The Senate was called to order at 12:00 o’clock noon by the President of the Senate, Lt. Governor Owen presiding. No roll 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, and without objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

January 27, 2016

SB 5278 Prime Sponsor, Senator Miloscia: Concerning legislative oversight of state agency performance. Reported by Committee on Accountability & Reform

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Miloscia, Chair; Padden, Vice Chair; Fraser, Ranking Member; Dansel and McAuliffe.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 5509 Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Concerning workers’ compensation reform through clarification of occupational disease claims. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5509 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 5800 Prime Sponsor, Senator Pearson: Allowing businesses to possess gambling devices or components of authorized gambling devices without first obtaining a license under certain conditions. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5800 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 5983 Prime Sponsor, Senator Warnick: Addressing services performed by an individual for remuneration. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5983 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Keiser.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member and Conway.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6081 Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Creating a labor and industries ombuds within the department of commerce. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 27, 2016

SB 6085 Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Concerning office furniture installation, reconfiguration, and maintenance. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6085 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6100 Prime Sponsor, Senator Chase: Establishing an economic gardening pilot program. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development
MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 26, 2016

SB 6105  Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Creating a new traffic offense of aggravated left lane driving. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6105 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Baumgartner; Litzow; Miloscia; Rivers and Sheldon.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Cleveland; Ericksen and Takko.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Liias and Carlyle.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6120  Prime Sponsor, Senator Mullet: Providing a registration exemption for certain vessels. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6120 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias; Carlyle; Cleveland; Ericksen; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Rivers; Sheldon and Takko.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6148  Prime Sponsor, Senator Warnick: Concerning the handling of certain personal property in a self-service storage facility. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6156  Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers: Reauthorizing the medicaid fraud false claims act. Reported by Committee on Accountability & Reform

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Miloscia, Chair; Padden, Vice Chair; Fraser, Ranking Member; Dansel and McAuliffe.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 27, 2016

SB 6161  Prime Sponsor, Senator Bailey: Including certain residents who do not have a high school diploma or credential and the number of students expected to enroll in basic education for adults courses at community and technical colleges in caseload forecast council forecasting. Reported by Committee on Higher Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6161 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Bailey, Chair; Baumgartner, Vice Chair; Frockt, Ranking Member; Becker; Carlyle; Liias and Miloscia.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 27, 2016

SB 6162  Prime Sponsor, Senator Honeyford: Concerning the expiration date of the invasive species council and account. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources & Parks

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Dansel, Vice Chair; Jayapal, Ranking Member; Chase; Fraser; Hewitt and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 26, 2016

SB 6180  Prime Sponsor, Senator King: Creating a disadvantaged business enterprise advisory committee within the transportation commission. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Dansel, Vice Chair; Jayapal, Ranking Member; Chase; Fraser; Hewitt and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6199  Prime Sponsor, Senator Pearson: Providing for legislative review of the updated North Cascade elk herd plan. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources & Parks

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Dansel, Vice Chair; Jayapal, Ranking Member; Chase; Fraser; Hewitt and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6220  Prime Sponsor, Senator Brown: Promoting economic development by maximizing the use of federal economic development funding opportunities. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6221  Prime Sponsor, Senator Brown: Promoting
economic development through improving regulatory processes and providing technical assistance to businesses. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 27, 2016

SB 6223 Prime Sponsor, Senator Brown: Enhancing regulatory agency coordination. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6223 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 27, 2016

SB 6227 Prime Sponsor, Senator Honeyford: Implementing the recommendations of the 2015 review of the Washington wildlife and recreation program. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources & Parks

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6227 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Jayapal, Vice Chair; Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Litas; Carlyle; Cleveland; Ericksen; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Rivers; Sheldon and Tako.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6231 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hasegawa: Eliminating the reference to the standard industrial classification system in the worker and community right to know fund. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Braun, Vice Chair.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6250 Prime Sponsor, Senator Braun: Providing public fire department employees the right to volunteer for or obtain employment with another fire department. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6254 Prime Sponsor, Senator Sheldon: Authorizing the issuance of Purple Heart license plates for more than one motor vehicle. Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6254 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair; Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Litas; Carlyle; Cleveland; Ericksen; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Rivers; Sheldon and Tako.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6274 Prime Sponsor, Senator Parlette: Concerning the Columbia river recreational salmon and steelhead endorsement program. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources & Parks

