

STATE OF ILLINOIS



HOUSE JOURNAL

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

10TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

REGULAR & PERFUNCTORY SESSION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007

12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Daily Journal Index
10th Legislative Day**

Action	Page(s)
Adjournment	9
Agreed Resolutions	6
Fiscal Note Supplied	6
House Joint Resolutions Constitutional Amendments First Reading	20
House Resolutions	22
Introduction and First Reading – HB 924-1100	13
Legislative Measures Approved for Floor Consideration	4
Legislative Measures Reassigned to Committee	4
Perfunctory Adjournment	25
Perfunctory Session	13
Quorum Roll Call	4
Reports From Standing Committees	5
Temporary Committee Assignments	4

Bill Number	Legislative Action	Page(s)
HB 0003	Second Reading	6
HB 0004	Second Reading – Amendment/s	6
HB 0006	Committee Report	5
HB 0009	Committee Report	5
HB 0012	Recall	8
HB 0012	Second Reading	8
HB 0018	Second Reading	8
HB 0024	Committee Report	5
HB 0025	Committee Report	5
HB 0028	Second Reading	8
HB 0162	Committee Report	5
HB 0169	Second Reading	8
HB 0194	Committee Report	5
HB 0201	Third Reading	8
HB 0222	Committee Report	5
HB 0239	Committee Report	5
HB 0250	Second Reading	8
HB 0257	Second Reading	8
HB 0264	Second Reading	8
HB 0281	Committee Report	5
HB 0305	Second Reading	8
HB 0310	Second Reading	8
HB 0328	Committee Report	5
HB 0352	Third Reading	9
HB 0357	Second Reading	8
HB 0382	Second Reading	8
HB 0482	Motion	9
HJR 0014	Resolution	24
HJRCA 0013	Constitutional Amendment – First Reading	20
HJRCA 0014	Constitutional Amendment – First Reading	21
HR 0071	Resolution	22
HR 0072	Resolution	22
HR 0073	Resolution	6
HR 0074	Resolution	6
HR 0074	Adoption	9

HR 0075	Resolution	6
HR 0075	Adoption	9
HR 0076	Resolution	23
HR 0077	Resolution	6
HR 0077	Adoption	9
HR 0078	Resolution	23
HR 0079	Resolution	6
HR 0079	Adoption	9

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Speaker of the House Madigan in the chair.
Prayer by Doorkeeper of the House Lee A. Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield, IL.
Representative Harris 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:
118 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Ramey will replace Representative Lindner in the Committee on Computer Technology on February 8, 2007.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, action taken on February 8, 2007, reported the following legislative measures and/or joint action motions have been assigned as follows.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

Aging: HOUSE BILL 652.
Agriculture & Conservation: HOUSE BILLS 704 and 709.
Appropriations-General Services: HOUSE BILLS 628 and 638.
Appropriations-Higher Education: HOUSE BILL 627.
Consumer Protection: HOUSE BILL 702.
Disability Services: HOUSE BILL 694.
Elections & Campaign Reform: HOUSE BILLS 632, 681 and 687.
Electric Utility Oversight: HOUSE BILL 644.
Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILLS 660, 667, 671, 689 and 693.
Environment & Energy: HOUSE BILL 680.
Executive: HOUSE BILLS 180, 630, 631, 635, 641, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 654, 655, 656, 657, 661, 662, 663, 672, 673, 674, 675, 677, 678, 679, 682, 692, 695, 696, 697, 699, 701, 705, 706, 707, 708, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717 and 718.
Financial Institutions: HOUSE BILL 700.
Health Care Availability and Access: HOUSE BILL 684.
Higher Education: HOUSE BILLS 658, 666, 703, 720 and 721.
Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 625, 642, 653 and 691.
Insurance: HOUSE BILL 676.
Judiciary I - Civil Law: HOUSE BILL 690.
Judiciary II - Criminal Law: HOUSE BILLS 626, 685, 686 and 722.
Local Government: HOUSE BILL 633.
Registration and Regulation: HOUSE BILL 640.
Revenue: HOUSE BILLS 629, 637, 643, 664, 665, 688 and 698.
State Government Administration: HOUSE BILLS 634, 659, 669, 683 and 723.
Tourism & Conventions: HOUSE BILL 636.
Veterans Affairs: HOUSE BILLS 639, 668 and 670.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILLS 13, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 283, 373, 388, 457, 460, 474 and 498 were recalled from the Committee on Executive and reassigned to the Committee on Registration and Regulation.

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

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

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

Y Black (R), Republican Spokesperson
 Y Hassert (R)

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Molaro, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law to which the following were referred, action taken on February 8, 2007, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bills be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 6, 9, 162, 194, 222, 239, 281 and 328.

