



# Journal of the Senate

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118th General Assembly

Second Regular Session

Second Meeting Day

Tuesday Afternoon

January 7, 2014

The Senate convened at 4:38 p.m., with the President of the Senate, Sue Ellspermann, in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by Senator Dennis K. Kruse.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Senator Kruse.

The Chair ordered the roll of the Senate to be called. Those present were:

Alting <input type="checkbox"/>	Merritt
Arnold	Miller, Patricia
Banks	Miller, Pete
Becker	Mishler
Boots	Mrvan <input type="checkbox"/>
Bray	Nugent <input type="checkbox"/>
Breaux	Paul <input type="checkbox"/>
Broden	Randolph <input type="checkbox"/>
Buck	Rogers <input type="checkbox"/>
Charbonneau	Schneider
Crider	Skinner <input type="checkbox"/>
Delph	Smith <input type="checkbox"/>
Eckerty <input type="checkbox"/>	Steele
Glick	Stoops
Grooms	Tallian <input type="checkbox"/>
Head	Taylor
Hershman	Tomes
Holdman	Walker
Hume <input type="checkbox"/>	Waltz <input type="checkbox"/>
Kenley	Waterman <input type="checkbox"/>
Kruse	Wyss
Lanane	Yoder
Landske <input type="checkbox"/>	Young, M.
Leising	Young, R. <input type="checkbox"/>
Long	Zakas

Roll Call 3: present 35; excused 15. [Note: A  indicates those who were excused.] The Chair announced a quorum present. Pursuant to Senate Rule 5(d), no motion having been heard, the Journal of the previous day was considered read.

## SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that due to inclement weather which delayed the start of the General Assembly to January 7, 2014, Senate Rule 48(b) be amended as follows:

48. (a) First regular session. During the first regular session, there shall be no limitation on the total number of bills or joint resolutions each Senator shall be permitted to file for introduction. Before January 8, each Senator may present an unlimited number of bills and joint resolutions to the

Secretary's Office for filing; however, beginning January 8 and continuing until the filing deadline at 4:00 p.m. January 11, no Senator shall file more than two (2) bills or joint resolutions per business day.

(b) Second regular session. During the second regular session, each Senator shall be permitted to file for introduction no more than a total of ten (10) bills or joint resolutions, none of which may be vehicle bills. In addition, each Senator shall also be permitted to file two (2) bills recommended by interim study committees or statutory commissions and committees that shall not be counted toward the Senator's ten (10) bill filing limit. The President Pro Tempore shall be permitted to file twenty-five (25) vehicle bills and seven (7) vehicle joint resolutions. The Minority Leader shall be permitted to file fifteen (15) vehicle bills and three (3) vehicle joint resolutions. When reassigned, vehicle bills and vehicle joint resolutions shall not be counted toward a Senator's ten (10) bill filing limit. Beginning January 6 and continuing until the filing deadline at 4:00 p.m. January ~~10~~ 13, no Senator shall file more than two (2) bills or joint resolutions per business day.

(c) Each Senator shall be allowed to assign, in writing, the Senator's right of bill or joint resolution filing to another Senator.

LONG

Motion prevailed.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure to which was referred the motion of Senator Long requesting amendment of Senate Rule 48(b) to extend the bill filing deadline to January 13, 2014, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said motion be adopted.

LONG, Chair

Report adopted.

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Madam President: Pursuant to Senate Rule 1(b), by agreement of the President Pro Tempore and the Minority Floor Leader, due to inclement weather the session of the Senate scheduled for January 6, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. was cancelled and the convening

time for session on January 7, 2014, was set for 3:30 p.m.

LONG

Report adopted.

### **PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE REPORT OF AMENDED COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Madam President: President Pro Tempore David Long hereby announces and reports the following correction to the amended committee, subcommittee and chairperson appointments reported on November 19, 2013, pursuant to Rule 32 (b) of the Standing Rules and Orders of the Senate of the 118th General Assembly.

#### **Tax and Fiscal Policy**

Senator Hershman, Chair  
Senator Holdman, RM  
Senator Buck  
Senator Delph  
Senator Kenley  
Senator Landske  
Senator Mishler  
Senator Smith  
Senator Walker

Senator Skinner, RMM  
Senator Broden  
Senator Hume  
Senator Tallian

LONG

Report adopted.

### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following bills and resolutions were read a first time by title and referred to the respective committees:

**SB 2** — Steele (Commerce, Economic Development and Technology)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

**SB 3** — Steele (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

**SB 4** — Steele (Agriculture and Natural Resources)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

**SB 5** — Alting (Public Policy)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

**SB 6** — Arnold (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

**SB 7** — Arnold (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

**SB 8** — Randolph (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

**SB 9** — Randolph (Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

**SB 10** — Randolph (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning corrections.

**SB 11** — Randolph (Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

**SB 12** — Randolph (Judiciary)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

**SB 13** — Randolph (Public Policy)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning gaming.

**SB 14** — Randolph (Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

**SB 15** — Randolph (Commerce, Economic Development and Technology)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

**SB 16** — Banks, Alting, Yoder (Public Policy)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

**SB 17** — Arnold (Corrections and Criminal Law)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

**SB 18** — Steele, Boots (Public Policy)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

**SB 19** — Steele, Zakas, Broden (Judiciary)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

**SB 20** — Banks, Yoder, Kruse, Schneider (Education and Career Development)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

**SB 21** — Becker, Tomes, Steele (Judiciary)

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

- SB 22** — Waterman (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.
- SB 23** — Waterman (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.
- SB 24** — M. Young (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.
- SB 25** — Alting (Tax and Fiscal Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.
- SB 26** — Taylor (Health and Provider Services)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.
- SB 27** — Zakas, Steele, Broden (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.
- SB 28** — Pete Miller (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 29** — Kruse (Public Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.
- SB 30** — M. Young (Public Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.
- SB 31** — Tomes (Commerce, Economic Development and Technology)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.
- SB 32** — Tomes (Local Government)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.
- SB 33** — Waterman (Agriculture and Natural Resources)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.
- SB 34** — Waterman, Steele, Grooms (Tax and Fiscal Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.
- SB 35** — Delph (Elections)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.
- SB 36** — Delph, Zakas (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning trusts and fiduciaries.
- SB 37** — Delph (Commerce, Economic Development and Technology)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning trade regulation.
- SB 38** — Randolph (Tax and Fiscal Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.
- SB 39** — Randolph (Tax and Fiscal Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.
- SB 40** — Steele (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil procedure.
- SB 41** — Steele (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning property.
- SB 42** — Lanane (Pensions and Labor)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.
- SB 43** — Yoder (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 44** — Breaux (Health and Provider Services)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning health.
- SB 45** — Breaux (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 46** — Breaux (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 47** — Taylor (Education and Career Development)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.
- SB 48** — Taylor (Health and Provider Services)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.
- SB 49** — Taylor (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.
- SB 50** — Patricia Miller (Health and Provider Services)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.
- SB 51** — Patricia Miller (Health and Provider Services)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning health.

- SB 52** — Steele (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 53** — Zakas (Utilities)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.
- SB 54** — Zakas (Pensions and Labor)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning pensions.
- SB 55** — Head (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.
- SB 56** — Paul (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil procedure.
- SB 57** — Paul (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning military and veterans.
- SB 58** — Paul (Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning military and veterans.
- SB 59** — Bray (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.
- SB 60** — Boots (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.
- SB 61** — Boots, Hume (Pensions and Labor)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.
- SB 62** — Boots (Public Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning gaming.
- SB 63** — M. Young (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 64** — Waltz (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil procedure.
- SB 65** — Waltz (Public Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning gaming.
- SB 66** — Walker, Tallian (Pensions and Labor)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning pensions.
- SB 67** — Walker (Civil Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning property.
- SB 68** — Banks, Buck (Commerce, Economic Development and Technology)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.
- SB 69** — Zakas (Judiciary)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SB 70** — Pete Miller (Tax and Fiscal Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.
- SB 71** — Kruse (Environmental Affairs)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.
- SB 72** — Kruse (Local Government)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.
- SB 73** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 74** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 75** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 76** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 77** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 80** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 81** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 83** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 84** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 85** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 86** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 87** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
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- SB 88** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 89** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 90** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 91** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 92** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 93** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 94** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 95** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 96** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation. (Vehicle Bill)

- SB 97** — Long (Rules and Legislative Procedure)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities. (Vehicle Bill)
- SB 98** — Tomes (Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.
- SB 100** — Kruse (Public Policy)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.
- SB 101** — Holdman (Corrections and Criminal Law)  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.
- SJR 2** — Delph (Elections)  
A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning the general assembly.

## RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

### Senate Concurrent Resolution 3

Senate Concurrent Resolution 3, introduced by Senator Walker:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION petitioning the United States Department of Transportation to hold hearings on the placement of the entire state of Indiana in the Central Time Zone.

