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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Hannig in the chair.

Prayer by Pastor Donald Johnson, with Destiny Baptist Church in Rock Island, IL.

Representative Lyons led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

113 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Bailey, Colvin, Hassert and Osterman were excused from attendance.

REQUEST TO BE SHOWN ON QUORUM

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative McCarthy, should be recorded as present at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Lang replaced Representative Hannig in the Committee on Rules on October 18, 2005.

Representative Bellock replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 18, 2005.

Representative Brauer replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 20, 2005.

Representative Beaubien replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 24, 2005.

Representative Rose replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 25, 2005.

Representative Gordon replaced Representative Colvin in the Committee on Personnel and Pensions on October 25, 2005.

Representative Black replaced Representative Bassi in the Committee on Tourism & Conventions on October 25, 2005.

Representative Younge replaced Representative Bailey in the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law on October 25, 2005.

Representative Rose replaced Representative Stephens in the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law on October 25, 2005.

Representative D'Amico replaced Representative Colvin in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on October 25, 2005.

Representative Lang replaced Representative Phelps in the Committee on Registration and Regulation on October 25, 2005.

Representative Currie replaced Representative John Bradley in the Committee on Judiciary I - Civil Law on October 25, 2005.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

October 20, 2005

Mark Mahoney
Chief Clerk of the House
402 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mahoney:

Please be advised that I am extending the Final Action Deadline to January 11, 2006 for the following House Bills and Senate Bills:

House Bills: 157, 2108 and 2928.

Senate Bills: 293 and 1943.

If you have questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Tim Mapes, at 782-6360.

With kindest personal regards, I remain.

Sincerely yours,
s/Michael J. Madigan
Speaker of the House

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on October 20, 2005, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Concurrence: HOUSE BILL 157.

That the bills be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Second Reading--Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 2108, 2928.

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted": Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 1920.

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Third Reading--Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1943.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Elementary & Secondary Education: SENATE BILL 293.

Mass Transit: HOUSE RESOLUTION 650.

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1843 .

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson
Y Hannig, Gary(D)
Y Turner, Arthur(D)

A Black, William(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Brauer(R) (replacing Hassert)

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on October 24, 2005, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILL 1498 was recalled from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions and reassigned to the Committee on Executive.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure is as follows:

3, Yeas; 1, Nay; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie(D), Chairperson
Y Hannig(D)
Y Turner(D)

A Black(R), Republican Spokesperson
N Beaubien(R) (replacing Hassert)

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1879.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

Y Currie,Barbara(D), Chairperson
Y Hannig,Gary(D)
Y Turner,Arthur(D)

P Black,William(R), Republican Spokesperson
P Rose(R) (replacing Hassert)

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Hoffman, Chairperson, from the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 66.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 66 is as follows:

20, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman,Jay(D), Chairperson
Y Black,William(R)
Y Brauer,Rich(R)
Y D'Amico,John(D)
Y Froehlich,Paul(R)
Y Joyce,Kevin(D)
Y Mathias,Sidney(R)
A McCarthy,Kevin(D)
Y Miller,David(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
Y Ramey,Harry(R)

Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
Y Bost,Mike(R)
A Brosnahan,James(D)
Y Fritchey,John(D)
A Graham,Deborah(D)
A Lyons,Joseph(D)
Y McAuliffe,Michael(R)
Y Mendoza,Susana(D)
A Molaro,Robert(D)
Y Poe,Raymond(R)
A Soto,Cynthia(D)

Y Stephens,Ron(R)
 Y Tryon,Michael(R)
 Y Washington,Eddie(D)

Y Tenhouse,Art(R)
 A Wait,Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson

Representative Richard Bradley, Chairperson, from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolutions be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 606 and 654.

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 606 is as follows:

5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Bradley,Richard(D), Chairperson
 Y Burke,Daniel(D)
 Y Poe,Raymond(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Brauer,Rich(R)
 Y Gordon(D) (replacing Colvin)

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 654 is as follows:

3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

Y Bradley,Richard(D), Chairperson
 Y Burke,Daniel(D)
 P Poe,Raymond(R), Republican Spokesperson

P Brauer,Rich(R)
 Y Gordon(D) (replacing Colvin)

Representative Franks, Chairperson, from the Committee on State Government Administration to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1843.

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1879.

