

Rabbi's Column

If you like fashion of any kind, then this week's Torah Portion should be right up your alley. The Priestly garments are described, in detail. As this contains a lot of technical details and wording, I will be making use of Robert Alter's new translation when we do our Torah Study this Shabbat.

People keeping track will already know this:

2019 General Session Crossover Bill Statistics:

503 Bills & Resolutions Numbered for Introduction

296 HBs Introduced

175 SFs Introduced

282 Bills Passed Original House (167 HBs; 115 SFs)

73% of committee bills & 50% of individual bills passed house of origin.

If you do the math, you see that some bills were numbered and never introduced. So, as long as groupthink does not overtake both Chambers, anything that makes it through has at least some value to somebody.

Going back to the clothes - one of the reasons for unique clothing for the Priesthood is to remind themselves that they are always on duty, and to behave accordingly. May all of us act as if we are part of the Ideal Priesthood, and behave in exemplary fashion for human beings - at least for the rest of the week.