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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

January 29, 2016
SB 6325 Prime Sponsor, Senator Baumgartner: Aligning the alcohol content definition of cider with the federal definition. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 29, 2016
SB 6390 Prime Sponsor, Senator Warnick: Increasing the number of wineries and microbreweries that may offer wine or beer samples at farmers markets. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 29, 2016
SB 6398 Prime Sponsor, Senator Hasegawa: Concerning certain cultural foods. Reported by Committee on Commerce & Labor

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

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 21, 2016
SJR 8211 Prime Sponsor, Senator Roach: Amending the Constitution to require a two-thirds majority vote of the legislature to raise taxes. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Security

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Benton, Vice Chair; Pearson, Vice Chair and Dansel.

MINORITY recommendation: Do not pass. Signed by Senators Habib; McCoy and Takko.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 29, 2016
SB 6623 by Senator King
AN ACT Relating to the rental or lease of transportation property; amending RCW 47.12.120 and 47.52.090; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6624 by Senators Benton, Schoesler, McAuliffe and Rolfes
AN ACT Relating to including displaying or wearing motorcycle-related or motorcycle club-related paraphernalia as a factor in profiling discrimination; and amending RCW 49.60.030.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 6625 by Senators Conway, Hasegawa, Keiser and Chase
AN ACT Relating to employment noncompetition agreements; and adding a new section to chapter 49.44 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

SB 6626 by Senators Bailey, Frockt, Baumgartner, Liias and McAuliffe
AN ACT Relating to creating a work group on accelerated baccalaureate degree programs; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education.

SB 6627 by Senators Hasegawa and Chase
AN ACT Relating to authorizing wheelchair accessible taxicabs access to high occupancy vehicle lanes; and amending RCW 46.61.165 and 47.52.025.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6628 by Senator Nelson
AN ACT Relating to service of legal actions to collect a debt by a collection agency; and amending RCW 19.16.250.
Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

SB 6629 by Senators Fain, Rivers, Litzow, Darneille, Hasegawa and Chase

AN ACT Relating to providing a sales and use tax exemption for certain feminine hygiene products; adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 82.12 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

MOTION

On motion of Senator 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 Becker moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8695

By Senators Becker, Fraser, Brown, Ranker, Dammeier, Nelson, Hewitt, Hasegawa, Darneille, Angel, Parlette, Rolfes, McCoy, and Jayapal

WHEREAS, On July 30, 2016, in Olympia, upwards of 20,000 visitors will enthusiastically welcome the arrival of more than 100 tribal canoes as they conclude long distance journeys as participants in this year’s Tribal Canoe Journey, “2016 Paddle to Nisqually,” hosted by the Nisqually Tribe, whose homeland is south Puget Sound; and

WHEREAS, The canoes will represent approximately 60 tribes from many locations in Washington, Alaska, and British Columbia, as well as from other states and countries, and will arrive at the Port of Olympia’s NorthPoint near Swantown Marina in downtown Olympia; and

WHEREAS, Following their arrival in Olympia, the canoes will join together in multiday cultural festivities until August 6th, which festivities are open to the public, at the Nisqually Tribal community at Olympia, halfway between Olympia and Yelm, in Thurston County; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Canoe Journey, "2016 Paddle to Nisqually," represents a revival of traditional canoe culture fundamental to traditional Native American life around Puget Sound, the Salish Sea, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, the Pacific Ocean, and other Pacific Northwest marine waters, which frequently involved long journeys for economic, social, and cultural purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Canoe Journeys have become a vital activity for the revitalization of cultural expression to allow Native American families to pass along their traditional way of life to younger generations; and

WHEREAS, The inaugural Tribal Canoe Journey, "Paddle to Seattle," coincided with the 1989 State of Washington’s Centennial Celebration and brought 17 tribes together as a tribute to the Salish Seas tribal canoe tradition and cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, "2016 Paddle to Nisqually" is a community-building, youth-focused, drug- and alcohol-free, waste-free event, with the motto "Don't Forget the Water";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate heartily welcome to the state capitol the many tribal members and tribal paddlers, support teams, hundreds of volunteers, and thousands of enthusiastic visitors who will participate in the Tribal Canoe Journey, “2016 Paddle to Nisqually” historic gathering; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the Nisqually Tribe for its leadership in organizing and hosting the Canoe Journey, "2016 Paddle to Nisqually" event, and further express its appreciation to the City of Olympia, the Port of Olympia, Thurston County, and hundreds of volunteers for their active support of this historic event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate express its admiration for the personal fitness and endurance of the tribal paddlers, many of whom will have paddled for hundreds of miles to arrive in Olympia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Nisqually Tribe, the City of Olympia, the Port of Olympia, and Thurston County.

Senators Becker, Dammeier, Fraser McCoy and Sheldon spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8695.

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced members of the Nisqually Tribal Council who were seated in the gallery.

MOTION

At 12:15 p.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 o’clock noon, Tuesday, February 2, 2016.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate
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