The committee roll call vote on House Bills 6, 9, 162, 194, 222, 239, 281 and 328 is as follows:
 13, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Molaro (D), Chairperson
 Y Lindner (R), Republican Spokesperson
 Y Durkin (R)
 Y Gordon (D)
 Y Jefferies (D)
 Y Reis (R)
 Y Wait (R)

Y Collins (D), Vice-Chairperson
 Y Chapa LaVia (D)
 Y Golar (D)
 Y Howard (D)
 Y Reboletti (R)
 Y Sacia (R)

Representative Lang, Chairperson, from the Committee on Gaming to which the following were referred, action taken on February 8, 2007, 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: HOUSE BILL 24.

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 25.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 24 is as follows:
 21, Yeas; 5, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Lang (D), Chairperson
 Y Hassert (R), Republican Spokesperson
 N Bassi (R)
 Y Bradley,R.(D)
 Y Davis,M.(D)
 Y Durkin (R)
 A Fritchey (D)
 Y Howard (D)
 Y Lindner (R)
 Y Molaro (D)
 Y Saviano (R)
 Y Schock (R)
 N Watson (R)
 Y Yarbrough (D)

Y Scully (D), Vice-Chairperson
 Y Acevedo (D)
 Y Beaubien (R)
 Y Brosnahan (D)
 Y Dunkin (D)
 Y Eddy (R)
 Y Granberg (D)
 Y Jefferson (D)
 Y McCarthy (D)
 N Rose (R)
 N Schmitz (R)
 Y Verschoore (D)
 N Winters (R)
 A Younge (D)

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 25 is as follows:
 23, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

Y Lang (D), Chairperson
 Y Hassert (R), Republican Spokesperson
 Y Bassi (R)
 Y Bradley,R.(D)
 P Davis,M.(D)

Y Scully (D), Vice-Chairperson
 Y Acevedo (D)
 Y Beaubien (R)
 Y Brosnahan (D)
 Y Dunkin (D)

Y Durkin (R)
A Fritchey (D)
A Howard (D)
Y Lindner (R)
Y Molaro (D)
Y Saviano (R)
Y Schock (R)
Y Watson (R)
Y Yarbrough (D)

Y Eddy (R)
A Granberg (D)
Y Jefferson (D)
Y McCarthy (D)
Y Rose (R)
Y Schmitz (R)
Y Verschoore (D)
Y Winters (R)
A Younge (D)

FISCAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A Fiscal Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 330.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 73

Offered by Representative Cross:
Mourns the death of Charlotte Reid of Aurora.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 74

Offered by Representative Black:
Congratulates Mary Ellen "Mimi" Reitemeier on being named a recipient of the Women of Distinction Award presented by the Girl Scouts Green Meadows Council.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 75

Offered by Representative Black:
Congratulates Belinda Dalton-Russell on being named a recipient of the Women of Distinction Award presented by the Girl Scouts Green Meadows Council.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 77

Offered by Representative McAuliffe:
Congratulates Mildred Kinzig on celebrating her 100th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 79

Offered by Representative Currie:
Congratulates Cydney Fields on her retirement as Principal of William H. Ray Elementary School in Hyde Park, Illinois.

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bill was taken up, read by title a second time and advanced to the order of Third Reading: HOUSE BILL 3.

HOUSE BILL 4. Having been reproduced, was taken up and read by title a second time.

The following amendment was offered in the Committee on Local Government, adopted and reproduced:

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Amend House Bill 4 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Airport Authorities Act is amended by changing Section 3.1 as follows:
(70 ILCS 5/3.1) (from Ch. 15 1/2, par. 68.3a)

Sec. 3.1. Boards of commissioners - Appointment. The Boards of Commissioners of Authorities shall be appointed as follows:

(1) In case there are one or more municipalities having a population of 5,000 or more within the Authority, the commissioners shall be appointed as follows:

(a) Where there is only one such municipality, 3 commissioners shall be appointed from such municipality, and 2 commissioners shall be appointed at large.

(b) Where there are 2 or more such municipalities, one commissioner shall be appointed from each municipality with a population between 5,000 and 45,000, 2 commissioners shall be appointed from each municipality with a population of more than 45,000, ~~such municipality~~ and 3 commissioners shall be appointed at large; except that when the physical facilities of the airport of the Authority are located wholly within a single county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000 there shall be one commissioner appointed from each municipality within the corporate limits of the Authority having 5,000 or more population and 5 commissioners appointed at large. If the Authority is located wholly within the corporate limits of such municipalities, 2 commissioners shall be appointed from the one of such municipalities having the largest population, and one commissioner shall be appointed from each of the other such municipalities, and 2 commissioners shall be appointed at large.

