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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Lyons in the chair.

Prayer by Pastor Shaun Lewis, who is the Illinois State Director of Capitol Commission.

Representative Ramey 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:

115 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Mulligan, Nybo and Sosnowski were excused from attendance.

## **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

November 26, 2012

Mr. Tim Mapes  
Clerk of the House  
Room 300, State House  
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mapes:

As the duly elected Representative for the Ninety-Seventh ("97th") Representative District for the 97th General Assembly, I am resigning my elected office, effective December 3, 2012 at 11:59 p.m. As the soon-to-be certified Representative-Elect for the One Hundredth ("100th") Representative District in the State of Illinois for the 98th General Assembly, I am declining service in the office, effective December 3, 2012 at 11:59 p.m.

My election as State Representative in previous years and State Representative-Elect to the upcoming 98th General Assembly was an honor, but a recent employment development prohibits me from serving in the State Representative capacity to which I was duly elected. For that reason, please accept this letter as a (1) resignation from my current elected position for the 97th General Assembly and (2) declination to serve notice for my duly elected position as Representative-Elect for the 100th Representative District, both effective December 3, 2012 at 11:59 p.m.

Sincerely,

s/Jim Watson  
Representative, 97th District (97th General Assembly)  
Representative-Elect 100th District (98th General Assembly)

## **LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL**

November 27, 2012

Timothy D. Mapes  
Chief Clerk of the House  
300 State House  
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mapes:

Please be advised that I am extending the Final Action Deadline to January 8, 2013 for the following Senate Bill:

**Senate Bill: 3810**

With kindest personal regards, I remain.

Sincerely yours,

s/Michael J. Madigan  
Speaker of the House

**TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Osmond replaced Representative Nybo in the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges on November 27, 2012.

Representative Kelly Burke replaced Representative Gordon in the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges on November 27, 2012.

Representative Hammond replaced Representative Mulligan in the Committee on Health Care Licenses on November 27, 2012.

Representative Greg Harris replaced Representative Marcus Evans in the Committee on Health Care Licenses on November 27, 2012.

Representative Mautino replaced Representative Dunkin in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on November 27, 2012.

Representative Zalewski replaced Representative Yarbrough in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on November 27, 2012.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:**

Executive: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 3 to SENATE BILL 678.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:  
4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie(D), Chairperson  
Y Lang(D)  
A Mautino(D)

Y Schmitz(R), Republican Spokesperson  
Y Leitch(R)

**MOTIONS  
SUBMITTED**



Representative Osmond submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the Calendar on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

Pursuant to Rule 25, I move to suspend the posting requirements of Rule 21 in relation to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 101.

**HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IMPACT NOTES SUPPLIED**

Housing Affordability Impact Notes have been supplied for HOUSE BILLS 6243 and 6252.

**BALANCED BUDGET NOTE SUPPLIED**

A Balanced Budget Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 6252.

**STATE DEBT IMPACT NOTE SUPPLIED**

A State Debt Impact Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 6240, as amended.

**PENSION NOTE SUPPLIED**

A Pension Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 6252.

**CHANGE OF SPONSORSHIP**

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Gordon was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative D'Amico became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 3237.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Bradley was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Rita became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 678.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Williams was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Currie became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 3498.

**AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1193**

Offered by Representative Biss:

Encourages tolerance and the prevention of future violence by promoting education about diverse cultures and religions. Shows gratitude to the first responders, congregants, and the local community in Wisconsin who helped to save lives and prevent even greater losses after the devastating act of violence that occurred at the Sikh Temple of Wisconsin on August 5, 2012.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1207**

Offered by Representative Kelly Burke:

Honors Sister Ellen Marie Ryan for her accomplishments during her career and for the scholarship created in her name.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1208

Offered by Representative Daniel Burke:  
Recognizes the life of James J. Shields.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1209

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Congratulates Stella Foster on her being presented the 2012 Circle of Friends Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1210

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Congratulates Valerie J. Van Meter on being awarded the 2012 Circle of Friends Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1211

Offered by Representative Nybo:  
Mourns the death of William "Bill" J. Mueller of Lombard.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1212

Offered by Representative Cross:  
Congratulates our friend and colleague, Illinois Representative Patti Bellock, on the occasion of receiving the distinguished 2012 Legislator of the Year Award from the American Legislative Exchange Council.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1213

Offered by Representative Cole:  
Mourns the death of Wayne E. Van Dyke of Gurnee.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1214

Offered by Representative Riley:  
Congratulates Jeff Chudwin on the occasion of his retirement as the Chief of Police for the Village of Olympia Fields.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1215

Offered by Representative Senger:  
Congratulates Peggy Frank on the occasion of her retirement as President and CEO of the Naperville Heritage Society and Naper Settlement and thanks her for her 33 years of service to the organization.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1216

Offered by Representative William Davis:

Honors the members of the National Black Agenda Convention for their work in addressing issues that affect the Black community in the United States and welcomes the members of the convention's committees and their guests to the State of Illinois.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1217

Offered by Representative Connelly:  
Congratulates Peggy Frank on her retirement.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1219

Offered by Representative Kelly Burke:  
Congratulates the Evergreen Park Athletic Association Senior League Baseball Team on winning the State championship.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1220

Offered by Representative Cross:  
Congratulates Joseph Berenyi on his success at the 2012 Paralympic games.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1221

Offered by Representative Zalewski:  
Mourns the death of Barbara J. Terzich.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1222

Offered by Representative Barickman:  
Congratulates Dr. Katherine Austman on receiving the 2012 Rural Physician of Excellence Award.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1223

Offered by Representative Jackson:  
Congratulates James Rivers Thompson on the occasion of becoming the first Labor Man of the Year Award recipient in the East St. Louis Federation of Teachers Local 1220 IFT/AFT AFL-CIO's history.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1224

Offered by Representative Halbrook:  
Congratulates Dr. Reid Sutton on receiving the "2012 Rural Physician of Excellence Award" from the Illinois Rural Health Association.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1226

Offered by Representative Watson:  
Congratulates Judy Yokem and Jeremy Smith on the occasion of receiving the Lifesaver Award from the Missouri Department of Corrections.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1227

Offered by Representative Walsh:

Congratulates Ron Schweizer on the occasion of his retirement as President of the Elwood Fire Protection District Board and thanks him for his 52 years of service with the Elwood Fire Protection District.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1228

Offered by Representative Paul Evans:

Mourns the death of Senior Airman Bradley R. Smith of Troy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1229

Offered by Representative Paul Evans:

Congratulates the City of Highland on the occasion of their 175th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1230

Offered by Representative Paul Evans:

Congratulates Senior Master Sergeant Rebecca Gable for receiving the "2012 Most Innovative Blood Drive Coordinator Award" from the Illinois Coalition of Community Blood Centers.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1231

Offered by Representative Crespo:

Congratulates the employees of the Hanover Township Senior Center on the occasion of the center being recognized as a Nationally Accredited Senior Center by the National Institute of Senior Centers.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1232

Offered by Representative Crespo:

Congratulates Helen Knight on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1233

Offered by Representative Reis:

Congratulates Dr. H. Timothy Garrett for receiving the "2012 Rural Physician of Excellence Award".

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1235

Offered by Representative Rita:

Congratulates Mayor Joseph Dupar on the celebration of his retirement and honors the years of dedicated service to the Village of Calumet Park.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1236

Offered by Representative Coladipietro:

Honors William Niro on his induction into the Arena Football League Hall of Fame in 2012.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1237

Offered by Representative Madigan:  
Mourns the death of William J. "Bill" O'Connell Jr. of Peoria.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1239

Offered by Representative Jackson:  
Congratulates Dawn Harper on the occasion of winning a silver medal in the 100-meter hurdles event at the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1240

Offered by Representative William Davis:  
Congratulates Carl L. White, Jr. on the occasion of his 34th pastoral anniversary.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1242

Offered by Representative Tracy:  
Congratulates James E. Mentesti on his retirement.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1243

Offered by Representative Ford:  
Congratulates Dorolyn Academy of Music on the occasion of its 30th anniversary.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1244

Offered by Representative Mathias:  
Recognizes Carmen Molinaro of Algonquin for his work as Director of Golf for the Village of Buffalo Grove.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1245

Offered by Representative Reis:  
Congratulates the Jasper County Junior High School Boys Baseball team on winning the IESA 2A state championship.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1246

Offered by Representative Jones:  
Honors Dr. Carl E. King, Sr. on the occasion of his 25 years of dedicated service as Pastor at Christ Community Church.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1249

Offered by Representative Durkin:

Congratulates St. John of the Cross Parish School on being named a Blue Ribbon School.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1250

Offered by Representative Lilly:  
Mourns the death of James Earl Rencher.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1251

Offered by Representative Gordon:  
Mourns the passing of Dana J. Davis of Peoria.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1252

Offered by Representative Brady:  
Honors Tim Glover on his athletic career at Illinois State University.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1253

Offered by Representative Feigenholtz:  
Honors Peter O'Brien for the great work he has done in his community and congratulates him for winning the Victor Award from Neumann Family Services.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1254

Offered by Representative Monique Davis:  
Congratulates Rev. Oscar Walden, Jr. on the celebration of the opening of The Oscar Walden, Jr. Exhibit on Wrongful Convictions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1255

Offered by Representative Reboletti:  
Congratulates Judy Socha for receiving the 2012 Most Dedicated Blood Drive Coordinator of the Year Award from the Illinois Coalition of Community Blood Centers.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1256

Offered by Representative Cavaletto:  
Congratulates the congregation of Salem First Baptist Church on the occasion of the church's 175th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1257

Offered by Representative DeLuca:  
Recognizes Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity on their 23rd Annual Black & Gold Scholarship Ball.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1258

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Laurel Hill School on the occasion of its 50th anniversary celebration.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1260

Offered by Representative Morthland:  
Recognizes Dan Osterman on 40 years of sharing the YMCA message.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1261

Offered by Representative Morthland:  
Recognizes the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce on being named Small Hispanic Chamber of the Year.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1262

Offered by Representative Morthland:  
Congratulates the Quad Cities MetroLink on being selected 2012 Outstanding Public Transportation System.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1263

Offered by Representative Lilly:  
Congratulates Galewood Community Church United Church of Christ on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1264

Offered by Representative Cross:  
Congratulates Jean A. Kenol for being named the Joliet Area Young Professionals 2012 Young Professional of the Year.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1265

Offered by Representative Bellock:  
Congratulates Josiah Williams on being chosen as a member of the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1266

Offered by Representative Rita:  
Honors W. "Bill" Williams, Jr. on his life's achievements.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1267

Offered by Representative Rose:  
Mourns the death of Robert D. Reese of Tuscola.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1268

Offered by Representative Farnham:  
Honors Congregation Kneseth Israel on the occasion of its 120th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1269

Offered by Representative Senger:  
Mourns the death of Arthur P. "Art" Davis of Naperville.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1270

Offered by Representative Senger:  
Congratulates Fry Elementary on being named a Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1271

Offered by Representative Senger:  
Congratulates White Eagle Elementary on being named a Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1272

Offered by Representative Daniel Burke:  
Honors the Vietnam Veterans taking place in the Honor Flight.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1273

Offered by Representative Mayfield:  
Congratulates Edna Mae Smith on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1274

Offered by Representative Feigenholtz:  
Congratulates the members of the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus on the occasion of the group's 30th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1275

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Elisa Galvan on receiving Harper College's Motorola Solutions Foundation Award for Excellence Scholarship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1276

Offered by Representative Tryon:  
Congratulates Helen Schultz of East Dundee on the occasion of her 100th birthday.



## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1277

Offered by Representative William Davis:  
Congratulates the congregation of Resurrection House Baptist Church on the occasion of the dedication of the church's new building.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1278

Offered by Representative Tryon:  
Congratulates Jim Saletta on his retirement as Chief from the Huntley Fire Protection District.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1280

Offered by Representative Cavaletto:  
Congratulates the Belleville Diocese on their 125th anniversary.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1281

Offered by Representative Riley:  
Mourns the death of Ralph DeWitt.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1282

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:  
Mourns the passing of Marie Perez of Aurora.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1283

Offered by Representative Beiser:  
Mourns the death of Little Pony Eagle of Godfrey.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1284

Offered by Representative Bradley:  
Congratulates Dr. Penelope Tippy for receiving the 2012 Rural Physician of Excellence Award from the Illinois Rural Health Association.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1285

Offered by Representative Walsh:  
Congratulates Bette Reed on her retirement from Cornerstone Services, Inc.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1286

Offered by Representative Cunningham:  
Mourns the death of Chicago Fire Department Captain Herbert "Herbie" Johnson.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1287

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Mourns the death of Jean Joseph Salomon.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1288

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Mourns the death of Geraldine Mardis of Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1289

Offered by Representative Golar:  
Congratulates Sister Elizabeth on her retirement from St. Bernard Hospital and Health Care Center.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1290

Offered by Representative Durkin:  
Congratulates Gower Middle School on being named a Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1291

Offered by Representative Durkin:  
Congratulates Dr. Ken Nelson on being named the 2012 Illinois Family Physician of the Year.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1292

Offered by Representative Currie:  
Mourns the death of Ruth Geyer Lerner.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1294

Offered by Representative D'Amico:  
Congratulates Ed and Mary Morley for winning the Christifideles Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1295

Offered by Representative Coladipietro:  
Congratulates Maureen Bell on the occasion of winning the 2012 Joseph G. Salerno Business Person of the Year award from the Roselle Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1296

Offered by Representative Connelly:  
Congratulates the Benet Girls Volleyball team on repeating as Class 4A champions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1297

Offered by Representative Connelly:

Congratulates the members of the Wheaton St. Francis Spartans girls volleyball team on the occasion of their victory in the IHSA Class 3A state championship.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1298

Offered by Representative Connelly:

Congratulates the members of the Naperville North High School Huskies girls cross country team on the occasion of winning the IHSA Class 3A State championship.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1299

Offered by Representative Paul Evans:

Congratulates Dr. Philip Siefken for receiving the 2012 Rural Physician of Excellence Award.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1301

Offered by Representative Brown:

Congratulates the members of the St. Teresa girls cross country team on winning the Class 1A State championship in Peoria on November 5, 2012.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1302

Offered by Representative Rose:

Mourns the death of Thomas E. Harrington Sr.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1303

Offered by Representative Rose:

Mourns the death of John Shonkwiler of Monticello.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1304

Offered by Representative Rose:

Honors Ryan Pearce for his many accomplishments in sports.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1306

Offered by Representative Currie:

Honors Rep. Karen Yarbrough on her time as an Illinois State Representative.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 99

Offered by Representative Tracy:

Congratulates James E. Mentesti on his retirement.

### **SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS**

Pursuant to Rule 25, Representative Osmond moved to suspend the posting requirements of Rule 21 in relation to House Joint Resolution 101 to be heard in Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges Committee.

The motion prevailed.

#### **AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 1193, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1219, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1226, 1227, 1229, 1230, 1231, 1232, 1233, 1235, 1236, 1237, 1239, 1240, 1242, 1243, 1244, 1245, 1246, 1249, 1250, 1251, 1252, 1253, 1254, 1255, 1256, 1257, 1258, 1260, 1261, 1262, 1263, 1264, 1265, 1266, 1267, 1268, 1269, 1270, 1271, 1272, 1273, 1274, 1275, 1276, 1277, 1278, 1280, 1281, 1282, 1283, 1284, 1285, 1286, 1287, 1288, 1289, 1290, 1291, 1292, 1294, 1295, 1296, 1297, 1298, 1299, 1302, 1303, 1304 and 1306; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 99 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.  
The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1301 was taken up for consideration.  
Representative Brown moved the adoption of the agreed resolution.  
The motion prevailed and the agreed resolution was adopted.

#### **SENATE BILL ON SECOND READING**

SENATE BILL 3212. Having been reproduced, was taken up and read by title a second time.  
Amendment No. 1 was offered in the Committee on Revenue & Finance, adopted and reproduced.  
There being no further amendment(s), the bill, as amended, was advanced to the order of Third Reading.

#### **ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 104**

Representative Currie offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the House adjourns on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 and the Senate adjourns on Thursday, November 29, 2012, the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 12:00 o'clock noon, or until the call of the Speaker; and the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 12:00 o'clock noon, or until the call of the President.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 104 was taken up for consideration.  
Representative Currie moved the adoption of the resolution.  
The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.  
Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

At the hour of 12:39 o'clock p.m., Representative Lang moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, November 28, 2012, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.  
The motion prevailed.  
And the House stood adjourned.

