult time and is something we can all benefit from

What I will close with today is the same message I used to close my Miss North Dakota interview AND to close my Miss America interview. It is a quote from the song "Invictus". A song that my high school choir director, Lindsey Kerzmann, shared with me just one week before I became Miss North Dakota. It is about a man in the 1800s who suffered a double amputation of his legs and he wrote these words to show that even though all of the odds were against him, that the world seemed dark, he was not going to let that stop him from prevailing. The quote is "I am the master of my fate, the captain of my soul." These words have stuck with me since that moment and have helped me realize that no matter what happens to me, no matter the failures or success I endure, I will have the power to control my own actions, my own fate and that the only person that can limit me, is myself.

Thank you for having me, if you have any interest in having me speak or make an appearance at your events you can email me at missnorthdakota2022@gmail.com or find me on social media.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the remarks of Miss North Dakota, Sidni Kast, be printed in the Journal, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

REP. LEFOR rose on a point of personal privilege.

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE LEFOR

Thank you, Mr. Speaker,

Ladies and gentlemen of the assembly, today we celebrate the life of Martin Luther King, Jr.

- 1.He was named after reformer Martin Luther.
- 2.He entered college when he was just 15 years old.
- 3.He survived an assassination attempt a decade before his death.

He was a gifted student that he skipped several grades before enrolling in 1944 at Morehouse College.

On August 28, 1963, in his most famous speech, King stood on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and called for the end of racism before a crowd of 250,000 people.

An excerpt from that speech and I quote: "I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

On October 4, 1964, he won the Nobel Peace Prize for combating racial inequality through non-violent resistance.

In April 1968, he traveled to Memphis to support the strike of the city's garbage workers and in a speech on the night before his assassination he told an audience, "Like anybody, I would like to live a long life, longevity has its place. But I am not concerned about that now, I have seen the promised land, I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as people, will get to the promised land. And I'm happy tonight, I'm not worried about anything, I am not fearing any man, mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord." Less than 24 hours later he was murdered.

He was one of the most prominent leaders in the civil rights movement from 1955 to his death in 1968. He advanced civil rights for people of color in the United States through non-violence and civil disobedience.

On December 23, 1988, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation declaring a national holiday celebrating the life of Martin Luther King, the president stated that we must reaffirm in every generation the lessons of justice and charity he taught with unflinching determination. Finally, he said, "On Martin Luther King Jr. Day and every day let us unite in prayer and promise to be true to the American Dream he loved and renewed."

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

REP. ISTA rose on a point of personal privilege.

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE ISTA

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Assembly:

Forty years ago this year, President Ronald Reagan signed legislation enshrining this day as a national day of honor for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Three years later, in 1986, our great nation celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day for the first time. That timing has special significance to me, as it means I've been alive to celebrate exactly every one of the now 38 observances we've had of this special day.

It also means I was born into a time in our Nation's history where the greatness of Dr. King's legacy was already well-established. From the first time I ever learned about Dr. King, I was able to take his greatness for granted, to know him only as the hero of civil rights that we celebrate him as being today. Indeed, I imagine "I have a dream" was among the very first historical quotations I ever learned.

But for me, Dr. King has only ever existed in moving written prose, in grainy audio recordings of long-ago speeches, and, I note not unaware of the irony, in black and white video. A historical figure from a historical time.

But for others, perhaps including some still serving in this body, Dr. King existed as a contemporary, someone who was covered in the nightly news and daily paper. Not a historical figure but someone whose actions and words were judged in real time—and often harshly.

That's why, for as revered as the Rev. Dr. is today, that was not always the case. For as much as the dream Dr. King articulated seems to be a self-evident truth today, that, too, was not always the case. In the last Gallup poll taken while he was living, over 60% of Americans disapproved of Dr. King, with an astonishing 4 in 10 Americans giving him the lowest possible ranking among the options in the poll. Upon his assassination in 1968, nearly one in three Americans blamed him for bringing those actions upon himself, and only four in ten Americans expressed sadness or anger at this tragic event.

I cite these statistics not to engender shame or embarrassment about a not-so-distant era of our past, but rather as a hopeful frame through which to celebrate the progress we have made since then. By 1999, nearly 90% of Americans identified Dr. King as a man they admired. In a more recent poll, some 95% of Americans consider Dr. King to be an important American figure. What strikes me about this recent data is that nearly 90% of Americans who today are aged 65 or older have a favorable view of Dr. King. In 1966, the figure among those same people was just 41%.

