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The House met pursuant to notice from the Speaker.
Speaker of the House Madigan in the chair.
Speaker of the House Madigan asked for leave to use the Quorum Roll Call from the Twenty-Second Special Session to convene the Regular Session.
Leave was granted.

REPORTS

The Clerk of the House acknowledges receipt of the following correspondence:

Revised Report of Medicaid Services for Persons who are Mentally Fragile, Technology Dependent, submitted by Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, submitted by State Employee's Retirement System of Illinois.

The Homeless Prevention Program Annual Report, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Financial Statements, submitted by Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority.

Report for State Services Assurance Act, submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report on Illinois' Smoking Cessation Initiative, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Reports on Efforts to Assist other State Agencies in Collecting Debt owed to the State of Illinois, submitted by Department of Revenue.

FY 2007 Medical Expenditures for Services Provided in Prior Fiscal Years; Medical Services for which Claims were Received in Prior Fiscal Years; Other Various Factors and Explanations, submitted by Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Quarterly Report to the Legislature, April 2008, submitted by Department of Corrections.

Annual Report on the Good Samaritan Energy Trust Fund, submitted by Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Annual Report, submitted by Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

Affirmative Action Plan Report, submitted by Department of Transportation.

Notification of Possible Breach of Security, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Notification of Possible Breach of Security, submitted by Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

FY 2009 Economic & Revenue Forecast and Updated FY 2008 Revenue Estimate, submitted by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

Report on the Financial Condition of the State Retirement Systems, submitted by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

Report on Staffing Level of Bi-Lingual Employees, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Monthly Briefing, March 2008, submitted by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

Projects funded under the Safe Routes to School Construction Program, submitted by Department of Transportation.

Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force Annual Report, submitted by Department of Public Health.

Annual Report on the Medical Assistance Program, submitted by Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics Report, submitted by Board of Higher Education.

Annual Report, submitted by Department of Transportation.

Report on the Creation of a Motor Sports Promotion Council, submitted by Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

FY 2009 GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) Report, submitted by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

Quarterly Report, Jan.-Mar. '08, submitted by Office of the Legislative Inspector General.

Annual Flex Time Report, 2007, submitted by Department of Central Management Services.

Institutional Services for Children with Developmental Disabilities, Severe Mental Illnesses and Severe Emotional Disorders First Bi-Annual Report, March 2008, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Independent Living, 2007 Annual Report, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Illinois Child Care Report, FY 2007, submitted by Department of Human Services.

Personal Information Protection Act Report, submitted by Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

Illinois Emergency Food and Shelter Program and Supportive Housing Program Report, submitted by Department of Human Services.

School Districts' Special Education and Expenditures and Receipts Report, submitted by State Board of Education.

Status Report of Pending Projects of a School Building or Related Facility, submitted by Public Building Commission of Chicago.

Report of the Compensation Review Board, 2008, submitted by Compensation Review Board.

The Cook-Witter Report, April 2008, submitted by Cook-Witter, Inc.

Women and Minorities in the Illinois Labor Force, 2008 Progress Report, submitted by Department of Employment Security.

Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council Annual Report, 2007, submitted by Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Annual Report, 2008, submitted by Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Annual Report, 2007, submitted by Legislative Audit Commission.

The Illinois State Comptroller's Quarterly, April 2008, submitted by Office of the Comptroller.

Report on Bilingual Frontline Staff, submitted by Department of Employment Security.

The Cook-Witter Report, May 2008, submitted by Cook-Witter, Inc.

Traditional Budgetary Financial Report, 2007, submitted by Office of the Comptroller.

Report on the Joint Committee for the Constitutional Convention Proposal, submitted by Joint Committee for the Constitutional Convention.

Reorganization Report, submitted by Administrative & Regulatory Shared Services Center.

Reorganization Report, submitted by Public Safety Shared Services Center.

Early Intervention Report, submitted by Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission.

Annual Report, 2008, submitted by Round Lake Area Schools District 116 School Finance Authority.

Business Enterprise Program Annual Report, 2007, submitted by Department of Central Management Services.

