# THE FIFTY-FIRST DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), March 26, 2013

Senate called to order at 11:29 a.m.

President Krolicki presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Kochsmeier.

God of our Salvation, as we gather to do Your work today, we thank You for the privilege to serve Your people. As this Body faces the complex challenges and needs of this State, bring them clarity and bring them unity. Bring them an understanding of what is most needed in and for Nevada.

Lord, this is not easy. So many people want so many different and opposing goals to be met. Give these leaders courage to do the work to which You call them. Let Your peace be in them as they act. Given them the humility to work with one another selflessly for Your purpose. Grant them the energy needed for this task.

Lead this Body into Your presence as they wait upon You in this Session. We pray humbly in the Name of the One who came not to be served, but to serve and to give His life a ransom for many.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The President announced that under previous order, the reading of the Journal is waived for the remainder of the 77th Legislative Session and the President and Secretary are authorized to make any necessary corrections and additions.

### GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 203.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Senator Jones.

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill No. 203 provides a tool to foster good government, and good government requires transparency in lobbying and legislative activity. Currently, Chapter 218H of *Nevada Revised Statutes* requires only that registered lobbyists file reports covering their activities during the Legislative Session. Specifically, they must file monthly reports during Regular and Special Sessions and one final report within 30 days after the close of a Session.

We all know a great deal of lobbying goes on during the time between Sessions. Many registered lobbyists have interests in the work of the Legislative Commission, the Interim Finance Committee and other interim committees. They testify formally before committees, but they also request private meetings with Legislators to represent the interests of their clients.

We all rely on lobbyists as an important source of information but our constituents have a right to know—the public has a right to know—which lobbyists are actively engaged in activities during the time outside of a Legislative Session.

To be clear, Senate Bill No. 203 does not require an unpaid lobbyist to file a report if he or she does not receive compensation for such lobbying activity. A paid lobbyist who does not plan to lobby during the Interim also is not required to file reports if they file a termination report.

Transparency is good for Nevada and good for the process. I urge my colleagues to have the courage to support Senate Bill No. 203.

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Roll call on Senate Bill No. 203:

YEAS—21.

NAYS—None.

Senate Bill No. 203 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the President and Secretary of the Senate signed Senate Bill No. 187.

### REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Denis requested that the following remarks be entered in the Journal.

SENATOR DENIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Since we have many of our Nevada Youth Legislators here in the Senate Chamber today as guests, I would like to make some remarks.

The Nevada Youth Legislature is in its sixth year of providing Nevada's best and brightest high school students with the opportunity to learn hands-on about the legislative process. The Youth Legislature is advised by former Senator Valerie Wiener, who is the founder of the program and who currently serves as Chairman of the Nevada Youth Legislature Board of Directors, and by Secretary of the Senate, David Byerman, who serves as Executive Director of the Nevada Youth Legislature on a volunteer basis.

Nevada is one of only two states that empowers its Youth Legislature to propose legislation to its legislature. The students take this responsibility very seriously. Just this morning, the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means engaged in a vigorous conversation about Senate Joint Resolution No. 6. The current and former Nevada Youth Legislature Chairpersons did an admirable job defending their legislation. The Committees did not hold back.

Today is Nevada Youth Legislature Day, an opportunity for us to recognize this outstanding program and to honor the young people who have served in this important capacity.

Today we are also announcing the opening of the application period for our new class of youth Legislators: applications will be posted today on the Nevada Youth Legislature website and there is an application deadline of April 12, 2013.

Please help me to welcome all of our guests who make this program such a great success.

# SENATOR BROWER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise to inform this Body of the passing of a Nevadan and a friend, Judge William Munnell. I do not know if many of you knew Judge Munnell. I can tell from Mr. President's reaction that he did. Judge Munnell sat right here with me last Session on the day we recognized our veterans. He passed away last week at the age of 92. He was a member of the Greatest Generation. He was a friend, a mentor, a constituent and one of my first supporters. He was always quick to remind me that he was a lifelong Democrat but he was also quick to point out, in his old-school way, "But we were different back then." I am not sure what he meant by that.

William Munnell was born in Iowa and grew up in Los Angeles, California, during the Great Depression. He attended the University of Southern California and served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. When he returned from the War, he finished law school and started practicing law. In 1951, he was elected to the California State Assembly. He served in the California Assembly with distinction for 10 years when he was appointed by Governor Brown to the bench. He then served as a judge in Los Angeles County for another 20 years before he retired to Reno.

A recent book on the history of the California Legislature made the following observation about Judge Munnell, "He was a legend, one of those people who brought distinction to the Legislature, and who the current generation of legislators should hope to be more like." Although Judge Munnell was a proud Nevadan, he spent most of his professional life in California. It is important to recognize him today for three reasons.

