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SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Ladies and gentlemen, will you please take your places for the morning's prayer offered by Senator Jerry Miller. Senator Miller. (Gavel.)

SENATOR MILLER: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Gavel.) Thank you, Senator Miller. Roll call. Please record your presence. (Microphone not on) please. An announcement or two, the cookies on the desks this morning are in honor of Senator Smith's birthday. Senator Jacklyn Smith has a birthday today. The birthday girl has arrived. Also, the Chair is pleased to recognize Senator Weihing for an announcement. Senator Weihing.

SENATOR WEIHING: I, too, have a birthday announcement to make. If you would...may I have your attention. My wife has just turned 29. We have cake and coffee at our office, in my office, and we would be delighted if you could drop by following our brief session here. We will be there and this is a bit of recognition to my wife, Shirley. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Weihing. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: I would just like to tell you all that this morning I got up and I was deciding to myself, what am I going to say? Am I going to be honest? Am I going to tell people how old I am today? I decided I wouldn't, but then I realized, first of all, that I forgot the top of my dress. So then when I called home to ask my husband to bring it, I gave the wrong number and I could not remember my own telephone number so I decided that I have to let you know my real age because of the fact that I'm probably on the verge of becoming senile. So I will tell you all right out here before God and everyone I am 54 years old today and I hate it. (Laughter.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair advises you, Senator Smith, that it's fortunate that your birthday comes only once a year. Any corrections to the Journal, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: (No response.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morehead, the Chair, I believe, notices a friend that you have with you this morning in the