(c) Commissioners representing the area within an Authority located outside of any municipality having 5,000 or more population and commissioners appointed at large when the authority is wholly contained within a single county shall be appointed by the presiding officer of the county board with the advice and consent of the county board, and when the physical facilities of the airport of the Authority are located wholly within a single county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000 the commissioners appointed at large shall be appointed by the chairman of the county board of such county, and any commissioner representing the area within any such municipality shall be appointed by its mayor or the presiding officer of its governing body. If however the district is located in more than one county other than a county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000, the members of the General Assembly whose legislative districts encompass any portion of the Authority shall appoint the commissioners representing the area within an Authority located outside of any municipality having 5,000 or more population and commissioners at large but any commissioner representing the area within any such municipality shall be appointed by its mayor or the presiding officer of its governing body.

(d) A commissioner representing the area within any such municipality shall reside within its corporate limits. A commissioner appointed at large may reside either within or without any such municipality but must reside within the territory of the authority. Should any commissioner cease to reside within that part of the territory he represents, or should the territory in which he resides cease to be a part of the authority, then his office shall be deemed vacated, and shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the term as hereinafter provided.

(2) In case there are no municipalities having a population of 5,000 or more within such authority located wholly within a single county, such order shall so find, and in such case the Board shall consist of 5 commissioners who shall be appointed at large by the presiding officer of the county board with the advice and consent of the county board. If however the district is located in more than one county, the members of the General Assembly whose legislative districts encompass any portion of the Authority shall appoint the commissioners at large.

(3) Should a municipality which is wholly within an authority attain, or should such a municipality be established, having a population of 5,000 or more after the entry of said order by the circuit court, the presiding officer of such municipality may petition the circuit court for an order finding and determining the population of such municipality and, if it is found and determined upon the hearing of said petition that the population of such municipality is 5,000 or more, the board of commissioners of such authority as previously established shall be increased by one commissioner who shall reside within the corporate limits of such municipality and shall be appointed by its presiding officer. The initial commissioner so appointed shall serve for a term of 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 years, as may be determined by lot, and his successors shall be similarly appointed and shall serve for terms of 5 years. All provisions of this section applicable to commissioners representing municipal areas shall apply to any such commissioner. Each such commissioner shall reside within the authority and shall continue to reside therein.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Board of Commissioners of a Metropolitan Airport Authority shall consist of 9 commissioners.

Seven commissioners shall be residents of the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000

within which the Metropolitan Airport Authority was established. These commissioners shall be appointed by the county board chairman of the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000 within which the Metropolitan Airport Authority was established, with the advice and consent of the county board of that county.

Two commissioners shall be residents of the territory of the Authority located outside the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000. These commissioners shall be appointed jointly by the mayors of the municipalities having a population over 5,000 that are located outside the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000, with the advice and consent of the governing bodies of those municipalities.

The transition from the pre-existing composition of the Metropolitan Airport Authority Board of Commissioners to the composition specified in this amendatory Act of 1991 shall be accomplished as follows:

(A) The appointee who was required to be a resident of the area outside of the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000 may serve until his or her term expires. The replacement shall be one of the 2 appointees who shall be residents of the territory of the Authority located outside the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000.

(B) The other 8 commissioners may serve until their terms expire. Upon the occurrence of the second vacancy among these 8 commissioners after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991, the replacement shall be the second of the 2 appointees who shall be residents of the territory of the Authority located outside of the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000. Upon the expiration of the terms of the other 7 commissioners, the replacements shall be residents of the county with a population between 600,000 and 3,000,000.

(C) All commissioners appointed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991, and their successors, shall be appointed in the manner set forth in this amendatory Act of 1991. (Source: P.A. 94-466, eff. 1-1-06.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law."

There being no further amendments, the foregoing Amendment No. 1 was ordered engrossed; and the bill, as amended, was advanced to the order of Third Reading.

Having been reproduced, the following bill was taken up, read by title a second time and advanced to the order of Third Reading: HOUSE BILL 12.

RECALL

At the request of the principal sponsor, Representative Fritchey, HOUSE BILL 12 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and advanced to the order of Third Reading: HOUSE BILLS 18, 28, 169, 250, 257, 264, 305, 310, 357 and 382.

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

The following bills and any amendments adopted thereto were reproduced and laid upon the Members' desks. These bills have been examined, any amendments thereto engrossed and any errors corrected. Any amendments still pending upon the passage or defeat of a bill on Third Reading are automatically tabled pursuant to Rule 40(a).

