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FORTIETH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Senator Wilson was selected to preside according to the rule.

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

BILLS FOR THIRD CONSIDERATION

Sub. S. B. No. 134-Senator Lang.

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Cirino, Reineke, Romanchuk, Rulli, Wilson.

To enact section 3701.353 of the Revised Code to enact The Business Fairness Act and to declare an emergency, having been informally passed, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **Sub. S. B. No. 134**, pass?"

Senator Hackett moved that **Sub. S. B. No. 134** be informally passed and retain its place on the calendar.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Roegner submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Government Oversight and Reform, to which was referred **Sub. H. B. No. 6**-Representative Roemer, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Roegner, Schaffer.

YES - 7: FRANK HOAGLAND, KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, ROB MCCOLLEY, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, TIM SCHAFFER, CECIL THOMAS, GEORGE F. LANG

NO - 0.

Senator Wilson submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Financial Institutions and Technology, to which was referred **S. B. No. 115**-Senator Schuring having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Maharath, Hackett.

YES - 7: HEARCEL F. CRAIG, TINA MAHARATH, STEVE WILSON, JAY HOTTINGER, NIRAJ ANTANI, BOB D. HACKETT, STEPHANIE KUNZE

NO - 0.

Senator Wilson submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Financial Institutions and Technology, to which was referred **Am. H. B. No. 133**-Representative Hillyer, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsor: Hackett.

YES - 7: HEARCEL F. CRAIG, TINA MAHARATH, STEVE WILSON, JAY HOTTINGER, NIRAJ ANTANI, STEPHANIE KUNZE, BOB D. HACKETT

NO - 0.

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. 177 - Senator Maharath.

Cosponsor: Senator Yuko.

To amend sections 4112.01, 4112.052, 4112.07, and 4113.71 and to enact section 4112.025 of the Revised Code to enact the Ohio Pregnant Workers Fairness Act to generally require employers to make reasonable accommodations for employees who are pregnant or breastfeeding.

S. B. No. 178 - Senator Reineke.

To reform the functions and responsibilities of the State Board of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Department of Education.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

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

S. R. No. 88 - Senator Reineke.

Honoring the Calvert Catholic High School varsity volleyball team as the 2020 Division IV State Champion.

S. R. No. 89 - Senator Hottinger.

Honoring the Newark High School girls basketball team as the 2021 Division I State runner-up.

S. R. No. 90 - Senators Maharath, Roegner.

Honoring the American Physical Therapy Association on its Centennial.

S. R. No. 91 - Senator Brenner.

Recognizing National Charter Schools Week, May 9-15, 2021.

S. R. No. 92 - Senator Schuring.

Honoring Timothy M. Teynor on his retirement from the Aultman Health Foundation.

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

So the resolutions were adopted.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has adopted the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

H. C. R. No. 5 -Representative Hall

Cosponsors: Representatives Wiggam, Dean, Abrams, Baldrige, Bird, Callender, Carfagna, Carruthers, Click, Cross, Cutrona, Edwards, Fowler Arthur, Fraizer, Ghanbari, Ginter, Grendell, Gross, Hillyer, Holmes, Hoops, Householder, John, Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kick, Koehler, LaRe, Loychik, McClain, Powell, Richardson, Riedel, Schmidt, Seitz, Stein, Stephens, Stewart, Stoltzfus, Swearingen, White, Young, B., Young, T., Speaker Cupp

To urge the United States Congress not to adopt H.R. 1 of the 117th Congress.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution, **H. C. R. No. 5**, be adopted?"

On the motion of Senator Hackett, **H. C. R. No. 5** was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has passed the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

Sub. H. B. No. 172 -Representatives Baldridge, O'Brien

Cosponsors: Representatives Seitz, Riedel, Click, Kick, Lipps, Miller, J., Cutrona, Bird, Carruthers, Lepore-Hagan, Loychik, McClain, Miller, A., Roemer, Stewart, Speaker Cupp

To amend sections 3743.01, 3743.04, 3743.08, 3743.17, 3743.21, 3743.25, 3743.44, 3743.45, 3743.57, 3743.59, 3743.60, 3743.61, 3743.63, 3743.65, 3743.75, 3743.99, and 5703.21 and to enact sections 3743.021, 3743.041, 3743.151, 3743.171, 3743.22, 3743.26, 3743.27, 3743.28, 3743.29, 3743.451, 3743.46, 3743.47, and 3743.67 of the Revised Code to revise the Fireworks Law.

