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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

IN ASSEMBLY

Assembly Chamber, Sacramento Thursday, January 4, 1996

At 2:03 p.m., the Assembly met pursuant to the provisions of the Proclamation of the Honorable Pete Wilson, Governor of the State of California, dated December 28, 1995, convening the Legislature of the State of California in extraordinary session.

In conformity with Government Code Section 9150, the following officers of the 1995–96 Regular Session were present and performing their respective duties: E. Dotson Wilson, Chief Clerk and Pam Cavileer, Minute Clerk.

Hon. Curt Pringle, Speaker of the 1995-96 Regular Session, presiding.

Assistant Clerk Sue Parker reading.

ROLL CALL

The roll call was called, and the following answered to their names—79:

Ackerman	Campbell	House	Murray, Willard
Aguiar	Cannella	Isenberg	Napolitano
Alby	Conroy	Kaloogian	Olberg
Alpert	Cortese	Katz	Poochigian
Archie-Hudson	Cunneen	Knight	Pringle
Baca	Davis	Knowles	Rainey
Baldwin	Ducheny	Knox	Richter
Bates	Escutia	Kuehl	Rogan
Battin	Figueroa	Kuykendall	Sher
Baugh	Firestone	Lee	Speier
Boland	Friedman	Machado	Sweeney
Bordonaro	Frusetta	Margett	Takasugi
Bowen	Gallegos	Martinez	Thompson
Bowler	Goldsmith	Mazzoni	Tucker
Brewer	Granlund	McDonald	Vasconcellos
Brown	Hannigan	McPherson	Villaraigosa
Brulte	Harvey	Miller	Weggeland
Burton	Hauser	Morrissey	Woods
Bustamante	Hawkins	Morrow	Mr. Speaker
Caldera	Hoge	Murray, Kevin	

Quorum present.

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Rev. Constantine C. Pappademos, Pastor of Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church:

Lord, This afternoon we lift up our hearts to You, for You are sovereign; You govern and sanctify all creation; We acknowledge, Holy Master that if You do not build the house of virtue in our hearts, then we labor in vain. Accept our prayer at this hour. Strengthen us and grant us wisdom in all that we seek to accomplish this day.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Assembly Member Harvey then led the Assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR

The Presiding Officer directed the clerk to read the following Proclamation of the Governor convening the Legislature in extraordinary session:

A PROCLAMATION

by the

Governor of the State of California

WHEREAS, an extraordinary occasion has arisen and now exists requiring that the Legislature of the State of California be convened in extraordinary session; now therefore,

I, PETE WILSON, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Section 3 (b) Article IV of the Constitution of the State of California, do hereby convene the Legislature of the State of California to meet in extraordinary session at Sacramento, California, on the 3rd day of January, 1996, at 12:00 p.m. of said day for the following purpose and to legislate upon the following subject:

To consider and act upon legislation that would protect the economic interest of the state by continuing the registrations of methyl bromide and pentachlorophenol during the period that studies required by Chapter 669 of the Statutes of 1984 are being completed. These pest control agents are of vital interest to the agricultural, trade, workforce, utility and consumer sectors of the state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 28th day of December 1995.

> PETE WILSON Governor of California

[SEAL]

ATTEST BILL JONES Secretary of State

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Assembly Member Pringle was granted unanimous consent that the officers elected in the 1995–96 Regular Session be elected in the 1995–96 Third Extraordinary Session.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The roll was called, with the following results:

For Assembly Member Curt Pringle:

Ackerman, Aguiar, Alby, Baldwin, Battin, Baugh, Boland, Bordonaro, Bowler, Brewer, Brulte, Conroy, Cunneen, Firestone, Frusetta, Goldsmith, Granlund, Harvey, Hawkins, Hoge, House, Kaloogian, Knight, Knowles, Kuykendall, Margett, McPherson, Miller, Morrissey, Morrow, Olberg, Poochigian, Pringle, Rainey, Richter, Rogan, Takasugi, Thompson, Weggeland, and Woods—40.