On motion of Representative Reitz, HOUSE BILL 201 was taken up and read by title a third time. And the question being, "Shall this bill pass?" it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote: 117, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 2)

This bill, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, was declared passed.

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

On motion of Representative Holbrook, HOUSE BILL 352 was taken up and read by title a third time. And the question being, "Shall this bill pass?" it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote: 117, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 3)

This bill, having received the votes of a constitutional majority of the Members elected, was declared passed.

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

ACTION ON MOTION

Pursuant to the motion submitted previously, Representative McGuire moved to table HOUSE BILL 482.

The motion prevailed.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 74, 75, 77 and 79 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 12:59 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, February 14, 2007, at 12:00 o'clock noon, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

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

February 08, 2007

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

118 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Dugan	P Krause	P Reboletti
P Arroyo	P Dunkin	P Lang	P Reis
P Bassi	P Dunn	P Leitch	P Reitz
P Beaubien	P Durkin	P Lindner	P Riley
P Beiser	P Eddy	P Lyons	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 Ford	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fortner	P McCarthy	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Franks	P McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	P Fritchey	P Mendoza	P Scully
P Bradley, Richard	P Froehlich	P Meyer	P Smith
P Brady	P Golar	P Miller	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Gordon	P Mitchell, Bill	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Graham	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Stephens
P Burke	P Granberg	P Moffitt	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	P Hamos	P Molaro	P Tracy
P Coladipietro	P Hannig	P Mulligan	P Tryon
P Cole	P Harris	P Munson	P Turner
P Collins	P Hassert	P Myers	P Verschoore
P Colvin	P Hernandez	P Nekritz	P Wait
P Coulson	P Hoffman	P Osmond	P Washington
P Crespo	P Holbrook	P Osterman	P Watson
P Cross	P Howard	P Patterson	P Winters
P Cultra	P Jakobsson	P Phelps	P Yarbrough
P Currie	P Jefferies	P Pihos	P Younge
P D'Amico	P Jefferson	P Poe	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	P Joyce	P Pritchard	
P Davis, William	P Kosel	P Ramey	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

STATE OF ILLINOIS
NINETY-FIFTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE ROLL CALL
HOUSE BILL 201
WILDLIFE CD-REMOTE HUNTING
THIRD READING
PASSED

February 08, 2007

117 YEAS

0 NAYS

1 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Dugan	Y Krause	Y Reboletti
Y Arroyo	Y Dunkin	Y Lang	Y Reis
Y Bassi	Y Dunn	Y Leitch	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Durkin	Y Lindner	Y Riley
Y Beiser	Y Eddy	Y Lyons	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Ford	Y McAuliffe	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Fortner	Y McCarthy	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Franks	Y McGuire	Y Schock
Y Bradley, John	Y Fritchey	Y Mendoza	Y Scully
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Froehlich	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Golar	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Gordon	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Graham	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Granberg	Y Moffitt	Y Sullivan
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Hamos	Y Molaro	Y Tracy
Y Coladipietro	Y Hannig	Y Mulligan	Y Tryon
Y Cole	Y Harris	Y Munson	Y Turner
Y Collins	Y Hassert	Y Myers	Y Verschoore
Y Colvin	Y Hernandez	Y Nekritz	Y Wait
Y Coulson	Y Hoffman	Y Osmond	Y Washington
Y Crespo	Y Holbrook	Y Osterman	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Howard	Y Patterson	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Jakobsson	Y Phelps	Y Yarbrough
Y Currie	Y Jefferies	Y Pihos	Y Younge
Y D'Amico	Y Jefferson	Y Poe	P Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Monique	Y Joyce	Y Pritchard	
Y Davis, William	Y Kosel	Y Ramey	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

STATE OF ILLINOIS
NINETY-FIFTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE ROLL CALL
HOUSE BILL 352
IL CREDIT UNION ACT-ELECTIONS
THIRD READING
PASSED

