

SIXTY SIXTH LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

EIGHTY SECOND DAY

House Chamber, Olympia, Friday, April 5, 2019

The House was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding).

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

RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-4631, by Representative Thai

WHEREAS, Chirag Vedullapalli, an esteemed resident of Sammamish and a student at Mount Si High School, is a distinguished finalist for the 2019 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vedullapalli earned this award by generously giving his time and energy through the creation of "Creative Children for Charity," a youth foundation that has encouraged more than 7,500 kids to donate their time and talent for a social cause, contributing \$27,000 and over 30,000 volunteer hours to a variety of causes; and

WHEREAS, The success of the State of Washington and the strength of our communities depends, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Mr. Vedullapalli, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That by that the House of Representatives congratulate and honor Mr. Vedullapalli as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognize his outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit, and extend best wishes for his continued success and happiness; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Chirag Vedullapalli.

There being no objection, HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4631 was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-4633, by Representatives Appleton, Santos, Senn, Mosbrucker, Steele, Cody, Davis, Dufault, Lovick, Shea, Wilcox, Ryu, and Kraft

WHEREAS, Joshua Gortler, a longtime resident of Washington State, has tirelessly shared his experiences as a

Holocaust survivor with citizens of our state, especially students of all ages, in the service of truth and understanding, and has brought honor to Washington State by his visionary leadership of award-winning services to the elderly; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's childhood was disrupted, as a 3-year old Jewish boy, by the Nazi invasion of his Polish hometown, Tomaszow Lubelski, in 1939; and

WHEREAS, Joshua and his family barely escaped one of the most horrific genocides the world has ever known by fleeing across a border, finding refuge in Siberia and Uzbekistan; and

WHEREAS, Joshua and his family tried to return to their home town of Tomaszow but found themselves unwelcome, spent six years in displaced persons camps in Germany, and finally received visas to come to the United States in 1951; and

WHEREAS, After arriving in the United States as a 15-year old with no English skills and limited formal education, Joshua went on to earn his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in social work from Yeshiva University, which granted him an honorary Doctorate in 2014 for his work in elder care; and

WHEREAS, Since 1969, Joshua has served Seattle senior citizens by building the Kline Galland Home and The Summit at First Hill into award-winning facilities. Upon his retirement in 2007 as CEO of The Kline Galland Center and Affiliates, he became President of The Kline Galland Foundation to ensure the continuation of this high-quality care; and

WHEREAS, By volunteering as a speaker for Seattle's Holocaust Center for Humanity, Joshua is sharing with young people, including at-risk youth in detention centers in King and Kitsap Counties, his lifetime experiences as a Holocaust survivor who turned a life of hardship into a successful career as a community leader; and

WHEREAS, Joshua is a living survivor of the Holocaust and is a renowned humanitarian and author who understands the importance of protecting our freedoms and caring for people at risk in our society; and

WHEREAS, Joshua has dedicated his life to helping others who have experienced oppression, and conveyed the message that each person can make a positive difference in this world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, on behalf of the people of the State of Washington, recognize and honor the life of Joshua Gortler and his monumental contributions to the understanding of remembrance, freedom, and democracy in our State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Joshua Gortler.

There being no objection, HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4633 was adopted.

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

April 3, 2019

HB 1390 Prime Sponsor, Representative Leavitt: Providing a benefit increase to certain retirees of the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Robinson, 1st Vice Chair; Bergquist, 2nd Vice Chair; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Rude, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Chandler; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Hoff; Hudgins; Jinkins; Kraft; Macri; Mosbrucker; Pettigrew; Pollet; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Stanford; Steele; Sullivan; Sutherland; Tarleton; Tharinger; Volz and Ybarra.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 4, 2019

SB 5337 Prime Sponsor, Senator Takko: Expanding a sales and use tax exemption for personal property sold between political subdivisions to include sales or uses of personal property as a result of a merger or sales or uses of personal property made under contractual consolidations in which the taxpayer that originally paid the sales or use tax continues to benefit from the personal property. Reported by Committee on Finance

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Tarleton, Chair; Walen, Vice Chair; Orcutt, Ranking Minority Member; Young, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Chapman; Frame; Macri; Morris; Orwall; Springer; Stokesbary; Vick and Wylie.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 3, 2019