This is a testament to us as Americans, to our great American spirit, because it shows we can change and have changed our minds. That rather than doubling or tripling down on the racism and division that Dr. King gave his life to defeat, we've embraced progress, we've reevaluated prior misconceptions, and we've come out better for it. It shows, as Dr. King so famously observed, that the arc of the moral universe may be long, but it continually bends towards justice.

We know that, because rather than being the divisive figure he was to many while living, we now set aside a day each year to honor him as a state and a nation. Rather than having to march to Washington for civil rights, Dr. King now stands immortal on our National Mall, a sentinel guarding the unfinished but ever-progressing work of his life.

So let those of us who are elected to serve our fellow citizens today recommit to marching arm-in-arm with Dr. King, to be worthy stewards of his legacy, and to have the humility to be ever-mindful that, like it has been with Dr. King, history may judge us quite differently than we view ourselves in this moment.

REQUEST

REP. BOSCH REQUESTED that the remarks of Reps. Lefor and Ista be printed in the Journal, which request was granted.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

SPEAKER D. JOHNSON DEEMED approval of the amendments to HB 1061, HB 1069, HB 1070, HB 1089, HB 1102, HB 1141, and HB 1169.

HB 1069, as amended, was rereferred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

HB 1061, HB 1070, HB 1089, HB 1102, HB 1141, and HB 1169, as amended, were placed on the Eleventh order of business on the calendar for the succeeding legislative day.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that Engrossed HB 1070, which is on the Eleventh order, be rereferred to the **Appropriations Committee**, which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Rep. Bosch's motion, Engrossed HB 1070 was rereferred.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HB 1365 be returned to the House floor from the **Finance and Taxation Committee** and be rereferred to the **Human Services Committee**, which motion prevailed.

Pursuant to Rep. Bosch's motion, HB 1365 was rereferred.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1043: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 25-03.2-01, 25-03.2-03, and 25-03.2-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensure of a psychiatric residential treatment facility for children and admission criteria.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 86 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Toman; Tveit; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

NAYS: Christensen; Heilman; Hoverson; Timmons; VanWinkle

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrey

Engrossed HB 1043 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1155: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to sanctuary status.

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 80 YEAS, 11 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Cory; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; VanWinkle; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

NAYS: Boschee; Conmy; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Finley-DeVille; Hanson; Ista; Mitskog; Ostlie; Schneider

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrey

HB 1155 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1127: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 24-05-04, section 24-08-01, and subsection 2 of section 24-08-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to county highways and bridges; and to repeal section 24-08-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to cost limitations for a county bridge.

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 91 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; VanWinkle; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrey

HB 1127 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1117: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to designating the bridge on state highway 18 as the veterans memorial bridge; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

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 90 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; VanWinkle; Warrey

HB 1117 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1097: A BILL for an Act to create and enact subsection 15 of section 49-22-03 and section 49-22-16.5, of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of utility-scale energy storage and route adjustments for electric transmission lines; and to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 49-22-03, subsection 4 of section 49-22-13, subsection 4 of section 49-22-22, subsections 6 and 7 of section 49-22.1-01, subsection 4 of section 49-22.1-10, and subsection 4 of section 49-22.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of electric energy conversion facility, the publication of notices of public hearings, payment of an administrative fee, adding hydrogen to definitions, the publication of a public hearing, and the payment of an administrative fee.

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 91 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich;

Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; VanWinkle; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrey

HB 1097 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1067: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 49-02-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to powers of the commission.

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 91 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; VanWinkle; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrey

HB 1067 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1076: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16.1-38 of the North Dakota Century Code relating to the department of water resources authority regarding water permit thresholds for dikes, dams, and other devices; and to provide a penalty.

