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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Lang in the chair.

Prayer by Wayne Padget, the Assistant Doorkeeper of the House.

Representative Davidsmeyer 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:

117 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representative Feigenholtz was excused from attendance.

REPORTS

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

Illinois Medical District Commission - Financial Audit and State Compliance Examination, submitted by Office of the Auditor General on February 14, 2013.

Capital Development Board - Financial Audit and State Compliance Examination, submitted by the Office of the Auditor General on February 14, 2013.

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Regional Office of Education #50 St. Clair County, submitted by the Office of the Auditor General on February 14, 2013.

Regional Office of Education #51 Sangamon County, submitted by the Office of Auditor General on February 14, 2013.

2012 Annual Report/Office of the Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, submitted by the Office of the Inspector General on February 15, 2013.

Biennial Report/Public Act 87-552/Plans to Reduce Employee Need for Day Care Outside the Home, submitted by the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services on February 15, 2013.

Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board Policy Statement/Flexible Work Requirements Public Act 87-552, submitted by the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board on February 19, 2013.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on February 19, 2013, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Business & Occupational Licenses: HOUSE BILL 1545.

Cities & Villages: HOUSE BILLS 1535, 1555 and 1557.

Counties & Townships: HOUSE BILLS 1491, 1522 and 1562.

Economic Development: HOUSE BILL 1544.

Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILLS 1446, 1450, 1504 and 1558.

Executive: HOUSE BILLS 1463, 1486, 1489, 1518, 1536 and 1560; SENATE BILLS 10, 20 and 622.

Financial Institutions: HOUSE BILL 1512.

Health Care Licenses: HOUSE BILL 1546.
 Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 1457, 1507, 1508, 1516, 1538 and 1540.
 Judiciary: HOUSE BILLS 1447, 1452, 1454, 1458, 1460, 1505, 1506, 1513, 1526, 1532, 1561 and 1563.
 Personnel and Pensions: HOUSE BILLS 1444, 1484, 1533 and 1537.
 Public Utilities: HOUSE BILL 1453.
 Revenue & Finance: HOUSE BILLS 1449, 1451, 1459, 1465, 1485, 1492, 1493, 1494, 1495, 1496, 1497, 1498, 1499, 1500, 1501, 1502, 1503, 1510, 1515, 1521, 1527, 1543, 1547, 1554 and 1559.
 State Government Administration: HOUSE BILLS 1455, 1462, 1490, 1517 and 1534.
 Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges: HOUSE BILLS 1487 and 1528.
 Transportation: Vehicles & Safety: HOUSE BILLS 1461, 1514, 1529, 1530, 1531 and 1539.
 Restorative Justice: HOUSE BILL 1548.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILL 65 was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education and reassigned to the Committee on Executive.

HOUSE BILL 91 was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education and reassigned to the Committee on Executive.

HOUSE BILL 1064 was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education and reassigned to the Committee on Executive.

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 Schmitz(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Lang(D)	A Leitch(R)
Y Mautino(D)	

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules (A) to which the following were referred, action taken on February 19, 2013, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Executive: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 622.

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

Y Currie(D), Chairperson	Y Schmitz(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Lang(D)	A Leitch(R)
Y Mautino(D)	

**MOTIONS
 SUBMITTED**

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

MOTION

Pursuant to Rule 25, I move to suspend the posting requirements of Rule 21 in relation to HOUSE BILL 1560 and SENATE BILL 622 to be heard in Executive Committee.

FISCAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A Fiscal Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 4.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 56

Offered by Representative Ford:

WHEREAS, Falun Gong, also known as Falun Dafa, is a discipline of personal beliefs that incorporates exercise, meditation, and principles based on truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance; its millions of practitioners work to attain inner peace, good health, and better skills to deal with stress and conflict in life; and

WHEREAS, Although rooted in ancient Chinese spiritual tradition, Falun Gong was first taught publicly in China by Mr. Li Hongzhi, the founder of the practice, in 1992; Falun Gong spread quickly through word-of-mouth, with tens of millions of Chinese citizens finding greater health and spiritual well-being through the practice; and

WHEREAS, Falun Gong actively works to bring about a peaceful resolution to the persecution of Falun Gong in China and improve the future of the world's most populous country; these actions have led to 4 Nobel Peace Prize nominations for its founder, Li Hongzhi; and