That the resolutions be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 597 and 621.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1843 is as follows:

5, Yeas; 3, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Franks,Jack(D), Chairperson
 Y Chavez,Michelle(D)
 Y Dugan,Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson
 N Myers,Richard(R)
 A Stephens,Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Bradley,John(D)
 Y Collins,Annazette(D)
 N Mitchell,Bill(R)
 N Ramey,Harry(R)

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1879 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

Y Franks,Jack(D), Chairperson
 Y Chavez,Michelle(D)
 Y Dugan,Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson
 P Myers,Richard(R)
 A Stephens,Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Bradley,John(D)
 Y Collins,Annazette(D)
 Y Mitchell,Bill(R)
 Y Ramey,Harry(R)

The committee roll call vote on House Resolutions 597 and 621 is as follows:

8, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Franks,Jack(D), Chairperson
 Y Chavez,Michelle(D)
 Y Dugan,Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Bradley,John(D)
 Y Collins,Annazette(D)
 Y Mitchell,Bill(R)

Y Myers, Richard(R)
 A Stephens, Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Ramey, Harry(R)

Representative Dunkin, Chairperson, from the Committee on Tourism & Conventions to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 64.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 64 is as follows:
 6, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Dunkin, Kenneth(D), Chairperson
 Y Black(R) (replacing Bassi)
 A Giles, Calvin(D)
 Y McGuire, Jack(D)
 A Pihos, Sandra(R)

A Bailey, Patricia(D)
 Y Feigenholtz, Sara(D), Vice-Chairperson
 Y Jenisch, Roger(R)
 Y Mitchell, Jerry(R)

Representative Delgado, Chairperson, from the Committee on Human Services to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1620.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1620 is as follows:
 9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Delgado, William(D), Chairperson
 Y Chavez, Michelle(D)
 Y Coulson, Elizabeth(R)
 A Dunn, Joe(R)
 Y Howard, Constance(D)
 Y Jenisch, Roger(R)

Y Bellock, Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson
 Y Collins, Annazette(D)
 A Cultra, Shane(R)
 A Flowers, Mary(D)
 Y Jakobsson, Naomi(D)
 Y Rita, Robert(D), Vice-Chairperson

Representative Molaro, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bills be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 273 and 319.

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 530.

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 530, Senate Bills 273 and 319 is as follows:
 16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Molaro, Robert(D), Chairperson
 Y Bradley, John(D)
 Y Cultra, Shane(R)
 Y Froehlich, Paul(R)
 Y Howard, Constance(D)
 Y Lindner, Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson
 Y Reis, David(R)
 Y Rose(R) (replacing Stephens)

Y Younge(D) (replacing Bailey)
 Y Collins, Annazette(D)
 Y Delgado, William(D), Vice-Chairperson
 Y Gordon, Careen(D)
 Y Jones, Lovana(D)
 Y Mautino, Frank(D)
 Y Sacia, Jim(R)
 Y Wait, Ronald(R)

Representative Giles, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 293.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 293 is as follows:

20, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Giles, Calvin(D), Chairperson	Y Davis, Monique(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Bassi, Suzanne(R)	Y Beiser, Daniel(D)
Y Chapa LaVia, Linda(D)	Y D’Amico(D) (replacing Colvin)
Y Dugan, Lisa(D)	Y Eddy, Roger(R)
Y Flider, Robert(D)	Y Joyce, Kevin(D)
Y Miller, David(D)	Y Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Moffitt, Donald(R)	Y Mulligan, Rosemary(R)
Y Munson, Ruth(R)	A Osterman, Harry(D)
Y Pihos, Sandra(R)	Y Pritchard, Robert(R)
Y Reis, David(R)	Y Smith, Michael(D)
Y Watson, Jim(R)	

Representative Jefferson, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 204 and 1445.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 204 and 1445 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Jefferson, Charles(D), Chairperson	Y D’Amico, John(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Beiser, Daniel(D)	Y Flider, Robert(D)
Y Myers, Richard(R)	Y Wait, Ronald(R)
Y Winters, Dave(R), Republican Spokesperson	

Representative Saviano, Chairperson, from the Committee on Registration and Regulation to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 331.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 331 is as follows:

23, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

Y Saviano, Angelo(R), Chairperson	Y Acevedo, Edward(D)
Y Bellock, Patricia(R)	A Bradley, Richard(D)
P Brauer, Rich(R)	Y Burke, Daniel(D)
Y Coulson, Elizabeth(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Davis, Monique(D)
Y Delgado, William(D)	Y Fritchey, John(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Froehlich, Paul(R)	Y Granberg, Kurt(D)
Y Holbrook, Thomas(D)	Y Joyce, Kevin(D)
Y Kosel, Renee(R)	Y Mautino, Frank(D)
Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)	A Mendoza, Susana(D)
Y Miller, David(D)	Y Mulligan, Rosemary(R)
Y Munson, Ruth(R)	Y Lang(D) (replacing Phelps)
Y Pritchard, Robert(R)	Y Reis, David(R)
Y Reitz, Dan(D)	Y Sullivan, Ed(R)

Representative Fritchey, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary I - Civil Law to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Standard Debate: SENATE BILL 1681.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1681 is as follows:
8, Yeas; 6, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Fritchey,John(D), Chairperson	Y Currie(D) (replacing Bradley,J)
Y Brosnahan,James(D)	Y Gordon,Careen(D)
Y Hamos,Julie(D)	Y Hoffman,Jay(D)
N Hultgren,Randall(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Lang,Lou(D)
N Mathias,Sidney(R)	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
N Osmond,JoAnn(R)	N Rose,Chapin(R)
N Sacia,Jim(R)	N Wait,Ronald(R)

Representative Burke, Chairperson, from the Committee on Executive to which the following were referred, action taken on October 25, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1213.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1213 is as follows:
12, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Burke,Daniel(D), Chairperson	Y Acevedo,Edward(D)
Y Berrios,Maria(D)	Y Biggins,Bob(R)
Y Bradley,Richard(D)	A Hassert,Brent(R)
Y Jones,Lovana(D)	Y Kosel,Renee(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Lyons,Eileen(R)	Y Lyons,Joseph(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y McKeon,Larry(D)	Y Molaro,Robert(D)
Y Saviano,Angelo(R)	

VETO MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Representative John Bradley submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION

I move that HOUSE BILL 2528 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

LAND CONVEYANCE APPRAISAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A Land Conveyance Appraisal Note has been supplied for SENATE BILL 1213.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following joint resolution, to-wit:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 65

Concurred in the Senate, October 25, 2005.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by
Ms. Hawker, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of their amendment to a bill of the following title, to-wit:

SENATE BILL NO. 101

A bill for AN ACT to create the Assistive Technology Protection Act.
House Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 101.
Action taken by the Senate, October 25, 2005.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 655

Offered by Representative Miller:
Congratulates Burnel Elton Coulon on the celebration of more than 50 years of service to Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 656

Offered by Representative John Bradley:
Mourns the death of Pete Moschino of Coello.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 657

Offered by Representative Phelps:
Congratulates Fern Gregg of Goreville on being a recipient of the Governor's Unique Achievement Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 658

Offered by Representative Bellock:
Congratulates the Chicago White Sox for their accomplishments during the 2005 season and their ALCS win.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 659

Offered by Representative Turner:
Mourns the death of Versie Lucille Wade Williams.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 660

Offered by Representative John Bradley:
Mourns the death of Al Oxford of Johnston City.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 661

Offered by Representative Bill Mitchell:
Congratulates the Hickory Point Fire Department on its 50th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 662

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:
Congratulates Chief of Police William J. Lawler of Aurora on the occasion of his retirement after 26 years on the force.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 664

Offered by Representative Beaubien:
Congratulates Bruce N. Johnson on his retirement as police chief of the villages of Round Lake Park and Hainesville.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 665

Offered by Representative Lang:
Celebrates Mayor George Van Dusen's dedication to the Village of Skokie and his efforts to make Illinois a leader in the field of biotechnology.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 666

Offered by Representative Flider:
Congratulates United Auto Workers Local 751 on its 50th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 667

Offered by Representative Flider:
Mourns the death of Officer Robin G. Vogel of Springfield.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 668

Offered by Representative Mendoza:
Congratulates Dr. Sethuraman, Navistar International, Meenakshi Mission Hospital of India, Direct Relief International, Speaker Dennis Hastert, and others for their cooperative efforts to create and donate a mobile CT scan for use in India.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 669

Offered by Representative John Bradley:
Honors and recognizes Walter H. Warfield, Executive Director of the Illinois Association of School Administrators, for his 38 years of service and outstanding leadership in the field of education and wishes him the best in his retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 670

Offered by Representative Black:
Congratulates Larry McConkey on the occasion of his retirement as head of REHAB Products and Services.

