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AFTERNOON SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Thursday, July 9, 2015

The Senate was called to order at 2:00 o’clock p.m. by President Owen. The Secretary called the roll and announced to the President that all senators were present with the exception of Senators Chase, Ericksen, O’Ban and Ranker.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Ms. Kathleen Lizee and Mrs. El Wanda Bryant, Senate Security Officers, presented the Colors. Senator Dammeier offered the prayer.

MOTION

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

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

July 8, 2015

MR. PRESIDENT:
The Speaker has signed:
SENATE BILL NO. 5310,
SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5987,
SECOND ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 5993,
SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 6080
and the same are herewith transmitted.

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6145 by Senators Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Pedersen, Hatfield, Billig, McCoy, Jayapal, Keiser, Conway, Cleveland, Mullet, Nelson, McAuliffe, Frockt, Liias and Rolfes
AN ACT Relating to delaying for two years the high school graduation requirement of meeting the state standard on the high school science assessment; amending RCW 28A.655.061; and creating new sections.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the rules were suspended and Senate Bill No. 6145 was placed on the day’s second reading calendar.

MOTION

At 2:07 p.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate was declared to be at ease subject to the call of the President.

The Senate was called to order at 3:36 p.m. by President Owen.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the seventh order of business.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Habib, Senators Chase, Liias, Pedersen and Ranker were excused.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Rivers, Senators Ericksen and O’Ban were excused.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION

On motion of Senator Fain, pursuant to Rule 37, having voted on the prevailing side, the rules were suspended and the Senate immediately reconsidered the vote by which Engrossed House Bill No. 2266 failed to pass the senate.

THIRD READING

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2266, by Representative Sullivan.

Deferring implementation of class size reduction and school employee staffing formula changes.

The bill was read on Third Reading.

Senators Nelson, Keiser, Dammeier and Baumgartner spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Senator Liias spoke against passage of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage on reconsideration of Engrossed House Bill No. 2266.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed House Bill No. 2266 on reconsideration and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 33; Nays, 11; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.


Voting nay: Senators Cleveland, Conway, Fraser, Frockt, Habib, Hasegawa, Jayapal, Kohl-Welles, Liias, McAuliffe and Rolfes

Excused: Senators Chase, Ericksen, O’Ban, Pedersen and Ranker
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2266, having received the constitutional two-thirds majority, on reconsideration, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate reverted to the sixth order of business.

SECOND READING

SENATE BILL NO. 6145, by Senators Fraser, Kohl-Welles, Pedersen, Hatfield, Billig, McCoy, Jayapal, Keiser, Conway, Cleveland, Mullet, Nelson, McAuliffe, Hobbs, Frockt, Litas and Rolfes

Delaying for two years the high school graduation requirement of meeting the state standard on the high school science assessment.

The measure was read the second time.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fraser, the rules were suspended, Senate Bill No. 6145 was advanced to third reading, the second reading considered the third and the bill was placed on final passage.

Senators Fraser, McCoy and Nelson spoke in favor of passage of the bill.

Senators Baumgartner and Angel spoke against passage of the bill.

Senators Dansel and Roach spoke in favor of the bill.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the final passage of Senate Bill No. 6145.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll on the final passage of Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1166 and the bill passed the Senate by the following vote: Yeas, 43; Nays, 1; Absent, 0; Excused, 5.


Voting nay: Senator Dansel

Excused: Senators Chase, Ericksen, O’Ban, Pedersen and Ranker

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1166, having received the constitutional two-thirds majority, was declared passed. There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Frockt: “Well, I don’t know where she is. I wanted to say very likely that may have been the last vote that our colleague Senator Kohl-Welles will be taking in this body if she is successful in her new endeavors and I want to wish her adieu and tell her thank you for the good work. I didn’t speak to this the other day and, apparently, she was so interested, she took off before I could speak but it’s been a great honor to serve with her so for the record and for all prosperity and TVW will know that she was a great friend and a great mentor to us, to me in particular and I appreciate her service. Thank you.”

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Bailey: “Mr. President. I’d also like to offer my regards to Senator Kohl-Welles and also thank her for being a good mentor. She’s worked in higher education for a long time. When I was elected to the Senate, Senator Kohl-Welles really reached out and tried to help teach me a lot about higher ed that I didn’t know at the time – as well as a lot of other people here. I do owe a lot of credit to them and thanks. But, in a personal way, I just want to say, I really appreciate her genuine kindness that she has shown to me personally and all the endeavors that we’ve had together in regards to higher education. I will miss her and being able to talk with her about some of the tough issues that we have in education. So, I just like to add that.”

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Senator Fraser: “Thank you Mr. President. Recognizing that this is most likely Senator Kohl-Welles last meeting her in the Senate, I too would just like to say a brief appreciation. She is so knowledgeable about so many issues. She has been a committee chair for many of our most complicated, controversial committees. She’s never shirked no matter how tough the issue is and she’s been a leader on things, maybe, she needed to do and then always took on more, always, always. A wonderful contributor to the legislature, to the state of Washington. I would just like to express my thanks.”

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Parlette: “Thank you Mr. President. I also would like to say good words about Senator Kohl-Welles. I will never forget the year when she was the Chair of the Labor & Commerce Committee. I was ranking and lo and behold about a hundred education bills also showed up in that committee – most of them sponsored by the Senator. But I also wanted to tell her, because I haven’t been able to reach her, and I’m sure she’s hiding somewhere, I know she will be coming to my district and vacationing this weekend. I will not tell you where but she wanted to know if there was any smoke and the answer is, ‘No’. Thank you.”

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Conway: “Thank you. I also rise to thank Jeanne for her service here. You know, I had time, I should say this: She worked very hard on issues that have, of great importance to this state in terms of unemployment insurance. We had great debate on unemployment insurance. I remember we were on a task force together when I was chair in the other body and we worked together to work that issue out and also worker comp. That was another big issue that we all faced here and she was a leader in this body during the debates on worker comp. It was a committee that she really didn’t want to lead, she told me, but it got thrust upon her and she did a great job in that role. Also we cannot forget medical marijuana. If there’s any person that has brought our bodies, the whole legislature’s attention to the medical marijuana, it was Senator Kohl-Welles. We really thank her for her role in that issue and helping us figure out a solution to that very complicated issue. So, Jeanne, I think there on the road home here, hopefully you’re driving not stuck in traffic, but we wish you well. Thank you.”

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Fain: “Thank you Mr. President. I too want to rise and thank Senator Kohl-Welles fine example that she has set for all of us by leaving fifteen minutes ago.”

MOTION

At 4:17 p.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 10, 2015.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate
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