First, he was a member of the Greatest Generation who is now lost and gone. Second, he was a real role model in terms of his dedication to public service and as a Legislator. And third, it has been so long since he served in the California Legislature, and having spent the last years of his life in Nevada, I am not sure this type of honor and recognition will happen in Sacramento. So today, I suggest that this Body, in honor of a great public servant, think about Judge William Arthur Munnell's service and consider adjourning in his memory.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 11:56 a.m.

# SENATE IN SESSION

At 11:59 a.m. President Krolicki presiding. Quorum present.

# GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Atkinson, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jessica Padrón.

On request of Senator Brower, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Matthew Clewett. Also to the students, teachers and chaperones from Westergard Elementary School, students: Kyler Arnds, Amy Bakker, Gabriel Bennion, Alex Cabrales, Ariana Carney, Skylee Cecil, Tyler Dean, Ronie Dumaguing Jr., Blake Engkraf, Maribel Galvan Navarro, Kassandra Gonzalez, Jacob Greene, John Gutierrez, Kaleigh Hinkle, Kara Hucks, Tristan Iveson, Jeana Lesher, Ronald Leyva III, Jaisyn McCarthy-Flux, Elizabeth Ricketts, Elias Roller, Samantha Sheppard-Moore, Sander Smith, Ashlynne Springer, Alyssa Joy Sweeney, Ethan Tesmer, Anthony Thomas II, Swaea Walker and Tristin Weber; teacher: Susie Paul; chaperones: Lauren Jackson and Darby Weber; students: Logan Anderson, Russell Berry, Chevenne Bousquet, Kiara Brandstatter, Rachel Carolus, Nicholas Decuir, Jesus Diaz Sanchez, Marissa Duarte, Emily Duvall, Matthew Emerson, Thomas Jeffery, Hon Jimenez, Olivia Johnston, Emma Jurischk, Kristen Luedtke, Rylee Manning, Julian Markley, Kaylee Moore, Kadon Mroczkowski, Saylor Naves, Shane Pineda, Caleb Ramsey, Larson Rivera, Osmar Sandoval, Philip Seges, Kathryn Smith, Jaggar Suter, Khaleah Vawters, Charlotte Wertz, Nicholas Wilber and Madison Winship; teacher: Shae Freitas; chaperones: Christie Loar, Heather Mahoney, Sharon Winship and Jeanne Wontkowski; students: Olivia Antipa, Christian Haynes, Steven Brannen Jr., Maya Dampier, Kyle Denney, Catherine Dyer, Talia Fisher-Wormser, Logan Grange, Jermey Hall, Kaitlyn Harris, Emily Hays, Terence Hejny, Jared Hilson, Sierra Hirae, Min Haum, Pravan Landry, Reese Lowery, Julianne Maghirang, Deaven Musicant, Isabelle Nelson, Katherine Newberry, John Nunley, Abigail Reid, Conall Sahler, Allexis Stevenson, Anastashia Sturgis, Bailey Taylor, Riley Upton, Aiden Vestbie, Wade Walters; teacher: Sarah Ledon; chaperones: Steven Brannen, Allison Dampier, Allyson Denney, Melainie Hilson, Easpree Landry and Kim Nunley.

On request of Senator Cegavske, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Stephen Allott, R J Champion and Natalie Kim.

On request of Senator Denis, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tierra Patmavanu and Tom Patmavanu; and Loretta Harper. Also, to the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada: Davie Faye Basichis, Katelyn Couturier, Jordan de la Garza, Kalen de la Garza, Pamela Donohue, Cheyanne Echler, Victoria Garcia, Carolina Gonzalez, Mollye Inhaber, Faith Koehler, Hannah Norvelle, Bryana Ramirez, Alexandria Testut, Alexis Tricoli, Erin Wollerton; chaperones: Lois Basichis, Ashley de la Garza, Patricia Elliott, Davina Koehler and Emily Smith.

On request of Senator Goicoechea, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Erik David Moen.

On request of Senator Hammond, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tomas Hammond.

On request of Senator Hardy, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Torrey Lee Barber.

On request of Senator Jones, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Julie Michelle Borzage and Vikki Courtney.

On request of Senator Kieckhefer, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Grant Gabriel.

On request of Senator Manendo, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Natasha Greene.

On request of Senator Parks, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Vincent Frey and Kaitlin Aria Tucci.

On request of Senator Roberson, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Miranda J. Rosen.

On request of Senator Segerblom, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to former Senator Valerie Wiener.

On request of Senator Smith, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Alex Bybee and Christiana Cabrera.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the Floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Andrew Davey and Yujin Seo.

Senator Denis moved that the Senate adjourn until Wednesday, March 27, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. and that it do so in memory of Judge William Munnell.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Approved:

BRIAN K. KROLICKI President of the Senate

Attest: DAVID A. BYERMAN

Secretary of the Senate