RECALL

At the request of the principal sponsor, Representative Pihos, SENATE BILL 1943 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on October 25, 2005, HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 598, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 607, 608, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 618, 619, 620, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 630, 631, 632, 633, 635, 636, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 651, 652, 653, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669 and 670 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Rule 25, Representative Kosel moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 21 in relation to SENATE BILL 293.

The motion prevailed.

RECESS

At the hour of 12:13 o'clock p.m., Speaker of the House Madigan moved that the House do now take a recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.

The motion prevailed.

JOINT SESSION 12:15 O'CLOCK P.M.

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representative, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver the "All Kids" program in person to the Ninety-Fourth General Assembly.

The Senate, preceded by the Honorable President Jones, and Members of the Senate, appeared in the Hall of the House of Representative and, by direction of the Speaker, took the seats assigned to them.

The two Houses being convened in Joint Session, President Jones of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Speaker Madigan, of the House of Representatives, announced that a quorum of the House was present.

A majority of each House of the General Assembly being present, the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session duly formed.

Representative Currie offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 3

RESOLVED, That a committee of ten be appointed, five from the House, by the Speaker of the House, and five from the Senate, by the President of the Senate, to wait upon His Excellency Governor Rod Blagojevich and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

The President of the Senate announced his appointments, as Members of such Committee, on the part of the Senate: Senators Deanna Demuzio, Kirk Dillard, Debbie Halvorson, John Millner and Arthur Wilhelmi.

The Speaker of the House announced the appointments, as Members of such Committee, on part of the House: Representatives Sara Feigenholtz, Charles Jefferson, Sandra Pihos, Harry Ramey and Patrick Verschoore.

His Excellency, Governor Rod Blagojevich, was admitted into the Hall of the House of Representatives, and was presented to the General Assembly, to deliver his message in person as follows:

GOVERNOR ROD BLAGOJEVICH
“ALL KIDS” PROGRAM

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Senate President Jones, Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. Before I begin, I'd like to ask each and every one of you to join me in a moment of silent prayer on the passing of Rosa Parks, a great civil rights leader. Because of her heroism and refusal to accept the way things are, one person did indeed make a big, big difference. And so, please join me in a moment of silent prayer. Thank you very much. Speaker Madigan, Senate President Jones, thank you so much for giving me this opportunity to speak to a Joint Session of the General Assembly. I know this is rare and unusual to do this during a Veto Session, but I asked for this time because I wanted to talk to all of you about something. I can't imagine anything more important than what I'm going to talk about today and what we're trying to get done for the children of our state. First of all, let me firmly assert that we all love our children and there is nothing more important than keeping them healthy and happy and safe. And so, I asked for this time because we have an opportunity now to do something that has never been done before in Illinois and something that no state anywhere in America is currently doing and that is providing health care to every single child in the State of Illinois. Over the last two and a half years, we've had an opportunity to work together on a variety of different issues. When I took office two and a half years ago, we walked into a budget deficit of more than \$5.5 billion, in the second year, a \$2.3 billion, and in the third year, more than \$1 billion. Notwithstanding, record budget deficits of nearly \$9 billion, together we've been able to dig ourselves out of the worst fiscal crisis in our state's history and keep our promise to the people of this state. We did it without raising taxes and we did it without sacrificing our values. We put more money in our schools than any other state in the Midwest. We provided more money for public safety and crime rates are down now to lower levels than any time in the last generation. We put more money to give 3- and 4-year-olds a chance to go to preschool because of your hard work. Twenty five thousand kids who couldn't go to preschool can now go to preschool today. And in the area of health care, at a time when 40 other states across the country are balancing their budgets on the backs of families and children who need health care, thanks to so many of you here, we in Illinois have done it differently. Today more kids have health care in Illinois than had it before we had a chance to have a say in this process. When I first took office, there was more than 400 thousand kids in our state who didn't have access to health insurance. Thanks to your hard work and the efforts we put together, a hundred and seventy thousand more kids have health care today than had it before. Thanks to your hard work, we've been able to provide health care, make it more affordable, and more available to a lot more people. We've helped our senior citizens by having a law called the Leave No Senior Behind Law, which covers our senior citizens in the areas where the new Federal Medicare Bill would not. We now have a program in our state, the I-Save Prescription Drug Program, that gives to every single senior citizen in Illinois a chance to get the same medicines they get now made by the exact same companies only through our program they can get it for discounts of 25 to 50 percent off. We've vastly expanded access to women's health care. We've provided more money in the FamilyCare Program so more than 160 thousand men and women who work but didn't have health care, now have health care today. And again, because of your hard work, 170 thousand more kids have health care today because we invested more in the KidCare Program and we enrolled more kids in the KidCare Program. In spite of these historic deficits, we've advanced in the area of health care and in spite of the challenges we've faced, we have advanced and given more kids the opportunities that every kid and every child in Illinois ought to have. Yet in spite of our best efforts, there are still more than a quarter of a million children in Illinois who don't have access to health care. There are still a quarter of a million children whose parents can't afford to take them to the doctor for regular