WHEREAS, Since 1992, over 100 million people of all ages and backgrounds in over 80 countries worldwide have become healthier, happier, and more altruistic through their practice of Falun Dafa; and

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa practitioners throughout the State of Illinois and the nation at large dedicate countless hours to their communities through free meditation lessons, Chinese cultural productions of music and dance, and participation in local events; and

WHEREAS, On May 13, 2012, thousands of people throughout the United States celebrated World Falun Dafa Day and commemorated the 20th anniversary of the introduction of one of the world's most popular meditation and cultivation practices; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the week of May 12, 2013 as Falun Dafa Week in the State of Illinois in honor of Falun Gong and its work in bringing physical and spiritual well-being to the people of this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Falun Gong as a symbol of our esteem and respect.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 57

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-EIGHTH 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 are 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 58

Offered by Representative Verschoore:

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois comprises part of the largest urban landscape market in the country with more than 4 million urban ash trees; Illinois' tree canopy now faces a crisis due to the Emerald Ash Borer, and that will lead to a financial crisis for the State and its many municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Mature trees provide homeowners and municipalities tremendous environmental and economic benefits; trees reduce energy costs in the summer, play a role in rainwater management, and filter air; trees represent a quantifiable value to homeowners; conservatively 5 percent of a home's value is attributable to the trees on its property; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is now infested with the invasive species known as Emerald Ash Borer (EAB); most all urban ash trees in the State of Illinois will be exposed to EAB in the next 5 years and every ash tree not treated will expire shortly thereafter; and

WHEREAS, The average cost of tree removal and replacement in the State of Illinois is approximately \$1,000; this crisis will cost the State and its villages, towns, and cities \$3 billion to \$4 billion over the next several years; and

WHEREAS, Trees can be treated for a fraction of the cost of removal and replacement; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois needs to update its understanding of the science of treating EAB, as integrated management of EAB has evolved and improved greatly in the past 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Leading academic researchers from The University of Illinois, Michigan State University, Purdue University and Ohio State have found insecticide treatment methods to be effective, and one treatment method to be extremely effective at preserving ash trees; and

WHEREAS, The Society of Municipal Arborists (SMA), the prestigious professional organization of practicing arborists, published in May 2012 its latest findings and recommendations on the management of the Emerald Ash Borer; the SMA paper warns municipalities of a "financial tsunami" if they are not proactive and develop an EAB management paper; and

WHEREAS, The SMA found that the 2 extremes of removing trees and doing nothing is neither practical nor prudent; removing trees is not financially viable for many municipalities and does great harm to home values; doing nothing puts people and property at great risk as dead trees will come crashing down in an unpredictable fashion; and

WHEREAS, The SMA found that an integrated approach that utilizes treatment along with the removal of low-grade ash trees is the best management option; and

WHEREAS, The International Society Arboriculture, the premier tree care organization in the world, supports the findings and recommendations of the SMA that advocates conservation of the urban ash canopy as the most prudent and practical management option; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge every village, town, and city within the State of Illinois to reevaluate its EAB management plan in light of the latest facts and recommendations presented by the leading experts in the spring of 2012; specifically, municipalities should spend the little time required to evaluate EAB management options over a 20-year period utilizing readily available and online economic models from either University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point or Purdue University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Agriculture should publicly communicate and include on its website <http://www.agr.state.il.us> the 2012 EAB Management approach and explain the financial and environmental benefits to municipalities, citizens, and homeowners of that same approach.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 59

Offered by Representative Lilly:

WHEREAS, All citizens of Illinois should be made aware of the ever-present dangers posed by potentially harmful substances in their home, work, and play environments; and

WHEREAS, Children too often have access to over the counter and prescription medications and potentially harmful household products; and

WHEREAS, For more than 50 years, the nation has been observing National Poison Prevention Week (NPPW); the Illinois Poison Center celebrates March as Illinois Poison Prevention Month (IPPM) to help prevent unintentional poisonings and to share tips for promoting community involvement in poison prevention; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the Illinois Poison Center, the oldest and one of the largest poison centers in the nation, will be celebrating its 60th year of providing poison prevention and treatment recommendations to the people of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Poison Center is a mainstay in the emergency medical care system of the State of Illinois and is recognized nationally for its contributions to poison treatment and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 50 percent of the 77,000 poisonings reported last year to the Illinois Poison Center involved children under the age of 5 and which most could have been prevented; and