*Whereas, The Uniform Time Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. 260 et seq.) delegates to the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation the responsibility of designating standard time zones in the United States;*

*Whereas, Indiana is presently divided between the Central Time Zone and the Eastern Time Zone;*

*Whereas, Considerations of geography indicate that the entire state of Indiana should be located in the Central Time Zone;*

*Whereas, The observance of time in the Central Time Zone would return most of Indiana to normal times for daylight and darkness;*

*Whereas, Relocation of the time zone boundary will provide that most Hoosiers will observe the same time year round;*

*Whereas, Request for changes in the designated time zones must be made by a local unit of government or a state government to the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation;*

*Whereas, The Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation may make changes in time zone boundaries, subject to public hearings in the communities affected, at the*

*request of the highest political authority of the state;*

*Whereas, The time that should be observed in Indiana has been a continuing issue of controversy;*

*Whereas, The general assembly finds that it would be in the best interest of the citizens of Indiana to be located in the Central Time Zone;*

*Whereas, Placement of the entire state of Indiana in the Central Time Zone should be the "default" time zone placement of Indiana; and*

*Whereas, Placement of the entire state of Indiana in the Central Time Zone should not prejudice the ability of certain counties under the federal law to seek to be placed in the Eastern Time Zone: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly hereby petitions the United States Department of Transportation to initiate proceedings under the Uniform Time Act of 1966 to hold hearings in the appropriate locations in Indiana on the placement and restoration of the entire state of Indiana in the Central Time Zone.

SECTION 2. That this petition should not prejudice, in any way, the ability of any Indiana county to seek to be placed in the Eastern Time Zone under the procedures prescribed by federal law.

SECTION 3. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Sue Dillon, Central Time Coalition, and the United States Department of Transportation.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

#### **Senate Concurrent Resolution 4**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 4, introduced by Senator Tomes:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commending the Indiana Department of Transportation on the management practices of the innovative Hoosier Roadside Heritage Program.

*Whereas, The roadside vegetation management practices of Indiana and the federal government aim to secure motorist safety, reduce the presence of noxious weeds, and stabilize the soil to complement good soil and water conservation practices;*

*Whereas, State and local highway departments are facing severe budget shortfalls;*

*Whereas, Native forbs and grasses are less likely to encroach onto roads than invasive species such as kudzu;*

*Whereas, Native forbs and grasses are best adapted to local conditions and thus require less active management, reducing the need to replant, weed, and mow the areas adjacent to the road;*

*Whereas, Integrated vegetation management practices reduce the cost of maintaining roadside vegetation, with the Hoosier Roadside Heritage program saving Indiana \$45 per acre a year in maintenance costs;*

*Whereas, Pollinators such as bees, birds, bats, and butterflies are suffering drastic population loss, due in part to habitat loss;*

*Whereas, Pollinators are vital to American agriculture and are responsible for one out of every three bites of food we eat;*

*Whereas, A diverse pollinator population is necessary to maintain the diversity of our plant life and food supply;*

*Whereas, Enhancing pollinator populations on rights-of-way can result in improved pollination for neighboring lands, including agriculture and wildlife ecosystems;*

*Whereas, Sound wildlife ecosystems help support Indiana's \$1.7 billion a year outdoor recreation industry; and*

*Whereas, Highway rights-of-way that are kept in a native state sequester carbon in the soil, and reduced mowing lowers greenhouse gasses, both of which help to prevent climate change: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly commends the Indiana Department of Transportation for its innovative Hoosier Roadside Heritage Program, which saves taxpayer dollars, improves the environment, and supports agriculture production.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana General Assembly further encourages the Indiana Department of Transportation to work with local governments and conservation groups to promote Hoosier Roadside Heritage Program maintenance practices throughout Indiana.

SECTION 3. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Indiana Department of Transportation.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs.

#### **Senate Resolution 3**

Senate Resolution 3, introduced by Senator Randolph:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the government of Turkey to cease its discrimination against the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the Orthodox Christian Church, to grant the Ecumenical Patriarch

appropriate international recognition, ecclesiastical succession, and the right to train clergy of all nationalities, and to respect the property rights and human rights of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

*Whereas, The Ecumenical Patriarchate, located in Istanbul, Turkey, is the sacred See that presides in a spirit of brotherhood over a communion of the self-governing churches of the Orthodox Christian world;*

*Whereas, The See is led by Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, who is 270th in direct succession to St. Andrew the Apostle and holds titular primacy as primus inter pares, meaning "first among equals," in the community of Orthodox Christian churches worldwide;*

*Whereas, In 1994, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, along with leaders of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, cosponsored the Conference on Peace and Tolerance, bringing together Christian, Jewish, and Muslim religious leaders for an interfaith dialogue to help end the Balkan conflict and the ethnic conflict in the Caucasus region;*