checkups. Whose parents can't afford to take them to the dentist to keep a cavity from requiring a root canal. Whose parents can't afford to take their daughter to the eye doctor because she might need glasses so she can do better in school. A quarter of a million kids whose parents can't afford the high cost of medicine and God forbid if their child needs to go to the hospital, can't afford the high cost of a hospital stay. In fact, the number one cause of personal bankruptcies in America are working families who do what they have to do when their children are very sick, they take them to the hospital anyway, but they can't pay those bills and then those families who deal with an unbelievable challenge, a sick child, find themselves where they are financially ruined. I asked to speak to you today because we have a unique opportunity right now, right here in Illinois. I asked to speak to you today because I would like all of you in this chamber, Democrats and Republicans, to join me to give every single child in Illinois the same kind of health care that we have for our kids. We have the chance to do here in Illinois something no other state has done and what our leaders in Washington won't do. We can provide health care to all the kids in Illinois. Throughout our history some of the greatest advances in social progress have begun in the states. In the middle of the nineteenth century, at a time when only the kids of the wealthy and only the kids from families who had means could go to school, Horace Mann led a movement in Massachusetts that gave every child a chance to get a public education. In the mid-nineteenth century, Horace Mann led the way and Massachusetts did something that the Federal Government and our country ultimately adopted. In the early twentieth century in states like Pennsylvania and Ohio, at a time when a 10-year-old child would work in a coal mine, those states passed laws that abolished child labor. And at the end of the last century, as recently as the mid-1980s in a state just north of us, in Wisconsin, welfare reform was examined and explored. A laboratory of change in Wisconsin that ultimately led to President Clinton's signing, at the federal level, welfare reform legislation in 1996. And now here at the dawn of the twenty-first century, right here, right now in Illinois we have an opportunity to lead the nation. If we seize this moment, we can do for the kids in Illinois something our country did for senior citizens back in 1965. Forty years ago our country made a decision that every senior citizen should have access to affordable health care; 1965, we made a decision as a country to guarantee access to all of our elderly so they can go to the doctor if they need to. Forty years after Medicare, 99 percent of senior citizens have access to health care, but 40 years after Medicare more than 8 million kids in our country don't and a quarter of a million of those kids live right here in Illinois. Now, who are these kids? First of all, let me tell you who they're not. They're not our children. Fortunately for us, our kids have health care. The Governor and the men and women of the General Assembly, the men and women in the Congress, the President, all of us fortunately, those of us who make the rules are fortunate and blessed to be able to afford health care for our kids. These kids are not by large the children of the wealthy. The wealthy and those with means can afford health care for their kids with some exceptions in cases of preexisting conditions and other issues where private insurance won't cover an illness. And they're not the kids of the poor because fortunately and thankfully, we have programs in place that provide health care to the poor. No, the kids I'm talking about are kids that come from primarily working-class and middle-class families. Families that in America do what you're supposed to do, they work for a living. There are tens of thousands of families all across Illinois who every single day do what you're supposed to do. They get up every morning, they go to work. They work hard. They pay their taxes. They play by the rules, but through no fault of their own, they make either too much money to be eligible for public assistance but not nearly enough money to afford health care premiums of two, three, four, five hundred dollars a month. The children of working families are the children that are falling through the cracks. It's not supposed to be that way in America. In America if you work hard, you're supposed to get ahead, you're not supposed to fall behind. It is not what the American dream is supposed to be. They are families like the families that I've had a chance to meet. Like the Sanchez family that lives on the 59 hundred block, South Kolmar near Midway Airport. Bianca Sanchez is a single mom with a daughter named Soledad, age seven. It's the two of them against the world. They live in a basement apartment in a little bungalow, a modest little space, but it's their space in their little corner of the world. And every single day Bianca, being the loving mother that she is, gets up every single morning, drives her daughter to school and then she goes to work. And then she takes her lunch, not at 12:00 or 1:00 like most people do, but schedules her lunch at her job at a health clinic at 3:00 so she can go to school, pick up her daughter, and then take her back to day care when she then goes back to work to fill out her shift. Bianca Sanchez, when she was first hired at the health care clinic she now works at, was being paid \$6.25 an hour. And when she was paid that wage, she could afford to pay for health care for her daughter, Soledad, through the KidCare Program. But then Bianca did something that you're really supposed to do. She did a good job on the job. She worked hard, her employer and boss noticed it, they gave her a promotion, gave her more responsibilities and they did what you're supposed to do, paid her more money. So much so that