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 91 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, K.; Bahl; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Christensen; Christy; Conmy; Cory; Dakane; Davis; Dobervich; Dockter; Dyk; Fegley; Finley-DeVille; Fisher; Frelich; Grueneich; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heilman; Heinert; Henderson; Holle; Hoverson; Ista; Johnson, J.; Jonas; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; McLeod; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Motschenbacher; Murphy; Nathe; Nelson; Novak; O'Brien; Olson, J.; Olson, S.; Ostlie; Porter; Prichard; Pyle; Richter; Rios; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Swiontek; Thomas; Timmons; Toman; Tveit; VanWinkle; Vetter; Vigesaa; Wagner; Weisz; Speaker Johnson, D.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hager; Hauck; Warrev

HB 1076 passed.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1048, HB 1049, HB 1051, HB 1058, HB 1091, HB 1093, HB 1094, HB 1121, HB 1139, HB 1142, HB 1143, HB 1165.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has passed, the emergency clause carried, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1114.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2038, SB 2039, SB 2040, SB 2041, SB 2047, SB 2057, SB 2084, SB 2101, SB 2104, SB 2109, SB 2130.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MADAM PRESIDENT: Your signature is respectfully requested on: HCR 3003.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The President has signed: HCR 3003.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the House be on the Fourth, Fifth, and Ninth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the House stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 17, 2023, which motion prevailed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1044: Human Services Committee (Rep. Weisz, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1044 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1112: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Louser, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1112 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1115: Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1115 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1188: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Louser, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1188 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1214: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Louser, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1214 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1215: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Louser, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1215 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

Reps. Henderson, Brandenburg, Holle and Sens. Luick, Myrdal introduced:

HB 1377: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to party hunting for deer; and to amend and reenact sections 20.1-03-31 and 20.1-05-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hunting licenses and the taking of big game animals.

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

Reps. Schauer, Beltz, Christy, Grueneich, Heinert, Strinden, Wagner and Sens. Dever, Lee, Sorvaag, Wanzek introduced:

HB 1378: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 3 of section 12.1-23-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to grading of theft offenses; to amend and reenact section 12.1-21-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to criminal mischief; and to provide a penalty.

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

Reps. Lefor, Bosch, Dockter, Headland, Nathe, Novak, O'Brien and Sens. Bekkedahl, Hogue, Rummel, Sorvaag introduced:

HB 1379: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4.1-01, a new section to chapter 6-09, a new section to chapter 15-20.1, two new sections to chapter 21-10, and a new section to chapter 54-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an agriculture infrastructure fund, an economic diversification research fund, a workforce development and enrichment fund, a legacy projects fund, a legacy projects advisory board, and a county and township bridge fund; to amend and reenact sections 6-09.4-10.1 and 21-10-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the legacy sinking and interest fund and the legacy earnings fund; to provide a report; to provide an appropriation; to provide a contingent appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

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

Reps. Bellew, Dockter, Hatlestad, Kreidt, Schatz, Weisz and Sens. Boehm, Clemens introduced:

HB 1380: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a senior citizens property tax credit for an owner who is age sixty-five or older; to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 15.1-27-04.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to determination of state school aid; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

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

Reps. Ostlie, Cory, Grueneich, Hagert, Louser, D. Ruby, Satrom and Sens. Conley, Klein, Larsen, Meyer introduced:

HB 1381: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-34 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to classifying a transportation network company driver as an independent contractor.

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

Reps. Boschee, Davis, Heinert, Jonas, Nathe, Richter, Schreiber-Beck and Sens. Braunberger, Wobbema introduced:

HB 1382: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-21-02.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to scholarships for registered apprenticeship program participants.

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

Reps. Boschee, Bosch, Finley-DeVille, Hagert, Ista, Nathe, Schreiber-Beck, Steiner and Sens. Kannianen, Patten, Piepkorn, Rummel introduced:

HB 1383: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-38 and a new subdivision to subsection 7 of section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of an income tax credit for qualified compensation paid to an apprentice; and to provide an effective date.

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

Rep. Louser and Sen. Hogue introduced:

HB 1384: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 32-15-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eminent domain and the assessment of damages.

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

Reps. Nelson, Davis, Fegley, Finley-DeVille, D. Johnson and Sens. Dwyer, Kannianen, Schaible, Sorvaag introduced:

HB 1385: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-02-24 and 61-02-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tribal contracts with the state water commission

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

Reps. Timmons, Bosch, Jonas, Mock, Murphy, Pyle, Richter, Sanford and Sens. Conley, Lemm, Meyer introduced:

HB 1386: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-18.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to local boards of school districts' discretion to designate educational professional development content areas; and to amend and reenact section 15.1-07-34 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to youth behavioral health professional development.

