

# Journal of the Senate

TWENTY-THIRD DAY

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SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS  
Thursday, February 9, 2017, 8:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Susan Wagle.  
The roll was called with 40 senators present.  
Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

Gracious Father, when we weigh our needs against our supply, our needs tip the scale. As drivers, we need charge in our batteries and gasoline in our tanks. As feeble human beings, we need water for our thirst and bread for our hunger. We need clothes for our backs, dwelling places for our safety. We need money to pay our bills. Sometimes, we just need a hug...we need a companion. The doctors say some of us need Valium for our nerves. We all have a need to be needed.

When there seems to be no earthly way that a need can be met, what a blessing it is to discover that You are our Need-Meter. Someway, somehow, when those needs become unbearable, You find a way.

In John 6, the cry was, "We just don't have enough!" The need was food for over 5,000 people. In the hands of man, 2 fish and 5 loaves, were nowhere near enough. But, Lord, You can take a supply that is minute and meet a need that is great.

Great has been our need for mercy. Great is our need for Your love and forgiveness. But much greater than our need, has been Your plentiful supply of grace. It was back in 1779, You used John Newton to pen the words "Amazing Grace. How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!"

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You for meeting our every need. I thank You that I can come to You in Jesus' name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Wagle.

## REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Assessment and Taxation: **SB 175**.

Commerce: **SB 176, SB 177**.

Ethics, Elections and Local Government: **HB 2094**.

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 178**.

Judiciary: **HB 2035, HB 2053, HB 2093**.

Public Health and Welfare: **SB 172**.

Transportation: **SB 171**.

Ways and Means: **SB 173, SB 174**.

On motion of Senator Denning, the Senate recessed until the sound of the gavel.

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The senate met pursuant to recess with President Wagle in the chair.

On motion of Senator Denning, the senate adjourned pro forma until 8:00 a.m. February 10, 2017.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*  
COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

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