Executive Order Number 2 Annual Report, 2007, submitted by Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Bilingual Employees Report, submitted by Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Compliance Examination for Department of Transportation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Transportation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois Housing Development Authority, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for ROE 39, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Carroll, Jo Daviess, & Stephenson Counties ROE 8, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Clinton, Marion, & Washington Counties ROE 13, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Moultrie, & Shelby Counties ROE 11, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Eastern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Eastern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Chicago State University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Clyde L. Choate Mental Health & Development Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Supplemental Digest for Department of Human Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination, Central Office and Department-Wide Financial Audit for Department of Human Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, John J. Madden Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Rushville Treatment & Detention Facility, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Jack Mabley Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Elgin Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, William A. Howe Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Chester Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, William W. Fox Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Warren G. Murray Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Ann M. Kiley Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, H. Douglas Singer Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Elisabeth Ludeman Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Tinley Park Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Shapiro Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Andrew McFarland Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Alton Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Illinois Center for Rehabilitation & Education, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Chicago Read Mental Health Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, Jacksonville Developmental Center, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Agriculture, DuQuoin State Fair, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Agriculture, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Agriculture, Illinois State Fair, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Office of the Secretary of State, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Governor's Office of Management & Budget, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Department of Central Management Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Kankakee River Valley Area Airport Authority, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Madison County ROE 41, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination for Department of Financial & Professional Regulation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund Council, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Northern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois Commerce Commission, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Office of the Governor, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Board of Examiners, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Legislative Reference Bureau, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Revenue, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Revenue, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Special Limited Compliance Examination Testing of State Appropriations to the Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Children and Family Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Children and Family Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination for Chicago Technology Park Corporation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination for Illinois Medical District, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for McHenry County ROE 44, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Will County ROE 56, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Corrections, Correctional Industries, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Employment Security, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois Finance Authority, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Special Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Illinois State Board of Education, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for ROE 12, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for DeKalb County ROE 16, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for ROE 9, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Performance Audit for Department of Healthcare and Family Services' Prompt Payment Act Compliance and Medicaid Payment Process, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois State Board of Investment, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for General Assembly Retirement System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for State Universities Retirement System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for State Employees' Retirement System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Judges' Retirement System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Teachers' Retirement System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois Student Assistance Commission, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Statements for Illinois Student Assistance Commission, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit & Compliance Examination for Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Supreme Court, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Sangamon County ROE 51, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Southern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Supplementary Information for Southern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination for Illinois Grain Insurance Corp., submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Chicago State University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination for Department of Healthcare and Family Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Teacher Health Insurance Fund, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Community College Health Insurance Security Fund, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for South Cook Intermediate Service Center No. 4, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Marshall, Putnam, Woodford Counties ROE 43, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Franklin/Williamson Counties ROE 21, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Hamilton, Jefferson Counties ROE 25, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Board of Higher Education, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Human Services, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Illinois State University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Special Limited Scope Compliance Examination for Illinois High School Association, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Statements and Supplemental Information for Illinois High School Association, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for University of Illinois, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Supplementary Financial Information for University of Illinois, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Jackson, Perry Counties ROE 30, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for ROE 10, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Labor, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for St. Clair County ROE 50, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Court of Claims, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Bond, Fayette, Effingham Counties ROE 3, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Department of Public Health, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audits for Southern Illinois University, Housing and Auxillary Facilities System & Medical Facilities System, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Northern Illinois University Foundation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Report required under 'Government Auditing Standards' for Northern Illinois University Foundation, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Report required under 'Government Auditing Standards' for Northern Illinois University Alumni Association, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Report required under 'Government Auditing Standards' for Northern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Northern Illinois University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Northern Illinois University Alumni Association, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Guardianship and Advocacy Commission, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Prairieland Energy, Inc., submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Compliance Examination for Governors State University, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

Financial Audit for Monroe and Randolph Counties ROE 45, submitted by Office of the Auditor General.