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

November 27, 2012

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

115 PRESENT

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| P Acevedo        | P DeLuca        | P Krezwick        | P Riley       |
| P Arroyo         | P du Buclet     | P Lang            | P Rita        |
| P Barickman      | P Dugan         | P Leitch          | P Rose        |
| P Beiser         | P Dunkin        | P Lilly           | P Rosenthal   |
| P Bellock        | P Durkin        | P Lyons           | P Roth        |
| P Berrios        | P Evans, Marcus | P Mathias         | P Sacia       |
| P Biss           | P Evans, Paul   | P Mautino         | P Saviano     |
| P Bost           | P Farnham       | P May             | P Schmitz     |
| P Bradley        | P Feigenholtz   | P Mayfield        | P Senger      |
| P Brady          | P Flowers       | P McAsey          | P Sente       |
| P Brauer         | P Ford          | P McAuliffe       | P Sims        |
| P Brown          | P Fortner       | P Mell            | P Sommer      |
| P Burke, Daniel  | P Franks        | P Mitchell, Bill  | E Sosnowski   |
| P Burke, Kelly   | P Gabel         | P Mitchell, Jerry | P Soto        |
| P Cabello        | P Gaffney       | P Moffitt         | P Sullivan    |
| P Carli          | P Golar         | P Morrison        | P Thapedi     |
| P Cassidy        | P Gordon        | P Morthland       | P Tracy       |
| P Cavaletto      | P Halbrook      | E Mulligan        | P Tryon       |
| P Chapa LaVia    | P Hammond       | P Mussman         | P Turner      |
| P Coladipietro   | P Harris, David | P Nekritz         | P Unes        |
| P Cole           | P Harris, Greg  | E Nybo            | P Verschoore  |
| P Connelly       | P Hatcher       | P Osmond          | P Walsh       |
| P Costello       | P Hays          | P Penny           | P Watson      |
| P Crespo         | P Hernandez     | P Phelps          | P Williams    |
| P Cross          | P Jackson       | P Pihos           | P Winters     |
| P Cunningham     | P Jakobsson     | P Poe             | P Yarbrough   |
| P Currie         | P Jefferson     | P Pritchard       | P Zalewski    |
| P D'Amico        | P Jones         | P Ramey           | P Mr. Speaker |
| P Davis, Monique | P Kay           | P Reboletti       |               |
| P Davis, William | P Kosel         | P Reis            |               |

E - Denotes Excused Absence

**157TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

**Perfunctory Session**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012**

At the hour of 4:21 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Representative Beiser, Chairperson, from the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 101.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 101 is as follows:

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

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| Y Beiser(D), Chairperson             | Y Burke, K.(D) (replacing Gordon) |
| Y Brauer(R), Republican Spokesperson | A Bradley(D)                      |
| A D'Amico(D)                         | A Jones(D)                        |
| Y Kay(R)                             | A Lilly(D)                        |
| A Lyons(D)                           | A McAuliffe(R)                    |
| Y Nekritz(D)                         | Y Osmond(R) (replacing Nybo)      |
| Y Poe(R)                             | Y Sommer(R)                       |
| A Sosnowski(R)                       |                                   |

Representative Zalewski, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Licenses to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 2580.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 2580 is as follows:

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

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| Y Zalewski(D), Chairperson            | Y Verschoore(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| A Saviano(R), Republican Spokesperson | A Burke, Kelly(D)                 |
| Y Harris,G.(D) (replacing Evans, M.)  | A Kosel(R)                        |
| A McAuliffe(R)                        | Y Hammond(R) (replacing Mulligan) |
| Y Phelps(D)                           |                                   |

Representative Franks, Chairperson, from the Committee on State Government Administration to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported “recommends be adopted”:  
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 551.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 551 is as follows:

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

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| Y Franks(D), Chairperson            | Y Dugan(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| Y Ramey(R), Republican Spokesperson | A Acevedo(D)                 |
| Y Barickman(R)                      | Y Brown(R)                   |
| A Davis, Monique(D)                 | Y Dunkin(D)                  |
| A Farnham(D)                        | A Harris, David(R)           |
| Y Hays(R)                           | Y Mathias(R)                 |
| Y McAsey(D)                         | Y Moffitt(R)                 |
| Y Mussman(D)                        | Y Pritchard(R)               |
| Y Sente(D)                          |                              |

Representative Rita, Chairperson, from the Committee on Business & Occupational Licenses to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 3237.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 3237 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Rita(D), Chairperson             | Y Lilly(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| Y Cole(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Burke, Daniel(D)           |
| Y Coladipietro(R)                  | Y Connelly(R)                |
| Y DeLuca(D)                        | Y McAuliffe(R)               |
| A Saviano(R)                       | Y Williams(D)                |
| Y Zalewski(D)                      |                              |

Representative Zalewski, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported “recommends be adopted”:  
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 3338.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3338 is as follows:  
5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Zalewski(D), Chairperson          | Y D'Amico(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| A Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Jakobsson(D)                 |
| Y Mell(D)                           | A Reis(R)                      |
| Y Sacia(R)                          |                                |

Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson, from the Committee on Executive to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 547, 678, 2915, 3233 and 3430.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 547, 678, 2915, 3233 and 3430 is as follows:  
11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Burke, Daniel(D), Chairperson     | Y Lyons(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| Y Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Acevedo(D)                 |
| Y Arroyo(D)                         | Y Berrios(D)                 |
| Y Bost(R)                           | Y Jackson(D)                 |
| Y Rita(D)                           | Y Sullivan(R)                |

Y Tryon(R)

Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported “recommends be adopted”:

Amendment No. 3 and 4 to HOUSE BILL 603.

That the Motion be reported “recommends be adopted” and placed on the House Calendar:

Motion to concur with Senate Amendments numbered 1 and 2 to HOUSE BILL 5825.

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and be placed on the House Calendar:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 102.

The committee roll call vote on Amendments numbered 3 and 4 to House Bill 603 and Motion to Concur with Senate Amendments numbered 1 and 2 to House Bill 5825 is as follows:

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

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| Y Chapa LaVia(D), Chairperson                 | Y Crespo(D), Vice-Chairperson       |
| Y Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Cavaletto(R)                      |
| Y Davis, Monique(D)                           | Y Dugan(D)                          |
| Y Mautino(D) (replacing Dunkin)               | Y Farnham(D)                        |
| Y Golar(D)                                    | Y Gordon(D)                         |
| Y Lilly(D)                                    | Y Mayfield(D)                       |
| A Mitchell, Bill(R)                           | Y Moffitt(R)                        |
| A Morrison(R)                                 | Y Pihos(R)                          |
| A Pritchard(R)                                | A Reis(R)                           |
| Y Roth(R)                                     | Y Senger(R)                         |
| A Sosnowski(R)                                | Y Zalewski(D) (replacing Yarbrough) |

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 102 is as follows:

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

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| Y Chapa LaVia(D), Chairperson                 | Y Crespo(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| A Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson | A Cavaletto(R)                |
| P Davis, Monique(D)                           | Y Dugan(D)                    |
| Y Mautino(D) (replacing Dunkin)               | Y Farnham(D)                  |
| Y Golar(D)                                    | Y Gordon(D)                   |
| Y Lilly(D)                                    | Y Mayfield(D)                 |
| A Mitchell, Bill(R)                           | Y Moffitt(R)                  |
| A Morrison(R)                                 | Y Pihos(R)                    |
| A Pritchard(R)                                | A Reis(R)                     |
| Y Roth(R)                                     | A Senger(R)                   |
| A Sosnowski(R)                                | Y Yarbrough(D)                |

Representative Bradley, Chairperson, from the Committee on Revenue & Finance to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported “recommends be adopted”:

Amendment No. 3 to SENATE BILL 3245.

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted as amended” and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 45.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 3245 and House Joint Resolution 45 is as follows:

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



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| Y Bradley(D), Chairperson                   | Y Turner(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| Y Harris, David(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Cole(R)                     |
| Y Currie(D)                                 | Y Gaffney(R)                  |
| Y Mautino(D)                                | Y Sullivan(R)                 |
| Y Zalewski(D)                               |                               |

### SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILLS 547, 678, 2580, 2915, 3212, 3233, 3237 and 3430.

### HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1218

Offered by Representative Morthland:

WHEREAS, In 1996 President Bill Clinton signed bipartisan welfare reforms which sought to reduce welfare dependence by encouraging welfare recipients to move from welfare to work; and

WHEREAS, The 1996 reform created the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program which made promoting work a central focus of each state's efforts to assist low-income parents in achieving self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, The 1996 reform resulted in a reduction in child poverty, a reduction in welfare dependency, and an increase in the employment and earnings of single mothers; and

WHEREAS, On July 12, 2012 the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services announced that it is willing to waive federal work requirements for recipients of aid under the TANF program; and

WHEREAS, The decision to offer states waiver opportunities was made without any prior Obama Administration legislative proposal or consultation with Congress; and

