

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

FIFTY THIRD DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Thursday, March 1, 2007

The House was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding). The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

The flags were escorted to the rostrum by a Sergeant at Arms Color Guard, Pages Heather Will and Domic Johnson. The Speaker (Representative Lovick presiding) led the Chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer was offered by Reverend Carol McKinley, Community Minister with the Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

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

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2007-4633. By Representatives Green, Morrell, Dickerson, Cody, Walsh, Roberts, Clibborn, Haigh, Darneille, Warnick, Takko, McDonald, Skinner, Hankins, Bailey, McCune, Ross and Hailey

WHEREAS, The Red Hat Society was founded in 1998 by Sue Ellen Cooper of Fullerton, California, as a social organization for women over 50 years old; and

WHEREAS, The Red Hat Society was inspired by Warning, a poem by Jenny Joseph, that starts, "When I am an old woman I shall wear purple/With a red hat that doesn't go and doesn't suit me"; and

WHEREAS, The 50 and over women of The Red Hat Society wear elaborately decorated red hats with purple dresses and clothing, while the junior postulants wear pink hats and lavender clothing until 50, when a "Reduation" takes place, where the pink hat is discarded and a red hat bestowed; and

WHEREAS, There are about 1 million registered members of The Red Hat Society, in 40,000 chapters in the United States and 25 countries; and

WHEREAS, The Red Hat Society, whose motto is "Red Hatters Matter," calls itself a "disorganization" and is proud of its lack of rules and bylaws, but takes seriously its responsibility to have fun; and

WHEREAS, Women of The Red Hat Society come from all walks of life, including working women, grandmothers, retirees, golfers, legislators, and teachers, as well as women who are widowed, married, and single; and

WHEREAS, The mission of The Red Hat Society is to

gain higher visibility for aging women and to reshape the way they are viewed by today's culture, while "uniting under the umbrella of a red hat to have fun and bond in sisterhood"; and

WHEREAS, Red Hat Society chapters, which include leaders known as "Queen Mum" and members called "Red Hatters," hold social events, tea parties being the most popular pastime;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives celebrate this day by saying goodbye to burdensome responsibilities, at least for a while, and have fun!; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to members of The Red Hat Society.

Representative Green moved the adoption of the resolution.

Representatives Green and Warnick spoke in favor of the adoption of the resolution.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4633 was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

February 28, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed:

SENATE BILL NO. 5088,
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5263,
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5336,
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5508,
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5497,
and the same are herewith transmitted.

Thomas Hoemann, Secretary

INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING

HB 2374 by Representatives Kagi and Kenney

AN ACT Relating to removing funding restrictions for the temporary assistance for needy families program; and amending RCW 74.08A.340.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

HB 2375 by Representatives Jarrett, Wallace and Priest

AN ACT Relating to performance agreements; amending RCW 28B.50.090 and 28B.76.290; adding a new chapter to Title 28B RCW; creating a new section; and repealing RCW 28B.76.270.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's introduction sheet under the fourth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

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

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 1:30 p.m., March 2, 2007, the 54th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

RICHARD NAFZIGER, Chief Clerk

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