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Dansel, Vice Chair; Jayapal, Ranking Member; Fraser, Hewitt and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Chase.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6281 Prime Sponsor, Senator Fain: Enacting amendments to the uniform athlete agents act. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6281 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6289 Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Addressing the use of a digital platform to employ certain independent contractors. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6289 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6296 Prime Sponsor, Senator Parlette: Extending the expiration date of the habitat and recreation lands coordinating
MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Pearson, Chair; Jayapal, Ranking Member; Fraser; Hewitt and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 26, 2016

SB 6299  Prime Sponsor, Senator King: Correcting certain manifest drafting errors in chapter 44, Laws of 2015 3rd sp. sess. (transportation revenue). Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair, Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Lias; Carlyle; Cleveland; Ericksen; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Sheldon and Takko.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6301  Prime Sponsor, Senator Benton: Concerning employer agreements to reimburse certain employee costs for the use of personal vehicles for business purposes. Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6301 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Benton, Chair; Angel, Vice Chair; Mullet, Ranking Minority Member; Fain; Hobbs; Litzow; Nelson and Roach.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6303  Prime Sponsor, Senator Rivers: Allowing for proper disposal of unsellable marijuana by a licensed marijuana retail outlet. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6309  Prime Sponsor, Senator Angel: Concerning registered service contract and protection product guarantee providers. Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6309 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Benton, Chair; Angel, Vice Chair; Fain; Hobbs; Litzow and Roach.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Mullet, Ranking Minority Member and Nelson.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6319  Prime Sponsor, Senator Jayapal: Addressing civil service qualifications. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6319 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway; Keiser and King.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Braun, Vice Chair and Warnick.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6321  Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Addressing certain exclusions from the definition of worker under industrial insurance statutes. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6386  Prime Sponsor, Senator Benton: Concerning retractable basketball hoop safety. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6386 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Conway; Keiser; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6443  Prime Sponsor, Senator Ericksen: Concerning human rights commission rules on gender segregated facilities. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6528  Prime Sponsor, Senator Brown: Enacting the cybersecurity jobs act. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development
MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6528 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SB 6579 Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Reforming industrial insurance through privatization and competition. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Baumgartner, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; King and Warnick.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Hasegawa, Ranking Minority Member; Conway and Keiser.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 26, 2016

SJM 8014 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hasegawa: Requesting that state route number 99 be named the "William P. Stewart Memorial Highway." Reported by Committee on Transportation

MAJORITY recommendation: That Substitute Senate Joint Memorial No. 8014 be substituted therefor, and the substitute joint memorial do pass. Signed by Senators King, Chair; Fain, Vice Chair, Budget; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias; Cleveland; Jayapal; Litzow; Miloscia; Rivers; Sheldon and Takko.

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 27, 2016

SJM 8017 Prime Sponsor, Senator Roach: Requesting Congress to reform the harbor maintenance tax. Reported by Committee on Trade & Economic Development

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Brown, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Chase, Ranking Minority Member; Angel; Ericksen and McCoy.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

MOTION

On motion of Fain, and without objection, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated with the exceptions of Senate Bill No. 6220, Senate Bill No. 6274, Senate Bill No. 6579, which were referred to the Committee on Rules.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, and without objection, the Senate advanced to the fourth order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

January 27, 2016

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House has passed:
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1003,
ENGROSSED THIRD SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1295,
HOUSE BILL NO. 1345,
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1408,
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1770,
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL NO. 1855,
and the same are herewith transmitted.

BARBARA BAKER, Chief Clerk

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, and without objection, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6590 by Senators Fraser and Liias
AN ACT Relating to authorizing certain public transportation benefit areas to impose a sales and use tax increase approved by voters; amending RCW 82.14.045; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6591 by Senators Hobbs, Fain, Jayapal and Liias
AN ACT Relating to the issuance of nondomiciled commercial drivers' licenses and commercial learners' permits to nonresidents; amending RCW 46.25.010, 46.25.070, and 46.25.---; adding a new section to chapter 46.25 RCW; and providing effective dates.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6592 by Senators Jayapal, Miloscia, Darneille, Cleveland, Frockt, Conway, Chase, Hasegawa, Keiser and McAuliffe
AN ACT Relating to providing adequate time for tenants to relocate due to a rent increase; amending RCW 59.18.140; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 6593 by Senators Carlyle, Rivers, Keiser, Conway, Roach and Jayapal
AN ACT Relating to promoting greater fairness for taxpayers in prescription drug costs by pursuing prices that are aligned with or lower than the negotiated prices available to the United States veterans administration; and adding a new chapter to Title 69 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health Care.

