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Senate Chambers
State Capitol

Senate convened at 1:00 p.m. President Keenan presiding. Invocation by Reverend Keith Johnson. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Katie Butcher, granddaughter of Senator Butcher, presented the Senate with a recitation on the origin of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call. All members present except Senators Grimes and Harrington, excused. Quorum present.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

BILLS REPORT

Correctly printed: **SB 31**.

JUDICIARY (Grimes, Chairman):

1/7/2003

SB 10, do pass. Report adopted.

SB 32, do pass. Report adopted.

SB 75, do pass. Report adopted.

TAXATION (DePratu, Chairman):

1/7/2003

SB 31, do pass. Report adopted.

MOTIONS

SB 14 - Senator McCarthy moved that Tash and Younkin be added as sponsors to **SB 14**. Motion carried.

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

The following Senate bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

SB 160, introduced by Cobb, referred to State Administration.

SB 161, introduced by Cobb, referred to Taxation.

The following Senate joint resolution was introduced, read first time, and referred to committee:

SJR 6, introduced by Grimes, referred to Legislative Administration.

Senator Grimes present at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Senator Ellingson rose on a point of information and procedure concerning the Finance Committee's decision to begin the budget process with the 2000 budget figures.

President Pro Tempore McNutt assumed the chair.

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A discussion was held explaining the Finance Committee's rationale for their actions.

President Keenan reassumed the chair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by committee chairs.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the Senate adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2003. Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

ROSANA SKELTON
Secretary of Senate

BOB KEENAN
President of the Senate