February 08, 2007

117 YEAS

0 NAYS

1 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Dugan	Y Krause	Y Reboletti
Y Arroyo	Y Dunkin	Y Lang	Y Reis
Y Bassi	Y Dunn	Y Leitch	Y Reitz
Y Beaubien	Y Durkin	Y Lindner	Y Riley
Y Beiser	Y Eddy	Y Lyons	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Ford	Y McAuliffe	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Fortner	Y McCarthy	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Franks	Y McGuire	Y Schock
Y Bradley, John	Y Fritchey	Y Mendoza	Y Scully
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Froehlich	Y Meyer	Y Smith
Y Brady	Y Golar	Y Miller	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Gordon	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Graham	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Granberg	Y Moffitt	Y Sullivan
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Hamos	Y Molaro	Y Tracy
Y Coladipietro	Y Hannig	Y Mulligan	Y Tryon
Y Cole	Y Harris	Y Munson	Y Turner
Y Collins	Y Hassert	Y Myers	Y Verschoore
Y Colvin	Y Hernandez	Y Nekritz	Y Wait
Y Coulson	Y Hoffman	Y Osmond	Y Washington
Y Crespo	Y Holbrook	Y Osterman	Y Watson
Y Cross	Y Howard	Y Patterson	Y Winters
Y Cultra	Y Jakobsson	Y Phelps	Y Yarbrough
Y Currie	Y Jefferies	Y Pihos	Y Younge
Y D'Amico	Y Jefferson	Y Poe	P Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Monique	Y Joyce	Y Pritchard	
Y Davis, William	Y Kosel	Y Ramey	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

10TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**Perfunctory Session****THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007**

At the hour of 2:33 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

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 0924. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 0925. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 0926. Introduced by Representatives Moffitt - Smith, AN ACT concerning fire safety.

HOUSE BILL 0927. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 0928. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 0929. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 0930. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0931. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0932. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0933. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0934. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0935. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 0936. Introduced by Representative Black, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 0937. Introduced by Representatives Davis, William - Rita - Miller - McCarthy - Tryon and Burke, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 0938. Introduced by Representative Beaubien, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 0939. Introduced by Representative Arroyo, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 0940. Introduced by Representative Arroyo, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 0941. Introduced by Representative Arroyo, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 0942. Introduced by Representative Arroyo, AN ACT making appropriations.

- HOUSE BILL 0943. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning public safety.
- HOUSE BILL 0944. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 0945. Introduced by Representative Flider, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 0946. Introduced by Representative Flider, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 0947. Introduced by Representative Flider, AN ACT concerning schools.
- HOUSE BILL 0948. Introduced by Representative Jefferies, AN ACT concerning aging.
- HOUSE BILL 0949. Introduced by Representative Jefferies, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 0950. Introduced by Representative Turner, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 0951. Introduced by Representative Turner, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 0952. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 0953. Introduced by Representatives Lang - Saviano - Turner - Flowers - Yarbrough, Graham, Dunkin and McGuire, AN ACT concerning insurance coverage.
- HOUSE BILL 0954. Introduced by Representative Mitchell, Bill, AN ACT concerning veterans.
- HOUSE BILL 0955. Introduced by Representative Black, AN ACT concerning animals.
- HOUSE BILL 0956. Introduced by Representative Bost, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 0957. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 0958. Introduced by Representative Bost, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 0959. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 0960. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 0961. Introduced by Representatives Tryon - Beaubien - Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 0962. Introduced by Representative Tryon, AN ACT concerning vacancies in public office.
- HOUSE BILL 0963. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 0964. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning appropriations.
- HOUSE BILL 0965. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 0966. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 0967. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning sports facilities.
- HOUSE BILL 0968. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 0969. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0970. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0971. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0972. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0973. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0974. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0975. Introduced by Representative Coladipietro, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 0976. Introduced by Representative Leitch, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 0977. Introduced by Representative Fritchey, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 0978. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 0979. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 0980. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning public health.

HOUSE BILL 0981. Introduced by Representative Coulson, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 0982. Introduced by Representative Coulson, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 0983. Introduced by Representative Coulson, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 0984. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 0985. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 0986. Introduced by Representative May , AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 0987. Introduced by Representatives Phelps - Eddy, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 0988. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 0989. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 0990. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 0991. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning coroners.

HOUSE BILL 0992. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning labor.

HOUSE BILL 0993. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 0994. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 0995. Introduced by Representative Sullivan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 0996. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning public accommodations.

HOUSE BILL 0997. Introduced by Representative Bradley, Richard, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 0998. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 0999. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1000. Introduced by Representative Bradley, Richard, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1001. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1002. Introduced by Representative Bradley, Richard, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1003. Introduced by Representative Bradley, Richard, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1004. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 1005. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1006. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1007. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1008. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning taxes.

HOUSE BILL 1009. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1010. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning taxes.

HOUSE BILL 1011. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1012. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning taxes.

HOUSE BILL 1013. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1014. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1015. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1016. Introduced by Representative Graham, AN ACT concerning vehicles.

HOUSE BILL 1017. Introduced by Representative Reitz , AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1018. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning animals.

HOUSE BILL 1019. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning animals.

HOUSE BILL 1020. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning animals.