now she's being paid \$36 thousand a year, but one thing happened to her. She literally worked herself out of health care for her daughter. Something is upside down. If you do what you're supposed to do, you work hard and you've made it worse for your child, not better. That's not what America is supposed to be. Take the Baldwin family that I met recently in Moline, a young couple just staring out with a 17-month-old son, Zachary. The two of them both work, mom and dad both work. Dad works the daytime shift at the Blackhawk Freight Company in the Quad Cities. He works 52 hours a week, works hard, works overtime. Mom works at night as a supervisor at the Burger King. Together mom and dad are working 82 hours a week. Their combined income is about \$38 thousand a year. Too much money for the KidCare Program but not nearly enough to afford health care premiums of \$378 a month, which is what the Blackhawk Freight Company would offer to Mr. Baldwin or the \$1 thousand deductible that they'd be required to pay anytime little Zachary had to go to the doctor. And then there's the Evans family, a family of six from the Southside of Chicago, mom and dad and four kids. Dad works making \$53 thousand a year, mom is raising the four kids. In order to get health insurance for the four kids, it would cost the Evans family more than \$13 hundred a month. On \$53 thousand a year, the Evans family simply can't afford to give their kids the health care coverage that we are blessed and fortunate enough to provide for our kids. The Baldwin family, the Evans family, and Bianca and Soledad Sanchez are being penalized for working. This is not what our country is supposed to be about. And don't think these problems are isolated or only confined to only some parts of Illinois, because there are stories like this in every part of our state. Right here in Sangamon County, in the seat of our State Government, nearly 9 percent of the kids in Sangamon County don't have health insurance. In Pulaski County, in the southern tip of our state, 15 percent of the kids can't afford to get health insurance, their parents can't afford to provide them health insurance. In Cook County, 12 percent of the kids don't have health insurance and even in DuPage County, one of the 25 wealthiest counties in America, fully 7 percent of the children in DuPage County don't have health insurance. If we ignore this problem, what does it say about us? If we look the other way and we fail to act, what does it say about us? A recent editorial from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch sums it up. They wrote that children who get regular checkups are healthier than children who don't. Children with chronic illnesses like asthma or diabetes aren't as sick as often if they can visit their doctor regularly. Children, who get to see the doctor when they need one, don't suffer as much as children who can't. And finally, keeping children healthy shouldn't be a partisan issue. So I say to you, this is a matter of common sense and simple human decency. Working together we can do something in Illinois to help those children. Why should any child have to suffer, if we have it in our power to do something to prevent it? How can we say to the Baldwin family, the Evans family, to Bianca and Soledad, and tens of thousands of families like them all across our state that we can't help? How can we do nothing when, for a relatively small investment, we can do the right thing. That's why I proposed the AllKids Program. It's an affordable program; it's not free. It's a comprehensive program which means that the families that participate in this health care program will be able to take their child to the doctor for regular checkups, visit the dentist for regular checkups, see the eye doctor for regular checkups, help them pay for the high cost of medicine to keep their kids healthy, or get them healthy, and of course, in those situations, God forbid, they have to be able to afford the cost of their child being in a hospital. Now, the question many have asked and rightfully so, is how do we pay for this? First of all as I said, this program is not free. Families that participate in this program are required to pay premiums based upon their income and the number of kids in their families. It's a sliding scale based upon families' ability to pay and their affordability. So for example, a family of four that earns between 40 and 50 thousand dollars a year would be required to pay monthly insurance premiums of \$40 per child. In a family of four with two kids, it would cost \$80 a month and then it's capped after two kids. So you could have three, four, five kids, it would cost no more than \$80 a month. Those families would be required to pay co-payments of \$10 for every visit. For families earning between 60 and 80 thousand dollars a year, families participating in this program would be required to pay insurance premiums of \$70 a month, two kids would cost \$140 a month but no more than that if there are more than two kids, and the co-payments for those families would be \$15 a month. Now, 70 percent of the kids in Illinois who don't have insurance are kids who come from families that earn between 40 and 80 thousand dollars a year. We have a chance to help those families. In addition to the contribution the families that participate would pay into this program, we would also save money by adopting what 29 other states across the country have done, an element of managed care in our Medicaid program. By having what is known as a primary care case manager, a doctor. Not an insurance agent or an insurance adjuster or a claims adjuster but a doctor. Having that doctor serve as a gatekeeper and providing continuity of care for the men and women and children currently in the Medicaid program, we can save more than \$50 million. And by having another component called 'disease management', which very simply is if a child has asthma make sure that child gets an

