MORNING SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Monday, February 23, 2015

The Senate was called to order at 10:55 a.m. by President Owen. No call was taken.

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 fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6045 by Senators Becker and Frockt
AN ACT Relating to continuation of the hospital safety net assessment for two additional biennia; amending RCW 74.60.005, 74.60.020, 74.60.030, 74.60.050, 74.60.090, 74.60.100, 74.60.120, 74.60.130, 74.60.150, 74.60.160, and 74.60.901; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6046 by Senators Rolfes and Hasegawa
AN ACT Relating to providing for a vote of the public to authorize public utility districts to provide telecommunications services; amending RCW 54.16.005 and 54.16.330; adding a new section to chapter 54.16 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Energy, Environment & Telecommunications.

MOTION

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

MOTION

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

MOTION

Senator Pearson moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8621

By Senator Pearson

WHEREAS, Bob Heirman’s books, including “Snohomish My Beloved County: An Angler’s Anthology,” have depicted a beautiful history of salmon and steelhead runs in Washington; and

WHEREAS, Bob Heirman has spent his life propagating and replenishing fish stocks in Snohomish County in order to ensure that rich tradition lives on in Snohomish County and the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Bob Heirman continues to protect creeks of all sizes including Evans Creek, French Creek, and Bunk Foss so that Coho salmon can continue to thrive in the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, The fish recovery efforts of Bob Heirman have been noticed and honored by Field and Stream Outdoor Magazine for being a Conservation Hero; and

WHEREAS, Bob Heirman has spent countless hours studying the flow and stock of Coho salmon and steelhead in order to maintain an environment that supports Washington's cultural and economic history of fishing salmon; and

WHEREAS, The Snohomish Sportsmen's Club has been able to sustain wildlife areas, fish responsibly, and lead in hatchery planting because of Bob Heirman’s fifty-six years of service in the club as Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Bob Heirman has been incredibly valuable in salmon recovery due to the support of his wife Clarajean and their seven children; and

WHEREAS, The banks of Thomas’ Eddy have been saved for future generations to enjoy and continue the sport of fishing because of Bob Heirman’s perseverance in the restoration and preservation of this historically abundant fishing area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate commend Bob Heirman for his years of hard work dedicated to recovering fish stocks, congratulate Bob Heirman for his success in preserving wildlife areas in Snohomish, including the Bob Heirman Wildlife Reserve at Thomas’ Eddy, and express gratitude for Mr. Heirman’s dedication to keeping the Pacific Northwest salmon and steelhead population alive and thriving.

Senator Pearson spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution. The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8621.

The motion by Senator Pearson carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Article 2, Section 32 of the State Constitution and Senate Rule 1(5), the President announced the signing of and thereupon did sign in open session:

SENATE BILL NO. 5035.

MOTION

At 10:58 a.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 9:00 o’clock a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2015.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate
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