

EIGHTEENTH DAY - FEBRUARY 3, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION****EIGHTEENTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Monday, February 3, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Reverend Stephen Hilgendorf, St. Barnabas Church, Omaha.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Jacobson.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 10:00 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Juarez who was excused; and Senators Bostar, Conrad, and DeBoer who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the seventeenth day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB595	Natural Resources (rereferred)

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Nebraska Retirement Systems

The Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Patrick Bourne - Public Employees Retirement Board

Aye: 6. Ballard, Clements, Conrad, Hardin, Juarez, Sorrentino. Nay: 0.
Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Jacob Curtiss - Public Employees Retirement Board

Aye: 6. Ballard, Clements, Conrad, Hardin, Juarez, Sorrentino. Nay: 0.
Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

(Signed) Beau Ballard, Chairperson

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Education

Room 1525 1:30 PM

Monday, February 10, 2025

LB303

LB500

LB597

LB498

LB161

(Signed) Dave Murman, Chairperson

Business and Labor

Room 2102 1:30 PM

Monday, February 10, 2025

LB75

LB45

LB402

LB299

LB363

(Signed) Kathleen Kauth, Chairperson

Urban Affairs
Room 2102 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

LB90
LB450
LB287
LB514

(Signed) Terrell McKinney, Chairperson

Agriculture
Room 1023 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

LB246
LB658

Room 1023 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

LB540
LB476
LB638
LB502

Room 1023 1:30 PM

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Dawn Caldwell - State Fair Board

(Signed) Barry DeKay, Chairperson

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 37. Introduced by Conrad, 46; Arch, 14; Brandt, 32; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Fredrickson, 20; Holdcroft, 36; Hunt, 8; Prokop, 27; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39; Wordekemper, 15.

WHEREAS, Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro announced that the United States Navy's newest Arleigh Burke-class Guided Missile Destroyer has been named the USS Robert Kerrey; and

WHEREAS, Del Toro honors Joseph Robert Kerrey, the former United States Senator, Nebraska Governor, and naval officer, who received the Medal of Honor for heroism displayed during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Robert Kerrey was born August 27, 1943, in Lincoln, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Kerrey entered the navy in 1966 and was deployed to the Republic of Vietnam as a platoon officer with Delta Platoon, SEAL Team 1 in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Kerrey was leading his team on a mission to capture Viet Cong political leaders when a grenade exploded at Kerrey's feet, severely injuring his right leg; and

WHEREAS, Kerrey continued directing his team despite his injuries and secured an enemy camp; and

WHEREAS, Kerrey served as the thirty-fifth Governor of Nebraska and as a United States Senator from Nebraska from 1989 through 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature honors and thanks Joseph Robert Kerrey for his service and dedication to Nebraska and the United States.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Joseph Robert Kerrey.

Laid over.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LR32 was adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LR32.

MOTION(S) - Confirmation Report(s)

Senator Holdcroft moved the adoption of the General Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 383:

State Electrical Board

James S Brummer

Nathan Michael Lon Francis

Voting in the affirmative, 41:

Andersen	Clouse	Hardin	McKeon	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Holdcroft	Meyer	Spivey
Armendariz	DeKay	Hughes	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	von Gillern
Bosn	Dungan	Ibach	Prokop	Wordekemper
Brandt	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Quick	
Cavanaugh, J.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	
Clements	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 4:

Dover McKinney Raybould Strommen

Excused and not voting, 4:

Bostar DeBoer Juarez Storer

The appointment was confirmed with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Sanders moved the adoption of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 383:

Nebraska State Historical Society
Daryl Bohac

Voting in the affirmative, 41:

Andersen	Conrad	Holdcroft	Meyer	Spivey
Arch	DeKay	Hughes	Moser	Storm
Armendariz	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	Strommen
Ballard	Dungan	Ibach	Prokop	von Gillern
Bosn	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Quick	Wordekemper
Brandt	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, J.	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	
Clements	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clouse	Hardin	McKeon	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 4:

Cavanaugh, M. Dover McKinney Raybould

Excused and not voting, 4:

Bostar DeBoer Juarez Storer

The appointment was confirmed with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Sanders moved the adoption of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 383:

Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission
Michael R Gloor

Voting in the affirmative, 42:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	Meyer	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Hughes	Moser	Spivey
Armendariz	DeKay	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Ballard	Dorn	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Bosn	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Guereca	Kauth	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Hansen	Lonowski	Rountree	
Clements	Hardin	McKeon	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 1:

McKinney

Excused and not voting, 6:

Bostar	Dover	Juarez
DeBoer	Dungan	Storer

The appointment was confirmed with 42 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

Senator Sanders moved the adoption of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 384:

Department of Administrative Services
Lee Will

Senator Conrad offered the following motion:

Recommit the nomination of Lee Will to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Senator Hunt moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 24 ayes, 12 nays, and 13 not voting.

The Conrad motion to recommit to committee failed with 12 ayes, 29 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Voting in the affirmative, 31:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Storm
Armendariz	DeBoer	Hughes	Meyer	von Gillern
Ballard	DeKay	Ibach	Moser	Wordekemper
Bosn	Dorn	Jacobson	Murman	
Bostar	Hallstrom	Kauth	Prokop	
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Sanders	
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 6:

Cavanaugh, M.	Hunt	Rountree
Conrad	Raybould	Spivey

Present and not voting, 7:

Arch	Dungan	Guereca	Quick
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	McKinney	

Excused and not voting, 5:

Dover	Juarez	Riepe	Storer	Strommen
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The appointment was confirmed with 31 ayes, 6 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Senator Sanders moved the adoption of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 384:

State Personnel Board
Kevin Workman

Voting in the affirmative, 39:

Andersen	Clouse	Hallstrom	Kauth	Quick
Arch	Conrad	Hansen	Lippincott	Raybould
Armendariz	DeBoer	Hardin	Lonowski	Rountree
Ballard	DeKay	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sanders
Bosn	Dorn	Hughes	Meyer	Sorrentino
Bostar	Dungan	Hunt	Moser	Storm
Brandt	Fredrickson	Ibach	Murman	Wordekemper
Clements	Guereca	Jacobson	Prokop	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 5:

Cavanaugh, J.	Cavanaugh, M.	McKinney	Spivey	von Gillern
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Excused and not voting, 5:

Dover Juarez Riepe Storer Strommen

The appointment was confirmed with 39 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 26, 30, and 31 were adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LRs 26, 30, and 31.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Holdcroft filed the following amendment to LB357:

AM120

1 1. On page 24, line 31, strike "2-1208" and insert "2-1208.01".

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Executive Board
Room 2102 12:00 PM

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

LB366

LB364

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

LB298

LB579

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Monday, February 24, 2025

LR7CA

LR25CA

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Thursday, February 27, 2025

LR27CA

LR19CA

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Tuesday, March 4, 2025
LB228
LB190

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Thursday, March 6, 2025
LB634
LB220

Room 2102 12:00 PM

Thursday, March 13, 2025
LB221
LB356

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

Unanimous consent to add Senator(s) as cointroducer(s). No objections. So ordered.

Senator Andersen name added to LB272.
Senator Clements name added to LB285.
Senator Prokop name added to LB342.
Senator Dungan name added to LB425.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were Hannah, Maria, John, Joseph, Isaac, and Edmund Hilgendorf, Omaha; students representing Buffalo County Youth Advisory Board; youth with the Connected Youth Initiative, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:54 a.m., on a motion by Senator Strommen, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 4, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

