



# STATE OF WISCONSIN

# Senate Journal

## One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session

12:03 P.M.

TUESDAY, April 22, 2025

The Senate met.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (6), the Chief Clerk made the following entries under the above date.

### CALL OF ROLL

The roll was called, disclosing the presence of a quorum.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 15, the official attendance for session was:

Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Felzkowski, Feyen, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, L. Johnson, Kapenga, Keyeski, Larson, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Pfaff, Quinn, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wall, Wanggaard, Wimberger and Wirch - 33.

Absent with leave - None - 0.

The Senate stood for the prayer which was offered by Senator Quinn.

The Senate remained standing and Senator Marklein led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Resolution 3** be withdrawn and taken up at this time.

### Senate Resolution 3

Relating to: notifying the assembly and the governor that Cyrus Anderson is elected senate chief clerk of the 2025-2026 senate.

The question was: Adoption of **Senate Resolution 3**?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 33; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Felzkowski, Feyen, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, L. Johnson, Kapenga, Keyeski, Larson, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Pfaff, Quinn, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wall, Wanggaard, Wimberger and Wirch - 33.

Noes - None - 0.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Adopted.

### SENATE OFFICER OATH OF OFFICE

The Chief Clerk, Cyrus Anderson, having been duly elected by the adoption of **Senate Resolution 3**, appeared before the Senate, took and subscribed the oath of office which was administered by Senate President Mary Felzkowski.

### IN THE CHAIR

President Pro Tempore Testin in the chair.

12:12 P.M.

### CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

#### AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 66** offered by Senators Roys, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, L. Johnson, Smith and Wirch.

### PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Smith added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 23**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Carpenter added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 134**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Arney added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 152**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Neubauer added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 168**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Stroud added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 195**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative O'Connor added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 199**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 206**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Green added as a cosponsor of **Senate Joint Resolution 11**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Ratcliff added as a coauthor of **Senate Joint Resolution 24**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senators Hesselbein, Smith, Hutton, Larson and Carpenter added as coauthors of **Senate Joint Resolution 27**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative O'Connor added as a cosponsor of **Senate Joint Resolution 29**.

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#### LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU CORRECTIONS

##### CORRECTIONS IN:

##### 2025 SENATE BILL 42

Prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau  
(April 22, 2025)

1. Page 6, line 1: delete “path” and substitute “patch”.

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### REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

The committee on **Mental Health, Substance Abuse Prevention, Children and Families** reported and recommended:

#### Senate Clearinghouse Rule 24-083

Relating to scheduling five synthetic cannabinoids.

No action taken on April 22, 2025.

Referred to the joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules**, April 22, 2025.

#### Senate Clearinghouse Rule 24-084

Relating to scheduling ADB-BUTINACA, a-PiHP, and 3-MMC.

No action taken on April 22, 2025.

Referred to the joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules**, April 22, 2025.

#### Senate Clearinghouse Rule 24-085

Relating to scheduling 2-methyl AP-237.

No action taken on April 22, 2025.

Referred to the joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules**, April 22, 2025.

*JESSE JAMES*  
Chairperson

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### SECOND READING AND AMENDMENTS OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND SENATE BILLS

#### Senate Bill 23

Relating to: extension of eligibility under the Medical Assistance program for postpartum women.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

#### Senate Bill 23

Read a third time.

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#### IN THE CHAIR

Senate President Felzkowski in the chair.

12:19 P.M.

The question was: Passage of **Senate Bill 23**?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Felzkowski, Feyen, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, L. Johnson, Keyeski, Larson, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Pfaff, Quinn, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wall, Wanggaard, Wimberger and Wirsch - 32.

Noes - Senator Kapenga - 1.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Passed.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate stand informal.

#### Senate Bill 24

Relating to: limitations on the total value of taxable property that may be included in, and the lifespan of, a tax incremental financing district created in the city of Middleton.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

#### Senate Bill 24

Read a third time.

The question was: Passage of **Senate Bill 24**?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Felzkowski, Feyen, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, L. Johnson, Kapenga, Keyeski, Larson, LeMahieu, Marklein, Pfaff, Quinn, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wall, Wanggaard, Wimberger and Wirsch - 32.

Noes - Senator Nass - 1.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Passed.

**Senate Bill 46**

Relating to: the suspension of a rule of the Elections Commission.

