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REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025
(STATEWIDE SESSION)

Wednesday, February 5, 2025
(Statewide Session)

~~Indicates Matter Stricken~~

Indicates New Matter

The House assembled at 11:45 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk Jr. as follows:

Our thought for today is from Ephesians 6:10: “Finally in the strength of his power.”

Let us pray. Dear God, we praise You for Your loving kindness that restores us, carries out justice, and fills our lives with Your goodness and mercy. May we see the goodness of God each and every day. God of justice and mercy, we pray for peace in our time. May grace, mercy, and peace be with our World, Nation, President, State, Governor Speaker, Staff, and all who contribute to this great cause. Bless and protect our men and women who serve and defend our Country. Remember those with hidden wounds. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

MOTION ADOPTED

Rep. WOOTEN moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Phyllis J. Claypoole, which was agreed to.

ROLL CALL

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. J. Cox	B. L. Cox	Crawford

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Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Murphy
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinnakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Weeks	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten		

Total Present--118

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. CHUMLEY a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. YOW a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. WETMORE a leave of absence for the day due to family reasons.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE

Reps. OREMUS and RIVERS signed a statement with the Clerk that they came in after the roll call of the House and were present for the Session on Tuesday, February 4.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

Announcement was made that Dr. Mark Humphrey of Columbia was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

“5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co-sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co-sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member's or co-sponsor's written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3034
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX

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CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3125
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 KILMARTIN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3163
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 KILMARTIN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3173
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3202
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 BAUER

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3287
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 MCGINNIS

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3313
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3394
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 LAWSON

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3472
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 CALHOON

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CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3523
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 CALHOON

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3526
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 BALLENTINE

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3529
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 CALHOON and BALLENTINE

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3536
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3537
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 RANKIN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3602
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 WOOTEN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3643
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 B. J. COX and GUEST

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3779
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 SANDERS

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CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3800
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 KILMARTIN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3849
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 KILMARTIN

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3858
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 SANDERS

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3862
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 M. M. SMITH

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3868
Date: ADD:
02/05/25 RIVERS

CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED

Bill Number: H. 3292
Date: REMOVE:
02/05/25 BRADLEY

CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED

Bill Number: H. 3652
Date: REMOVE:
02/05/25 GATCH

JOINT ASSEMBLY

At 12:00 noon the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House. The President of the Senate called the Joint Assembly to order and announced that it had convened under the terms of a Concurrent Resolution adopted by both Houses.

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**ELECTION OF JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS,
CIRCUIT COURT, FAMILY COURT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE
LAW COURT**

The following Concurrent Resolution was read:

S. 237 -- Senators Rankin, Sabb and Garrett: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 2, UPON HER ELECTION TO THE SUPREME COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2029; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HER APPOINTMENT TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL SERVE A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND THE

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SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 7, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2027; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 14, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 15, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 16, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HER RETIREMENT ON APRIL 30, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, UPON HER RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO

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A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS ELECTION TO THE COURT OF APPEALS, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL

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CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 6, UPON HER ELECTION TO THE CIRCUIT COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 5, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 6, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 2, UPON HIS ELECTION TO THE CIRCUIT COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2027; AND TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025.

ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 2

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 2.

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Senator Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis, Jason P. Luther, and the Honorable Courtney Pope.

Senator Rankin stated that Jason P. Luther and the Honorable Courtney Pope had withdrawn from the race and placed name of the remaining candidate, the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis, in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 3

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable John D. Geathers had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable John D. Geathers was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 4

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

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Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Eugene P. Warr Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Eugene P. Warr Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Ashley A. McMahan, Christopher Dolan Taylor, and William K. Witherspoon.

Sen. Rankin stated that Ashley A. McMahan had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidates, Christopher Dolan Taylor and William K. Witherspoon, in nomination.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Christopher Dolan Taylor:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Chaplin
Cromer	Davis	Elliott
Gambrell	Garrett	Goldfinch
Graham	Grooms	Jackson
Johnson	Kennedy	Leber
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Williams	Young
Zell		

Total--31

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The following named Senators voted for William K. Witherspoon:

Cash	Climer	Corbin
Devine	Hembree	Kimbrell
Massey	Nutt	Rice

Total--9

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Christopher Dolan

Taylor:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. J. Cox
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Gagnon	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	May
McCabe	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Murphy
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Reese	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Weeks	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten

Total--81

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The following named Representatives voted for William K. Witherspoon:

Beach	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Forrest	Garvin	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guffey	Harris	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	Huff
Kilmartin	King	Magnuson
McDaniel	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Pope
Rivers	Spann-Wilder	White

Total--27

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	40
Total number of Representatives voting	108
Grand Total	148
Necessary to a choice.....	75
Of which Christopher Dolan Taylor received	112
Of which William K. Witherspoon received	36

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Christopher Dolan Taylor was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable J. Derham Cole Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable J. Derham Cole Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Bryan A. Alfaro, Thomas J. Rode, and R. Bruce Wallace.