RE-REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

The following bills were re-referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 19(a) HOUSE BILLS 315, 473, 896, 946, 1040, 1496, 1702, 1768, 1842, 2210, 2651, 2748, 2769, 2862, 3733, 3860, 3861, 3865, 3867, 3868, 3869, 3879, 3880, 3881, 3883, 3884, 3887, 3888, 3889, 3890, 3892, 3894, 3896, 3897, 3898, 3899, 3900, 3901, 3907, 3908, 3909, 3911, 3913, 3914, 3915, 3916, 3917, 3918, 3919, 3922, 3923, 3924, 3925, 3926, 3927, 3928, 3929, 3930, 3931, 3932, 3933, 3934, 3935, 3936, 3937, 3938, 3940, 3941, 3943, 3944, 3946, 3947, 3948, 3949, 3950, 3951, 3952, 3953, 3954, 3955, 3956, 3957, 3958, 3959, 3961, 3962, 3963, 3964, 3965, 3966, 3967, 3968, 4179, 4209, 4212, 4249, 4379, 4449, 4461, 4470, 4545, 4549, 4553, 4573, 4605, 4622, 4675, 4694, 4723, 4727, 4778, 4879, 5059, 5075, 5159, 5192, 5251, 5276, 5338, 5494, 5595, 5618, 5653, 5729, 5773, 5776, 5861, 5984, 5985, 5987, 5988, 5989, 5991, 5992, 5993, 5994, 5995, 5996, 5997, 5998, 5999, 6000, 6001, 6002, 6004, 6009, 6010, 6012, 6013, 6015, 6018, 6019, 6024, 6025, 6026, 6027, 6028, 6029, 6031, 6032, 6033, 6034, 6035, 6042, 6057, 6058, 6059, 6060, 6061, 6062, 6063, 6064, 6065, 6066, 6067, 6069, 6070, 6071, 6072, 6073, 6074, 6075, 6076, 6077, 6078, 6079, 6080, 6081, 6082, 6083, 6084, 6085, 6086, 6087, 6088, 6089, 6090, 6091, 6092, 6093, 6094, 6095, 6096, 6097, 6098, 6313, 6334, 6339, 6344, 6345, 6346, 6350, 6351, 6352, 6353, 6354, 6355, 6357, 6359, 6360, 6362, 6363, 6364, 6365, 6366, 6367, 6369, 6370, 6371, 6372, 6373, 6374, 6375, 6379, 6381, 6382, 6383, 6384, 6385, 6386, 6387, 6388, 6389, 6391, 6393, 6395, 6397, 6399, 6401, 6403, 6405, 6407, 6409, 6410, 6411, 6413, 6414, 6416, 6417, 6418, 6419, 6420, 6423, 6425, 6427, 6428, 6430, 6431, 6432, 6435, 6437, 6439, 6440, 6441, 6442, 6443, 6444, 6445, 6447, 6448, 6449, 6451, 6453, 6454, 6457, 6459, 6461, 6463, 6465, 6467, 6469, 6471, 6473, 6475, 6477, 6479, 6481, 6483, 6489, 6490, 6491, 6492, 6493, 6494, 6495, 6496, 6497, 6498, 6499, 6500, 6501, 6502, 6504, 6506, 6508, 6510, 6512, 6514, 6518, 6522, 6525, 6527, 6528, 6529,

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MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Representative Currie submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions in Writing:

MOTION

Pursuant to Rule 65, and having voted on the prevailing side, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 2513 passed in the House on May 31, 2008.

HOME RULE NOTES SUPPLIED

Home Rule Notes have been supplied for HOUSE BILLS 2074, as amended, and 3424, as amended.

STATE MANDATES FISCAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A State Mandates Fiscal Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 3424, as amended.

FISCAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A Fiscal Note has been supplied for SENATE BILL 1987, as amended.

At the hour of 1:32 o'clock p.m., Representative Lang moved that the House do now adjourn until Monday, July 14, 2008, at 12:00 o'clock noon, in perfunctory session.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

278TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Perfunctory Session

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2008

At the hour of 1:38 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1389

Offered by Representative Saviano:

WHEREAS, On October 2, 2009, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) will select the host city for the Games of the XXXI Olympiad, commonly known as the 2016 Summer Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago 2016 Committee, working in cooperation with the United States Olympic Committee, has submitted a bid to host the 2016 Games; and

WHEREAS, On June 4, 2008, the International Olympic Committee placed the Chicago 2016 bid on its short list of four finalist Candidate Cities for the 2016 Games; and

WHEREAS, Although the International Olympic Committee has accepted Chicago's desire to be admitted to the rank of Candidate Cities, the IOC has at the same time called attention to what their permanent staff considers to be room for improvements in Chicago's bid, as measured on a variety of metrics; and

WHEREAS, These metrics include Chicago's highway and public transportation resources, and the city's overall infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, As a result of this showing, on the International Olympic Committee's overall numerical ranking, Chicago, on June 4, 2008, scored below two other cities also chosen as Candidate Cities for the 2016 Games, Madrid and Tokyo; and