WHEREAS, Legislation has been introduced in Congress to repeal the actions by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and to make it clear that states do not have the authority to seek, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services does not have the authority to grant, waivers of work requirements under the TANF program; and

WHEREAS, Illinois law requires the Department of Human Services to advise every applicant for and recipient of aid under the TANF program of the requirement that all recipients move toward self-sufficiency and the value and benefits of employment; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Administrative Code establishes specific work requirements for TANF recipients; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we oppose any efforts to weaken the TANF work requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Governor and the Secretary of the Department of Human Services to not seek a waiver of the TANF work requirements from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor and the Secretary of the Department of Human Services.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1225

Offered by Representative Cross:

WHEREAS, The Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS), as the Single State Medicaid Agency required by federal law, currently oversees the Illinois Medicaid program; and

WHEREAS, Enrollment in the Illinois Medicaid program has increased 60% during the past 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Illinois' Medicaid liability, growing far faster than the rest of the Illinois budget, has nearly doubled in the past 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Given the current fiscal climate, it is absolutely critical that scarce State dollars be invested as wisely as possible so as to produce optimal health outcomes for Illinois citizens; and

WHEREAS, The State Auditor General has cited numerous irregularities with the State's enrollment process, including a significant number of chronically late redeterminations; and

WHEREAS, The Legislative Medicaid Advisory Committee, through consensus, concluded the need for a vendor to assist HFS with ensuring accurate Medicaid eligibility; and

WHEREAS, The Legislative Medicaid Advisory Committee estimated annual cost savings of \$350 million associated with establishing accurate eligibility measures and standards; and

WHEREAS, The Save Medicaid Access and Resources Together (SMART) Act, Public Act 97-689, requires the Chief Procurement Officer for General Services working in conjunction with HFS to procure an eligibility verification vendor no later than 60 days following the effective date of the Act, and further, upon selection of said vendor, to enter into a contract within 30 days; and

WHEREAS, Any delay in fully implementing the eligibility redeterminations will serve to limit the cost savings associated with this crucial reform; and

WHEREAS, The current implementation plan advanced by HFS proposes a full implementation date of January 1, 2013 for eligibility redeterminations; and

WHEREAS, The implementation of all the reforms contained in the SMART Act is essential for the cost savings associated with the SMART Act to be realized; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to ensure that the eligibility redeterminations process required by the SMART Act be fully operational no later than October 1, 2012; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we request the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to provide a monthly briefing to the members of the Legislative Medicaid Advisory Committee regarding the implementation status of all the SMART Act reforms and for information provided to the Committee to also be posted online by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in a manner accessible to the general public; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Governor and the Director of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1238

Offered by Representative Watson:

WHEREAS, Since September 11, 2001, 2,700,000 people have served in the military, and their unemployment rate has constantly been higher than non-veterans; and

WHEREAS, Young veterans and women veterans often suffer even higher rates of unemployment; and

WHEREAS, Over 1,000,000 more Iraq and Afghanistan-era veterans are expected to return to civilian life in the next 5 years; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Employment Security provides Illinois Job Link, a no-cost, self-service job matching system for job seekers and employers; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Veterans' Affairs offers other assistance to veterans through the VETS program, which includes assistance from local veteran employment representatives, workshops on job hunting, resume writing, and interviewing techniques, and federal contractors' job listings; and

WHEREAS, Illinois agencies and departments should continue to do everything in their power to help those who served our nation find employment; and

WHEREAS, The Internet provides a tool for veterans to locate services and information on available

jobs; and

WHEREAS, An easily searchable web site that matches individualized job listings with individualized skill sets possessed by available veterans would help assist veterans in finding full-time employment; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Department of Employment Security and the Department of Veterans' Affairs to create a veterans' jobs Internet web site, easily accessible to veterans, offering job openings that match their skills to prospective employers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Director of Veterans' Affairs and the Director of Employment Security.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1241

Offered by Representative Gordon:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognize that gang violence is a growing global epidemic that affects people of every age, race, culture, gender and financial background; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois and the Rusty Keeble Foundation are working to help achieve a gang-free America through the GANGFREE Illinois campaign; GANGFREE Illinois provides assistance and support for evidence-based prevention and intervention programs, public forums for community discussions, professional development training, effective enforcement, and intelligence sharing in order to combat gang violence in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, During the month of November, communities and criminal justice professionals of all disciplines throughout the State, in conjunction with various State agencies and the Rusty Keeble Foundation's GANGFREE Project, will take a stand against gangs and the threat they pose to public safety; and

WHEREAS, This year's GANGFREE Month will promote the benefits of prevention, intervention, and enforcement within our communities, schools, jails, and prisons; this observance will educate citizens on gang violence and how it can be eradicated through a joint effort of a committed community; and

WHEREAS, The members of this body call upon young people and all citizens in the State of Illinois and elsewhere to recognize and unite against the proliferation of gangs and gang violence within our communities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate November of 2012 as GANGFREE Illinois Month and call upon the citizens of this State to take a stand against the proliferation of gangs and gang violence by becoming active in their communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we pledge our support to those law enforcement officials, volunteers, teachers, health care professionals, and others who work to help our children avoid gangs and gang violence and urge the citizens of this State to support these individuals as well; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Rusty Keeble Foundation as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1247

Offered by Representative Cavaletto:

WHEREAS, Governor Quinn has announced his intention to transition care from State-Operated Developmental Centers and, as part of that initiative, proposed the closure of the Jacksonville Developmental Center and the Warren G. Murray Developmental Center; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Human Services (DHS) has entered into financial agreements with Community Resource Associates (CRA) to assist the Department in the transition process; and

WHEREAS, The community services agreement between DHS and CRA authorizes payments of up to

\$1,350,000 to the vendor for the development of a clinical transition plan, as well as the performance of resident assessments costing \$5,300 per resident; and

WHEREAS, The assessment of residents to facilitate community transitions has been a function historically performed by facility staff as an ongoing process requiring substantial interaction with the client, medical providers, and family members; and

WHEREAS, Concerns have been raised that current client reviews performed by CRA include only a minimal amount of observation and interaction with clients prior to individual transition plans being determined; and

WHEREAS, Concerns have also been raised that assessments of clients have been hindered because families of clients currently residing at the Jacksonville and Murray Developmental Centers have voiced support for the continuation of the current care provided and have declined to give permission to new, out-of-state review teams brought in by CRA to be involved in the transition of their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Adequate accountability and oversight of the assessment process is key to ensuring the safety of and proper care for residents currently being considered for community placements; and

WHEREAS, The use of a competitively bid procurement utilizing the State procurement process provides safeguards to ensure the efficient expenditure of State funds; and

WHEREAS, The current community services agreement between DHS and CRA expires on October 31, 2012, and a full review of the services provided under the existing grant should be provided prior to an extension of the grant being considered; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct an audit of the DHS grant to CRA; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the audit shall address, but need not be limited to addressing:

- (1) whether CRA has provided the deliverables required under the grant agreement with DHS;
- (2) whether the other requirements of the grant are being met;
- (3) whether DHS has assessed the performance of CRA in meeting the grant requirements;
- (4) whether prior business relationships have existed between the principals of CRA and staff within the Governor's office and DHS;
- (5) whether the principals of CRA have any business interests in the community group homes to which affected residents are being transferred; and
- (6) whether the prerequisites for competitive bid procurement had been triggered, thus making it inappropriate for DHS to award a grant in order to secure the services provided by CRA; and be it further

RESOLVED, That DHS and any other entity having relevant information to this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's Office in the conduct of this audit; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1248

Offered by Representative Greg Harris:

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Corrections (Department) has approximately 47,000 inmates at its 27 correctional centers; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services awarded a 10-year, \$1.36 billion contract to Wexford Health Sources, Inc. (Vendor) to "provide comprehensive medical and mental health services to offenders [in the custody of the Department]... in order to maintain their health status, establish innovative and cost effective medical and administrative programs, improve the quality of care, provide acceptable, cost effective levels of staffing, [and] positively impact purchasing of pharmaceutical and/or medical supplies"; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the solicitation for the contract awarded to the Vendor, the Vendor is required to provide services at targeted performance levels (including compliance with staffing schedules, administrative directives, and treatment protocols) with any failure to meet the target levels of performance

subjecting the Vendor to payment adjustments; and

WHEREAS, Also pursuant to the solicitation, the Department is required to "[c]onduct audits to confirm the validity of the performance guarantee results reported and enforce penalties as appropriate"; and

WHEREAS, The Department has indicated that it would "contract with a vendor outside the comprehensive medical contract to audit activities of the comprehensive medical provider"; and