For Assembly Member Brian Setencich:

Alpert, Archie-Hudson, Baca, Bates, Bowen, Brown, Burton, Bustamante, Caldera, Campbell, Cannella, Davis, Ducheny, Escutia, Figueroa, Friedman, Gallegos, Hauser, Katz, Knox, Kuehl, Lee, Machado, Martinez, Mazzoni, McDonald, Kevin Murray, Willard Murray, Napolitano, Sher, Speier, Sweeney, Tucker, Vasconcellos, Villaraigosa, Setencich, and Cortese—37.

Whereupon Assembly Member Curt Pringle was declared the choice of the Assembly for the Office of Speaker of the Assembly.

OATH OF OFFICE

By unanimous consent the following Oath for the Office of Speaker of the Assembly in the Regular Session, administered by Chief Clerk E. Dotson Wilson, was deemed to have occurred in the Third Extraordinary Session, and ordered printed in the Journal:

OATH

for the Office of Speaker of the Assembly

I, Curt Pringle do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented by the Chief Clerk, and ordered printed in the Journal:

January 3, 1996

E. Dotson Wilson Chief Clerk, State Assembly State Capitol. Room 3196

Dear Mr. Wilson, Pursuant to the Rules adopted by the Assembly on January 3, 1996, the Assembly Republican Caucus has selected the following members to serve on the Committee on Rules:

Curt Pringle, Chair Marilyn Brewer Barbara Alby William "Pete" Knight Jan Goldsmith Sincerely.

> CURT PRINGLE Assembly Republican Leader

> > January 3, 1996

E. Dotson Wilson Chief Clerk State Capitol, Room 3196 Sacramento, California

Dear Dotson: Pursuant to the Rules adopted by the Assembly on January 3, 1996, the Assembly Democratic Caucus has selected the following members to serve on the Committee on Rules: John Burton, Martha Escutia, Barbara Lee and Kevin Murray.

Sincerely,

RICHARD KATZ Assembly Democratic Leader

January 4, 1996

E. Dotson Wilson Chief Clerk of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 3196 Sacramento, California

Dear Dotson: Please be advised that the Assembly Rules Committee appointed Assembly Member Fred Aguiar as the Speaker pro Tempore. Also, Jim Richardson was appointed as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Rules Committee.

Sincerely,

CURT PRINGLE Chair, Assembly Rules Committee

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE OF THE ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCED

Speaker Pringle announced Assembly Member Fred Aguiar as the Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly.

OATH OF OFFICE

By unanimous consent the following Oath for the Office of Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly in the Regular Session, administered by Chief Clerk E. Dotson Wilson, was deemed to have occurred in the Third Extraordinary Session, and ordered printed in the Journal:

OATH

for the Office of Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly

I, Fred Aguiar do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

AGUIAR MOTION TO AFFIRM APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF CLERK

The motion by Assembly Member Aguiar that the Assembly affirm the appointment of E. Dotson Wilson as Chief Clerk of the Assembly carried by unanimous consent.

OATH OF OFFICE

By unanimous consent the following Oath for the Office of Chief Clerk of the Assembly in the Regular Session, administered by Speaker Curt Pringle, was deemed to have occurred in the Third Extraordinary Session, and ordered printed in the Journal:

OATH

for the Office of Chief Clerk of the Assembly

I, E. Dotson Wilson do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

BRULTE MOTION TO APPOINT ACTING SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

The motion by Assembly Member Brulte to appoint Ron Pane as Acting Sergeant-at-Arms carried by the following vote:

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NOES—None

ADOPTION OF RULES

The following rules relative to Legislative Powers and Duties were adopted in the 1995–96 Regular Session on January 3, 1996 on motion of Assembly Member Richter:

LEGISLATIVE POWERS AND DUTIES

Speaker of the Assembly

The Speaker is responsible for the efficient conduct of the legislative and administrative affairs of the Assembly so as to be able to carry out the decisions and directives of the Rules Committee. The Speaker shall be elected upon organization of the Assembly at the beginning of each regular or special session and shall serve until adjournment sine die of the session, unless removed and a successor chosen pursuant to the rules of the Assembly.

Assembly General Officers

(a) The five general officers of the Assembly whose names and titles shall appear on the frontispiece of all publications are:

Speaker

Speaker Pro Tempore

Majority Floor Leader

Minority Floor Leader

Chief Clerk

Sergeant at Arms

- (b) The Majority Floor Leader shall be the duly elected caucus leader of the registered political party having the largest number of members in the Assembly.
- (c) The Minority Floor Leader shall be the duly elected caucus leader of the registered political party having the second largest number of members in the Assembly.