WHEREAS, More than 90 percent of the exposure calls received from the public are treated over the

phone, quickly and safely by experienced, expert staff of the poison center rather than in an emergency room; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we do hereby proclaim March 2013 to be POISON PREVENTION MONTH in THE STATE OF ILLINOIS and congratulate the Illinois Poison Center for providing outstanding public education and treatment advice to the State of Illinois for 60 years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Illinois Poison Center.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 61

Offered by Representative Pihos:

WHEREAS, The future of our nation's productivity and competitiveness in the global marketplace depends on the success of all men and women; and

WHEREAS, Women have been discriminated against in education, the workplace, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Women continue to earn no more than 78 cents on the dollar compared to men; and

WHEREAS, The pay gap has been shown to start as soon as one year after college; this inequality affects not only women, but their families and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The pay gap between women and men has long-term effects on women's economic security; such a gap affects women's Social Security earnings, their ability to save for retirement, and their children's education; and

WHEREAS, Pay equity is closely linked to the eradication of poverty and is essential to having a highly-motivated workforce; and

WHEREAS, Equal Pay Day was originated by the National Committee on Pay Equity in 1996 as a public awareness event to illustrate the gap between men's and women's wages; the day, observed in April, symbolizes how far into the year a woman must work, on average, to earn as much as a man earned the previous year, with Tuesday being the day in which women's wages catch up to men's wages from the previous week; because women earn less on average than men, they must work longer for the same amount of pay; this wage gap is even greater for most women of color; and

WHEREAS, Equal pay is a priority for all women and for our society at large; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate April 9, 2013 as Pay Equity Day in the State of Illinois in order to raise awareness about this endemic inequity.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 65

Offered by Representative Smith:

WHEREAS, The Chicago Bulls basketball organization is moving its training facility, which it has inhabited since 1992, from north suburban Deerfield to the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The new facility will be located across from the United Center, on Wood Street, between Madison and Monroe Streets; and

WHEREAS, Plans for the new facility, which will be funded entirely by the Chicago Bulls organization, are currently in the development stage; the project is scheduled for completion in time for the 2014-2015 season; and

WHEREAS, The lead architect on the project is the firm 360 Architects and the General Contractor used will be McHugh Construction; and

WHEREAS, McHugh Construction has a longstanding history of employing local Chicago workers; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Chicago Bulls basketball organization to

hire local Chicago workers for the construction of its new downtown training facility; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Chicago Bulls basketball organization.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 69

Offered by Representative Reboletti:

WHEREAS, On the final day of the 2012 Spring Session, the Illinois House of Representatives of the 97th General Assembly adopted House Resolution 1032, which created the Illinois Task Force on Gang Violence to study and analyze the recent increase in street gang violence in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, House Resolution 1032 further directed that the findings of the Task Force be reported to the General Assembly by January 1, 2013; this due date for the report is no longer workable given the scope of the Task Force's responsibilities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Illinois Task Force on Gang Violence shall hold public hearings and shall issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before May 1, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force is dissolved following the filing of its report; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, with this reporting extension, the Task Force shall operate pursuant to House Resolution 1032 of the 97th General Assembly.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 70

Offered by Representative Reis:

WHEREAS, The Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States specifically provided that "(t)he powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people"; and

WHEREAS, The Tenth Amendment was part of the original Bill of Rights, which was proposed on September 25, 1789, ratified by three-fourths of the states, and went into effect on December 15, 1791; and

WHEREAS, The Tenth Amendment limits the scope of federal power and prescribes that the federal government was created by the states specifically to be an agent of the states, rather than the states being agents of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, When taking the oath of office, all members of the Illinois General Assembly solemnly swear that they will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we reaffirm our commitment to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States of America which includes the Bill of Rights and the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, the President pro tempore of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 72

Offered by Representative Bellock:

WHEREAS, Someone develops Alzheimer's disease every 68 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is on the rise, with more than 5 million Americans currently living

with the disease and an estimated 16 million Americans projected to be diagnosed with the disease by 2050; and