HOUSE BILL 1021. Introduced by Representatives Howard - Colvin - Miller - Davis, William, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1022. Introduced by Representative Howard, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 1023. Introduced by Representative Poe, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1024. Introduced by Representative Myers, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1025. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1026. Introduced by Representatives Smith - Moffitt, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1027. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1028. Introduced by Representative Hassert, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1029. Introduced by Representative Hassert, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1030. Introduced by Representatives Pihos - Munson, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1031. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1032. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1033. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Nekritz - May, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1034. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1035. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1036. Introduced by Representative Hamos, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1037. Introduced by Representative Hamos, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1038. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1039. Introduced by Representative McGuire, AN ACT making appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 1040. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1041. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1042. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning aging.

HOUSE BILL 1043. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1044. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1045. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1046. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning government.

- HOUSE BILL 1047. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1048. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1049. Introduced by Representative Joyce, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1050. Introduced by Representative Collins, AN ACT concerning courts.
- HOUSE BILL 1051. Introduced by Representative Collins, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1052. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1053. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1054. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1055. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1056. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 1057. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1058. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1059. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1060. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1061. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning health care.
- HOUSE BILL 1062. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1063. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1064. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1065. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 1066. Introduced by Representatives Bassi - Hamos - Coulson, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1067. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1068. Introduced by Representative Colvin, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1069. Introduced by Representative Colvin, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1070. Introduced by Representative Colvin, AN ACT concerning business.
- HOUSE BILL 1071. Introduced by Representatives Nekritz - Saviano, AN ACT concerning property.
- HOUSE BILL 1072. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1073. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1074. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning regulation.

- HOUSE BILL 1075. Introduced by Representative Granberg, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1076. Introduced by Representatives Feigenholtz - Molaro, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1077. Introduced by Representatives Feigenholtz - Miller - Hamos, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1078. Introduced by Representative Arroyo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1079. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1080. Introduced by Representative Fortner, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1081. Introduced by Representative Schock, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1082. Introduced by Representative Schock, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 1083. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 1084. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning business.
- HOUSE BILL 1085. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning tourism.
- HOUSE BILL 1086. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1087. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1088. Introduced by Representative Smith, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1089. Introduced by Representative Smith, AN ACT concerning aging.
- HOUSE BILL 1090. Introduced by Representative Smith, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1091. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1092. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1093. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1094. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1095. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1096. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1097. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1098. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1099. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1100. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning transportation.

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
FIRST READING**

Representative Boland introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 13**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Section 2 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

**ARTICLE IV
THE LEGISLATURE**

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE COMPOSITION

(a) One Senator shall be elected from each Legislative District. Immediately following each decennial redistricting, the General Assembly by law shall divide the Legislative Districts as equally as possible into three groups. Senators from one group shall be elected for terms of four years, four years and two years; Senators from the second group, for terms of four years, two years and four years; and Senators from the third group, for terms of two years, four years and four years. The Legislative Districts in each group shall be distributed substantially equally over the State.

(b) Each Legislative District shall be divided into two Representative Districts. In 1982 and every two years thereafter one Representative shall be elected from each Representative District for a term of two years.

(c) To be eligible to serve as a member of the General Assembly, a person must be a United States citizen, at least 21 years old, and for the two years preceding his election ~~or appointment~~ a resident of the district which he is to represent. In the general election following a redistricting, a candidate for the General Assembly may be elected from any district which contains a part of the district in which he resided at the time of the redistricting and reelected if a resident of the new district he represents for 18 months prior to reelection.

(d) If a vacancy in the office of Senator or Representative occurs 180 or fewer days before the next general election, the vacancy shall be filled at the next general election. If a vacancy in the office of Senator or Representative occurs more than 180 days before the next general election, the vacancy shall be filled at a special election as provided by law. A person elected to fill a vacancy in office shall serve for the remainder of the term. ~~Within thirty days after a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by appointment as provided by law. If the vacancy is in a Senatorial office with more than twenty eight months remaining in the term, the appointed Senator shall serve until the next general election, at which time a Senator shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the term. If the vacancy is in a Representative office or in any other Senatorial office, the appointment shall be for the remainder of the term. An appointee to fill a vacancy shall be a member of the same political party as the person he succeeds.~~

(e) No member of the General Assembly shall receive compensation as a public officer or employee from any other governmental entity for time during which he is in attendance as a member of the General Assembly.