(d) No other officers or offices shall be created without a vote of two-thirds of the duly elected members concurring in the creation of such office.

Assembly Committee on Rules

There is hereby created in the Assembly a Committee on Rules, with nine Members of the Assembly, five to be elected by the registered political party having the largest number members in the Assembly, with one elected as Chair by the majority caucus and four to be elected by the registered political party having the second largest number of Members. The Assembly Committee on Rules has a continuing existence and may meet and act during sessions of the Legislature or any recess thereof and in the interim periods between sessions. The committee shall have all the powers and authority provided in Section 11 of Article IV of the Constitution of California, in this article, and as provided in the rules of the Assembly. One alternate member of the Rules Committee shall be selected by the majority and minority caucus; however, there shall be no more than two alternate members to the Rules committee. No member of the Committee on Rules shall simultaneously serve as a Chair of any standing committee.

Powers of the Assembly Committee on Rules

- (a) The Assembly Committee on Rules shall have the power:
- (1) To organize standing committees and determine their jurisdiction and size.
 - (2) To assign all bills to Assembly committees.
- (3) To have general direction over the Assembly Chamber and rooms set aside for the use of the Assembly, including the rooms for use by Members as private offices.
- (4) To allocate all funds, staffing and other resources necessary for the effective operation of the Assembly.
 - (5) To choose one Chief Administrative Officer.
 - (6) To choose one Speaker Pro Tempore.
- (7) To exercise such other powers and perform such duties as may be provided by statute enacted in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or in the rules of the Assembly.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or rule, neither the Chairman nor any member or agent of the Assembly Committee on Rules shall have the power to perform any action on behalf of the committee, including but not limited to the making of contracts, the payments of claims, the allocation of office space, or the hiring or dismissal of staff, without the express authorization of a majority of the total membership of the committee. Such authorization shall apply only to the matter or matters under immediate consideration. To the extent that there is a conflict between the authority granted to the Rules Committee and the authority granted to any other member of the house, the decision of the Rules Committee shall prevail.
- (c) Unless otherwise specified, these rules shall require a majority vote of the membership of the Committee on Rules to implement any power granted to the Committee on Rules.

Appointments by the speaker; confirmation of Assembly Committee on Rules

All statutory and non-statutory appointments delegated to the Speaker of the Assembly who serve at the Speaker's pleasure shall be vacated upon adoption of these rules; in addition, the Speaker shall officially request the resignation of every Speaker-appointee currently serving a fixed term. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all statutory and non-statutory appointments delegated to the Speaker of the Assembly shall be made from a list of nominees selected by the Rules Committee.

Joint rules committee

- (a) There is hereby created the Joint Rules Committee which shall be comprised of the combined membership of the Assembly Committee on Rules and the Senate Committee on Rules as specified in this article and four other Members of the Senate, two to be elected by the party having the largest number of Members in the Senate and two to be elected by the party having the second largest number of Members. The committee herein created has a continuing existence and may meet and act during sessions of the Legislature or any recess thereof and in the interim periods between sessions. The committee shall have all the powers and authority provided in Section 11 of Article IV of the Constitution of California, this title. and in the joint rules of the Legislature. Any action of the committee shall require an affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the Senate members and a majority of the Assembly members of the committee, except that any action which involves or anticipates the expenditure or allocation of funds shall require an affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the Senate members and two thirds of the Assembly members. Any reference in any code or statute to the Joint Committee on Legislative Organization shall be deemed a reference to the Joint Rules Committee.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or rule, neither the Chairman nor any member or agent of the Joint Rules Committee shall have the power to perform any action on behalf of the committee, including but not limited to the making of contracts, the payments of claims, the allocation of office space, or the hiring or dismissal of staff, without express authorization of two thirds of the membership of the committee. Such authorization shall apply only to the matter or matters under immediate consideration.

LEGISLATIVE RULES AND PROCEDURES

Rules

The Assembly shall adopt rules for its proceedings for each regular and special session by resolution adopted by an affirmative recorded vote of majority of the house. No rule of the Assembly shall be amended except by resolution adopted by an affirmative recorded vote of majority of the Members. Any standing rule of the Assembly may be suspended temporarily by a vote of two thirds of the Members present and voting: provided, that in no case may a rule be suspended in the absence of a quorum. Any such temporary suspension shall apply only to the matter under immediate consideration, and in no case shall it extend beyond an adjournment.