WHEREAS, Currently, 210,000 people in Illinois live with the disease; there will be an estimated 220,000 in 2020, and 240,000 in 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is an unrelenting, progressive condition that destroys brain cells, with no currently known cure; Alzheimer's places significant financial burdens on families and businesses, with businesses losing billions a year in lost productivity and replacement expenses for employees who miss work or quit to care for a relative; and

WHEREAS, In 2010, there were 579,505 Illinois family members and friends who provided over 700 million hours of unpaid care - valued at \$7 billion - to their loved ones with Alzheimer's and other dementias; and

WHEREAS, The impact of Alzheimer's and other dementias on Illinois families, the health care system, and society as a whole is of great importance; the need for home and community-based services for those with Alzheimer's is on the rise and caregiver stress is at an all-time high; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is a looming public health crisis; we call upon all policymakers to join in the efforts to raise awareness and to serve the hundreds of thousands of persons with Alzheimer's and other dementias in Illinois, their families, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2013, Alzheimer's advocates will speak up for the needs and rights of people with Alzheimer's and their families, and ask the Illinois General Assembly to make Alzheimer's disease a priority public health issue in the State; advocates will speak up for the needs and rights of people with Alzheimer's and their families and ask the General Assembly to make Alzheimer's disease a priority public health issue in the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the date of March 13, 2013 as Annual Alzheimer's Association Advocacy Day in the State of Illinois.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 73

Offered by Representative DeLuca:

WHEREAS, Rare diseases and disorders are those which affect small patient populations, typically populations smaller than 200,000 individuals in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 7,000 rare diseases affect millions of Americans and their families; and

WHEREAS, Children with rare genetic diseases account for more than half of the population affected by rare diseases in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Many rare diseases are serious, life-threatening, and lack an effective treatment; and

WHEREAS, Rare diseases and conditions include epidermolysis bullosa, progeria, sickle cell anemia, Tay-Sachs, cystic fibrosis, many childhood cancers, fibrodysplasia ossificans progressiva, and Williams Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, People with rare diseases experience challenges that include difficulty in obtaining an accurate diagnosis, limited treatment options, and difficulty finding physicians or treatment centers with expertise in their disease; and

WHEREAS, Great strides have been made in research and treatment for rare diseases as a result of the Orphan Drug Act and other acts of Congress; and

WHEREAS, The United States Food and Drug Administration and National Institutes of Health have established special offices to advocate for rare disease research and treatments; and

WHEREAS, The National Organization for Rare Disorders, an organization established in 1983 to provide services to, and advocate on behalf of, patients with rare diseases, was a primary force behind the enactment of the Orphan Drug Act and remains a critical public voice for people with rare diseases; and

WHEREAS, The National Organization for Rare Disorders sponsors Rare Disease Day nationwide to increase public awareness of rare diseases; and

WHEREAS, Rare Disease Day has become a global event occurring annually on the last day of February; and

WHEREAS, Rare Disease Day was observed in the United States for the first time on February 28, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Rare Disease Day is anticipated to be observed globally in years to come, providing hope and information for rare disease patients around the world; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the Illinois House joins in this global observance and takes part in the fight against rare diseases; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the last day of February in 2013 and 2014 as Rare Disease Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we recognize the importance of improving awareness and encouraging accurate and early diagnosis of rare diseases and disorders; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we wholeheartedly support a State, national, and global commitment to improving access to and developing new treatments, diagnostics, and cures for rare diseases and disorders.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 9

Offered by Representative Rita:

WHEREAS, Section 14.1 of the Toll Highway Act provides that prior to the issuance of bonds for or the commencement of construction of any new toll highway, that particular toll highway shall be authorized by joint resolution of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, In 1995 by Senate Joint Resolution 45 (the 1995 Resolution) the General Assembly approved the expansion of the Illinois toll highway system to include an O'Hare Airport Bypass with Extension, with the Bypass to be constructed generally along the western edge of the O'Hare Airport between I-90 (Northwest Tollway) near Elmhurst Road and I-294 (Tri-State Tollway) near Grand Avenue, and with the extension to be constructed in a generally East-West direction between I-290 (near Thorndale Avenue) at the West and the Bypass at the East; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary and appropriate, following extensive multi-agency public outreach culminating in recommendations agreed upon by all communities along the proposed Elgin-O'Hare corridor to proceed with construction of new toll highway facilities, to update the 1995 Resolution to reflect the current project recommendation as outlined in the October 2012 Tier 2 Final Environmental Impact Statement that was jointly executed by the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Department of Transportation, and Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; and