H. B. No. 177 -Representatives Carfagna, Fraizer

Cosponsors: Representatives Riedel, McClain, Zeltwanger, Stein, Lanese, Miller, J., Smith, K., Merrin, Bird, Brown, Crossman, Denson, Galonski, Gross, Howse, Jarrells, Koehler, Leland, Lepore-Hagan, Lightbody, Liston, Loychik, Miller, A., O'Brien, Plummer, Roemer, Russo, Smith, M., Sobecki, Upchurch, Weinstein, White, Young, T., Speaker Cupp

To enact section 9.16 of the Revised Code to allow a governmental entity to utilize distributed ledger technology, including blockchain technology.

Sub. H. B. No. 201 -Representative Stephens

Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Baldridge, Carruthers, Cross, Cutrona, Edwards, Ginter, Gross, Fraizer, Johnson, Patton, Riedel, Schmidt, Seitz, Stewart, Swearingen, Wiggam, Wilkin, Click, Hillyer, Bird, Callender, Carfagna, Ghanbari, Grendell, Holmes, Householder, Jones, Jordan, Loychik, McClain, Merrin, Plummer, Richardson, Stein, White, Speaker Cupp

To enact sections 4933.40, 4933.41, and 4933.42 of the Revised Code to prevent local governments from limiting use of natural gas and propane.

Am. H. B. No. 215 -Representatives Wilkin, Cross

Cosponsors: Representatives Jones, Merrin, Carfagna, Richardson, Edwards, Seitz, Bird, Stoltzfus, Kick, Riedel, Stewart, McClain, Powell, Click, Loychik, Koehler, Manchester, Young, T., Hall, Fowler Arthur, Schmidt, Swearingen, LaRe, Carruthers, Miller, J., Gross, Pavliga, Lampton, Abrams,

Baldrige, Callender, Creech, Cutrona, Dean, Fraizer, Ghanbari, Ginter, Grendell, Hillyer, Holmes, Hoops, Householder, John, Johnson, Jordan, Lanese, Lipps, Miranda, Plummer, Roemer, Stein, Stephens, White, Wiggam, Young, B., Zeltwanger

To enact section 3701.353 of the Revised Code to enact The Business Fairness Act.

H. B. No. 222 -Representatives Wilkin, Upchurch

Cosponsors: Representatives Seitz, Sweeney, Stewart, Miller, A., McClain, Galonski, Crossman, Cutrona, Baldrige, Callender, Carruthers, Edwards, Householder, Howse, Lanese, Lepore-Hagan, Miller, J., Riedel, Russo, Skindell, Smith, K., Sobecki, White

To amend sections 339.10 and 513.172 of the Revised Code to specify that a nonprofit formed or acquired by a county hospital or joint township district hospital is a separate entity from the hospital.

Sub. H. B. No. 252 -Representatives White, Plummer

Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Baldrige, Blackshear, Boggs, Brown, Carfagna, Carruthers, Crossman, Edwards, Fraizer, Galonski, Ghanbari, Ginter, Gross, Hicks-Hudson, Hoops, Jarrells, John, Jones, Lanese, Leland, Lepore-Hagan, Lightbody, Lipps, Liston, Loychik, McClain, Miller, A., Miller, J., O'Brien, Patton, Ray, Richardson, Riedel, Robinson, Russo, Sheehy, Sobecki, Stein, Stephens, Upchurch, West, Young, B., Young, T., Speaker Cupp

To enact sections 4753.17 and 4753.171 of the Revised Code to enter into the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Said bills were considered the first time.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following bills:

Am. H. B. No. 2-Representatives Carfagna, Stewart – et al.

H. B. No. 7-Representatives Grendell, Stewart – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 87-Representatives Stephens, John – et al.

Am. S. B. No. 108-Senators Huffman, S., Romanchuk – et al.

Am. S. B. No. 109-Senators Manning, Rulli – et al.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The President signed said bills.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 101.35 of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate temporarily appoints Senator Jay Hottinger to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) as a substitute for Senator Kirk Schuring, for the purpose of the committee's meeting on Monday, May 10, 2021.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 101.35 of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate temporarily appoints Senator Tina Maharath to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) as a substitute for Senator Sandra Williams for the purpose of the committee's meeting on Monday, May 10, 2021.

On the motion of Senator Hackett, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.