Journal of the House

SIXTIETH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, TOPEKA, KS, Wednesday, May 15, 2013, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker Merrick in the chair.

The roll was called with 119 members present.

Reps. Moxley and Wolfe Moore were excused on verified illness.

Reps. Carlin, Kleeb, Montgomery and Osterman were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by Chaplain Brubaker:

Heavenly Father, I read in an article that the Gettysburg address has 269 words, the Declaration of Independence has 1,337 words, and one version of the Bible has only 773,000 words. However, the tax law has grown from 11,400 words in 1913 to over 7 million words today. It makes me wonder if the reason we are all still hanging around here is because we have become people of too many words! In all seriousness, be with our state leaders as they work out the details of taxes and budget. Discussing money always brings out controversial discussion which is probably why Jesus spoke more about money than just about anything else. Help them to balance wisdom along with prudence. generosity along with fiscal responsibility, and to know when and where to save as well as when and where to spend. I pray this in Your Son's Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Clayton.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGE

Speaker Merrick announced the appointment of Rep. Hoffman to replace Rep. Suellentrop on Committee on Appropriations for May 15-17.

REPORT ON ENGROSSED BILLS

HB 2081, HB 2120, HB 2261 reported correctly engrossed May 10, 2013.

HB 2015 reported correctly engrossed May 13, 2013.

HB 2115, HB 2204 reported correctly engrossed May 14, 2013.

On motion of Rep. Vickrey, the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m, Thursday, May 16, 2013.

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