inhaler before that child needs to be hospitalized for asthma. Or if an adult or grownup is a diabetic and needs insulin, make sure that the diabetic, and the grownup, gets the insulin before he or she needs to deal with it... stay at the hospital because of a diabetic seizure. By implementing a primary care case manager and disease management and coupling with that the money that the families that participate would pay into the program, this is how we pay for our AllKids Insurance Program. We would save \$57 million next year and \$100 million in 5 years. In short, we have found a way to insure all the kids in Illinois without raising taxes and without any additional spending. Plus, it's good for the economy. A health care industry in Illinois is the second fastest growing industry in our state. According to a recent study by FamiliesUSA nearly \$88 million in business activity is attributed to investments made in health care. In addition to that, under our AllKids Program, if we make these investments, wages will increase by \$30 million in the first year of the program. And providing health care to all kids without insurance, also helps all of us. Because the reality is when a child is sick and doesn't have health care and that child needs to go to the hospital, ultimately, that hospital bill is passed on to the consumers, passed on to the rest of us who pay in the form of higher insurance premiums. That same study by FamiliesUSA indicates that all of us with insurance pay for the uninsured to the tune of \$1,059 more every year in the premiums that we pay in order to insure our kids and our families. I believe this issue is as simple as the golden rule. Something so many of us here in this chamber learned when we went to Sunday school. That you ought to do unto others as you would have others do unto you. We have an opportunity together to live the golden rule, to give to all the kids in Illinois what we're fortunate enough to have for our kids. There are a lot of reasons to do this, common sense, financial sense. We know it will work. But there's one overriding reason. You see it every time you look at your son or your daughter. We need to do this because this is the right thing to do for the kids. That's why we're here, it's why we all ran for office. We're here to help people build better lives. This is a historic chance to do that and we have a historic opportunity to help children. Health care is not a privilege, it's a right. It's a right as fundamental as civil rights, it's a right as fundamental as giving every child a chance to get a public education. Our founding fathers built our country on the promise that all of us have an inalienable right to life and liberty and the pursuit of happiness. This is our chance to give all of our kids the opportunity to follow that vision and to pursue that dream and to live a life as full and as healthy as we would expect our children to lead. I hope you pass this Bill. Thank you very much."

At the hour of 12:47 o'clock p.m., President Jones moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise.
The motion prevailed.

The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.
Speaker of the House Madigan in the Chair.

At the hour of 1:03 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, October 26, 2005, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.
The motion prevailed.
And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
NINETY-FOURTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE ROLL CALL
QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

October 25, 2005

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114 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Delgado	P Lang	P Pritchard
E Bailey	P Dugan	P Leitch	P Ramey
P Bassi	P Dunkin	P Lindner	P Reis
P Beaubien	P Dunn	P Lyons, Eileen	P Reitz
P Beiser	P Eddy	P Lyons, Joseph	P Rita
P Bellock	P Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rose
P Berrios	P Flider	P Mautino	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Flowers	P May	P Sacia
P Black	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fritchey	P McCarthy (ADDED)	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Froehlich	P McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	P Giles	P McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley, Richard	P Gordon	P Mendoza	P Smith
P Brady	P Graham	P Meyer	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Granberg	P Miller	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Hamos	P Mitchell, Bill	P Stephens
P Burke	P Hannig	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	E Hassert	P Moffitt	P Tenhouse
P Chavez	P Hoffman	P Molaro	P Tryon
P Churchill	P Holbrook	P Mulligan	P Turner
P Collins	P Howard	P Munson	P Verschoore
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P Cross	P Jefferson	P Osmond	P Watson
P Cultra	P Jenisch	E Osterman	P Winters
P Currie	P Jones	P Parke	P Yarbrough
P D'Amico	P Joyce	P Patterson	P Younge
P Daniels	P Kelly	P Phelps	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	P Kosel	P Pihos	
P Davis, William	P Krause	P Poe	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

67TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Perfunctory Session

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2005

At the hour of 9:08 o'clock a.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65

Offered by Representative Currie:

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the two Houses shall convene in Joint Session on Tuesday, October 25, 2005 at the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon for the purpose of hearing his Excellency Governor Rod Blagojevich present to the General Assembly his message on the new program "All Kids", offering health insurance for uninsured children.

At the hour of 9:10 o'clock a.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.

At the hour of 4:58 o'clock p.m., the House reconvened perfunctory session.

SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILLS 204, 273, 293, 319, 331, 1213, 1445, 1620 and 1681.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4131. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning children.

HOUSE BILL 4132. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4133. Introduced by Representative Myers, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 4134. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil liabilities.

HOUSE BILL 4135. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4136. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4137. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 4138. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning name changes.

HOUSE BILL 4139. Introduced by Representative Ramey, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4140. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 4141. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4142. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4143. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Lyons, Eileen and Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 4144. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4145. Introduced by Representatives Bellock - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Lyons, Eileen and Mulligan, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4146. Introduced by Representatives Bellock - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Mulligan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4147. Introduced by Representatives Flider - Mitchell, Bill - Hannig - Brauer, AN ACT in relation to economic development.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 663

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, According to the 2003 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 12.3 million Americans age 12 and older (5.2 percent of the population) had tried methamphetamine ("meth") at least once in their lifetime, with the majority of past-year users being between 18 and 34 years of age; and

WHEREAS, By altering the levels of neurotransmitters in the brain, methamphetamine causes feelings of pleasure and euphoria; methamphetamine is a neurotoxin and potent stimulant, which can also cause cerebral edema and hemorrhage, paranoia, and hallucinations; short-term effects include insomnia, hyperactivity, decreased appetite, increased respiration, and tremors; long-term effects can include psychological addiction, stroke, violent behavior, anxiety, confusion, paranoia, auditory hallucinations, mood disturbances, and delusions; methamphetamine use can eventually cause depletion of monoamines in the brain, which can have an effect on learning; and

WHEREAS, With high doses there may be an increase in both systolic and diastolic blood pressure due to cardiac stimulation; in addition, methamphetamine may produce arrhythmias; other systemic effects include shortness of breath, hyperthermia, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea; and

WHEREAS, Crystal meth is a highly and quickly addictive, illegal street drug, ranking with crack cocaine in popularity; it causes a reduction in saliva; "meth heads" tend to drink a lot of soda, both to relieve the dryness in the mouth and to add to the "high"; their oral hygiene is generally poor; food and good nutrition become secondary to a new supply of meth; meth is said to reduce blood supply to the gingiva, causing periodontal problems; and

WHEREAS, Dental health care professionals should be aware that methamphetamine use is on the rise in the U.S.; the allure of this drug is that it is cheap, it is easy to make, and the "high" lasts much longer than crack cocaine (12 hours versus one hour for cocaine); as well as being a potent central nervous system stimulant that can cause permanent brain damage, methamphetamine's oral health effects are substantial, as users often crave high-calorie, carbonated, sugary beverages, or they may grind or clench their teeth; and

WHEREAS, The oral health effects of methamphetamine use can be devastating; reports have described rampant caries that resembles early childhood caries and is being referred to as "meth mouth"; a distinctive caries pattern can often be seen on the buccal smooth surface of the teeth and the interproximal surfaces of the anterior teeth; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Department of Public Health to develop guidelines, for distribution to health care professionals, that identify symptoms of "meth mouth" in patients that include the following:

- (1) unaccounted-for and accelerated tooth decay in teenagers and young adults;
- (2) distinctive patterns of decay on the buccal smooth surface of the teeth and the interproximal surfaces of the anterior teeth; and

(3) malnourished appearance in heavy users, because methamphetamine acts as an appetite suppressant; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be delivered to the Director of Public Health.

At the hour of 5:05 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.