Standing committees

All standing committees of the Assembly, except the Assembly Committee on Rules, shall be created and the size and jurisdiction thereof established through the adoption of or amendment to the rules by resolution, a majority of the membership of the Committee on Rules concurring. Committee membership shall be determined in the following manner:

- (a) The chair, vice-chair and membership of each committee of the Assembly shall be appointed by the Committee on Rules.
- (b) The Assembly Committee on Rules shall provide for the necessary and reasonable expenses of all committees of their respective houses.

Special and select committees, subcommittees

No special or select committees nor any subcommittee shall be established in the Assembly except by affirmative vote of a majority of the Committee on Rules. For purposes of this section, "special" and "select" committees or subcommittees include all committees or subcommittees which are not standing committees of the Assembly or joint committees.

Ioint committees

No joint committee shall be established except by passage of concurrent resolution, two thirds of the membership of each house concurring. The membership of each joint committee shall be allocated equally between the Senate and the Assembly, and the delegation from each house shall be chosen pursuant to the procedures set forth in for the standing committees.

Member voting

The Assembly Committee on Rules shall provide for appropriate voting procedures on the floor and in committees or subcommittees; provided, that no Member shall be allowed to cast a vote for another Member.

Open and public meetings; public notice

Except as otherwise provided in this article, all meetings of the Assembly and the committees, subcommittees, and conference committees, shall be open and public and all the proceedings shall be conducted openly so that the public may remain informed. All such meetings shall be held only after full and timely notice to the public published in the Journal at least two working days prior to the hearing unless longer notice is required by the Joint Rules of the Assembly, except notice may be dispensed with on extraordinary occasions by two thirds affirmative recorded vote of the membership of the Assembly.

Executive sessions

Nothing contained in this article shall be construed to prevent the Assembly or a committee or subcommittee thereof, except a conference committee, from holding executive sessions to consider matters relating to the appointment, employment or dismissal of a public officer or matters affecting the safety and security of the State

Capitol or Members of the Legislature, its staff and employees. Members of the Assembly shall not be prevented from meeting privately in caucus with members of their own political party.

Conference committees

The Committee on Rules shall appoint Assembly membership of committees on conference. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no Member of the Assembly shall sign a conference committee report unless a full and public meeting of the conference committee has been held in accordance with the adopted provisions of the "Open and Public Meetings; Public Notice" section of these Rules. No report of a conference committee shall be adopted until the same, with amendments, has been printed and made available to the public for a minimum of two days, except that a house may dispense with this requirement by roll call vote entered in the journal, two thirds of the Assembly membership concurring. Any conference report adopted in violation of this provisions shall be void.

Independent audit of contingent funds

The Assembly Rules Committee shall annually contract for an independent audit of the revenues and expenditures, for each fiscal year, from the Assembly Contingent Fund, and the Contingent Funds of the Assembly. The organization performing the audit shall be subject to the Fair Political Practices Commission. The audit shall include, but need not be limited to, an evaluation of the accuracy and appropriateness of the expenditures described in section on Reports to public on expenditures made from contingent funds and an evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal auditing procedures of the individual rules committees.

The audit shall be completed and made available to the public within 180 calendar days following the completion of the fiscal year for which the audit is performed.

Conflict with Other Rules

To the extent that these rules are in conflict with any previously adopted Rules of the Assembly, or with previous custom and usage of Assembly Rules, these rules shall prevail. In all cases not otherwise provided by the California Constitution, by statute, by these rules, or by the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly, the authority shall be Mason's Manual (1979 edition).

