

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Thursday, February 1, 1968

The Senate was called to order by the President at 9:30 a.m.
A quorum present—44:

Mr. President	Elrod	Horne	Shevin
Bafalis	Fincher	Johnson	Slade
Barron	Fisher	Knopke	Spencer
Bell	Friday	Lane	Stockton
Boyd	Gibson	Mathews	Stolzenburg
Chiles	Gong	O'Grady	Stone
Clayton	Griffin	Ott	Thomas
Cross	Gunter	Plante	Weber
Deeb	Haverfield	Poston	Weissenborn
de la Parte	Henderson	Reuter	Wilson
Edwards	Hollahan	Sayler	Young

Excused: Senators Askew and Broxson for the morning session. Senators Barrow and McClain.

Prayer by the Secretary of the Senate:

Most gracious Father, we approach thy altar of grace this morning seeking forgiveness of those things we have done amiss. We realize our shortcomings and feel unworthy of being spiritually accepted as thy children. May our travels be so illuminated because of our sincere belief in thee that our labors will influence those around us who are strangers to the program of Christianity. We are desirous of toiling for thy kingdom so that the church fellowship would be strengthened. Counsel with these stewards of government in their labors. Inspire them to resolve this ill and prescribe the necessary ingredient for adequate satisfaction of the problem. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

The Journal of January 31 was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION

By the required Constitutional two-thirds vote of the Senate the following bill was admitted for introduction and consideration:

By Senators Thomas and Gunter—

SCR 41-X(68)—A concurrent resolution commending General Leonard Chapman, Jr., Commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps for his outstanding achievements and distinguished service to the people of Florida and to the nation.

WHEREAS, General Chapman, a native son of Florida, received his formal education in the Florida school system, and after graduation from the University of Florida, accepted the appointment as a marine second lieutenant, and

WHEREAS, from the very beginning of his military career, he gave of himself wholeheartedly and unselfishly without regard for personal gain nor recognition to the advancement of freedom for all mankind and to the achievement of the military goals of this nation, and

WHEREAS, through his uncompromising devotion and dedication to duty, leadership and integrity, he has earned the respect and esteem of all Americans, and

WHEREAS, General Chapman, because of his great love for his country and because of his leadership and courage in battle, has been awarded numerous medals and decorations which include: the Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Legion of Merit, one with Combat "V"; the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V"; the Navy Commendation Ribbon with Combat "V"; two Presidential Unit Citations; the American Defense Service Medal with Fleet Clasp; the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with one silver star; the American Campaign Medal; the National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star; the Korean Service Medal; and the United Nations Service Medal, and

WHEREAS, General Chapman because of his exemplary con-

duct and proven abilities has become a living symbol to all of us in the achievement of his goals and in the fulfillment of the great American dream, and

WHEREAS, he was elevated by appointment to the distinguished position of commandant, the highest position of the United States Marine Corps, and

WHEREAS, through this resolution, the people of Florida would like to preserve for all times in the public records their expression of pride and appreciation to General Leonard Chapman, Jr., for reflecting the highest honor and credit to the state and to the nation; NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That the Legislature of the State of Florida commends and pays tribute to General Leonard Chapman, Jr., for his outstanding record of dedication and service to the people of Florida, the Nation, and to the United State Marine Corps in which he has served so well.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the Journals of the Senate and the House of Representatives and that copies of this resolution duly attested under the Great Seal of the State of Florida be sent by the Secretary of State to the President of the United States, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the U. S. Marine Corps, and that one copy be presented in person to General Leonard Chapman, Jr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mrs. Leonard Chapman, his wife; Marine Officer Leonard F. Chapman, III, his son; and Marine Officer Walton Ford Chapman, his son.

Was read the first time in full. On motion by Senator Thomas, the rules were waived and SCR 41-X(68) was read the second time by title, unanimously adopted, and certified to the House.

By Senators Thomas, Cross, Askew, Chiles, Poston, Barrow, Haverfield, Edwards, Griffin, McClain, Horne, Hollahan, Friday, Stone, Gibson, Spencer, Ott, Gunter, Pope, Barron, Shevin, Mathews, de la Parte, Plante, Bell, Lane, Gong, Fincher, Knopke, Bafalis, Johnson, Fisher, Elrod and Broxson.

SB 42-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the institute of food and agricultural sciences of the University of Florida; providing additional moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 1968, to pay for operations of said institute; making an appropriation; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Higher Learning and Appropriations.

By Senator Mathews—

SJR 43-X(68)—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 20 of Article IV of the State Constitution by eliminating the Superintendent of Public Instruction from the Governor's Cabinet.

Was read the first time in full and referred to the Committees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Mathews—

SJR 44-X(68)—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to subsection (b) of section 18 of Article XII of the Constitution of Florida; providing for the legislature to set the limit on the interest rate allowable on bonds issued on behalf of counties for capital outlay and debt service and other school purposes.

Was read the first time in full and referred to the Commit-

tees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Mathews—

SB 45-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bonds issued pursuant to Section 18, Article XII of the State Constitution; providing a maximum interest rate on such bonds; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Rules and Calendar.

On motion by Senator Horne, the President appointed Senators Horne, Barron and de la Parte as a committee to escort Dr. and Mrs. Guillermo Gonzalez of Popayan, Columbia, visitors in Tallahassee for the past two weeks as part of the State's Sister Cities program, to the rostrum. Dr. Gonzalez, dean of engineering at the University of Calca, and Mrs. Gonzalez, daughter of the Columbia minister of defense, addressed the Senate briefly.