No member of the General Assembly during the term for which he was elected ~~or appointed~~ shall be appointed to a public office which shall have been created or the compensation for which shall have been increased by the General Assembly during that term.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 13 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

Representative Boland introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 14**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article V of the Illinois Constitution by changing Sections 1, 3, 7, and 18 and by repealing Section 17 as follows:

ARTICLE V
THE EXECUTIVE

SECTION 1. OFFICERS

The Executive Branch shall include a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and State Fiscal Officer ~~Comptroller and Treasurer~~ elected by the electors of the State. They shall keep the public records and maintain a residence at the seat of government during their terms of office.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to hold the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, or State Fiscal Officer ~~Comptroller or Treasurer~~, a person must be a United States citizen, at least 25 years old, and a resident of this State for the three years preceding his or her election.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 7. VACANCIES IN OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICES

If the Attorney General, Secretary of State, or State Fiscal Officer ~~Comptroller or Treasurer~~ fails to qualify or if the his office becomes vacant, the Governor shall fill the office by appointment. The appointee shall hold office until the elected officer qualifies or until a successor is elected and qualified as may be provided by law and shall not be subject to removal by the Governor. If the Lieutenant Governor fails to qualify or if the his office becomes vacant, it shall remain vacant until the end of the term.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 17. COMPTROLLER - DUTIES ~~(REPEALED)~~

~~The Comptroller, in accordance with law, shall maintain the State's central fiscal accounts, and order payments into and out of the funds held by the Treasurer.~~

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 18. STATE FISCAL OFFICER ~~TREASURER~~ - DUTIES

The State Fiscal Officer ~~Treasurer~~, in accordance with law, shall (i) maintain the State's central fiscal accounts, and order payments into and out of the funds held by him or her, (ii) be responsible for the safekeeping and investment of monies and securities deposited with him or her, and for their disbursement upon his or her order, and (iii) have the duties and powers that may be prescribed by law ~~of the Comptroller.~~

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. A State Fiscal Officer, but not a Comptroller or Treasurer, shall be elected in 2010 and thereafter. This Constitutional Amendment otherwise applies upon the conclusion of the terms of the Comptroller and the Treasurer elected in 2006.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 14 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 71

Offered by Representative Winters:

WHEREAS, Many Americans adopt children from foreign countries and raise them in the United States; and

WHEREAS, These foreign-born children automatically become United States citizens upon adoption; and

WHEREAS, We tell these children that we live in a free society where men and women have equal rights and equal worth, that they control their own destinies, and that their opportunities are limitless; then these children are denied the ability to seek the highest office in the land, because of the circumstances of their birth; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the United States Congress to support a constitutional amendment to allow foreign-born citizens to run for President of the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and to each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 72

Offered by Representative Turner:

WHEREAS, The mission of the YMCA is to build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities through programs that focus on developing a healthy mind, body, and spirit for all; and

WHEREAS, Our children's health is a concern for the whole community; because parents can be the best role models for their kids, and kids' health habits mirror those of their parents and other adult role models, YMCA Healthy Kids Day is a great time for communities to come together to learn more about healthier lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Among children and teens ages 6 to 19 in the United States, 16 percent (over 9 million) are overweight according to the Centers for Disease Control 1999-2002 data, or triple what the proportion was in 1980, and 29 percent of low-income children between 2 and 5 years of age in Illinois are overweight or at risk of becoming overweight; and

WHEREAS, YMCAs throughout Illinois are dedicated to providing programs and services to over 384,000 youth between the ages of one and seventeen; and

WHEREAS, Community-based responses alleviate the growing epidemic of obesity and physical inactivity, particularly among young people; and

WHEREAS, YMCA Healthy Kids Day is a national event celebrating healthy living and helping kids and families embrace habits that can become a lifelong practice; and

WHEREAS, On April 14, 2007, YMCAs throughout the nation and the State of Illinois will sponsor YMCA Healthy Kids Day to help our youth become more healthy; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we join YMCAs in the State of Illinois, and throughout the nation in the fight against childhood obesity by recognizing April 14, 2007, as YMCA Healthy Kids Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to participating YMCAs in Illinois.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 76

Offered by Representative Osterman:

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that a House Illinois Health Survey Task Force is created for the purpose of studying the feasibility of implementing an Illinois Health Survey (a survey of the health status, access to health services, and other health-related issues of the Illinois population), including, but not limited to: (a) reviewing current Illinois data systems that focus on health, (b) identifying unmet data needs of the House related to health, (c) reviewing cost-effective options for the Illinois Health Survey, (d) considering funding levels and sources, (e) considering surveying methods that would permit county and city-level analysis of health issues, and (f) proposing a pilot project that would allow for the full development of a survey instrument and refining the methodology for performing an Illinois Health Survey; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House Illinois Health Survey Task Force shall consist of 4 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and 4 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives; the members shall be chosen to ensure geographically diverse representation; the membership shall include at least one Representative serving on each of the following committees: the House Human Services Committee, the House Environmental Health Committee, the House Developmental Disability/Mental Illness Committee, the House Health Care Availability and Access Committee, the House Insurance Committee, the House Veterans Affairs Committee, and the House Appropriations Human Services Committee; the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives shall each designate one appointee to serve as co-chair; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House Illinois Health Survey Task Force shall hold at least 2 meetings at which public testimony shall be heard; additional meetings may be scheduled and activities may be added as necessary at the discretion of the co-chairs; the House Illinois Health Survey Task Force may use outside experts to help it staff the Task Force and research the issues, and may consult with the directors (or the representatives) of the Department of Public Health, Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Department of Human Services, Department on Aging, Department of Children and Family Services, Illinois Assistive Technology Project, and Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House Illinois Health Survey Task Force shall submit a written report, addressing issues related to its feasibility, to all members of the General Assembly, the Governor's office, and relevant State agencies no later than January 11, 2008.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 78

Offered by Representative Pritchard:

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan was born on February 6, 1911, in Tampico; he lived in many locations throughout Illinois, including his boyhood home in Dixon; he attended Eureka College in Eureka, graduating in 1932, and is a true son of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election, a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, During Mr. Reagan's presidency he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st century challenges; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" helped lead to the end of the Cold

War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS, February 6, 2007 will be the 96th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth and the third since his passing; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim and recognize February 6, 2007 as "Ronald Reagan Day" and urge all the citizens of Illinois to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent to former First Lady Nancy Reagan and the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14

Offered by Representative Yarbrough:

WHEREAS, Approximately 4,000,000 Africans and their descendants were enslaved in the United States and colonies that became the United States from 1619 to 1865; and

WHEREAS, The institution of slavery was constitutionally and statutorily sanctioned by the Government of the United States from 1789 through 1865; and

WHEREAS, The slavery that flourished in the United States constituted an immoral and inhumane deprivation of Africans' life, liberty, African citizenship rights, and cultural heritage, and denied them the fruits of their own labor; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient inquiry has not been made into the effects of the institution of slavery on living African-Americans and society in the United States; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is established the Commission to Study the Transatlantic Slave Trade and its Past and Present Effects on African-Americans (hereinafter referred to as the Commission); and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission shall perform the following duties:

(1) Examine the institution of slavery which existed within the United States and the colonies that became the United States from 1619 through 1865; the Commission's examination shall include an examination of:

(A) the capture and procurement of Africans;

(B) the transport of Africans to the United States and the colonies that became the United States for the purpose of enslavement, including their treatment during transport;

(C) the sale and acquisition of Africans as chattel property in interstate and intrastate commerce; and

(D) the treatment of African slaves in the colonies and the United States, including the deprivation of their freedom, exploitation of their labor, and destruction of their culture, language, religion, and families;

(2) Examine the extent to which the Federal and State governments of the United States supported the institution of slavery in constitutional and statutory provisions, including the extent to which such governments prevented, opposed, or restricted efforts of freed African slaves to repatriate to their homeland;

(3) Examine Federal and State laws that discriminated against freed African slaves and their descendants during the period between the end of the Civil War and the present;

(4) Examine other forms of discrimination in the public and private sectors against freed African slaves and their descendants during the period between the end of the Civil War and the present;

(5) Examine the lingering negative effects of the institution of slavery and the matters described in paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4) on living African-Americans and on society in the United States;

(6) Recommend appropriate ways to educate the general public of the Commission's findings;

(7) Examine whether African-Americans still suffer from the lingering effects of the matters described in paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4); and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Commission shall include the President of the Senate or his or her designee and the Speaker of the House of Representatives or his or her designee, each serving as co-chairpersons, the Governor or his or her designee, one vice-chairperson appointed by each of the co-chairpersons, and 25 appointed members, with the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives appointing 5 members each; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the appointed members shall be from diverse backgrounds so as to reflect the diverse citizenry of Illinois working together, and that their individual qualifications shall include varying educational, professional, and civic experiences that bring different perspectives and cooperative outlooks to the Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission shall broaden outreach by using established channels, including publicly-supported media and electronic, computer-assisted communication systems, and elicit voluntary assistance from educational, legal, civic, and professional organizations and institutions as well as notable individuals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no later than December 31, 2008, the Commission shall report to the General Assembly, the Governor, and the general public on its activities, accomplishments, and recommendations; and that the Commission shall be dissolved after the filing of this report; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Governor of the State of Illinois.

At the hour of 2:52 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.