WHEREAS, It may be necessary and appropriate to expand the project limits over time to adhere to future additions or expansions of the EOWA project; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority be authorized to expand the Illinois toll highway system, under a project to be known as the Elgin-O'Hare Western Access (EOWA), to include an O'Hare Airport Bypass with Extension, general access to O'Hare Airport primarily from the West and South, with the Bypass to be constructed generally along the western edge of the O'Hare Airport between I-90 (Northwest Tollway) near Elmhurst Road and I-294 (Tri-State Tollway) near Grand Avenue, and with the Extension to be constructed in a generally East-West direction between the Bypass at the East and the western terminus of the Elgin-O'Hare Expressway at U.S. 20 to the West; including, but not limited to, any necessary access ramps and bridges; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, in performing work to complete the EOWA project, consider and utilize, to the extent practicable, available technology and construction processes intended to reduce the environmental impact of the project on surrounding areas, and to perform work that will facilitate establishment of future freight inter-modal transport, and alternative transport modes including rail transit, bicycle, and pedestrian within the project area; and be it further

RESOLVED, That that the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall complete the EOWA project in a manner that supports diversity involvement in the project work and economic development in the region; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this preamble and resolution be immediately forwarded to each of the Directors of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 10

Offered by Representative Pihos:

WHEREAS, As the population of the State of Illinois continues to age, the State is seeing an increasing number of senior drivers on the roads each year; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Transportation, in their latest published report showing 2009 data, reports there were 1,230,503 licensed drivers over the age of 65 in Illinois, which accounts for roughly 14% of all licensed drivers in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Transportation 2009 report also shows there were 35,672 total crashes involving drivers of the age 65 or older, providing for a crash rate of 29 out of every 1,000 drivers age 65 or older; and

WHEREAS, Drivers age 65 or older have a higher fatality rate in Illinois than any other age group when involved in a motor vehicle accident; and

WHEREAS, Senior drivers should never be discriminated against, but their safety and protection should be reflected in State law; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is hereby created the Senior Drivers Safety Task Force that shall study safety issues seniors face while driving in Illinois, with particular attention to what can be done to prevent accidents involving senior citizens in Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of 13 members, consisting of the Secretary of State or his or her designee, who shall serve as chair; the Secretary of Transportation or his or her designee; the Director of the State Police or his or her designee; the President of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police or his or her designee; the President of the Illinois Medical Society or his or her designee; two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives; two members appointed by the President of the Senate; and two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Office of the Secretary of State shall provide administrative and other support to the task force; the members of the Task Force shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties from funds appropriated to the Office of the Secretary of State for that purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall meet no fewer than three times and shall present its report and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than December 31, 2014.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 60

Offered by Representative Hurley:
Honors Robert Peter Workman on his accomplishments.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 62

Offered by Representative Ford:
Mourns the death of Cardiss Collins.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 63

Offered by Representative Pihos:

Congratulates Glenbard West High School football team on becoming Class 7A State Champions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 64

Offered by Representative Rita:
Honors Phil Laskey on his 90th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 66

Offered by Representative Sente:
Recognizes Lake County Rising's effort to end abuse and oppression of women, both domestically and internationally.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 67

Offered by Representative Jakobsson:
Congratulates Delta Sigma Theta Inc. on its 100th anniversary of service and celebrates the 40th anniversary of the Champaign-Urbana Alumnae Chapter.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 68

Offered by Representative Dunkin:
Mourns the death of Hadiya Z. Pendleton of Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 71

Offered by Representative Dunkin:
Mourns the death of Cardiss Collins.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 74

Offered by Representative Bellock:
Congratulates Kathryn Brackett on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 75

Offered by Representative Jones:
Congratulates Pastor Anthony D. Tyler, head pastor of Higher Ground Community Church, on his 25 years in the ministry.

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and advanced to the order of Third Reading: HOUSE BILLS 77 and 100.

HOUSE BILL 129. Having been reproduced, was taken up and read by title a second time.
Amendment No. 1 was offered in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education, adopted and reproduced.

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

Having been reproduced, the following bill was taken up, read by title a second time and advanced to the order of Third Reading: HOUSE BILL 161.

