 Senate Chamber, Olympia, Monday, February 20, 2012

The Senate was called to order at 12:00 noon by President Owen. No roll call was taken.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, 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

February 16, 2012

ESHB 2223 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications: Regarding the effective date of RCW 19.122.130, from the underground utility damage prevention act. Reported by Committee on Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Ranker, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Delvin; Morton; Fraser; Hargrove; Murray; Stevens and Swecker.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2012

HB 2244 Prime Sponsor, Representative Hargrove: Concerning the liability of landowners for unintentional injuries that result from certain public or private airstrip operations. Reported by Committee on Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Ranker, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Delvin; Morton; Fraser; Hargrove; Murray; Stevens and Swecker.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

February 16, 2012

ESHB 2664 Prime Sponsor, Committee on Technology, Energy & Communications: Concerning the voluntary option to purchase qualified energy resources. Reported by Committee on Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Ranker, Chair; Regala, Vice Chair; Delvin; Morton; Fraser; Hargrove; Murray; Stevens and Swecker.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTION

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following reappointment, subject to your confirmation.

BRUCE MONTGOMERY, reappointed January 24, 2012, for the term ending October 1, 2015, as Member of The Life Sciences Discovery Fund Authority Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

MOTION

February 17, 2012
On motion of Senator Eide, the appointee listed on the Gubernatorial Appointment report was referred to the committee as designated.

**MOTION**

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

**MOTION**

Senator Chase moved adoption of the following resolution:

**SENATE RESOLUTION 8690**

By Senators Chase, Shin, Harper, Nelson, Pridemore, and Frockt

WHEREAS, Civic education is the foundation for an educated citizenry and a representative democracy; and
WHEREAS, In order to adequately prepare our state's youth for meaningful participation in our democratic institutions and processes, it is important to have strong educational resources aimed at teaching students and the public about the fragile nature of our Constitution; and
WHEREAS, Civic education is part of the fabric of our country and for all students in our public schools; and
WHEREAS, Civic education is a vital tool to promote greater understanding of the role of legislators in a representative democracy and the legislative process; and
WHEREAS, By gathering educators in the state capitol, we recognize the value of civic education in Washington State; and
WHEREAS, By so doing, a forum is established for civic educators across the state to collaborate with legislators and other supporters; and
WHEREAS, Many organizations such as the Legislative Youth Advisory Council, We the People Foundation, Washington Media Association, Washington State Council of Social Studies, 4-H, YMCA Youth & Government, Washington State Bar Association, Office of the Secretary of State, Washington State Historical Society, Legislative Scholars Program, League of Women Voters, and Service Learning of Washington are dedicated to making civic education a priority for Washington State and its citizens; and
WHEREAS, The contributions of committed teachers, principals, community leaders, parents, state employees, and volunteers contribute to the goals of these laudable organizations to create an engaged citizenry; and
WHEREAS, The Washington State Senate recognizes: Kathleen Casper of Tacoma, Ned Fadeley of Spokane, Maria Gillman of Seattle, Linnea Hirst of Seattle, Dianne Lundenberg of Everett, Judi MacRae of Shoreline, Steve Murphy of Enumclaw, Tom Nolet of Seattle, and Brad Soliday of Manson as finalists for Washington State Legislature's Civic Educators of the Year for 2012; and to the winners Ed Bergh Jr. of Olympia and Melissa Hernandez of Wenatchee; and
WHEREAS, On February 20, 2012, the Washington State Senate honors Civic Education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the responsibility of civic educators across the state to serve and inform all Washingtonians and honor civic educators across the state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate hereby honor, thank, and celebrate the civic educators of the state.

Senator Chase spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.
At 12:11 p.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate
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