

TWENTY NINTH DAY, MAY 22, 2017

2017 1ST SPECIAL SESSION

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MORNING SESSION

Senate Chamber, Olympia
Monday, May 22, 2017

The Senate was called to order at 9:46 a.m. by the President Pro Tempore, Senator Sheldon 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

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the third order of business.

MESSAGE FROM STATE OFFICERS

The following reports were submitted to the Office of the Secretary and received by the Senate:

Department of Agriculture – “*Pesticide Management Division 2016 Annual Report*” pursuant to 15.58.420 RCW, report date February 1, 2017;

Department of Commerce – “*Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE), May 2017 Progress Update*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2323, report date May 1, 2017;

Department of Commerce – “*Affordable Housing Update 2016 Report*” pursuant to 43.185B.040 RCW, report date March 1, 2017;

Department of Employment Security – “*WorkFirst Wage Progression and Returns Report: through first quarter 2016*” pursuant to 74.08A.411 RCW, report date November 30, 2016;

Department of Employment Security – “*WorkFirst Wage Progression and Returns Report: through second quarter 2016*” pursuant to 74.08A.411 RCW, report date January 31, 2017;

Department of Revenue – “*Local Revitalization Financing Program Report, 2017 Report covering Calendar Year 2016*” pursuant to 82.32.765 RCW, report date May 17, 2017;

Department of Social & Health Services – “*WorkFirst Wage Progression and Returns Report, through first quarter 2016*” pursuant to 74.08A.411 RCW, report date November 30, 2016;

Department of Social & Health Services – “*WorkFirst Wage Progression and Returns Report, through second quarter 2016*” pursuant to 74.08A.411 RCW, report date January 31, 2017;

Department of Social & Health Services – “*Naturalization Services - 2016 Report*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6052, report date December 1, 2016;

Department of Social & Health Services – “*Refugee and Immigrant Employment Services: Limited English Proficiency (LEP) and Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET), 2016 Report*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6052, report date December 1, 2016;

Department of Social & Health Services – “*Expansion of Basic Food Employment and Training Program (BFET), 2016 Report*” pursuant to 74.04.535 RCW, report date November 30, 2016;

Department of Transportation – “*I-5: JBLM to S. 38th St. HOV Lane Feasibility Study, Summary Report*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2524, report date May 4, 2017;

Department of Transportation – “*I-5: JBLM to S. 38th St. HOV Lane Feasibility Study, Technical Report*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2524, report date May 4, 2017;

Department of Transportation – “*Capital Projects and Nickel/TPA Projects Quarterly Reports, 2015-17 Biennium Quarter 7*” in accordance with Second Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1299, report date May 15, 2017;

Department of Transportation – “*Fund Transfers Report, January - March 2017*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2524, report date May 15, 2017;

Department of Transportation – “*Fund Transfers Report (Nickel and TPA Accounts), January - March 2017*” in accordance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 2524, report date May 15, 2017.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 5941 by Senator Honeyford

AN ACT Relating to prohibiting the use of a mask, hood, or device under certain conditions; adding a new section to chapter 9.91 RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the measure listed on the Introduction and First Reading report was referred to the committee as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Fain, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Miloscia moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION
8663

By Senator Miloscia

WHEREAS, 2017 marks the 84th anniversary of the Holodomor, or "murder by starvation," the tragic famine in Ukraine that resulted in the deaths of at least five million men, women, and children; and

WHEREAS, The man-made famine was deliberately caused by the Soviet regime through the confiscation of land, grain, and animals; the blockade of food shipments into the affected areas; and by forcibly preventing the starving population from leaving the region, for the purposes of breaking the resistance of Ukrainian farmers to Soviet authority and destroying Ukraine's national identity; and

WHEREAS, The Holodomor was a genocide committed by Joseph Stalin and the Soviet regime against the people of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, Until the collapse of the Soviet Union, many denied the existence of the famine because the Soviet Union forbade foreigners from traveling to the Ukrainian countryside during that time and later barred access to government records from the era, and many official records were falsified, lost, or destroyed; and

WHEREAS, The Western journalists and scholars who witnessed the mass starvation and wrote about it were subjected to disparagement and criticism in the West for their reporting of the famine; and

WHEREAS, In 1988, the U.S. Commission on the Ukraine Famine reported to Congress that the victims were "starved to death in a man-made famine" and that "Joseph Stalin and those around him committed genocide against Ukrainians in 1932-1933"; and

WHEREAS, Although the Ukraine famine was one of the most horrific massacres in the 20th century, it remains largely underreported and unknown in the United States and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is now home to the fifth largest Ukrainian-American population in the United States, and Americans with Ukrainian heritage living in Washington State have enriched our state through their leadership and contributions in agriculture, business, academia, government, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, In August 2015, a memorial to the millions who perished in the Ukrainian man-made famine of 1932-33, known as the Holodomor, was erected in Washington D.C., and its dedication ceremony took place on November 7, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate remember and honor the millions of victims of the tragic famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932-1933; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate encourage individual citizens, educators, businesses, groups, organizations, and public institutions to remember the Holodomor on November 26, 2017, with appropriate activities designed to honor the victims and educate residents of Washington State about this tragedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the U.S. Committee for Ukrainian Holodomor-Genocide Awareness 1932-33, and to the Consulate of Ukraine in Seattle for appropriate distribution.

Senator Miloscia spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President Pro Tempore declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8663.

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

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President Pro Tempore welcomed and introduced, Valeriy Goloborodko, Honorary Consul of Ukraine in Seattle, Viktor Prokhor, Bishop, Superintendent of National Slavic District Assemblies of God, and Stepan Kasyanyuk, Pastor of Ukrainian Pentecostal Church "Grace", who were seated at the rostrum.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President Pro Tempore welcomed and introduced further guests who were seated in the gallery: Lori Sotelo, Chair of King County Republican Party, Marty McLendon, Chair of Pierce County Republican Party, and Pastor Yuriy Petrus.

MOTION

At 9:55 a.m., on motion of Senator Fain, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

TIM SHELTON, President Pro Tempore of the Senate

HUNTER G. GOODMAN, Secretary of the Senate