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

Reps. Grueneich, Cory, Dockter, Meier, Mock, O'Brien and Sens. Conley, Meyer, K. Roers introduced:

HB 1387: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 53-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to rent limits for electronic pull tab devices.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

Reps. Heinert, Dockter, Ista, Meier, Novak, O'Brien, Richter, M. Ruby, Stemen and Sens. Dever, Larson introduced:

HB 1388: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to care for retired police dogs; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.

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

Reps. Hanson, Kiefert, Pyle, Schauer and Sens. Bekkedahl, Weber, Wobbema introduced:

HB 1389: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37-15-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of basic and long-term care to service members and veterans.

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

Reps. Hanson, Beltz, Nelson, Weisz and Sens. Cleary, Hogan, Lee introduced:

HB 1390: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a suicide fatality review commission; and to provide an appropriation.

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

Reps. Schatz, Bellew, Dockter, Hauck, VanWinkle and Sens. Boehm, Luick, Paulson introduced:

HB 1391: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-16.1-04 and 61-16.1-45 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the publication and distribution of water resource board meeting minutes and maintenance of an assessment drain.

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

Reps. D. Johnson, Richter, Sanford and Sens. Bekkedahl, Meyer, Schaible introduced:

HB 1392: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority to deposit money into institution accounts at the Bank of North Dakota.

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

Reps. D. Johnson, Brandenburg, Thomas and Sens. Luick, Weber introduced:

HB 1393: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapters 4.1-58, 4.1-59, 4.1-61, and 4.1-62 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to grain and seed warehouses, grain buyers, insolvent grain warehousemen, uniform accounting for public elevators and warehouses, and credit-sale contracts indemnity from title 60; to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 41-07-10 and section 51-23-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to cross-references to repealed laws; to repeal chapters 60-02, 60-02.1, 60-04, 60-05, and 60-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to grain and seed warehouses, grain buyers, insolvent grain warehousemen, uniform accounting for public elevators and warehouses, and credit-sale contracts indemnity; to provide a penalty; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

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

Reps. Steiner, Bahl, Hauck, Lefor, Marschall, Schatz and Sens. Elkin, Piepkorn, Rummel introduced:

HB 1394: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a highway logo sign program.

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

Reps. Steiner, K. Anderson, Cory, J. Johnson, Kempenich and Sens. Barta, Paulson introduced:

HB 1395: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to legislator education training accounts; and to provide an appropriation.

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

Reps. Dobervich, Dakane, Davis, Finley-DeVille, Ista and Sen. Hogan introduced:

HB 1396: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 50-24.1-02, 50-24.1-17, and 50-24.1-41 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to presumptive eligibility for medical assistance applicants.

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

Reps. Klemin, Lefor, Roers Jones and Sens. Bekkedahl, Dwyer, Hogue, Larson introduced:

HB 1397: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the office of management and budget; and to provide for a supreme court building oversight committee.

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

Reps. Lefor, Bosch, Novak, O'Brien, Schreiber-Beck and Sens. Rummel, Rust, Vedaa introduced:

HB 1398: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to computer science and cybersecurity instruction for adult learners; to amend and reenact sections 15.1-21-01, 15.1-21-02, and 15.1-21-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mandatory computer science and cybersecurity instruction and minimum requirements for high school graduation; and to provide an expiration date.

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

Reps. Kempenich, B. Anderson, Christensen, Dockter, Hagert, Mock, Timmons and Sens. Bekkedahl, Dwyer, Kessel, Patten introduced:

HB 1399: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-44-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to oil and gas tax revenue hedging; to provide an appropriation; to provide a continuing appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to provide a statement of legislative intent; and to declare an emergency.

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

Reps. Kempenich, Bellew, Grueneich, Murphy, J. Olson and Sens. Klein, Meyer introduced:

HB 1400: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 15-01-02 and subsection 3 of section 21-10-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to investment of the common schools trust fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

Reps. Heilman, D. Anderson, Bellew, Dockter, Koppelman, Marschall, D. Ruby, Vetter and Sens. Kannianen, Larsen, Magrum, Paulson introduced:

HB 1401: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 62.1-01-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state prohibition on extreme risk protection provisions; and to declare an emergency.