WHEREAS, The Vendor is required to submit monthly utilization reports detailing inpatient hospitalization referrals, outpatient referrals, emergency services referrals, primary healthcare services utilization data, and pharmaceutical usage; and

WHEREAS, At the time the solicitation was issued, the Department was pursuing accreditation from the American Correctional Association for its facilities and projected that the accreditation would occur within 3 years; and

WHEREAS, At the time the solicitation was issued, the Department identified approximately 250 pending inmate healthcare lawsuits in which the State, its employees, or agents were named parties; and

WHEREAS, A Department administrative directive requires each correctional center to "develop a comprehensive Quality Improvement Program that provides for the systematic, on-going, objective monitoring and evaluation of the quality and appropriateness of offender care", including an internal audit of the directive to be conducted at least semi-annually; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct a management audit of the Department of Corrections' implementation of a comprehensive medical and mental health services program for adult offenders; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to, the following determinations:

(1) whether the Department adequately monitors the Vendor's performance and compliance with contractual requirements, including the timeliness of services, scope of services, recordkeeping, periodic reporting, staff qualifications, and staffing levels;

(2) whether the Department takes appropriate action in response to instances where the Vendor is noncompliant or where Vendor performance issues are identified;

(3) whether the Department has in place an audit program to confirm the validity of performance guarantee results and to audit the activities of the comprehensive medical provider;

(4) whether the Vendor's and the Department's processes for tracking, reviewing and recording inmate complaints, grievances, and requests pertaining to medical and mental health services is adequate;

(5) whether the billings submitted by the Vendor are adequately reviewed by the Department, and are supported and allowable under the terms of the contract;

(6) whether each correctional center has in place a Quality Improvement Program as required by Department administrative directives and whether required internal audits are being performed; and

(7) the status of the Department's pursuit of accreditation from the American Correctional Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That any State agencies, the Vendor, and any other entity having information relevant to this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's Office in the conducting of this audit; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report any findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1259

Offered by Representative Osmond:

WHEREAS, The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) was signed into law by President Barack Obama on March 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS, In light of the United States Supreme Court's decision in June regarding the ACA's constitutionality, the Quinn Administration is moving forward with plans to implement a health insurance exchange for individuals and small businesses to purchase insurance policies; the exchange is intended to

facilitate compliance with the ACA's individual mandate, which requires most individuals to purchase insurance or be assessed a financial penalty; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has received over \$135 million in federal grants which were to be directed towards the exchange's information technology infrastructure, consumer assistance efforts, and rate review assistance, among other functions; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has not yet established the structure, operational model, or financing mechanism for its exchange, which means the State will likely operate under a federally-facilitated exchange for at least the first year; and

WHEREAS, Federal grant funds are anticipated to cover Illinois' projected implementation and first year operating costs, though the ACA requires exchanges to be financially self-sustaining beginning January 1, 2015; more transparency is needed to show how Illinois will pay for this expensive technological and operational endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Because the ACA's requirements could be extremely costly to our already cash-strapped State, it is imperative that the legislature and the public are aware of how taxpayers' dollars are being spent to implement the ACA in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, A September 24, 2012 letter to Governor Quinn requesting a full accounting of ACA funds received and expended has gone unanswered; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct an audit of the allocation of federal funds received by the State pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Departments of Insurance and Healthcare and Family Services and any other State agency or person who may have information relevant to this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as practical and report his findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Auditor General.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1279

Offered by Representative Ford:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognize that there are distressed counties and communities throughout Illinois that struggle with many economic and social problems including crime, unemployment, poverty, mortgage foreclosures, declining property values, deficiencies in public health services, and deficits in public education; and

WHEREAS, In recent years these economic and social problems have become more prevalent and they have exacerbated existing conditions which include: inequalities in access to justice in the civil court system, an overburdened and ineffective criminal justice system, overcrowded correctional facilities, increased homelessness, inadequate educational opportunities, insufficient affordable housing, inadequate delivery of social services to the less fortunate, and deficits in the availability and quality of public health services; and

WHEREAS, Some segments of our society, some communities, and some counties disproportionately experience these serious social and economic ills; for example, the Illinois counties which had 16% or more of their population in poverty in 2010 included: Alexander, Champaign, Coles, Cook, Franklin, Gallatin, Hardin, Jackson, Lawrence, McDonough, Macon, Marion, Massac, Perry, Pike, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Vermilion, White Williamson, and Winnebago; and the municipalities with a population of over 100,000 that had family poverty rates of 10% or more are: Aurora, Chicago, Joliet, Naperville, Peoria, Rockford, and Springfield; and

WHEREAS, It is important to take a comprehensive approach to the ongoing crisis of distressed communities in Illinois and a significant poverty rate is among the best indicators that a community is in distress; and

WHEREAS, Care must be taken when addressing poverty and its associated problems in counties with distressed communities because an emphasis on serving the largest number of people in poverty will miss

other areas of the State with significant problems and an emphasis on areas with the highest rates of poverty will ignore large populations in need, as shown by these facts:

while Cook County has the highest number of persons living in poverty (which amounts to nearly 50% of the State's poverty population), DuPage County (which has historically been considered to be a wealthy county with a small low-income population) has the second-highest number of persons in poverty;

the 10 poorest counties in Illinois, as measured by poverty rate, are generally downstate with small total populations and while their poverty rates are very high (the highest county poverty rate is 31.1%; and an average for all 10 of the poorest counties is a poverty rate of 21.6%), these counties collectively account for less than 10% of the State's total poverty population;

the 10 counties with the highest numbers of persons in poverty are, for the most part, near urban centers (5 of these counties are in the Chicago metropolitan area) and these 10 counties include over 70% of the State's poverty population;

a Statewide emphasis on the top 10 counties with high poverty rates will ignore the needs of 94% of the State's poverty population, but an emphasis on the 10 counties with the highest numbers of people in poverty will deemphasize the counties with the highest poverty rates; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Census Bureau on September 12, 2012 announced that, in 2011:

the median household income in the United States declined by 1.5% from the 2010 median, which was the second consecutive annual drop;

the weighted average poverty threshold for a family of four in 2011 was \$23,021;

the nation's official poverty rate was 15.0 percent, with 46.2 million people in poverty; and

although the poverty rate and number of people remained statistically unchanged since 2010, this is the fourth year in a row with such significant amounts of poverty in this country; and

WHEREAS, The poverty rate in Illinois increased to 14.2% in 2011 and there has been a 42% increase in the poverty rate in Illinois from 2007 to 2011; and

WHEREAS, Living in a high poverty rate Chicago neighborhood carries with it an increased threat to life itself; a recent comparison of 2 sets of Chicago neighborhoods, the 5 poorest and the 5 least poor, showed that:

the poorest neighborhoods had a homicide rate that is 11 times the homicide rate in the least poor neighborhoods;

the mortality rate for the leading causes of death in Chicago (cancer, heart disease, diabetes-related illnesses, stroke, and unintentional injury) is 5 times higher in the 5 poorest neighborhoods than it is in the 5 least poor neighborhoods;

the infant mortality rate is 2.5 times higher in the 5 poorest neighborhoods than in the 5 least poor neighborhoods; and

a measure called the Years of Potential Life Lost (YPLL), which determines how many years of life are lost due to deaths in a community (using the base age of 75 years), showed that the YPLL rate for homicide in the 5 poorest neighborhoods was 2,172 (that is for every 100,000 residents 2,172 years of life were lost each year to homicide) compared to the YPLL homicide rate of only 186 in the 5 least poor neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, So long as these social and economic problems are not successfully addressed in distressed counties and communities, the cost to taxpayers in Illinois for the many programs funded or operated by the State will only increase; and

WHEREAS, State government resources are expended in ever-increasing amounts to address these social and economic problems and those expenditures are a significant drain on the State's road to financial stability; and

WHEREAS, There exist numerous ways for State government programs to be operated more efficiently and more economically; and

WHEREAS, State government, taxpayers, and those living in distressed counties and communities with significant poverty rates could benefit from the creation of a State action plan that identifies: modifications that should be made to existing State programs so as to dramatically improve the delivery of services, reduce the cost of those services, and eliminate wasteful spending; leadership programs and new educational opportunities that would foster and equip new leaders; and ways in which State government could actively create a change environment that will have numerous positive impacts; and

WHEREAS, If more effective, efficient, and economical ways to deliver social and law enforcement services can be developed, then significant strides can be made in the overall welfare of the distressed

counties and communities and those solutions could be replicated, with adjustments as appropriate, to all communities in Illinois; and

