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EIGHTEENTH CALENDAR DAY
TWELFTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Thursday, January 31, 2008

The Senate met in regular session at 8:49 a.m., President Kibbie presiding.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Linda Stueve of the First United Methodist Church in Indianola, Iowa. She was the guest of Senator Appel.

The Journal of Wednesday, January 30, 2008, was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGE RECEIVED

The following message was received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MR. PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on January 30, 2008, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 2054](#), a bill for an act providing for county eligibility for state payment of certain mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services funding and providing effective and retroactive applicability dates.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Gronstal, the Senate adjourned at 8:53 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, February 4, 2008.

APPENDIX

COMMUNICATION RECEIVED

The following communication was received in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and placed on file in the Legislative Services Agency:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Kindergarten Literacy Assessment annual report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 279.60. Report received on January 30, 2008.

PRESENTATION OF VISITORS

The Chair welcomed the following visitors who were present in the Senate gallery:

Twenty-three students from Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, Iowa, accompanied by Dave Drissell, Lyle Stevens, and Student Senate president, Ashley Morton. Senator Beall.

EMT John Copper and Zach Bender, a sixth grader at Fair Oaks Middle School, Fort Dodge, Iowa. Senator Beall.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

The Secretary of the Senate issued the following certificate of recognition:

Catherine Meisenbach—For celebrating her 95th birthday. Senator Gronstal (1/31/08).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

HUMAN RESOURCES

Convened: January 30, 2008, 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Ragan, Chair; Schmitz, Vice Chair; Seymour, Ranking Member; Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Johnson, Mulder, and Quirmbach.

Members Absent: Hatch, Kreiman, and Wood (all excused).

Committee Business: Approved [SSB 3014](#).

Adjourned: 4:10 p.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Convened: January 30, 2008, 2:05 p.m.

Members Present: Quirmbach, Chair; Beall, Vice Chair; Zaun, Ranking Member; Angelo, Hartsuch, Heckroth, Houser, Kreiman, Olive, Rielly, Schoenjahn, and Stewart.

Members Absent: McKinley (excused).

Committee Business: Passed [SF 2007](#) and approved [SSB 3086](#). Presentations by the Iowa Metro Coalition, the Iowa League of Cities, and the Iowa State Association of Counties.

Adjourned: 2:55 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

Convened: January 30, 2008, 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rielly, Chair; Danielson, Vice Chair; Noble, Ranking Member; Beall, Hancock, Heckroth, Warnstadt, Zaun, and Zieman.

Members Absent: Dearden, Houser, McCoy, and Putney (all excused).

Committee Business: Presentation by the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission.

Adjourned: 5:00 p.m.

**APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION,
INFRASTRUCTURE, AND CAPITALS**

Convened: January 30, 2008, 10:20 a.m.

Members Present: McCoy, Chair; Warnstadt, Vice Chair; and Beall.

Members Absent: Putney, Ranking Member; and McKibben (both excused).

Committee Business: Presentation by the Director, Iowa Communications Network.

Adjourned: 11:20 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Convened: January 31, 2008, 10:10 a.m.

Members Present: Hatch, Chair; Kreiman, Vice Chair; and Ragan.

Members Absent: Johnson, Ranking Member; and Seymour (both excused).

Committee Business: Presentations on public health issues and funding for tobacco, chemical, and substance abuse prevention.

Adjourned: 11:20 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[Senate File 2087](#), by Hogg, Hatch, Beall, Appel, Seng, Olive, Dearden, Fraise, Quirnbach, Courtney, Kibbie, Black, Bolkcom, Dvorsky, Kreiman, and Schmitz, a bill for an act relating to the establishment or approval of discounted gas and electric utility rates applicable to low-income residents.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Commerce**.

[Senate File 2088](#), by Johnson, a bill for an act providing for motor fuel pumps which dispense renewable fuel.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Agriculture**.

[Senate File 2089](#), by committee on Local Government, a bill for an act relating to applications for absentee ballots.