WHEREAS, Only twenty-two cities around the world have been chosen to host a Summer Olympic Games, of which only three, Atlanta, Los Angeles, and St. Louis, have been cities located within the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, The United States Olympic Committee, and the separate United States Olympics teams, have entrusted their chance to see the Summer Olympic Games in North America in 2016 to the City of Chicago and the people of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Hosting the 2016 Summer Olympics would allow Chicago to display itself to the world as a multi-ethnic city and a model for the future direction of all of the peaceful people of Earth; the direct economic benefits, indirect economic benefits, and prestige bestowed by the honor of hosting the Games of the XXXI Olympiad are literally incalculable; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the House of Representatives congratulates the Chicago 2016 Committee upon the selection of Chicago as a Candidate City for the Games of the XXXI Olympiad; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois House of Representatives expresses its gratitude to the United States Olympic Committee for its support of Chicago's candidacy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois House of Representatives declares its support for the Chicago 2016 effort and stands ready to take whatever actions seem appropriate to assist that Chicago 2016 Committee as they prepare their Candidature File for the International Olympic Committee, which is due on February 12, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the people of Chicago and the State of Illinois should cooperate on a nonpartisan basis to deploy the resources necessary to meet the requirements requested by the International Olympic Committee and assure the world that these Games of the XXXI Olympiad will be successfully hosted by Chicago; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resource deployment will require the enactment by Illinois of a comprehensive

capital bill, which will provide billions of dollars for essential needs in the areas of roads, public transportation, and airports by fulfilling the promises within the bid application; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this preamble and resolution be presented to Governor Rod Blagojevich, Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, and Patrick G. Ryan, Chairman and CEO of the Chicago 2016 Committee.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1400

Offered by Representative Sullivan:

WHEREAS, Bullying is physical, verbal, sexual, or emotional harm or intimidation directed at a person or group of people; and

WHEREAS, Bullying occurs in neighborhoods, playgrounds, schools, and through technology, such as the Internet; and

WHEREAS, Various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence, affecting millions of American children and adolescents annually; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Illinois children and adolescents are targets of bullying annually; and

WHEREAS, Targets of bullying are more likely to acquire physical, emotional, and learning problems and students who are repeatedly bullied often fear such activities as riding the bus, going to school, and attending community activities; and

WHEREAS, Children who bully are at greater risk of engaging in more serious violent behaviors; and

WHEREAS, A large percentage of children who are bullied believe that adult help is infrequent and ineffective; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the week of October 5-11, 2008 as Illinois Bullying Prevention Awareness Week in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage Illinois schools, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions, and community organizations to engage in a variety of awareness and prevention activities designed to make our communities safer for all children and adolescents.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1405

Offered by Representative Franks:

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel John W. Amberg II entered the United States Army in 1982 and completed basic training at Fort Knox earning the Military Occupational Skill, 19D, Cavalry Scout; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel John Amberg holds a Bachelor's degree in Leadership from the United States Military Academy at West Point and a Master's degree in Business Administration from Eastern New Mexico University; and

WHEREAS, He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College, the Public Affairs Officer's Course, the Combined Arms Services Staff School, the Field Artillery Basic and Advanced Courses, and holds the Airborne Badge; and

WHEREAS, Serving as an Artillery Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg was stationed at Fort Hood (1995) and participated in an operational deployment to Kuwait; he also served as the deputy operations officer for the Artillery Battalion and was deployed to fight forest fires in Idaho and Montana in support of the United States Forest Service; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his assignment at Fort Hood, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg served as a Gunnery Instructor for the Officer Basic Course at the Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg also was deployed to Desert Shield/Desert Storm (1991) from Neu Ulm, Germany as part of the 1st Infantry Division and VII Corps, the largest overseas theater-to-theater deployment in the history of the Army; and

WHEREAS, From 1997 to 2000 Lieutenant Colonel Amberg taught Military Leadership at the Reserve Officer Training Course (ROTC), New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, New Mexico, and assisted the University in commissioning over 150 officers, the second largest commissioning source for United States Army officers, other than West Point; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg attended the Command and General Staff College and then was assigned to the United States Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC), Fort

Leavenworth, Kansas, where he served as the Secretary of the General Staff (SGS), and was responsible for the management of all administrative records for the students and staff for the Deputy Commandant; and