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Governor to create a Distressed Counties and Communities Commission composed of stakeholders in distressed counties and communities, representatives of appropriate State agencies, and community leaders to explore, discuss, and coordinate efforts to prepare an action plan to offer enhanced State governmental services in a meaningful way, to foster leadership, and to create programs that can succeed in addressing the myriad social and economic problems that exist; this, in turn, can benefit all Illinois communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge that the Governor appoint members of the Distressed Counties and Communities Commission by early January 2013, so as to allow the Distressed Counties and Communities Commission to hold its first meeting in January 2013, and designate an executive department to provide administrative support for the Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Distressed Counties and Communities Commission be charged with: finding and creating innovative means to address and meet the numerous needs of those who receive State social services; designing plans to assist and enhance the efforts of State agencies and local governments that provide law enforcement and social services; analyzing successful state and local governmental programs in other locales in law enforcement, court administration, corrections, job skill retraining, education, economic opportunity, job creation, social services, and public health; and developing an action plan that includes information about changes and improvements to existing programs, statutes, and regulations that can be made by reallocating existing resources and not increasing State taxes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge that the Governor call upon the Distressed Counties and Communities Commission to hold public hearings and issue a written report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and to the General Assembly on or before April 15, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to Governor Pat Quinn.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1293

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has deemed it important to undo historical prejudices by creating special classifications for businesses that are majority owned and operated by minorities (MBE), women (WBE), or veterans (VOB and SDVOB); and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois' procurement policies commonly request that goals be met by MBE, WBE, and VOB/SDVOB businesses; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has defined a special classification company as a company that is at least 51% owned and fully controlled by a special classification individual or a group of special classification individuals; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois Central Management Services' Business Enterprise Council has been charged with the task of determining whether a company meets the criteria for a special classification; and

WHEREAS, There have been well documented cases of fraudulent MBE, WBE, SDVOB, and VOB companies being created; it is the responsibility of the Business Enterprise Council to vigilantly oppose these applications for special classification; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses in the present day marketplace will often sell equity in their company to investors, such as angel investors and venture capitalists, in order to raise capital; and

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged that equity investors in companies often will have no say in the operation, control, or direction of the company; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we request that the Central Management Services Business Enterprise Council includes the equity ownership of silent investors of the same special classification in the calculations of the majority ownership of a company; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we request that the Central Management Services Business Enterprise Council include silent investor equity when calculating control of a company when the silent investors have given controlling authority to one or more persons of that classification; and be it further



RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Central Management Services Business Enterprise Council.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1300

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives believe that quality public education is the foundation of a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, An equitable, bias-free public education system and responsible funding for all levels of education is required in order to make a knowledgeable and productive society; and

WHEREAS, A strong federal commitment to education is especially necessary in difficult economic times; underfunding the education system has been and remains an unacceptable scenario and more creative solutions to education funding issues are needed to combat this troubling trend; and

WHEREAS, The reauthorization and improvement of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, along with the creation of programs to close the achievement gap and increase access to higher education, a diminished or eliminated voucher system, and increased protection and enforcement of Title IX protections, would also help to create the conditions necessary to make the American education system the best in the world; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Congress to pass legislation to increase funding for schools, reauthorize and improve the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, create programs aimed at closing the achievement gap and increasing access to higher education, prevent the expansion of vouchers, and protect and enforce Title IX protections to order to bolster the American education system and provide educators with the tools to give students the quality education they deserve; and be it further

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1305

Offered by Representative Ford:

WHEREAS, Covenant Bank in Chicago, Illinois, was given a notice by the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation pursuant to Section 51 of the Illinois Banking Act that set a deadline of December 2, 2012 by which Covenant Bank must correct the impairment on its capital; and

WHEREAS, Subsection (b) of Section 51 of the Illinois Banking Act authorizes the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation to extend the time period contained in that notice; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation to grant an extension to Covenant Bank for the correction to the impairment on its capital until February 1, 2013, representing 180 days after the receipt of such notice; and that the Secretary grant an extension on an ongoing basis as long as Covenant Bank's capital is not critically undercapitalized (as defined by the Federal Deposit Insurance Act); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation to grant, for any community bank that has received or is subject to receive a Section 51 order, the maximum initial term of 180 days to take corrective action, and to grant an extension on an ongoing basis as long as the bank's capital (either as filed on its last CALL report or subsequently verified after a capital infusion) is not critically undercapitalized; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this Resolution be delivered to the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 98

Offered by Representative Verschoore:

WHEREAS, The Rock River, known for its beauty and ecological importance, flows south through Rockford, then southwest across northwestern Illinois, passing Oregon, Dixon, Sterling, and Rock Falls before joining the Mississippi River at Rock Island; and

WHEREAS, The Rock River provides opportunities for conservation and recreation for many residents of this State; and

WHEREAS, The Rock River has had an important role in Illinois history, and it attracts many tourists each year to such spots as the area in Dixon where former President Ronald Reagan once served as a lifeguard and his favorite fishing spot, now called "Dutch Landing", located just southwest of Lowell Park; and

WHEREAS, Designating the roads along the Illinois portion of the Rock River Trail as a Scenic and Historic Route will encourage residents and visitors alike to explore, appreciate, and enjoy the many wonders of the Rock River; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Rock River Trail Scenic and Historic Route is designated as follows:

- (1) from the Illinois-Wisconsin State Line at Shirland Avenue, along South Bluff Road in Rockton Township to Rockton Road on County Highway 9;
- (2) along Rockton Road from South Bluff Road to Race Street in Rockton;
- (3) along Race Street from Rockton Road to West Main Street in Rockton;
- (4) along West Main Street from Race Street to South Blackhawk Boulevard;
- (5) along South Blackhawk Boulevard from West Main Street to Russell Street;
- (6) along Russell Street from South Blackhawk Boulevard to Old River Road;
- (7) along Old River Road from Russell Street to Latham Road;
- (8) along Latham Road from Old River Road to Illinois Route 2;
- (9) along Illinois Route 2 from Latham Road to Riverside Boulevard in Rockford;
- (10) along Riverside Boulevard from Illinois Route 2 to East Drive in Loves Park;
- (11) along East Drive from Riverside Boulevard to Evelyn Avenue;
- (12) along Evelyn Avenue from East Drive to Pearl Avenue;
- (13) along Pearl Avenue from Evelyn Avenue to Illinois Route 251;
- (14) along Illinois Route 251 from Pearl Avenue to Whitman Street;
- (15) along Whitman Street from Illinois Route 251 to North Main Street;
- (16) along North Main Street from Illinois Route 251 to Green Street;
- (17) along Green Street from North Main Street to Illinois Route 2 through the remainder of Winnebago County and through Ogle County and Lee County and Whiteside County to Illinois Route 40 in Sterling;
- (18) along Illinois Route 40 from Illinois Route 2 to US Route 30 in Rock Falls;
- (19) along US Route 30 from Illinois Route 40 to Moline Road;
- (20) along Moline Road from US Route 30 to Illinois Route 78 in Lyndon;
- (21) along Illinois Route 78 from Moline Road to West 3rd Street in Prophetstown;
- (22) along West 3rd Street from Illinois Route 78 to Grove Street;
- (23) along Grove Street from West 3rd Street to Springhill Road (County Road 3);
- (24) along Springhill Road from Grove Street to Banks Road (County Road 13);
- (25) along Banks Road from Springhill Road to Erie Road;
- (26) along Erie Road from Banks Road to Moline Road in Erie;
- (27) along Moline Road from Erie Road to Main Street in Hillsdale;
- (28) along Main Street from Moline Road to County Road V;
- (29) along County Road V from Main Street to County Road W;
- (30) along County Road W from County Road V to Illinois Route 92;
- (31) along Illinois Route 92 from County Road W to Illinois Route 82;
- (32) along Illinois Route 82 from Illinois Route 92 to Wolf Road (County Road 2);
- (33) along Wolf Road from Illinois Route 82 to Cleveland Road;
- (34) along Cleveland Road from Wolf Road to Illinois Route 84 in Colona and the Rock

Island County Loop;

