Senate Chamber, Olympia, Wednesday, March 16, 2011

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Owen. The Secretary called the roll and announced to the President that all Senators were present with the exception of Senators Benton, Eide, Kline and Zarelli.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Pages Luke Davidson and Simon Giloi, presented the Colors. Pastor John Rosenberg of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd of Olympia offered the prayer.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

MOTION

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

March 14, 2011

SB 5182  Prime Sponsor, Senator White: Establishing the office of student financial assistance by eliminating the higher education coordinating board and transferring its functions to various entities. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: That Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5182 be substituted therefor, and the second substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Baxter; Brown; Fraser; Hatfield; Holmquist Newbry; Honeyford; Schoesler and Tom.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Kastama; Kohl-Welles and Pridemore.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Baumgartner.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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SB 5806  Prime Sponsor, Senator Conway: Authorizing a statewide raffle to benefit veterans and their families. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Zarelli; Baumgartner; Baxter; Brown; Conway; Fraser; Hatfield; Hewitt; Holmquist Newbry; Honeyford; Kastama; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore; Regala; Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2011

HB 1014  Prime Sponsor, Representative Goodman: Modifying the authority of a watershed management partnership. Reported by Committee on Environment, Water & Energy

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Rockefeller, Chair; Nelson, Vice Chair; Chase; Fraser and Ranker.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Honeyford; Delvin; Holmquist Newbry and Morton.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1078  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: Requiring landlords to provide tenants with written receipts upon request under the manufactured/mobile home landlord-tenant act. Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Hobbs, Chair; Prentice, Vice Chair; Benton; Fain; Haugen; Keiser and Litzow.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1169  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Regarding noxious weed lists. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Hatfield, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Delvin; Becker; Haugen; Hobbs and Schoesler.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Honeyford.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

HB 1182  Prime Sponsor, Representative Goodman: Clarifying that each instance of an attempt to intimidate or tamper with a witness constitutes a separate violation for purposes of determining the unit of prosecution under tampering with or intimidating a witness statutes. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Harper, Vice Chair; Pflug; Baxter; Carell; Hargrove; Kohl-Welles; Regala and Roach.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2011

HB 1184  Prime Sponsor, Representative Maxwell: Clarifying that the basis for business and occupation tax for real estate firms is the commission amount received by each real estate firm involved in a transaction. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget
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Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Baumgartner; Baxter; Brown;
Conway; Fraser; Hatfield; Hewitt; Holmquist Newby;
Honeyford; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore;
Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1212 Prime Sponsor, Representative Lytton:
Authorizing the department of agriculture to accept and expend
gifts.  Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Rural
Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass as amended.
Signed by Senators Hatfield, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Delvin;
Becker; Haugen; Hobbs; Honeyford and Schoesler.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

HB 1263 Prime Sponsor, Representative Crouse:
Addressing the definition of employer for certain public
corrections entities formed by counties or cities under RCW
39.34.030.  Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget
Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Baumgartner; Baxter; Brown;
Conway; Fraser; Hatfield; Hewitt; Holmquist Newby;
Honeyford; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore;
Regala; Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1266 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary:
Modifying the landlord-tenant act and other related provisions.
Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing &
Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Hobbs, Chair; Prentice, Vice Chair; Benton; Fain;
Haugen; Keiser and Litzow.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2011

ESHB 1346 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Ways & Means:
Making tax law changes that do not create any new or broaden
any existing tax preferences as defined in RCW 43.136.021 or
increase any person’s tax burden.  Reported by Committee on
Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget
Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Baumgartner; Brown; Conway;
Fraser; Hewitt; Honeyford; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles;
Pridemore; Regala; Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

MINORITY recommendation:  That it be referred without
recommendation.  Signed by Senators Baxter and Holmquist
Newby.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2011

HB 1347 Prime Sponsor, Representative Hunter:
Concerning sales and use tax exemptions for certain property and
services used in manufacturing, research and development, or
testing operations, not including changes to RCW 82.08.02565
and 82.12.02565 that reduce state revenue.  Reported by
Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget
Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Baumgartner; Baxter; Brown;
Conway; Fraser; Hatfield; Hewitt; Holmquist Newby;
Honeyford; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore;
Regala; Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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EHB 1357 Prime Sponsor, Representative Carlyle:
Providing the department of revenue with additional flexibility to
achieve operational efficiencies through the expanded use of
electronic means to remit and report taxes.  Reported by
Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget
Chair; Zarelli; Parlette; Brown; Conway; Fraser; Hatfield;
Hewitt; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore; Regala;
Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

MINORITY recommendation:  Do not pass.  Signed by
Senators Baxter and Honeyford.