Sen. Rankin stated that Bryan A. Alfaro and R. Bruce Wallace had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, Thomas J. Rode, in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. MAGNUSON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Thomas J. Rode:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Chaplin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Goldfinch
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Johnson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Massey
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Sabb	Stubbs

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Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Williams
Young	Zell	

Total--35

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Thomas J. Rode:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. J. Cox	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Moss
Murphy	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor

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Teeple	Weeks	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Wooten

Total--90

The following named Representatives voted against Thomas J. Rode:

Beach	Cromer	Duncan
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Magnuson	Morgan	Pace
Terrible		

Total--13

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	35
Total number of Representatives voting	103
Grand Total	138
Of which Thomas J. Rode received	125

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Thomas J. Rode was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

I abstained from voting on the election of Thomas J. Rode for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2, due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. Robby Robbins

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Lawton McIntosh had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

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Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Lawton McIntosh was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable David Shawn Graham, Derrick E. Mobley, and Christian Giresi Spradley.

Sen. Rankin stated that Derrick E. Mobley and Christian Giresi Spradley had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, the Honorable David Shawn Graham, in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Shawn Graham was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that Melissa A. Inzerillo had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. SESSIONS objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

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The following named Senators voted for Melissa A. Inzerillo:

Allen	Devine	Graham
Jackson	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Sabb	Sutton
Tedder	Walker	Williams

Total--12

The following named Senators voted against Melissa A. Inzerillo:

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Campsen	Cash	Chaplin
Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Davis	Elliott	Gambrell
Goldfinch	Grooms	Hembree
Johnson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Reichenbach	Rice
Stubbs	Turner	Verdin
Young	Zell	

Total--29

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Melissa A. Inzerillo:

Alexander	Anderson	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Caskey	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Dillard	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Hart
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
Howard	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Lawson	Luck	Martin
McCrary	McDaniel	T. Moore
Moss	Reese	Rivers

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Rose	Rutherford	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Weeks	Williams

Total--42

The following named Representatives voted against Melissa A.

Inzerillo:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Chapman
B. J. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Gilliam	Gilreath
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Huff
Kilmartin	Landing	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
May	McCabe	Mitchell
Montgomery	Morgan	Murphy
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pope	Rankin
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten		

Total--64

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	41
Total number of Representatives voting	106
Grand Total	147
Of which Melissa A. Inzerillo received	54

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Melissa A. Inzerillo was not elected.

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**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 7**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 7.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: De Grant Gibbons, William Vickery “Vick” Meetze, and Jane H. Merrill.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for De Grant Gibbons:

Martin	Massey	Tedder
Young		

Total--4

The following named Senators voted for William Vickery Meetze:

Adams	Bennett	Campsen
Chaplin	Davis	Goldfinch
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Johnson	Ott
Rankin	Reichenbach	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Walker
Williams		

Total--19

The following named Senators voted for Jane H. Merrill:

Alexander	Allen	Cash
Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Nutt	Peeler
Rice	Turner	Verdin
Zell		

Total--19

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On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for De Grant Gibbons:

Bamberg	Burns	Clyburn
Forrest	Guffey	Hager
Harris	Hartz	Hixon
Kilmartin	Landing	May
McCabe	Neese	Oremus
Rivers	Sessions	Taylor
Wickensimer	Wooten	

Total--20

The following named Representatives voted for William Vickery

Meetze:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Bernstein	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Calhoon	Caskey
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Gatch	Govan	Grant
Guest	Hardee	Hartnett
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kirby	Ligon	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McGinnis
Mitchell	Moss	Murphy
B. Newton	W. Newton	Reese
Robbins	Rutherford	Schuessler
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Teeple	Weeks	Williams

Total--51

The following named Representatives voted for Jane H. Merrill:

Bannister	Beach	Bowers
Bustos	Chapman	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. J. Cox	Cromer
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton

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Erickson	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Haddon
Hart	Henderson-Myers	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Lawson	Long	Magnuson
McCrary	McDaniel	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Pace
Pope	Rankin	Rose
Sanders	Spann-Wilder	Terrible
Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Willis		

Total--46

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	42
Total number of Representatives voting	117
Grand Total	159
Necessary to a choice.....	80
Of which De Grant Gibbons received	24
Of which William Vickery Meetze received	70
Of which Jane H. Merrill received	65

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that De Grant Gibbons had withdrawn.