- (35) along Illinois Route 84 from Cleveland Road to US Route 6;
- (36) along US Route 6 from Illinois Route 84 to 27th Street in Moline;
- (37) along 27th Street from US Route 6 to Airport Road;
- (38) along Airport Road from 27th Street to US Route 67 in Milan;
- (39) along US Route 67 from Airport Road to 9th Street in Rock Island;
- (40) along 9th Street from US Route 67 to 31st Avenue;
- (41) along 31st Avenue from 9th Street to trailhead at Sunset Park and Marina and return on the Rock Island County Loop;
- (42) along 31st Avenue from Sunset Park and Marina to 9th Street;
- (43) along 9th Street from 31st Avenue to Blackhawk Road (Illinois Route 5);
- (44) along Blackhawk Road from 9th Street to John Deere Road in Moline (Illinois Route 5);
- (45) along John Deere Road from Blackhawk Road to Colona Road in Carbon Cliff;
- (46) along Colona Road from John Deere Road to Illinois Route 84; and
- (47) along Illinois Route 84 from Colona Road to Cleveland Road in Colona and the point of beginning of the Rock Island County Loop; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation and units of local government that maintain any portions of the Rock River Trail Scenic and Historic Route are requested to erect at suitable locations on their respective portions of the route, consistent with State and federal regulations, plaques or signs giving notice of the name; and be it further

RESOLVED, That units of local government that maintain any portion of the Rock River Trail Scenic and Historic Route are urged to enhance suitable areas along the route; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the Illinois Office of Tourism are requested to post the Rock River Trail Scenic and Historic Route's location on their Agency websites, and to produce and distribute brochures and other related matter that will make the route known to the public; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be delivered to the Illinois Secretary of Transportation, the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, the Illinois Office of Tourism, and to each of the local governments having jurisdiction over any portion of the route.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 100

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, The General Assembly passed House Bill 1216 (Public Act 97-503) in 2011 creating the School District Realignment and Consolidation Commission, which is also referred to as the Classrooms First Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Commission was chaired by Lieutenant Governor Sheila Simon; and

WHEREAS, The Commission was required by law to make recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on the number of school districts in this State, the optimal amount of enrollment for a school district, and where consolidation and realignment would be beneficial; and

WHEREAS, The Commission adopted 2 key goals during the course of its deliberations, improving educational opportunity and improving efficient use of educational resources; and

WHEREAS, The Commission reviewed current research, analyzed Illinois educational data, held 8 public hearings statewide, and garnered comments from more than 500 individuals representing 75 counties and a broad representation of stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, The Commission adopted and filed its final report with the Governor and General Assembly on June 29, 2012, with the report containing 23 recommendations focusing on reorganization, educational shared services, operational shared services, and in-district efficiency; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly was not in session on the day that the Commission's report was filed; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly must vote on whether to accept the Commission's report by the adoption of a resolution by a record vote of a majority of the members elected in each house; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly must vote on whether to accept the report within 14 days after the

General Assembly convenes for the first time after the report was filed; and

WHEREAS, Legislation may be introduced at a later time to authorize specific recommendations in the report; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the General Assembly accepts the School District Realignment and Consolidation Commission's report filed on June 29, 2012.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 103

Offered by Representative Hays:

WHEREAS, The Korean War has played an important part in American history; the veterans of the Korean War have earned the respect and admiration of all people; and

WHEREAS, An armed conflict that began in June of 1950 and ended in July of 1953, the Korean War exacted a heavy toll; 33,629 Americans were killed in action and 20,617 died of injuries or disease; and

WHEREAS, The Korean War began when the United Nations urged its members to repel the Communist aggressors in Korea; in July of 1950, the UN Security Council recommended that all member nations contributing to the defense of South Korea make their troops available to a unified command headed by the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate for us to remember the many sacrifices and contributions to the cause of freedom made by the outstanding men and women who served in the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, The date of June 25, 2010 commemorates the 60th anniversary of the start of the Korean War; July 17, 2013 will mark the 60th anniversary of the armistice that ended the conflict; and

WHEREAS, William G. Windrich, James I. Poynter, Lester Hammond, John E. Kilmer, Louis J. Sebille, William F. Dean, Edward C. Krzyzowski, and Richard G. Wilson, all of whom hailed from Illinois, were awarded the Medal of Honor for their heroic actions during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant William Gordon Windrich was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously for his outstanding heroism as a platoon sergeant during the Battle of Chosin Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, William Windrich was born on May 14, 1921 in Chicago; he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps Reserve on June 6, 1938, and was ordered to active duty in November of 1940; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, William Windrich spent 20 months overseas in the south and central Pacific as a machine gunner with the 2nd and 5th Defense Battalions; after his discharge in November of 1945, he reenlisted in the United States Marine Corps in February of 1946; and

WHEREAS, At the outbreak of the Korean War, SSgt. Windrich was on military police chief duty at Camp Pendleton in California; he subsequently went overseas with the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade and was among the first Marines to see action in Korea; he also participated in the Inchon landing and in the capture of Seoul; and

WHEREAS, SSgt. Windrich was killed in action the early morning of December 2, 1950, near Yudamni, North Korea, during a savage night battle with Chinese communist forces on Hill 1520; he refused to be evacuated, even after being wounded twice, once when a grenade fragment ripped through his helmet and later when he was felled by gunshot wounds in the legs; instead, he directed his men in setting up defensive positions and shouted words of encouragement until he succumbed to his wounds and the bitter cold; and

WHEREAS, The Medal of Honor, the United States' highest award for valor in combat, was presented to SSgt. Windrich's widow by Secretary of the Navy Daniel A. Kimball during ceremonies on February 8, 1952; he is now buried at Arlington National Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant James Irsley Poynter was born on December 1, 1916 in Bloomington; he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in February of 1942; and

WHEREAS, James Poynter fought in the Pacific theatre during World War II and participated in the Guadalcanal, Southern Solomons, Saipan, Tinian, and Okinawa campaigns; he was discharged in February of 1946; and

WHEREAS, At the beginning of the Korean War, Sgt. Poynter re-enlisted in the Marine Corps and joined the Marine Corps Reserve 13th Infantry Battalion in Los Angeles on July 19, 1950; he arrived in Korea in time to aid in the recapture of Seoul after the Inchon landing; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Poynter was awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V" for "outstanding leadership,

ability and courageous aggressiveness against the enemy" as a squad leader during actions on September 24 to October 4, 1950; and

WHEREAS, On November 4, 1950, Sgt. Poynter served as squad leader of Company A of the 7th Marine Regiment; while defending Hill 532, south of Sudong, Korea, he was wounded in hand-to-hand combat; in spite of his wounds, upon seeing 3 machine guns setting up only 25 yards away, he charged the enemy position with hand grenades from fallen comrades; he was able to take out all 3 machine gun crews by sacrificing his own life; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Poynter's heroic actions enabled his outnumbered platoon to beat off the enemy assault and move to more defensible positions; he was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions on November 4, 1950, and was buried with full military honors in Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego, California; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Lester Hammond, Jr. was born on March 25, 1931, in Wayland, Missouri, and entered service in Quincy; he served as a radio operator with Company A of the United States Army's 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team; and

WHEREAS, Cpl. Hammond was serving with the 187th near Kumhwa, Korea, on August 14, 1952; the combat team had penetrated about 3,500 yards into enemy-held territory when the small American patrol was ambushed and surrounded by a larger enemy force; the team fought its way up a narrow ravine in search of cover; Hammond was wounded during the initial exchange of gunfire, but remained in the open so he could call in artillery fire that helped repulse several enemy attacks; and

WHEREAS, Despite being wounded a second time, Cpl. Hammond continued to direct the artillery fire until a friendly platoon was able to reach his patrol and help them withdraw; Cpl. Hammond died from his injuries, but the members of his patrol owed him their lives for the heroic decisions he made that day; and

WHEREAS, Cpl. Lester Hammond Jr. was awarded the Medal of Honor for valor in combat for his actions on August 14, 1952; after his initial burial in Quincy's Greenmount Cemetery, his casket was moved to Sunset Cemetery at the Illinois Veterans Home in Quincy in 1983; and

WHEREAS, John Edward Kilmer was born on August 15, 1930, in Highland Park; he enlisted in the United States Navy on August 16, 1947 as an apprentice seaman, and attended the Hospital Corps School in San Diego, California; after graduating in April of 1948, he was promoted to the rank of hospitalman apprentice; he was subsequently promoted to the rank of hospitalman on September 1, 1950; and

WHEREAS, Hospitalman Kilmer was assigned to the hospital ship USS Repose (AH-16) when war broke out in Korea; after his enlistment term expired in August of 1951, he soon rejoined the Navy and joined the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, Fleet Marine Forces after completing instruction at the Field Medical School at Camp Pendleton, California; and

WHEREAS, On August 12, 1952, Hospitalman Kilmer took part in the attack on "Bunker Hill" in Korea; he attended to the wounded during the battle and was himself mortally wounded after using his body to shield another man from enemy fire; for this action, he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, On June 18, 1953, Hospitalman Kilmer's mother, Lois Kilmer, was presented with her son's Medal of Honor by Secretary of the Navy Robert Bernard Anderson; he was buried in San Jose Burial Park, San Antonio, Texas, with full military honors; and