MINORITY recommendation:  That it be referred without
recommendation.  Signed by Senators Baumgartner and
Holmquist Newby.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

2SHB 1405 Prime Sponsor, Committee on General
Government Appropriations & Oversight: Regulating loans made
under the consumer loan act.  Reported by Committee on
Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass.  Signed by
Senators Hobbs, Chair; Prentice, Vice Chair; Benton; Fain;
Haugen; Keiser and Litzow.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1467 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture &
Natural Resources: Modifying the definition of a well for the
purposes of chapter 18.104 RCW.  Reported by Committee on
Environment, Water & Energy

MAJORITY recommendation:  Do pass as amended.
Signed by Senators Rockefeller, Chair; Nelson, Vice Chair;
Honeyford; Chase; Delvin; Fraser; Holmquist Newby;
Morton and Ranker.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1479  Prime Sponsor, Representative Goodman: 
Revising the publication requirements of the statute law committee. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Harper, Vice Chair; Pflug; Baxter; Carrell; Hargrove; Kohl-Welles; Regala and Roach.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 14, 2011

HB 1498  Prime Sponsor, Representative Pettigrew: 
Concerning the taxation of employee meals provided without specific charge. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Murray, Chair; Kilmer, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Zarelli; Baumgartner; Baxter; Brown; Conway; Fraser; Hatfield; Hewitt; Holmquist Newbry; Honeyford; Kastama; Keiser; Kohl-Welles; Pridemore; Regala; Rockefeller; Schoesler and Tom.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1502  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Community Development & Housing: Clarifying the manufactured housing and mobile home program functions and account. Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Hobbs, Chair; Prentice, Vice Chair; Benton; Fain; Haugen; Keiser and Litzow.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1538  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Regarding animal health inspections. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Hatfield, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Delvin; Becker; Haugen; Hobbs; Honeyford and Schoesler.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

March 15, 2011

SHB 1564  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Judiciary: 
Concerning the right to control the disposition of human remains. Reported by Committee on Judiciary

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Kline, Chair; Harper, Vice Chair; Pflug; Baxter; Carrell; Hargrove; Kohl-Welles; Regala and Roach.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

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HB 1625  Prime Sponsor, Representative Hunter: 
Addressing the default investment option available to new members of the plan 3 retirement systems. Reported by Committee on Ways & Means

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ESHB 1886  Prime Sponsor, Committee on Local Government: Implementing recommendations of the Ruckelshaus Center process. Reported by Committee on Agriculture & Rural Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass as amended. Signed by Senators Hatfield, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair; Delvin; Becker; Haugen; Hobbs; Honeyford and Schoesler.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5876 by Senators Sheldon, Schoesler, Stevens, Honeyford, Carrell, Parlette, Benton, Hobbs, Shin, Zarelli, Kilmer and Hewitt

AN ACT Relating to analyzing alternative methods of facilities acquisition for state agencies; and amending RCW 43.82.010.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations, Tribal Relations & Elections.

SB 5877 by Senators Carrell and Zarelli

AN ACT Relating to the creation of the office of program integrity; amending RCW 49.60.210; adding a new section to chapter 43.09 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.
MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, the Senate advanced to the sixth order of business.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, the following measures under consideration on the 2nd and 3rd reading calendar were referred to the Committee on Rules and placed in the Committee’s “X”-file:

