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SIXTEENTH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 3, the Clerk called the Senate to order.

Senator DeMora was selected to preside according to the rule.

The journal of the last legislative day was read and approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Johnson submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Armed Services, Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred **S. C. R. No. 1**-Senator Johnson, having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its adoption.

Co-Sponsors: Schaffer, Patton, Weinstein.

YES - 6: TERRY JOHNSON, STEVE WILSON, CASEY WEINSTEIN, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, THOMAS F. PATTON, TIM SCHAFFER

NO - 0.

Senator Johnson submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Armed Services, Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred **S. B. No. 17**-Senators Reynolds, Craig, having had the same under consideration, reports it back with the following amendment and recommends its passage when so amended.

Co-Sponsors: Patton, Schaffer, Weinstein.

In line 7, after "honor" insert "the bravery and courage of"

In line 9, delete "all-Black women's"; after "unit" insert "composed of women of color"

YES - 6: TERRY JOHNSON, STEVE WILSON, CASEY WEINSTEIN, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, THOMAS F. PATTON, TIM SCHAFFER

NO - 0.

Senator Koehler submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Workforce Development, to which was referred

S. B. No. 33-Senators Wilson, Lang, having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

YES - 4: KYLE KOEHLER, MICHELE REYNOLDS, STEPHEN A. HUFFMAN, GEORGE F. LANG

NO - 2: CATHERINE D. INGRAM, WILLIS E. BLACKSHEAR, JR.

The question being, "Shall the reports of the committee be accepted?"
The reports of the committee were accepted.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and considered for the first time:

S. B. No. 112 - Senators Reynolds, Lang.

To enact sections 3523.13, 3523.14, 3523.15, 3523.16, 3523.17, 3523.18, and 3523.99 of the Revised Code to establish procedures for appointing delegates to a convention of the states under Article V of the United States Constitution.

S. B. No. 113 - Senator Brenner.

Cosponsors: Senators Cirino, Schaffer, O'Brien, Wilkin.

To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3313.475 of the Revised Code to prohibit diversity, equity, and inclusion in public schools.

S. B. No. 114 - Senator Patton.

To enact section 109.70 of the Revised Code to prohibit law enforcement agencies from using quotas for arrests and citations.

S. B. No. 115 - Senators Lang, Wilson.

Cosponsors: Senators Cirino, Wilkin.

To amend sections 1707.01, 1707.03, 1707.09, 1707.091, 1707.092, 1707.13, 1707.23, and 1707.39 of the Revised Code to make changes to the Securities Law.

S. B. No. 116 - Senator Lang.

To amend section 5727.111 of the Revised Code to reduce the tangible personal property tax assessment rate for pipe-line companies.

S. B. No. 117 - Senator Lang.

To amend section 1321.21 and to enact sections 1320.01, 1320.02, 1320.03, 1320.04, 1320.05, 1320.06, 1320.07, 1320.08, 1320.09, and 1320.10 of the Revised Code to regulate the provision of earned wage access services.

S. B. No. 118 - Senator Lang.

To amend sections 321.261, 701.10, 729.49, 735.29, 743.04, and 743.06 and to enact sections 319.65, 701.101, 701.102, 701.103, 701.20, 701.21, 701.22, 701.23, 701.24, 701.25, 701.26, 701.30, 701.31, 701.32, 701.33, 701.35, 701.36, 701.37, 701.38, 701.39, 701.40, 729.491, 729.492, 729.493, 735.291, 735.292, 743.041, 743.042, 1901.187, and 1907.033 of the Revised Code regarding limitations on recovery and lien imposition by municipalities against property owners of non-owner-occupied properties for unpaid water, sewer, and disposal services rates and charges.

S. B. No. 119 - Senator Brenner.

To enact section 5534.967 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of U.S. Route 36 in Delaware County as the "Freedom Parkway."

S. B. No. 120 - Senator Hicks-Hudson.

Cosponsors: Senators Blackshear, Smith, DeMora, Weinstein, Schaffer.

To amend sections 3781.06, 3781.061, and 5713.30 of the Revised Code relating to temporary greenhouses and building codes, to establish the Urban Farmer Youth Initiative Pilot Program, to codify certain property tax requirements for agricultural land, and to make an appropriation.

S. B. No. 121 - Senator Blackshear.

Cosponsors: Senators Craig, DeMora, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Romanchuk, Smith, Weinstein.

To enact section 5.2322 of the Revised Code to designate April as "Counseling Awareness Month."

S. B. No. 122 - Senator Hicks-Hudson.

To amend sections 303.21 and 519.21 of the Revised Code to eliminate the authority of townships and counties to adopt zoning resolutions for agricultural land under certain circumstances.

S. B. No. 123 - Senator Hicks-Hudson.

Cosponsor: Senator Ingram.

To amend section 149.43 of the Revised Code to prohibit a law enforcement agency for charging a fee for preparing or producing a video public record for a person known or presumed to be depicted in the video.

S. B. No. 124 - Senators Craig, Patton.

To amend sections 2903.13 and 2917.41 and to enact section 306.20 of the Revised Code to increase the penalty for assault when the victim is an operator of an Ohio transit system bus or rail car; to authorize Ohio transit systems to post a sign regarding abuse or assault of staff; and to increase the penalty for evading payment of the known fares of a public transportation system.

S. B. No. 125 - Senator Patton.

To amend sections 715.27, 3781.102, 4740.01, 4740.02, 4740.04, 4740.12, 4740.13, and 4764.03 of the Revised Code to require licensure of commercial roofing contractors.

S. B. No. 126 - Senators Wilkin, Lang.

To amend section 5739.02 of the Revised Code to exempt from sales and use tax items purchased by a logistics business to transport manufactured products, general merchandise, and grocery products.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

Senators Weinstein, Cutrona offered the following concurrent resolution:

S. C. R. No. 8-Senators Weinstein, Cutrona.

Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Ingram, Craig, Smith.

To urge the Congress of the United States to pass H.R. 971, known as The Reducing Accidents in Locomotives (RAIL) Act.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution, **S. C. R. No. 8**, be adopted?"

On the motion of Senator Liston, **S. C. R. No. 8**, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Senator Lang offered the following concurrent resolution:

S. C. R. No. 9-Senator Lang.

Cosponsors: Senators Romanchuk, Reynolds, Schaffer, Reineke, Wilson, Wilkin, Timken.

To urge the Congress of the United States to make the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act permanent and protect prosperity.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution, **S. C. R. No. 9**, be adopted?"

On the motion of Senator Liston, **S. C. R. No. 9**, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 55, the following resolutions were offered:

S. R. No. 39 - Senator Manning.

Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, Manchester, McColley, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein, Wilkin, Wilson.

In memory of Alan J. Zaleski.

S. R. No. 40 - Senator Craig.

Honoring the Bishop Watterson High School girls soccer team as the 2024 Division II State Champion.

The question being, "Shall the resolutions listed under the President's prerogative be adopted?"

So the resolutions were adopted.

On the motion of Senator Liston, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.