Sen. Rankin announced that the Joint Assembly proceed to a second ballot.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for William Vickery Meetze:

Adams	Bennett	Campsen
Chaplin	Davis	Goldfinch
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Johnson	Martin
Ott	Rankin	Reichenbach

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Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Walker	Williams	

Total--20

The following named Senators voted for Jane H. Merrill:

Alexander	Allen	Cash
Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Massey	Nutt
Peeler	Rice	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Young
Zell		

Total--22

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for William Vickery

Meetze:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Bernstein	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Caskey	Clyburn
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Gatch	Govan	Guest
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kirby	Ligon
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McGinnis	Mitchell	Moss
Murphy	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rutherford	Schuessler

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G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Teeple	Weeks	Williams

Total--54

The following named Representatives voted for Jane H. Merrill:

Bamberg	Bannister	Beach
Bowers	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. J. Cox	Cromer	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Grant	Guffey
Haddon	Harris	Hart
Hartz	Hixon	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
King	Landing	Lawson
Long	Magnuson	May
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Rose
Sanders	Sessions	Spann-Wilder
Taylor	Terribile	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	

Total--62

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	42
Total number of Representatives voting	116
Grand Total	158
Necessary to a choice.....	80
Of which William Vickery Meetze received	74
Of which Jane H. Merrill received	84

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Jane H. Merrill was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 14**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 14.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable R. Keith Kelly had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable R. Keith Kelly was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 15**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 15.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Maite D. Murphy had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. CROMER objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Maite D. Murphy:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Chaplin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Goldfinch	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Johnson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin

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Walker
Zell

Williams

Young

Total--37

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Maite D. Murphy:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Hager	Hardee
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teepie

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Vaughan Weeks Williams
Wooten

Total--91

The following named Representatives voted against Maite D.

Murphy:

Beach Cromer Edgerton
Frank Gilreath Harris
Huff Magnuson Morgan
Pace Terrible White
Wickensimer

Total--13

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting..... 37
Total number of Representatives voting 104
Grand Total 141
Of which Maite D. Murphy received 128

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Maite D. Murphy was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

February 5, 2025
The Honorable G. Murrell Smith Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives
506 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I am notifying you that I will not participate in the vote for the judicial election scheduled today for the following seat: Circuit Court, At-Large, Seat 15 as the candidate is my spouse. Thus, in accordance with Section 8-13-700(B) of the SC Code of Laws, I recuse myself from voting in the race for this judicial seat to avoid any conflict of interest. I wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the journal. I also want to note that I

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was not involved in the Judicial Merit Selection Commission screening process for Circuit Court, At-Large, Seat 15.

Sincerely,
Rep. Chris Murphy

LEAVE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. GOVAN Leave for the remainder of the day.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 16**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 16.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that Charles J. McCutchen had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Charles J. McCutchen was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, First Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Anne Gue Jones had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Anne Gue Jones was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Second Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

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Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Shannon M. Chandler and Amanda Frances Whittle.

Sen. Rankin stated that Shannon M. Chandler had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, Amanda Frances Whittle, in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Amanda Frances Whittle was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Second Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela W. Abstance had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela W. Abstance was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: William A. W. Buxton and E. Thompson Kinney,

Sen. Rankin stated that E. Thompson Kinney had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, William A. W. Buxton, in nomination.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that William A. W. Buxton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela R. Taylor had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela R. Taylor was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Ernest Joseph Jarrett had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Ernest Joseph Jarrett was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that C. Heath Ruffner had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that C. Heath Ruffner was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Michelle M. Hurley had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Michelle M. Hurley was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Scott Rankin had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Scott Rankin was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Coreen B. Khoury had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Coreen B. Khoury was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela J. Moss had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela J. Moss was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Todd Thigpen had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Todd Thigpen was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable Bryan C. Able, Robert W. Cone, and James Conway “Jim” Todd IV.

Sen. Rankin stated that Robert W. Cone and the Honorable Bryan C. Able had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, James Conway “Jim” Todd IV in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

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Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that James Conway “Jim” Todd IV was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Joseph C. Smithdeal had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Joseph C. Smithdeal was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Alice Anne Richter had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Alice Anne Richter was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 4**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Blakely Copeland Cahoon had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Blakely Copeland Cahoon was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David J. Brousseau had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David J. Brousseau was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Scott McElhannon had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Scott McElhannon was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Huntley Smith Crouch had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Huntley Smith Crouch was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Robert E. Newton had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Robert E. Newton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Alicia Allsbrook Richardson had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Alicia Allsbrook Richardson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable FitzLee H. McEachin had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable FitzLee H. McEachin was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Rochelle Yarborough Conits had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. MAGNUSON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Rochelle Conits:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Chaplin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Goldfinch	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Johnson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Massey	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Sabb
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Williams
Young	Zell	

Total--35

The following named Senators voted against Rochelle Conits:

Cash	Martin
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Total--2

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

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The following named Representatives voted for Rochelle Conits:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. J. Cox
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Erickson	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliam
Gilliard	Grant	Guest
Haddon	Hardee	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	King	Kirby
Landing	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McCabe
McDaniel	Mitchell	T. Moore
Moss	Murphy	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Pedalino
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Vaughan	Weeks	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten

Total--81

The following named Representatives voted against Rochelle Conits:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Harris
Magnuson	McCrary	Pace
Rankin	Teeple	White

Total--12

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RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	37
Total number of Representatives voting	93
Grand Total	130
Of which Rochelle Conits received	116

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Rochelle Yarborough Conits was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable W. Marsh Robertson had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable W. Marsh Robertson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 6**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 6.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Jonathan D. Hammond and Marcelo Torricos.