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

Reps. Karls, D. Anderson, Fisher, Grueneich, Heinert, Kiefert, McLeod, Meier and Sens. Cleary, Dever introduced:

HB 1402: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-39.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales tax exemption for sales of used clothing sold by a thrift store of a nonprofit corporation; to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 57-39.2-01 and subdivision a of subsection 12 of section 57-39.2-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to gross receipts from delivery charges; and to provide an effective date.

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

Reps. Heilman, K. Anderson, Christensen, Frelich, Murphy, M. Ruby and Sens. Barta, Beard, Boehm, Clemens, Weston introduced:

HB 1403: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prohibiting governmental entities from interfering with parental rights.

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

Reps. Heilman, Bahl, Christensen, Hauck, Koppelman, Prichard and Sen. Magrum introduced:

HB 1404: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 and a new subdivision to subsection 2 of section 62.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to carrying a concealed firearm on a college campus; to amend and reenact section 62.1-01-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the limitation on authority of a political subdivision regarding firearms; and to provide a penalty.

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

Rep. Hoverson introduced:

HB 1405: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-02-13, 16.1-04-02, 16.1-06-21, and 16.1-07-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to vote centers, pollbooks, and absentee votes.

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

Reps. Hoverson, Henderson, S. Olson, Schatz, Tveit and Sens. Boehm, Clemens, Estenson, Paulson introduced:

HB 1406: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 and a new section to chapter 32-12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to studying vaccines and the medical liability of a governmental entity.

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

Reps. Weisz, Nelson, Satrom and Sen. Klein introduced:

HB 1407: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision a of subsection 4 of section 49-23-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of the board of directors for North Dakota one-call.

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

Reps. D. Anderson, Dockter, Monson and Sen. Vedaa introduced:

HB 1408: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-02-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a partial property tax exemption for land enrolled in the private land open to sportsmen program; and to provide an effective date.

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

Reps. D. Anderson, Nelson, Novak, O'Brien and Sen. Kannianen introduced:

HB 1409: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-07.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to nonresident youth hunting licenses for small game and waterfowl.

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

Rep. Hoverson introduced:

HB 1410: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-14-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prosecution and punishment for the offense of official oppression by the intrusive touching of persons seeking access to passenger aircraft transportation; and to provide a penalty.

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

Reps. D. Johnson, M. Ruby, Weisz and Sens. Cleary, Lee introduced:

HB 1411: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 54-52.1-04.18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to public employees retirement system health benefits coverage of prosthetic devices; to provide for application; and to declare an emergency.

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

Reps. Mitskog, Nelson and Sen. Bekkedahl introduced:

HB 1412: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-36-01, 57-36-02, 57-36-04, 57-36-05, 57-36-09, and 57-36-09.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensing requirements and the sale of electronic smoking devices; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

Reps. Karls, Kiefert, Rohr, Satrom, Steiner and Sen. Dever introduced:

HB 1413: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-36 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to out-of-pocket expenses for health care services; and to amend and reenact section 26.1-36.6-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to self-insurance health care plans.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

Reps. Karls, D. Anderson, Dobervich, Satrom and Sen. Larsen introduced:

HB 1414: 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 a resident family member small game license.

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

Reps. Kiefert, K. Anderson, Heinert, Ostlie, Rohr, Satrom and Sens. Conley, Wanzek introduced:

HB 1415: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for a law enforcement staffing grant program.

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

Reps. Kiefert, K. Anderson, Rohr, M. Ruby, Tveit, Vigesaa, Weisz and Sens. Conley, Wobbema introduced:

HB 1416: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 26.1 36 12.7 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to freedom of choice for health care services.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

Reps. Nelson, Louser, O'Brien and Sens. Klein, Vedaa introduced:

HB 1417: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 39-06.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to entries against a driving record.

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

Reps. Dobervich, Dakane, Ista, Meier, Murphy, Nelson, Schneider and Sens. Dever, Hogan, Lee introduced:

HB 1418: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06.4-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of the brain injury advisory council.

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

FIRST READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Reps. Bellew, D. Johnson, Klemin, Marschall, Martinson and Sens. Dever, Paulson, Wobbema introduced:

HCR 3007: A concurrent resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of the United States combat operations and the release of American prisoners of war in Vietnam.

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

The House stood adjourned pursuant to Representative Bosch's motion.

Buell J. Reich, Chief Clerk