Senate Bill No. 5003, Senate Bill No. 5028, Senate Bill No. 5037, Senate Bill No. 5043, Senate Bill No. 5047, Senate Bill No. 5049, Senate Bill No. 5063, Senate Bill No. 5078, Senate Bill No. 5079, Senate Bill No. 5082, Senate Bill No. 5101, Senate Bill No. 5102, Senate Bill No. 5112, Senate Bill No. 5133, Senate Bill No. 5150, Senate Bill No. 5159, Senate Bill No. 5164, Senate Bill No. 5165, Senate Bill No. 5166, Senate Bill No. 5173, Senate Bill No. 5183, Senate Bill No. 5188, Senate Bill No. 5189, Senate Bill No. 5191, Senate Bill No. 5197, Senate Bill No. 5211, Senate Bill No. 5215, Senate Bill No. 5217, Senate Bill No. 5221, Senate Bill No. 5223, Senate Bill No. 5225, Senate Bill No. 5228, Senate Bill No. 5231, Senate Bill No. 5234, Senate Bill No. 5235, Senate Bill No. 5248, Senate Bill No. 5261, Senate Bill No. 5275, Senate Bill No. 5291, Senate Bill No. 5292, Senate Bill No. 5293, Senate Bill No. 5294, Senate Bill No. 5297, Senate Bill No. 5302, Senate Bill No. 5303, Senate Bill No. 5325, Senate Bill No. 5332, Senate Bill No. 5331, Senate Bill No. 5335, Senate Bill No. 5360, Senate Bill No. 5369, Senate Bill No. 5373, Senate Bill No. 5397, Senate Bill No. 5401, Senate Bill No. 5407, Senate Bill No. 5410, Senate Bill No. 5412, Senate Bill No. 5430, Senate Bill No. 5438, Senate Bill No. 5440, Senate Bill No. 5448, Senate Bill No. 5464, Senate Bill No. 5478, Senate Bill No. 5483, Senate Bill No. 5488, Senate Bill No. 5508, Senate Bill No. 5509, Senate Bill No. 5517, Senate Bill No. 5547, Senate Bill No. 5550, Senate Bill No. 5558, Senate Bill No. 5572, Senate Bill No. 5582, Senate Bill No. 5586, Senate Bill No. 5597, Senate Bill No. 5599, Senate Bill No. 5600, Senate Bill No. 5607, Senate Bill No. 5616, Senate Bill No. 5620, Senate Bill No. 5627, Senate Bill No. 5634, Senate Bill No. 5661, Senate Bill No. 5673, Senate Bill No. 5677, Senate Bill No. 5682, Senate Bill No. 5685, Senate Bill No. 5686, Senate Bill No. 5687, Senate Bill No. 5689, Senate Bill No. 5690, Senate Bill No. 5693, Senate Bill No. 5696, Senate Bill No. 5709, Senate Bill No. 5711, Senate Bill No. 5715, Senate Bill No. 5723, Senate Bill No. 5726, Senate Bill No. 5755, Senate Bill No. 5766, Senate Bill No. 5771, Senate Bill No. 5790, Senate Bill No. 5795, Senate Bill No. 5803, Senate Bill No. 5837, Senate Bill No. 5838, Senate Joint Memorial No. 8006

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, the following measures under consideration by the Committee on Rules were removed from the Committee’s Green and White Sheets were placed in the Committee’s “X”-file:

Senate Bill No. 5015, Senate Bill No. 5017, Senate Bill No. 5024, Senate Bill No. 5026, Senate Bill No. 5027, Senate Bill No. 5038, Senate Bill No. 5051, Senate Bill No. 5064, Senate Bill No. 5066, Senate Bill No. 5074, Senate Bill No. 5084, Senate Bill No. 5085, Senate Bill No. 5086, Senate Bill No. 5087, Senate Bill No. 5090, Senate Bill No. 5110, Senate Bill No. 5113, Senate Bill No. 5121, Senate Bill No. 5123, Senate Bill No. 5131, Senate Bill No. 5136, Senate Bill No. 5137, Senate Bill No. 5160, Senate Bill No. 5163, Senate Bill No. 5180, Senate Bill No. 5190, Senate Bill No. 5194, Senate Bill No. 5198, Senate Bill No. 5206, Senate Bill No. 5208, Senate Bill No. 5246, Senate Bill No. 5252, Senate Bill No. 5263, Senate Bill No. 5266, Senate Bill No. 5268, Senate Bill No. 5273, Senate Bill No. 5281, Senate Bill No. 5282, Senate Bill No. 5286, Senate Bill No. 5288, Senate Bill No. 5306, Senate Bill No. 5308, Senate Bill No. 5311, Senate Bill No. 5314, Senate Bill No. 5315, Senate Bill No. 5318, Senate Bill No. 5319, Senate Bill No. 5320, Senate Bill No. 5321, Senate Bill No. 5324, Senate Bill No. 5340, Senate Bill No. 5341, Senate Bill No. 5344, Senate Bill No. 5361, Senate Bill No. 5363, Senate Bill No. 5365, Senate Bill No. 5383, Senate Bill No. 5387, Senate Bill No. 5393, Senate Bill No. 5411, Senate Bill No. 5413, Senate Bill No. 5420, Senate Bill No. 5421, Senate Bill No. 5426, Senate Bill No. 5431, Senate Bill No. 5435, Senate Bill No. 5444, Senate Bill No. 5446, Senate Bill No. 5491, Senate Bill No. 5498, Senate Bill No. 5499, Senate Bill No. 5514, Senate Bill No. 5515, Senate Bill No. 5524, Senate Bill No. 5537, Senate Bill No. 5541, Senate Bill No. 5561, Senate Bill No. 5569, Senate Bill No. 5578, Senate Bill No. 5580, Senate Bill No. 5583, Senate Bill No. 5610, Senate Bill No. 5611, Senate Bill No. 5617, Senate Bill No. 5630, Senate Bill No. 5646, Senate Bill No. 5649, Senate Bill No. 5650, Senate Bill No. 5655, Senate Bill No. 5663, Senate Bill No. 5681, Senate Bill No. 5703, Senate Bill No. 5706, Senate Bill No. 5713, Senate Bill No. 5714, Senate Bill No. 5746, Senate Bill No. 5752, Senate Bill No. 5758, Senate Bill No. 5779, Senate Bill No. 5813, Senate Bill No. 5815, Senate Bill No. 5817, Senate Bill No. 5824, Senate Joint Memorial No. 8003, Senate Joint Memorial No. 8005, Senate Joint Memorial No. 8008

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rockefeller, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Kohl-Welles moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION

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By Senators Kohl-Welles, Pridemore, Regala, Brown, Tom, Conway, Parlette, Hatfield, Keiser, Fraser, Kilmer, and Murray

WHEREAS, Participation in athletics is one of the most effective ways for girls and women in the United States to develop leadership skills, discipline, initiative, and self-confidence; and

WHEREAS, Sport and fitness activities contribute to girls' and women's psychological and physical well-being; and

WHEREAS, Early motor skills training and enjoyable experiences of physical activity strongly encourage enduring habits of physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Girls and women who participate in sports tend to have higher levels of self-esteem, lower levels of depression, and a reduced risk for heart disease, breast cancer, and other illnesses; and

WHEREAS, High school girls who play sports have better grades and are more likely to graduate from high school; and

WHEREAS, 82% of executive businesswomen participated in organized sports; and

WHEREAS, University athletic departments offer valuable scholarships that help women pursue higher education, the UW
WHEREAS, The bonds built among girls and women through athletics help to break down the social barriers of prejudice and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Tuesday March 8, 2011, was the 100th annual international women's day; and

WHEREAS, The National Girls and Women in Sports Coalition declared February 2, 2011, to be the 25th annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day; and

WHEREAS, When Title IX was enacted in 1972, 1 in 27 girls in high school participated in athletics and women participated in only 13 of the 24 events of the 1984 Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, Today 1 in 3 girls participate in athletics in high school and female athletes competed in 28 of the 32 Olympic events in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Today nearly half of the student athletes in Washington state are girls; and

WHEREAS, High school girls' athletic teams in the state of Washington have achieved many accomplishments that, for young women, serve as an inspiration to promote the values of teamwork and cooperation; and

WHEREAS, Washington high schools foster outstanding achievements in girls' and women's sports, such as volleyball, soccer, tennis, softball, basketball, and wrestling. These include state volleyball champions: Mead, Bishop Blanchet, Pullman, King's, Colfax, St. John/Endicott; and state soccer champions: Skyline, Columbia River, Archbishop Murphy, Seattle Academy, Orcas Island; state tennis champions: Newport, Mercer Island, Skye, Overlake; and state softball champions: Kelso, Sedro-Woolley, Woodlands, Castle Rock, Pe Ell, Colton; and state basketball champions: Auburn Riverside, Cleveland, River Ridge, Freeman, Colfax, Colton; and state wrestling champions: Sedro-Woolley.