SB 6594 by Senators Liias, Rivers, Fain, Habib and King
AN ACT Relating to improving the safety of young drivers on the road in Washington state through improved traffic safety education and the expansion of current law regarding intermediate licenses; amending RCW 46.20.075; adding new sections to chapter 46.20 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.82 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.68 RCW; and providing effective dates.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6595 by Senators Liias, Rivers, Rolfes, Fain and King  
AN ACT Relating to improving public safety through driver regulation programs; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040; adding a new section to chapter 46.20 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.68 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6596 by Senators Hill and Hargrove  
AN ACT Relating to public investments; amending RCW 39.59.010, 39.59.020, 39.60.010, 39.60.020, 39.60.030, 39.60.040, 39.60.050, and 43.84.080; reenacting and amending RCW 43.250.020; adding a new section to chapter 39.59 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and repealing RCW 39.59.030 and 43.250.090.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6597 by Senator Keiser  
AN ACT Relating to creating a task force on injured workers' independent medical exams; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SB 6598 by Senators Rivers, Billig, Litzow and McAuliffe  
AN ACT Relating to working connections child care eligibility for vulnerable children; creating new sections; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6599 by Senators Liias, Roach, Hobbs and McAuliffe  
AN ACT Relating to extending the refund period for the overpayment of business and occupation taxes for certain assisted living facilities; and amending RCW 82.32.060.

Referred to Committee on Health Care.

SB 6600 by Senator Darnelle  
AN ACT Relating to establishing a conservation district online election pilot project; amending RCW 89.08.140 and 89.08.190; adding a new chapter to Title 89 RCW; creating a new section; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Security.

SB 6601 by Senators Frockt, Bailey, Braun, Mullet, Carlyle and McAuliffe  
AN ACT Relating to creating the Washington college savings program; amending RCW 28B.95.010, 28B.95.020, 28B.95.025, 28B.95.035, 28B.95.040, 28B.95.080, 28B.95.090, 28B.95.100, 28B.95.150, and 28B.95.900; reenacting and amending RCW 43.79A.040; and adding new sections to chapter 28B.95 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

SB 6602 by Senators Braun, Mullet and Hargrove  
AN ACT Relating to industrial insurance claims made to self-insurers; and amending RCW 51.14.130.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SB 6603 by Senators Fain, Rivers, Litzow, Mullet, O'Ban, Hill, Keiser, Carlyle, Pedersen, McAuliffe and Dammeier  
AN ACT Relating to providing for suicide awareness and prevention education for safer homes; amending RCW 9.41.810 and 43.70.442; adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.04 RCW; creating new sections; providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing.

SB 6604 by Senators Ericksen, Schoesler, Dammeier and Roach  
AN ACT Relating to providing limitations in respect to tax raises and fee increases by the legislature; amending RCW 43.135.034 and 43.135.055; and providing for submission of this act to a vote of the people.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Fain, and without objection, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, and without objection, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Keiser moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION

8699

By Senators Keiser, Fraser, Jayapal, Liias, Billig, Rolfes, Conway, Frockt, Fain, Cleveland, Pedersen, Nelson, and Chase

WHEREAS, All Washington residents seeking health care have the right to access their provider of choice without fear of violence or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, Between June 2015 and December 2015, arson, vandalism, threats, and harassment have increased at health centers for women, including:

(1) A firebombing at a women's health center in Pullman, Washington in September 2015; and

(2) An attack by a gunman at a women's health center in Colorado Springs, Colorado on November 27, 2015, resulting in the tragic death of three individuals and injury of another nine people; and

By Senators Keiser, Fraser, Jayapal, Liias, Billig, Rolfes, Conway, Frockt, Fain, Cleveland, Pedersen, Nelson, and Chase
WHEREAS, Extreme rhetoric can contribute to a climate that is dangerous for those who provide or access comprehensive women's health care services; and

WHEREAS, A high proportion of people of color rely on reproductive health centers and are therefore disproportionately impacted by attacks on centers that provide these health care services; and

WHEREAS, 3,000 patients had their access to health care threatened as the clinic in Pullman, Washington was forced to spend a quarter-million dollars on six months of rebuilding after having their facility firebombed; and

WHEREAS, The right of citizens to make their own health care decisions is well established;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate condemn acts of violence against women's health care clinics and providers, and their patients, families, and supporters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all people in Washington state should be able to access health care without fear of violence, intimidation, or harassment.

Senators Keiser, Pedersen and Liias spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8699.

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

MOTION

At 12:10 p.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 o'clock noon, Friday, January 29, 2016.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate
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