Read a second time.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Bill 46** be referred to the committee on Administrative Rules.

**Senate Bill 47**

Relating to: the suspension of a rule of the Elections Commission.

Read a second time.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Bill 47** be referred to the committee on Administrative Rules.

**Senate Bill 48**

Relating to: the suspension of a rule of the Elections Commission.

Read a second time.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Bill 48** be referred to the committee on Administrative Rules.

**Senate Bill 49**

Relating to: repealing an administrative rule of the Department of Natural Resources related to the possession of firearms.

Read a second time.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Bill 49** be referred to the committee on Administrative Rules.

**Senate Bill 66**

Relating to: registration plate concealment devices and providing a penalty.

Read a second time.

Senator LeMahieu moved that Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 66** be rejected.

The question was: Rejection of Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 66**?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 18; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Felzkowski, Feyen, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, Kapenga, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Quinn, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wanggaard and Wimberger - 18.

Noes - Senators Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, L. Johnson, Keyeski, Larson, Pfaff, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Wall and Wirsch - 15.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Rejected.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 66**

Read a third time.

The question was: Passage of **Senate Bill 66**?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 31; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Felzkowski, Feyen, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, L. Johnson, Kapenga, Keyeski, Larson, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Pfaff, Quinn, Ratcliff, Smith, Spreitzer, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wall, Wanggaard, Wimberger and Wirsch - 31.

Noes - Senators Drake and Roys - 2.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Passed.

**Senate Bill 76**

Relating to: dismissing or amending certain criminal charges and deferred prosecution agreements for certain crimes.

Read a second time.

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 76** adopted.

Senate Amendment 2 to **Senate Bill 76** adopted.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 76**

Read a third time.

The question was: Passage of **Senate Bill 76**?

The ayes and noes were demanded and the vote was: ayes, 18; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes - Senators Bradley, Cabral-Guevara, Felzkowski, Feyen, Hutton, Jacque, Jagler, James, Kapenga, LeMahieu, Marklein, Nass, Quinn, Stafsholt, Testin, Tomczyk, Wanggaard and Wimberger - 18.

Noes - Senators Carpenter, Dassler-Alfheim, Drake, Habush Sinykin, Hesselbein, L. Johnson, Keyeski, Larson, Pfaff, Ratcliff, Roys, Smith, Spreitzer, Wall and Wirsch - 15.

Absent or not voting - None - 0.

Passed.

**Senate Bill 78**

Relating to: the distribution and labeling of fertilizers and soil or plant additives produced from manure.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 78**

Read a third time and passed.

**Senate Bill 121**

Relating to: recodification of battery statutes and providing a penalty.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 121**

Read a third time and passed.

**Senate Bill 126**

Relating to: the effective date of certain provisions contained in 2023 Wisconsin Act 126.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 126**

Read a third time and passed.

**Senate Bill 134**

Relating to: alternative open enrollment application procedures for residency change based on military orders.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 134**

Read a third time and passed.

**Senate Bill 164**

Relating to: use of certified seed potatoes in planting potatoes and providing a penalty.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be given its third reading.

**Senate Bill 164**

Read a third time and passed.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly:

**Senate Bill 23**

**Senate Bill 24**

**Senate Bill 66**

**Senate Bill 76**

**Senate Bill 78**

**Senate Bill 121**

**Senate Bill 126**

**Senate Bill 134**

**Senate Bill 164**

Messaged.

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**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND  
JOINT RESOLUTIONS NOT REQUIRING A  
THIRD READING**

**Senate Joint Resolution 16**

Relating to: recognizing May 1 of each year as St. Joseph the Worker Day in Wisconsin and recognizing and appreciating the dignity of all working men and women in Wisconsin.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 22**

Relating to: designating April 2025 and April 2026 as Testicular Cancer Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 23**

Relating to: proclaiming the week of April 28 to May 2, 2025, as School Nutrition Professionals Appreciation Week.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 24**

Relating to: proclaiming April 26, 2025, as Shared Parenting Day in Wisconsin.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 27**

Relating to: proclaiming April 24, 2025, to be Holocaust Remembrance Day and April 27, 2025, to May 4, 2025, as Holocaust Days of Remembrance in Wisconsin.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that all members of the Senate be added as coauthors of **Senate Joint Resolution 27**.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 28**

Relating to: reaffirming Wisconsin's commitment to the strengthening and deepening of the sister ties between the State of Wisconsin and Taiwan; reaffirming Wisconsin's support for the Taiwan Relations Act; supporting Taiwan's signing of a Bilateral Trade Agreement with the United States; and continuing support for increasing Taiwan's international profile.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 29**

Relating to: designating April 2025 and April 2026 as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Months.