WHEREAS, Louis Joseph "Lou" Seville was born on November 21, 1915, in Harbor Beach, Michigan; he attended Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan; after his graduation, he moved to Chicago in the 1930s; and

WHEREAS, Louis Seville enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps several days after the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor; and

WHEREAS, Louis Seville flew 68 combat missions during World War II as a B-26 bomber pilot; in the fall of 1948, he became the commanding officer of the 67th Squadron of the 18th Fighter-Bomber Group; after the Korean War began, his squadron was one of the first to be sent to Japan; and

WHEREAS, On August 5, 1950, during a close air support mission, anti-aircraft fire damaged Louis Seville's F-51; rather than abandon his aircraft, he continued his attack under heavy fire; after his aircraft was again damaged, he dove to his death onto the enemy gun battery; and

WHEREAS, Louis Seville was formally awarded the Medal of Honor in a ceremony at March Air Force Base in Riverside County, California, in late August of 1951; General Hoyt Vandenberg, the United States Air Force Chief of Staff, presented the medal to Seville's widowed wife and 19 month old son; Seville was buried at Forest Home Cemetery in Forest Park with full military honors; and

WHEREAS, Louis Seville was the first person in the Air Force to be awarded the medal since the branch's creation in 1947; only 4 Air Force personnel would win the medal for action during the Korean

War, all of them posthumously; and

WHEREAS, William Frishe Dean, Sr. was born on August 1, 1899, in Carlyle; and

WHEREAS, William Dean graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1922; after being commissioned as a second lieutenant in the California National Guard in 1921, he was tendered a regular Army commission on October 18, 1923; he was subsequently promoted to brigadier general in 1942 and then to major general in 1943; he later served first as assistant division commander and later as division commander of the 44th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, In 1944, while serving in southern Germany and Austria, Major General Dean's troops captured 30,000 prisoners and helped force the surrender of the German 19th Army; he won the Distinguished Service Cross for bravery during that action; and

WHEREAS, In October of 1947, Major General Dean became the military governor of South Korea; in 1948, he took command of the 7th Infantry Division and moved it from Korea to Japan; and

WHEREAS, After serving as chief of staff of the U.S. 8th Army, Major General Dean took command of the 24th Infantry Division, then headquartered at Kokura on the southern Japanese island of Kyushu, in October of 1949; when the Korean War began in June of 1950, the 24th Infantry Division was the first American ground combat unit to be committed; and

WHEREAS, Major General Dean arrived in Korea on July 3, 1950, and established his headquarters at Taejon; his orders were to fight a delaying action against the advancing North Korean People's Army; and

WHEREAS, Although he planned to withdraw from Taejon, Major General Dean was asked by General Walton H. Walker, the commander of the U.S. 8th Army, to hold that city until July 20, 1950, in order to buy time necessary for deploying other American units from Japan; his regiments had been decimated in earlier fighting, and Dean personally led tank killer teams armed with the newly arrived 3.5-inch rocket launchers to destroy the attacking North Korean T-34 tanks; he gained acclaim through exploits such as attacking and destroying an enemy tank armed with only a hand grenade and a handgun; and

WHEREAS, On July 20, 1950, as his division fell back from Taejon, Major General Dean became separated from his men, forcing him to travel alone in the woods around the countryside during the day and traveling at night for over a month; on August 25, 1950, after a hand to hand struggle with 15 North Koreans, he was captured; he remained a POW with the North Koreans until his release on September 4, 1953; and

WHEREAS, In 1951, Congress voted to bestow the Medal of Honor to Major General Dean for his actions during the defense of Taejon; on January 9, 1951, the medal was given to his wife, Mildred Dean, his son, William Dean Jr., and his daughter, Marjorie June Dean, by President Harry Truman; Major General Dean was still reported missing in action in Korea; and

WHEREAS, After the July 27, 1953 Armistice Agreement, Major General Dean remained in North Korea as a prisoner of war for several more months while the armistice was finalized; he was returned to UN forces at Panmunjom during Operation Big Switch on September 4, 1953; and

WHEREAS, Three months after his return from Korea, Major General Dean was assigned as the Deputy Commanding General of the United States 6th Army at the Presidio of San Francisco in California; he held this post for 2 years until his retirement from active duty on October 31, 1955; upon retirement, he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for his front line service in World War II and Korea; and

WHEREAS, Major General Dean lived a quiet life in San Francisco after his retirement, and died on August 24, 1981, at the age of 82; he was buried in San Francisco National Cemetery in the Presidio of San Francisco, next to his wife; and

WHEREAS, Edward C. Krzyzowski was born on January 16, 1914, in Chicago; he served as a captain in the United States Army's Company B, 9th Infantry Regiment of the 2nd Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, Captain Krzyzowski was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously for his service near Tondul, Korea from August 31 to September 3, 1951; and

WHEREAS, Captain Krzyzowski distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and indomitable courage above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy as commanding officer of Company B; spearheading an assault against strongly defended Hill 700, his company came under vicious crossfire and grenade attack from enemy bunkers; creeping up the fire-swept hill, he personally eliminated one bunker with his grenades and wiped out a second with carbine fire; forced to retire to more tenable positions for the night, his company resumed the attack the following day, gaining several hundred yards and inflicting numerous casualties; once overwhelmed by the numerically superior hostile force, he ordered his men to evacuate the wounded and move back; providing protective fire for their safe withdrawal, he was wounded again by grenade fragments, but refused evacuation and continued to direct the defense; and

WHEREAS, Captain Krzyzowski was buried with full military honors at Resurrection Catholic

Cemetery and Mausoleums in Justice; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gene Wilson was born on August 19, 1931, in Marion; after his junior year, he left high school to join the Army; he enlisted on August 19, 1948, his 17th birthday, and just before leaving for Korea, he married Yvonna Lea Fowler on August 29, 1950; and

WHEREAS, Richard Wilson served in Korea as a private first class with the 187th Airborne Infantry Regiment; on October 21, 1950, he was attached to Company I when the unit was ambushed while conducting a reconnaissance in force mission near Opa-ri; and

WHEREAS, PFC Wilson exposed himself to hostile fire in order to treat the many casualties; when the company began to withdraw, he helped evacuate the wounded; after the withdrawal was complete, he learned that a soldier left behind and believed dead had been spotted trying to crawl to safety; unarmed and against the advice of his comrades, he returned to the ambush site in an attempt to rescue the wounded man; and

WHEREAS, PFC Wilson's body was found 2 days later, lying next to that of the man he had tried to save; for these actions, he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor on August 2, 1951; and

WHEREAS, Several U.S. military buildings have been named in PFC Wilson's honor, including the Richard G. Wilson Memorial Gymnasium in the Kanoka Barracks near Osaka, Japan; the Richard G. Wilson U.S. Army Reserve Center in Marion; the PFC Richard G. Wilson Training Barracks at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; the Richard G. Wilson Consolidated Troop Medical Clinic in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; and the Wilson Theater in Fort Campbell, Kentucky; among the memorials in his honor are "America's Medical Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen in Peace and War" by Eloise Engle (1967) and a memorial to Wilson in Cape County Park (1988); other structures named for him include the Richard G. Wilson Elementary School in Fort Benning, Georgia, and a postal distribution center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Illinois Route 136 is an east-west road in northwestern Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Illinois Route 136 as the Illinois Korean War Medal of Honor Highway in honor of the memory and sacrifices of William G. Windrich, James I. Poynter, Lester Hammond, John E. Kilmer, Louis J. Sebille, William F. Dean, Edward C. Krzyzowski, and Richard G. Wilson; 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 Illinois Korean War Medal of Honor Highway; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation, the families of William G. Windrich, James I. Poynter, Lester Hammond, John E. Kilmer, Louis J. Sebille, William F. Dean, Edward C. Krzyzowski, and Richard G. Wilson, and Hershall E. Lee, KW60 Ambassador of the United States Department of Defense.

At the hour of 4:24 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.

At the hour of 6:01 o'clock p.m., the House reconvened perfunctory session.

### **TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Flowers replaced Representative Lang in the Committee on Rules (A) on November 27, 2012.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on November 27, 2012 (A), reported the same back with the following recommendations:

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:**

That the bill be reported “approved for consideration” and be placed on the order of Second Reading--  
Short Debate: SENATE BILL 3810.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:  
3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie(D), Chairperson

A Schmitz(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Flowers(D) (replacing Lang)

A Leitch(R)

Y Mautino(D)

At the hour of 6:02 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.