WHEREAS, The Seattle City Council has declared April 5th as Cleveland High School Day in honor of the team winning the Class 3A state girls basketball title in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Rockford Washington's Freeman High School girls basketball team won its second straight state championship; and

WHEREAS, Lakeside High School's lacrosse team won their fifth straight state Division I title in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Katrynna Todd became Auburn High School's first female wrestling champion in February; and

WHEREAS, Sedro-Woolley High School's Alysia Pohren claimed her third state wrestling championship title; and

WHEREAS, Northwest School's Maddie Meyers, a sophomore and Class 1A state champ in cross country, set two state records last March: The indoor mile and the 2,000-meter steeplechase; and

WHEREAS, Institutions of higher education continue to produce elite athletes competing with pride, commitment, and passion; and

WHEREAS, In 1972 girls and women made up less than fifteen percent of college athletes but today make up over 40 percent of college athletes; and

WHEREAS, The participation of Washington female collegiate athletes is among the highest in the country at 48 percent of total athletes. Currently, there are 169 female athletes at Whitworth College, 413 female athletes at the University of Washington, 280 female athletes at Washington State University, 55 female athletes at The Evergreen State College, 127 female athletes at Seattle University, 147 female athletes at Eastern Washington University, 160 female athletes at Western Washington University, 120 female athletes at Whitman College, and 225 female athletes at Pacific Lutheran University; and

WHEREAS, Washington colleges and universities have fostered outstanding achievements by women in sports; and

WHEREAS, The University of Puget Sound's women's soccer team won its ninth straight Northwest Conference title, finishing the season undefeated; and

WHEREAS, The University of Washington's women's rowing team won its fourth consecutive Windermere Cup, and they won by a landslide; and

WHEREAS, The University of Washington's Softball team made its 10th Women's College World Series appearance and pitcher Danielle Lawrie was named the National Player of the Year for the second straight season; and

WHEREAS, The University of Washington's Ashlee Wall Eskelsen, from Walla Walla, was named to the women's Pac-10 All-Academic Cross Country first team for a third consecutive year with a 3.98 GPA; and

WHEREAS, Whitworth College women's swimming won its 3rd Northwest Conference Championship of the past 4 years, in February 2011; and the volleyball team won the Northwest conference; and the cross country team lead the country in team GPA for all of the over 420 NCAA division 3 schools, with an average GPA of 3.76; and

WHEREAS, Western Washington University's rowing team won its sixth straight NCAA Division II national title last spring; and

WHEREAS, Whitman College's swimmer Katie Chapman, of Redmond, won all of her individual matches at the Northwest Conference Championship last February; and

WHEREAS, Whitman College swim coach Jenn Blomme was named coach of the year by the Northwest Conference for her third year; and

WHEREAS, The Pacific Lutheran University's ultimate frisbee team is the Division III National Champion; and

WHEREAS, Washington is honored to host the WNBA 2004 and 2010 national champions, the Seattle Storm, the only women's professional basketball team in the Northwest and the only major professional sports team in Washington to bring home a national championship in more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Washington has many Roller Derby teams and Olympia's Oly Rollers are ranked first in the region and second in the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor Washington girls and women in sports on March 16, 2011, and encourage support for our state's female athletes and athletic programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate and all of the aforementioned athletes and their respective institutions.

Senator Kohl-Welles spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8637.

The motion by Senator Kohl-Welles carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced Dawn Trudeau Seattle Storm owner, and Karen Bryant, President and CEO of The Seattle Storm, who were seated in the gallery.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS
The President welcomed and introduced members of the Oly Rollers flat track roller derby league of Olympia, coached by E. C. team members include Sassy, Nerdy lil Secret, Mary Stoppins, Intended Anger and Heather Lewis-Lechner as Connie Pinko who were seated in the gallery.

MOTION

At 10:23 a.m., on motion of Senator Rockefeller, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 noon, Thursday, March 17, 2011.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

THOMAS HOEMANN, Secretary of the Senate
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