SB 5350 Prime Sponsor, Senator Conway: Concerning the purchase of an optional life annuity benefit for certain public retirement system members. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Robinson, 1st Vice Chair; Bergquist, 2nd Vice Chair; MacEwen, Assistant

Ranking Minority Member; Rude, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Hudgins; Jinkins; Macri; Mosbrucker; Pettigrew; Pollet; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Stanford; Steele; Sullivan; Sutherland; Tarleton; Tharinger; Volz and Ybarra.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Representatives Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler; Hoff and Kraft.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 3, 2019

SSB 5355 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Recovering service credit withdrawn from the public employees' retirement system for certain law enforcement officers and firefighters. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Robinson, 1st Vice Chair; Bergquist, 2nd Vice Chair; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Rude, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Chandler; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Hoff; Hudgins; Jinkins; Kraft; Macri; Mosbrucker; Pettigrew; Pollet; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Stanford; Steele; Sullivan; Sutherland; Tarleton; Tharinger; Volz and Ybarra.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

April 3, 2019

SSB 5894 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means: Clarifying that the firefighters' pension levy may continue to be levied to fund benefits under the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system. Reported by Committee on Appropriations

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 41.16.060 and 1987 c 319 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) It (~~shall be~~) is the duty of the legislative authority of each municipality, each year as a part of its annual tax levy, to levy and place in the fund a tax of twenty-two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed value against all the taxable property of such municipality: PROVIDED, That if a report by a qualified actuary on the condition of the fund establishes that the whole or any part of said dollar rate is not necessary to maintain the actuarial soundness of the fund, the levy of said twenty-two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed value may be

omitted, or the whole or any part of ~~((said))~~ such dollar rate may be levied and used for any other municipal purpose.

(2) It ~~((shall be))~~ is the duty of the legislative authority of each municipality, each year as a part of its annual tax levy and in addition to the city levy limit set forth in RCW 84.52.043, to levy and place in the fund an additional tax of twenty-two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed value against all taxable property of such municipality: PROVIDED, That if a report by a qualified actuary establishes that all or any part of the additional twenty-two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed value levy is unnecessary to meet the estimated demands on the fund under this chapter for the ensuing budget year, the levy of said additional twenty-two and one-half cents per thousand dollars of assessed value may be omitted, or the whole or any part of such dollar rate may be levied and used for any other municipal purpose, subject to subsection (4) of this section: PROVIDED FURTHER, That cities that have annexed to library districts according to RCW 27.12.360 through 27.12.395 and/or fire protection districts according to RCW 52.04.061 through 52.04.081 ~~((shall))~~ may not levy this additional tax to the extent that it causes the combined levies to exceed the statutory or constitutional limits.

(3) The amount of a levy under this section allocated to the pension fund may be reduced in the same proportion as the regular property tax levy of the municipality is reduced by chapter 84.55 RCW.

(4) If a municipality no longer has any beneficiaries receiving benefits under this chapter, the whole or any part of such additional levy under subsection (2) of this section may continue to be levied for the payment of benefits provided under RCW 41.26.150(1) or other municipal purpose until such time that the municipality no longer has any beneficiaries receiving benefits under RCW 41.26.150(1)."

Correct the title.

Signed by Representatives Ormsby, Chair; Stokesbary, Ranking Minority Member; Robinson, 1st Vice Chair; Bergquist, 2nd Vice Chair; MacEwen, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Rude, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Caldier; Chandler; Cody; Dolan; Dye; Fitzgibbon; Hoff; Hudgins; Jenkins; Kraft; Macri; Mosbrucker; Pettigrew; Pollet; Ryu; Schmick; Senn; Stanford; Steele; Sullivan; Sutherland; Tarleton; Tharinger; Volz and Ybarra.

Referred to Committee on Rules for second reading.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day's committee reports under the fifth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

The Speaker assumed the chair.

SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed the following bills:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1412
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1577
HOUSE BILL NO. 1634
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1764
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1777
HOUSE BILL NO. 1852
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1909
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1949
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1870
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5627

The Speaker called upon Representative Orwall to preside.

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

MOTION

There being no objection, the Committee on Appropriations was relieved of SENATE BILL NO. 5199 and the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules.

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:55 a.m., April 8, 2019, the 85th Day of the Regular Session.

FRANK CHOPP, Speaker

BERNARD DEAN, Chief Clerk