

## FORTY-THIRD DAY

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1929.

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The roll being called the following Senators answered to their names:

Adams,	Hougen,	Lund, L. P.,	Putnam,	Spindler,
Anderson,	Johnson,	MacKenzie,	Putzier,	Stemsrud,
Arens,	Johnston,	MacLean,	Ribenack,	Sullivan, G. H.,
Bessette,	Landby,	McCubrey,	Richardson,	Sullivan, J. D.,
Bonniwell,	Larson, A. S.,	McKnight,	Rockne,	Swenson,
Bridgeman,	Larson, H. A.,	Mangan,	Roepeke,	Thwing,
Cannon,	Lawson,	Millett,	Rollins,	Traxler,
Carley,	Lee,	Morin,	Romberg,	Turnham,
Child,	Lemm,	Naplin,	Rosenmeier,	Widell,
Christgau,	Lennon,	Nelson,	Saggau,	Zamboni,
Duemke,	Lilygren,	Nordlin,	Schmechel,	
Frost,	Lommen,	Olson,	Serline,	
Hanson,	Long,	Orr,	Sharpe,	
Hausler,	Lund, C. A.,	Peterson,	Solberg,	

Quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

## MEMBERS EXCUSED.

Mr. Blanchard was excused from the session of today.

## EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.  
St. Paul, March 12, 1929.

*Hon. W. I. Nolan, President of the Senate.*

Sir: I am returning herewith without approval Senate File No. 115, "A bill for an act to provide an additional judge for the district court of the sixteenth judicial district of the State of Minnesota."

Two years ago, in vetoing a similar measure, I said: "A proper re-districting of the State to insure a better distribution of judges would obviate the conditions which this bill is designed to remedy. The Legislature at its next session should set itself to the task of effecting such re-districting."

In agreement with this suggestion the Senate on March 11, 1929, by

an almost unanimous vote adopted a resolution for the appointment of an "Interim Judicial Districts Committee" to investigate and report on the redistricting of the judicial districts of the State. I feel that in view of this action I could not give my approval to the present measure without embarrassing the Senate in its undertaking.

It is admitted by those who have sponsored the present bill that not to exceed one-half of the time of the additional judge would be required in the Sixteenth Judicial District. If this is true, it will not be more difficult to assign outside judges to clear the calendar in the Sixteenth District than it would be to assign the spare time of an additional judge in the Sixteenth District to other districts. There is no contention that the number of judges in the State as a whole is insufficient to take care of the work required. Such difficulty as exists is due to the improper distribution of judges, and this the Senate has undertaken to correct.

Respectfully yours,

THEODORE CHRISTIANSON,  
GOVERNOR.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mangan moved that S. F. No. 115, together with the communication, be laid on the table.

Which motion prevailed.

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#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Bessette introduced—

S. F. No. 835, A bill for an act to amend Section 19 of Laws 1925, Chapter 407, relating to the disposition of slashings and other inflammable refuse and debris in forest areas.

Which was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Reforestation.

Mr. Bessette introduced—

S. F. No. 836, A bill for an act to amend Section 18 of Laws 1925, Chapter 407, relating to the cutting of timber and to the giving of notice thereof in certain cases.

Which was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Reforestation.

Mr. Bessette introduced—

S. F. No. 837, A bill for an act to amend Laws 1927, Chapter 329, being an act authorizing the commissioner of forestry and fire prevention, department of conservation, on behalf of the State of Minnesota, to accept as gifts, or to purchase in certain cases, small tracts of land for the use of the state in forestry and fire prevention work.

Which was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Reforestation.

Mr. Bessette introduced—

S. F. No. 838, A bill for an act relating to the supervision, management and control of state forests and state parks and to the prescribing of regulations therefor.

Which was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Reforestation.