WHEREAS, From January 2003 to March 2003, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg was deployed to Zamboanga City, Republic of the Philippines, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; during the deployment, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg served as the principle PAO for the Joint Special Operation Task Force Philippines as they conducted humanitarian assistance and military training missions; and

WHEREAS, He was the Chief of Public Affairs for the United States Army Japan/9th Theater Support Command at Camp Zama, Japan; Lieutenant Colonel Amberg served as the principle PAO for the 2004 military desertion trial of the former Korean War Army Sergeant Charles Jenkins; Lieutenant Colonel Amberg, serving as the Army spokesperson, assured that the public understood the military trial was merely the United States Army enforcing the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) with one of its own; the case was internationally significant due to the personal interest of Japan's Prime Minister, Jerinichi Koizumi; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg arrived in Chicago in July of 2005 and participated in the Army's Training with Industry Program and has now retired as Midwest Director, United States Army Public Affairs, after serving 26 years in the military; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg played an instrumental role as a liaison between the United States Army and an array of non-profit charitable organizations dedicated to serving both veteran and current members of the United States military in and around the Midwest area, and was vital in providing guidance to these organizations; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg was central to the successful re-launch of the Purple Heart Cruise, a Chicago institution dedicated to serving the veterans of Illinois and America and provided assistance, advice, and council to the leadership of the hosting organization, Kup's Purple Heart Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Amberg will officially retire from the military on September 2008; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate and recognize Lieutenant Colonel John Amberg for his dedication to the citizens of Illinois, for having accomplished all missions tasked to him and his respective units, and for having served this State and the nation honorably for 26 years and that we declare September 30, 2008 as Lieutenant Colonel John Amberg Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Lieutenant Colonel John Amberg as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1428

Offered by Representative Madigan:

WHEREAS, The Illinois Family-Law Study Committee has been established pursuant to House Resolution 1101 of the 95th General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, The composition of the Illinois Family-Law Study Committee should be modified; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Illinois Family-Law Study Committee established pursuant to House Resolution 1101 of the 95th General Assembly shall consist of the following members:

- (1) Five members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be designated by the Speaker to serve as the chairperson of the Committee;
- (2) Five members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives;
- (3) Two members appointed by the Supreme Court of Illinois, one each from (1) an Illinois statewide bar association and (2) a metropolitan bar association; and
- (4) Two members appointed by the Illinois Child Support Advisory Committee, one of whom is (1) its chairperson or designee and (2) a member of a statewide organization whose membership is exclusively comprised of matrimonial lawyers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That House Resolution 1101 of the 95th General Assembly shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 139

Offered by Representative Bill Mitchell:

WHEREAS, Decatur, the county seat and largest city in Macon County, is a metropolitan area with a population of 109,309; and

WHEREAS, The federally operated passenger train service, Amtrak, does not offer service to Decatur or Macon County at this time; and

WHEREAS, The nation is seeing the highest gas prices in history, with a national average price of over \$4 a gallon, prompting leaders to suggest driving less and using less motor fuel; and

WHEREAS, Using train and bus services could greatly reduce the amount of money Illinois citizens spend on motor fuel and would lessen Illinois citizens' and the nation's dependency on foreign oil; and

WHEREAS, Having Amtrak services in Decatur would not only allow its citizens another means of transportation and would save them money, but the services would help stimulate the economy allowing easier and more affordable access into the area; 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 the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to study the feasibility of bringing passenger rail services to Decatur, Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if passenger train service to Decatur is not fully practical at this time, Amtrak ought to contract with a provider of bus transportation services to provide connecting transportation service to and from Decatur to a point that offers passenger train service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the U.S. Transportation Secretary, the Secretary of Transportation, the President of Amtrak, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 140

Offered by Representative Cross:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to honor those who make a substantial impact on the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, In the 1950s, Aurora Mayor Paul Egan was responsible for the relocation of Route 30 from its previous route through downtown Aurora to its current location that passes along or through the entire length of the Village of Montgomery from east to west; and

WHEREAS, The relocation of Route 30 has greatly facilitated transportation and development in the Village of Montgomery, allowing the local economy to flourish; 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 we designate the portion of U.S. Route 30 between Route 47 and Route 34 the Paul Egan Memorial Highway in honor of former Aurora Mayor Paul Egan and his work; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name of the Paul Egan Memorial Highway; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Village of Montgomery Board of Trustees, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation, and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

At the hour of 1:39 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.