Sen. Rankin stated that Jonathan D. Hammond had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, Marcelo Torricos, in nomination.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Marcelo Torricos was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

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Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Jan B. Bromell Holmes had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. EDGERTON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Jan B. Bromell Holmes:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Chaplin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Goldfinch	Graham	Grooms
Jackson	Johnson	Kimbrell
Massey	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Sabb
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Williams
Young		

Total--31

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

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The following named Representatives voted for Jan B. Bromell

Holmes:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. J. Cox	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliam	Gilliard
Grant	Guest	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Ligon
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	T. Moore
Moss	Murphy	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Reese
Rivers	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Vaughan
Weeks	Williams	Willis
Wooten		

Total--76

The following named Representatives voted against Jan B. Bromell

Holmes:

Beach	Cromer	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Long
Magnuson	Morgan	Pace

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Rankin	Teeple	Terrible
White	Wickensimer	

Total--17

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	31
Total number of Representatives voting	93
Grand Total	124
Of which Jan B. Bromell Holmes received	107

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Jan B. Bromell Holmes was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David G. Guyton had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David G. Guyton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Kimaka “Kim” Nichols-Graham had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Kimaka “Kim” Nichols-Graham was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Timothy E. Madden had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Timothy E. Madden was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable James G. McGee III had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable James G. McGee III was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 4**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Monet Pincus had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Monet Pincus was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

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**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 5**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 5.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Randall E. McGee had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Randall E. McGee was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,
AT-LARGE, SEAT 6**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 6.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David Earl Phillips had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Earl Phillips was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ELECTION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, SEAT 2

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for an Administrative Law Judge, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Kristian Cross, the Honorable Bryan S. Jeffries, and Samuel L. Johnson.

Sen. Rankin stated that the Honorable Bryan S. Jeffries had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidates, Kristian Cross and Samuel L. Johnson, in nomination.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

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The following named Senators voted for Kristian Cross:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Devine	Jackson	Johnson
Martin	Massey	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Sabb
Tedder	Walker	Williams
Young		

Total--16

The following named Senators voted for Samuel L. Johnson:

Bennett	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Elliott
Gambrell	Garrett	Goldfinch
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Nutt	Reichenbach	Rice
Stubbs	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Zell	

Total--26

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Kristian Cross:

Alexander	Anderson	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bauer	Bernstein
Brewer	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Dillard	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliard	Grant
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Jones	King	Kirby
Luck	McDaniel	McGinnis
Neese	Oremus	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rutherford

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Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Weeks
Williams		

Total--40

The following named Representatives voted for Samuel L. Johnson:

Bailey	Bannister	Bowers
Bradley	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	B. J. Cox	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Harris
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCrary
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Murphy
B. Newton	W. Newton	Pace
Pedalino	Rankin	Rose
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten		

Total--70

RECAPITULATION

Total number of Senators voting.....	42
Total number of Representatives voting	110
Grand Total	152
Necessary to a choice.....	77
Of which Kristian Cross received	56
Of which Samuel L. Johnson received	96

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Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Samuel L. Johnson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

ELECTION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, SEAT 3

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for an Administrative Law Judge, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Robert L. Reibold had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Robert L. Reibold was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

JOINT ASSEMBLY RECEDES

The purposes of the Joint Assembly having been accomplished, the PRESIDENT announced that under the terms of the Concurrent Resolution the Joint Assembly would recede from business.

The Senate accordingly retired to its Chamber.

THE HOUSE RESUMES

At 1:45 p.m.. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

Rep. FORREST moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:58 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. WOOTEN, adjourned in memory of Phyllis J. Claypoole, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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H. 3034	21	H. 3536	5
H. 3125	4	H. 3537	5
H. 3163	4	H. 3602	5
H. 3173	4	H. 3643	5
H. 3202	4	H. 3652	6
H. 3287	4	H. 3779	5
H. 3292	6	H. 3800	6
H. 3313	4	H. 3849	6
H. 3394	4	H. 3858	6
H. 3472	4	H. 3862	6
H. 3523	5	H. 3868	6
H. 3526	5		
H. 3529	5	S. 237	7