Read first time under Rule 28 and **placed on calendar**.

[Senate File 2090](#), by committee on Local Government, a bill for an act providing for an exception to the maximum age for chiefs of police and providing an effective date.

Read first time under Rule 28 and **placed on calendar**.

STUDY BILLS RECEIVED

[SSB 3111](#) Human Resources

Relating to child support recovery including assignment of support to the state relative to receipt of family investment program benefits, garnishment of money held by the state for a person who owes delinquent child support, the reporting of delinquent child support obligors to consumer reporting agencies, access to cellular telephone numbers for the purpose of the computer match program by the child support recovery unit, collection of support from certain obligors, the information included in a notice regarding the administrative levy of

an account, and medical support of a child, and providing effective and retroactive applicability dates.

SSB 3112 Human Resources

Expanding eligibility for the preparation for adult living program administered by the department of human services.

SSB 3113 Human Resources

Requiring a preliminary investigation to be conducted by the county medical examiner in the event of the death of a resident of certain state facilities administered by the department of human services.

SSB 3114 Local Government

Designating peace officer communication equipment and other emergency services communication equipment as an essential county purpose and as an essential corporate purpose that authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and providing an effective date.

SSB 3115 Economic Growth

Limiting the portion of the state ceiling that can be allocated for a single project.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Senate File 2065

EDUCATION: Connolly, Chair; Quirmbach and Ziemann

Senate File 2066

EDUCATION: Beall, Chair; Johnson and Schmitz

Senate File 2067

EDUCATION: Wood, Chair; Heckroth and McKinley

Senate File 2079

EDUCATION: Connolly, Chair; McKinley and Schoenjahn

[Senate File 2080](#)

EDUCATION: Appel, Chair; Mulder and Schmitz

[SSB 3111](#)

HUMAN RESOURCES: Kreiman, Chair; Mulder and Schmitz

[SSB 3112](#)

HUMAN RESOURCES: Hatch, Chair; Boettger and Ragan

[SSB 3113](#)

HUMAN RESOURCES: Quirnbach, Chair; Johnson and Kreiman

[SSB 3114](#)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Olive, Chair; Angelo and Rielly

[SSB 3115](#)

ECONOMIC GROWTH: Dotzler, Chair; Hatch and Zaun

FINAL COMMITTEE REPORTS OF BILL ACTION

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 2089 \(SSB 3086\)](#), a bill for an act relating to applications for absentee ballots.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Ayes, 8: Quirnbach, Beall, Heckroth, Kreiman, Olive, Rielly, Schoenjahn, and Stewart. Nays, 4: Zaun, Angelo, Hartsuch, and McKinley. Absent, 1: Houser.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 2090](#) (formerly [SF 2007](#)), a bill for an act providing for an exception to the maximum age for chiefs of police and providing an effective date.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Ayes, 11: Quirnbach, Beall, Zaun, Angelo, Hartsuch, Heckroth, Kreiman, Olive, Rielly, Schoenjahn, and Stewart. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Houser and McKinley.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

BILL ENROLLED, SIGNED, AND SENT TO GOVERNOR

The Secretary of the Senate submitted the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT: The Secretary of the Senate respectfully reports that the following bill has been enrolled, signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and presented to the Governor for his approval on this 31st day of January, 2008.

[Senate File 2054](#).

MICHAEL E. MARSHALL
Secretary of the Senate

**GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE PLACED ON
INDIVIDUAL CONFIRMATION CALENDAR**

The following appointee, assigned to standing committee for investigation, was placed on the Individual Confirmation Calendar with recommendation for confirmation:

HUMAN RESOURCES

Thomas Newton – Director of Public Health

REFERRAL TO INDIVIDUAL CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

MR. PRESIDENT: Pursuant to Senate Rule 59, I hereby request that the following name be removed from the “En Bloc Confirmation Calendar” and placed on the “Individual Confirmation Calendar”:

Darrell Hanson – Utilities Board

RON WIECK