Roll Call

Motion carried and rules adopted by the following vote:

AYES-41

Ackerman	Conroy	Kaloogian	Pringle
Aguiar	Cortese	Knight	Rainey
Alby	Cunneen	Knowles	Richter
Baldwin	Firestone	Kuykendall	Rogan
Battin	Frusetta	Margett	Takasugi
Baugh	Goldsmith	McPherson	Thompson
Boland	Granlund	Miller	Weggeland
Bordonaro	Harvey	Morrissey	Woods
Bowler	Hawkins	Morrow	
Brewer	Hoge	Olberg	
Brulte	House	Poochigian	

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Alpert	Campbell	Hauser	McDonald
Archie-Hudson	Cannella	Isenberg	Murray, Kevin
Baca	Davis	Katz	Murray, Willard
Bates	Ducheny	Knox	Napolitano
Bowen	Escutia	Kuehl	Sher
Brown	Figueroa	Lee	Speier
Burton	Friedman	Machado	Sweeney
Bustamante	Gallegos	Martinez	Tucker
Caldera	Hannigan	Mazzoni	Villaraigosa

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was offered:

House Resolution No. 1

By Assembly Member Pringle.

Relative to the organization of the Assembly for the 1995–96 Third Extraordinary Session.

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California,

(a) That the Chief Clerk or the Sergeant at Arms is authorized to receipt to the Controller for all warrants for the payment of Members, Officers, and Attaches of the Assembly.

(b) That the Chief Clerk shall provide copies of the Assembly Weekly Histories to the Legislative Counsel, Governor, Attorney General, and accredited newspaper representatives.

Resolution read and presented by Speaker Pringle, without objection.

The roll was opened.

Call of the Assembly

Pending the announcement of the vote, Assembly Member Harvey moved a call of the Assembly.

Motion carried. Time, 2:07 p.m.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to close the doors, and to bring in the absent Members.

CALL OF THE ASSEMBLY DISPENSED WITH ON HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

At 2:10 p.m., on motion of Assembly Member Harvey, and in the absence of any objection, further proceedings under the call of the Assembly were dispensed with.

House Resolution No. 1 adopted by the following vote:

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Ackerman	Caldera	House	Napolitano
Aguiar	Campbell	Kaloogian	Olberg
Alby	Cannella	Katz	Poochigian
Alpert	Conroy	Knight	Rainey
Archie-Hudson	Cortese	Knowles	Richter
Baca	Cunneen	Knox	Rogan
Baldwin	Davis	Kuehl	Sher
Bates	Ducheny	Kuykendall	Speier
Battin	Escutia	Lee	Sweeney
Baugh	Figueroa	Machado	Takasugi
Boland	Firestone	Margett	Thompson
Bordonaro	Friedman	Martinez	Vasconcellos
Bowen	Frusetta	McDonald	Villaraigosa
Bowler	Gallegos	McPherson	Weggeland
Brewer	Goldsmith	Miller	Woods
Brown	Granlund	Morrissey	Mr. Speaker
Brulte	Harvey	Morrow	
Burton	Hawkins	Murray, Kevin	
Bustamante	Hoge	Murray, Willard	

NOES-None

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Senate Chamber, January 4, 1996

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day adopted:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1

JOHN W. ROVANE, Acting Secretary of the Senate

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following resolution was read:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—Relative to the Joint Rules for the 1995–96 Third Extraordinary Session.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1 TAKEN UP BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was taken up.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—Relative to the Joint Rules for the 1995–96 Third Extraordinary Session.

Resolution read, and adopted by the following vote:

AYES-73

Ackerman	Caldera	House	Napolitano
Aguiar	Campbell	Kaloogian	Olberg
Alby	Cannella	Katz	Poochigian
Alpert	Conroy	Knight	Rainey
Archie-Hudson	Cortese	Knowles	Richter
Baca	Cunneen	Knox	Rogan
Baldwin	Davis	Kuehl	Sher
Bates	Ducheny	Kuykendall	Speier
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Bowler	Gallegos	McPherson	Weggeland
Brewer	Goldsmith	Miller	Woods
Brown	Granlund	Morrissey	Mr. Speaker
Brulte	Harvey	Morrow	
Burton	Hawkins	Murray, Kevin	
Bustamante	Hoge	Murray, Willard	

NOES—None

Resolution ordered transmitted to the Senate.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, at 2:12 p.m., Speaker Pringle declared the Assembly recessed.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read the first time:

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1—Frusetta and Harvey. An act to amend Sections 13127.31 and 13127.32 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to economic poisons.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:20 p.m., the Assembly adjourned until 3:30 p.m., Monday, January 8, 1996.

CURT PRINGLE, Speaker

PAM CAVILEER, Minute Clerk