On motion by Senator Mathews, the rules were waived and the Senate recessed at 10:10 a. m. to reconvene at 2:00 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Senate was called to order by the President at 2:00 p. m. A quorum present—46:

Mr. President	Edwards	Horne	Slade
Askew	Elrod	Johnson	Spencer
Bafalis	Fincher	Knopke	Stockton
Barron	Fisher	Lane	Stolzenburg
Bell	Friday	Mathews	Stone
Boyd	Gibson	O'Grady	Thomas
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de la Parte	Hollahan	Shevin	

On motion by Senator Mathews, the rules were waived and the Senate reverted to the order of—

INTRODUCTION

By Senators Mathews, Shevin and Stone—

SB 46-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation; amending section 192.05, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 67-376, laws of Florida, to provide for assessment of inventory at fifty per cent (50%) of just valuation in 1968, twenty-five per cent (25%) of just valuation in 1969 and thereafter; defining inventory; authorizing the comptroller to promulgate regulations; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Young and Stolzenburg—

SB 47-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and certain other transactions; amending sections 212.02, 212.03, 212.04, 212.05, 212.06, 212.07, 212.08 and 212.12, Florida Statutes; increasing such tax generally from three per cent (3%) to five per cent (5%); imposing a four per cent (4%) tax on the lease or rental of commercial offices and buildings; increasing tax on sale of motor vehicles and farm equipment from two per cent (2%) to four per cent (4%) and on leases from three per cent (3%) to five per cent (5%); repealing all exemptions from said tax except on groceries, drugs, specified items on account of use, certain other miscellaneous items and motion picture film; repealing sections 212.03(4), 212.04(2)(b), 212.06(9), 212.07(5), (7) and (8) and 212.11(3), Florida Statutes; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Young, Bafalis and Stolzenburg—

SB 48-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; making an appropriation to the Florida Education Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1968; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Appropriations.

By Senators Young, Bafalis and Stolzenburg—

SB 49-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act making appropriations; providing additional financing for public schools, junior colleges, vocational-technical schools, adult education centers, and institutions of higher education; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; Education-Higher Learning; and Appropriations.

By Senators Young, Bafalis and Stolzenburg—

SB 50-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; establishing a uniform state standard for tenure of classroom instructional personnel; abolishing all local tenure practices; eliminating tenure for supervisory and administrative personnel; providing for periodic review of tenure; providing for board determinations of tenure and appeal procedures; repealing subsections (3), (4) and (5) of section 231.36, Florida Statutes; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Judiciary "B".

By Senators Askew, Mathews, Pope, Fisher and Broxson—

SB 51-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to State educational agencies; amending section 229.062, Florida Statutes, providing a ceiling on interest allowable on bonds issued pursuant to section 19, Article XII of the State constitution; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Askew, Mathews, Pope, Fisher and Broxson—

SJR 52-X(68)—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to subsection (b) of section 19 of Article XII of the Constitution of Florida providing for the legislature to set the limit on the interest rate allowable on bonds issued for capital outlay at junior colleges and certain vocational-technical schools.

Was read the first time in full and referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Askew, Mathews, Pope, Horne, Chiles, Fisher and Broxson—

SB 53-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to scholarships; amending section 239.451, Florida Statutes providing for Florida regents scholarships; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Higher Learning and Appropriations.

By Senators Askew, Mathews, Pope, Fisher and Broxson—

SB 54-X(68)—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state university system under the board of regents; amending section 243.03, Florida Statutes relating to the issuance of rev-

enue certificates; raising the ceiling on interest rates; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education-Higher Learning; and Finance and Taxation.

CO-INTRODUCER

By permission, Senator Fisher was recorded as co-introducer of Senate Joint Resolutions 31-X(68) and 32-X(68) and Senate Bills 29-X(68), 33-X(68), 34-X(68), 35-X(68), 36-X(68), 37-X(68), 38-X(68), 39-X(68) and 40-X(68).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

On motion by Senator Mathews, the following communication was read:

*Honorable Edwin G. Fraser
Secretary of the Florida Senate
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida*

January 31, 1968

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 112.071 (1), (b), Florida Statutes, we attach a certificate listing the commissions subject to confirmation by the Senate which have been prepared by our office subsequent to the list sent you on January 29.

Sincerely,
TOM ADAMS
Secretary of State

Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 112.071 (1), (b), Florida Statutes, we do hereby certify that Commissions which are subject to Confirmation by the Senate have been prepared for the following:

NAME	OFFICE	FOR TERM ENDING
Walter O. Sheppard Fort Myers	Member, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission	January 5, 1971
Vernon C. Eason, Jr. Miami	Pilot Commissioner for the Port of Miami, Dade County	November 27, 1971



GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this thirty-first day of January, A.D., 1968.

TOM ADAMS
Secretary of State

On motion by Senator Mathews, the 2 appointments so officially certified by the Secretary of State were referred to the Special Select Committee consisting of Senator Clayton, Chairman, Senators Gunter and Knopke.

On motion by Senator Mathews, the rules were waived and the Senate adjourned at 2:15 p. m. to reconvene at 10:00 a. m. February 2, 1968.