Adopted.

**Senate Joint Resolution 32**

Relating to: designating the first full week in May as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week.

Adopted.

#### **Assembly Joint Resolution 17**

Relating to: proclaiming the week of April 14, 2025, as Two Lights for Tomorrow Week in the state of Wisconsin.

Concurred in.

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly:

**Senate Joint Resolution 16**

**Senate Joint Resolution 22**

**Senate Joint Resolution 23**

**Senate Joint Resolution 24**

**Senate Joint Resolution 27**

**Senate Joint Resolution 28**

**Senate Joint Resolution 29**

**Senate Joint Resolution 32**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 17**

Messaged.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT HONORS, AND REMARKS UNDER SPECIAL PRIVILEGE**

Senator Spreitzer, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Jennifer Livingston and Ann Sitrick Joyce - two leaders the Beloit community has lost this year to cancer. Jennifer Livingston passed away on February 10<sup>th</sup>. Born in Janesville, she was a Parker High School graduate who went on to study at the UW and at Indiana University - earning a bachelor's degree and a paralegal certificate. She began her career as a judicial assistant in Rock County, where she met her husband Jeff. Jennifer owned the Pleasant Street Coffee House in Beloit for several years, earned the Chamber's Small Business of the Year award, and was active across the city on the boards of Visit Beloit, the Beloit International Film Festival, and the Beloit Snappers, now Sky Carp. She returned to paralegal work as the Clerk of Courts for the Town of Turtle before becoming a litigation paralegal with Regal Rexnord. Jennifer, Jeff, and their rescue dog Stella also opened and ran Tin Dog Records, a vintage record shop in downtown Beloit. Senator Spreitzer remembered Governor Evers visiting their shop in November 2023 and talking with Jennifer. It was also wonderful to see Jennifer posthumously honored at the Beloit International Film Festival's 20th Anniversary Gala in February. Ann Sitrick Joyce passed away just a week ago on April 15. Originally from Rockford, Illinois, Ann moved to Wisconsin with her first husband Stephen Sitrick, with whom she had three sons. Ann's work in her community was tremendous. She served in multiple roles with the School District of Beloit, ultimately serving as the district's Title IX officer and assistant to the superintendent for safe schools and community relations. In 1996, Ann became the Executive Director of the Beloit Health System Foundation, where she worked until her retirement from the role in 2014. Around that time, Ann met her second husband, Hal Joyce, and they married in June of 2014. Ann's work for the community did

not end with her retirement from the Beloit Health System Foundation. She served as a consultant to organizations in need of strategic planning, fundraising, and governance - and her service to her community during her "retirement" will leave a long lasting legacy. She served as a civic and volunteer leader for many local organizations, including the Beloit International Film Festival, Cedar Crest Retirement Community, the Rock River and Badger Council Girl Scouts, New Court Theatre, Rotary Club of Beloit, Stateline Community Foundation, Visit Beloit, Voluntary Action Center, Zonta, and the Town of Beloit's Planning Commission. Ann was the first woman to serve as president of Rotary in 2001 and she earned the highest volunteer recognitions awarded by the Girl Scouts - the Thanks Badge and Thanks Badge II, for her leadership's measurable impact on the entire Girl Scout Movement. Ann's volunteer leadership culminated in her service as the Board Chair of the Stateline Community Foundation, a role she was serving in at the time of her death. Ann's passion for social justice extended to her leadership in her church, Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, where she served on the Social Justice Committee. Senator Spreitzer had a chance to work with her in fall 2023 when she led a monthly series on social justice issues in the community such as housing and childcare. Titled "If Not Now...When" the series was sponsored by the OLA Social Justice Committee, the Beloit Area Task Force on Homelessness and the Women's Fund of Stateline Community Foundation, all organizations that Ann was deeply involved with. Both Ann and Jennifer gave so much to our community. Their impact will truly reverberate across the years as their important work is picked up and continued by those who knew them. Senator Spreitzer is so honored to have known them and is proud to adjourn in their honor.

