

# Journal of the Senate

FORTY-THIRD DAY

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SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS  
Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by Vice President Rick Wilbon.  
The roll was called with 36 senators present.  
Senators Claeys, Longbine, McGinn and Pyle were excused.  
Invocation by David DePue:

God Almighty, thank You for this sun-filled Kansas day. Thank You for each of these senators chosen by their communities, as you directed Moses in the formation of the first civil government. Lord, You have granted wisdom to each of these leaders. My prayer is for an even greater portion of understanding as they empower people and programs.

And Lord, today we are blessed to honor these master teachers, chosen by their colleagues to receive the honor to whom honor is due as directed in Romans 13:7. Please continue blessing the many children in their care. This I pray in Jesus' name, Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Rick Wilborn.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

**SB 311**, AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to valuation; excluding internal revenue code section 1031 exchange transactions as indicators of fair market value; amending K.S.A. 79-503a and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

**SB 312**, AN ACT concerning the power of eminent domain; relating to the exercise thereof by certain public utilities; requiring approval of the board of county commissioners prior to the exercise thereof; amending K.S.A. 26-101, 26-501b, 26-502 and 26-516 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

## REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Assessment and Taxation: **HB 2026**, **HB 2106**.

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 310**.

## INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senator Longbine introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the 2023 Kansas Master Teachers.

WHEREAS, Seven of Kansas' best teachers have been selected as Kansas Master Teachers for 2023; and

WHEREAS, Local teacher associations, educational organizations and school faculties nominate candidates for the awards. A committee representing educational organizations from across Kansas selected the 2023 winners; and

WHEREAS, The 2023 Kansas Master Teachers are Kristen Anderson, a fifth grade teacher at North Fairview Elementary School in Seaman, USD 345; Kirstin Bangerter, an English teacher at Dodge City High School in Dodge City, USD 443; Jerald Braun, a gifted education teacher at Hays Middle School and High School in Hays, USD 489; Matt Christensen, a social studies teacher at Blue Valley Southwest High School in Blue Valley Schools, USD 229; Melissa Hall, a STEM/technology teacher at Fort Riley Middle School in Geary County, USD 475; Martha MacKay, a physical science teacher at Emporia High School in Emporia, USD 253; and Maggie Wolken, a kindergarten teacher at Chanute Elementary School in Chanute, USD 413; and

WHEREAS, Emporia State University established the Kansas Master Teacher Awards in 1953; and

WHEREAS, The awards are presented annually to teachers who have served the profession long and who also exemplify the outstanding qualities of earnest and conscientious teachers; and

WHEREAS, Since 1980, Bank of America has pledged more than \$100,000 to permanently endow the Kansas Master Teacher Awards; and

WHEREAS, In 1984, the Black family of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, established an endowed chair for Kansas Master Teachers; and

WHEREAS, The fund provides a stipend to bring two Master Teachers to Emporia State University for part of a semester during which they present to classes of education students; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Kansas recognize the invaluable contributions of great teachers such as those being honored today; and

WHEREAS, These 2023 Master Teachers serve as mentors and role models and lay the groundwork for the best educators of tomorrow. They go above and beyond what is expected and offer inspiration, as well as instruction. They teach with heart and soul, and by giving the best of themselves, they encourage students to give their best in return: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the 2023 Kansas Master Teachers for demonstrating excellence in their profession and devotion to the children of Kansas; and

*Be it further resolved:* That we offer heartfelt thanks to these extraordinary educators who face so many challenges in the classroom each day, yet persevere, choosing the satisfaction of doing their best and overcoming the frustrations inherent in their jobs, and we extend our best wishes for their continued success and happiness; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send seven enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Longbine.

On emergency motion of Senator Baumgardner **SR 1714** was adopted unanimously.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Committee on **Federal and State Affairs** recommends **SCR 1607** be adopted.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **HB 2015** be amended on page 2, in line 3, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Also, **HB 2065**, as Amended by House Committee (Corrected), be amended on page 1, in line 20, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

**HB 2131** be amended on page 1, in line 17, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

**HB 2214** be amended on page 3, in line 4, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Public Health and Welfare** recommends **HB 2024**, As Further Amended by House Committee, be amended on page 7, in line 41, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Also, **HB 2262** be passed and, because the committee is of the opinion that the bill is of a noncontroversial nature, be placed on the consent calendar.

Committee on **Transportation** recommends **HB 2020** be amended on page 1, in line 25, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Alley, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