*Whereas, In 1997, the Congress of the United States awarded Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew a Congressional Gold Medal;*

*Whereas, Following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on our nation, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew gathered a group of international religious leaders to produce the first joint statement with Muslim leaders condemning the attacks as "antireligious";*

*Whereas, In November 2005, the Ecumenical Patriarch, along with Christian, Jewish, and Muslim leaders, cosponsored the Conference on Peace and Tolerance II to further promote peace and stability in southeastern Europe, the Caucasus region, and Central Asia via religious leaders' interfaith dialogue, understanding, and action;*

*Whereas, The Orthodox Christian Church, in existence for nearly 2,000 years, numbers approximately 300 million members worldwide, with more than 2 million members in the United States;*

*Whereas, Since 1453, the continuing presence of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Turkey has been a living testament to the religious coexistence of Christians and Muslims;*

*Whereas, This religious coexistence is in jeopardy because the government of Turkey refuses to recognize the rights and religious freedoms of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, which is considered a minority religion by the Turkish government;*

*Whereas, The Turkish government has limited eligibility to hold the office of Ecumenical Patriarch to only Turkish nationals;*

*Whereas, From the millions of Orthodox Christians living in Turkey at the turn of the 20th century, there are fewer than 3,000 of the Ecumenical Patriarch's flock in Turkey today, because of the continued policies of minority discrimination by the Turkish government;*

*Whereas, The Turkish government has reneged on its agreement to reopen the Theological School on the island of Halki, closed by the government in 1971, impeding training for Orthodox Christian clergy;*

*Whereas, The Turkish government has confiscated nearly 94 percent of the properties of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and has placed a 42 percent tax, retroactive to 1999, on the Hospital of Baloukli and Home for the Elderly, a charity hospital run by the Ecumenical Patriarchate;*

*Whereas, The European Union, a group of nations with a common goal of promoting peace and the well-being of its people, began accession negotiations with Turkey on October 3, 2005;*

*Whereas, The European Union defined membership criteria for accession at the Copenhagen European Council in 1993, obligating candidate countries to achieve certain levels of reform, including stability of institutions guaranteeing democracy, adherence to the rule of law, and respect for and protection of minorities and human rights;*

*Whereas, The Turkish government's current treatment of the Ecumenical Patriarchate is inconsistent with the membership criteria of the European Union;*

*Whereas, Orthodox Christians in Indiana and throughout the United States stand to lose their spiritual leader because of the continued actions of the Turkish government; and*

*Whereas, In November 2006, the Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the order of St. Andrew the Apostle, a group of laymen, each of whom has been honored with a Patriarchal title, or "offikion," by the Ecumenical Patriarch for their outstanding service to the Orthodox Church, sent an American delegation to Turkey to meet with Turkish government officials and the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey regarding the Turkish government's treatment of the Ecumenical Patriarchate: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the Turkish government to uphold and safeguard religious and human rights without compromise; cease its discrimination against the Ecumenical Patriarchate; grant the Ecumenical Patriarchate appropriate international recognition, ecclesiastic succession, and the right to train clergy of all nationalities; and respect the property rights and human rights of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the President of the United States, the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, and the Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey to the United States.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

#### Senate Resolution 8

Senate Resolution 8, introduced by Senator Boots:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Council to assign to a study committee the topic of civil penalties assessed for violations of child labor laws.

*Whereas, Certain child labor civil penalties are obtrusive to Indiana business owners in respect to some innocuous violations;*

*Whereas, Other penalties are too lenient to fit the severity of the violation;*

*Whereas, Lowering some rates and raising other rates might be amenable to some, but the Bureau of Child Labor is funded by these fines, and any adjustment should be considered carefully since it would have considerable budget impact; and*

*Whereas, A summer study committee could analyze possible changes to the child labor violations fine legislation, including possibly establishing new rates and bringing together industry representatives and child labor officials to determine if changes are necessary: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the Legislative Council to assign to a study committee the topic of civil penalties assessed for violations of child labor laws.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Pensions and Labor.

### REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Ethics has met pursuant to IC 2-2.1-3-6 to review the Senate Code of Ethics contained in Senate Rules 90 through 99, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said Rules not be amended.

(Reference is to the Senate Standing Rules and Orders adopted November 20, 2012.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0.

WALKER, Chair

Report adopted.

### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 and the same is herewith returned to the Senate.

M. CAROLINE SPOTTS  
Principal Clerk of the House

### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move we adjourn until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

LONG

Motion prevailed.

The Senate adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

JENNIFER L. MERTZ  
Secretary of the Senate

SUE ELLSPERMANN  
President of the Senate