Senator Wanggaard, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of his brother, Kevin Wanggaard. April 23<sup>rd</sup> is the 3-year anniversary of his passing

Senator Wanggaard, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of his brother, Chris Wanggaard's birthday on April 26<sup>th</sup> and in honor of Don Hermes' 95<sup>th</sup> birthday on April 22nd.

Senator Wanggaard, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Daniel D. Brown Sr., age 72, who married his wife's childhood friend. Dan was killed this past week when his vehicle was struck by a fleeing felon operating recklessly who sped through a posted stop sign. Dan leaves his wife, seven daughters, grandchildren and friends to grieve his loss.

Senator Wanggaard, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of his wonderful office intern, Anna Carroll. Anna has been with our office for 4 years. She is leaving in a couple of weeks to attend law school. She will be greatly missed in his office, but they wish her continued happiness and success in her future.

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of former Senator Gaylord Nelson, founder of Earth Day. Senator Wirch was a history major, so

he liked to read up on these things. Senator Nelson's inspiration came after he witnessed a 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill, which was the largest in U.S. history at that time. He was also concerned with pollution and environmental degradation. He also wanted to harness the power of student anti-war protests for environmental action. He proposed Earth Day in 1970, and teach-ins were held across the country. 20 million people, which was 10% of the population at that time, participated in rallies, clean-up efforts, and educational events. His efforts helped start the Environmental Protection Agency, the Clean Air Act, and the Endangered Species Act. We should remember this, as the current administration wages war on the environment.

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Pope Francis. Senator Wirch is not a Catholic, but he was one of his heroes. He was a Jesuit, and they say that almost every night he would call into areas of the world and try to cheer up people who were being persecuted. A personal call from the Pope. He was also a man who embraced unpopular causes. He fought for the poor, and he fought for immigrants all over the world. So let us remember these two wonderful people.

Senator Wall, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of the thousands of people with the Green Bay Packers, the city of Green Bay, the village of Ashwaubenon, throughout Brown County and all over Wisconsin, who have worked for years to plan and prepare for the NFL Draft that is taking place in Green Bay this week. Senator Wall is tremendously proud of all the work his community, from businesses, nonprofits, government officials, have done to work together to bring this national event to the Brown County area.

Senator Marklein, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of his grandson, Simon Thomas, who turned 14 years old today.

Senator Jacque, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Vincent Terry of Kaukauna, his 2024-'25 Capitol office intern, who is completing his second semester as a student at UW-Madison while seeking a B.B.A. in Finance.

Senator Jacque, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Bud Styer, a one-of-a-kind entrepreneur, mentor, friend, and driving force behind the Wisconsin Association of Campground Owners who passed away on Friday, April 11 and express condolences on behalf of the Senate to his family and friends.

Senator James, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Senator Van Wanggaard to celebrate his 73<sup>rd</sup> birthday that was on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Senator Tomczyk, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of his wife, Becky. Tomorrow afternoon, 42 years ago, she said "yes," and he would be nothing without her. He wouldn't have made it here without her. God willing, he gets another 25-30 years with her.

Senator Roys, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of Kilmar Abrego Garcia and the 278 or more residents of this country that have been disappeared by our own federal government.

Senator Carpenter, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn in honor of and memory of Pope Francis who passed away April 21, 2025 at the age of 88. Pope Francis, was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina as Jorge Mario Bergoglio and through the course of his life became the head of the Catholic Church, and the sovereign of the Vatican City State from 2013 until his death. He spoke for the voiceless and was an advocate for pressing issues. During his time, he was outspoken about issues of climate change, war and peace, migration, and many more of our world's concerns. Pope Francis blazed many trails within the Catholic Church. He was the first Pope to come from Latin America and the southern hemisphere, he was the first to take the papal name of Francis in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, and as Pope he pursued reforms within the Vatican. He lived in accordance with his papal namesake, declining to live in the grand papal apartments, and refusing many of the finer accommodations afforded to the Pope in order to demonstrate his commitment to simplicity and solidarity with the people. Even in death he set in his will that he would be buried in a simple wooden casket lined with zinc, rather than the three nesting coffins traditionally used for papal burials. Pope Francis helped and inspired millions with his actions. He will be remembered for his commitments to humility and his service of the people and the Lord.

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## ADJOURNMENT

Senator LeMahieu, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, April 24, 2025.

Adjourned.

2:17 P.M.