ACTION ON MOTIONS

The Chair requested leave to use a single vote for the adoption of motions to table for the following legislation: HOUSE BILL 59, 96, 114 and 115.

Leave was granted.

The foregoing motions prevailed and the bills were tabled.

SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Rule 25, Representative Currie moved to suspend the posting requirements of Rule 21 in relation to House Bill 1560 Senate Bill 622.

The motion prevailed.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 60, 62, 63, 64, 66, 67, 68, 71, 74 and 75 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 5:08 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, February 20, 2013, at 12:30 o'clock p.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

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

February 19, 2013

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117 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Durkin	P Lang	P Sacia
P Arroyo	P Evans, Marcus	P Leitch	P Sandack
P Beiser	P Farnham	P Lilly	P Scherer
P Bellock	E Feigenholtz	P Manley	P Schmitz
P Berrios	P Fine	P Martwick	P Senger
P Bost	P Flowers	P Mautino	P Sente
P Bradley	P Ford	P Mayfield	P Sims
P Brady	P Fortner	P McAsey	P Smiddy
P Brauer	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Smith
P Brown	P Gabel	P McSweeney	P Sommer
P Burke, Daniel	P Golar	P Meier	P Sosnowski
P Burke, Kelly	P Gordon-Booth	P Mell	P Soto
P Cabello	P Halbrook	P Mitchell, Bill	P Sullivan
P Cassidy	P Hammond	P Mitchell, Christian	P Tabares
P Cavaletto	P Harms	P Moffitt	P Thapedi
P Chapa LaVia	P Harris, David	P Morrison	P Tracy
P Cloonen	P Harris, Greg	P Moylan	P Tryon
P Conroy	P Hatcher	P Mussman	P Turner
P Costello	P Hays	P Nekritz	P Unes
P Crespo	P Hernandez	P Osmond	P Verschoore
P Cross	P Hoffman	P Phelps	P Walsh
P Currie	P Hurley	P Pihos	P Welch
P D'Amico	P Ives	P Poe	P Wheeler
P Davidsmeyer	P Jackson	P Pritchard	P Williams
P Davis, Monique	P Jakobsson	P Reboletti	P Willis
P Davis, William	P Jefferson	P Reis	P Yingling
P DeLuca	P Jones	P Riley	P Zalewski
P Demmer	P Kay	P Rita	P Mr. Speaker
P Drury	P Kifowit	P Rosenthal	
P Dunkin	P Kosel	P Roth	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

16TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**Perfunctory Session****TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

At the hour of 5:45 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

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

HOUSE BILL 2239. Introduced by Representative Mitchell, Christian, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2240. Introduced by Representative Brown, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2241. Introduced by Representative Poe, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 2242. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2243. Introduced by Representative Kosel, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2244. Introduced by Representative Soto, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2245. Introduced by Representatives Chapa LaVia and Hurley, AN ACT concerning children.

HOUSE BILL 2246. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2247. Introduced by Representative Verschoore, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2248. Introduced by Representative Willis, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 2249. Introduced by Representative Willis, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2250. Introduced by Representative Willis, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2251. Introduced by Representative Schmitz, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2252. Introduced by Representative Dunkin, AN ACT concerning urban problems.

HOUSE BILL 2253. Introduced by Representative Dunkin, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2254. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2255. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2256. Introduced by Representative Thapedi, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2257. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2258. Introduced by Representative Evans, Marcus, AN ACT concerning regulation.

- HOUSE BILL 2259. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2260. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning finance.
- HOUSE BILL 2261. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2262. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2263. Introduced by Representative Halbrook, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 2264. Introduced by Representative Halbrook, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2265. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 2266. Introduced by Representative Gordon-Booth, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2267. Introduced by Representative Gordon-Booth, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 2268. Introduced by Representatives Conroy - Yingling - Martwick, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2269. Introduced by Representative Evans, Marcus, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 2270. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2271. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 2272. Introduced by Representative Sandack, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2273. Introduced by Representatives Verschoore - Hammond, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2274. Introduced by Representative Verschoore, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 2275. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2276. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2277. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2278. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2279. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2280. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2281. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2282. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2283. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2284. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2285. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning finance.
- HOUSE BILL 2286. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning finance.

- HOUSE BILL 2287. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning appropriations.
- HOUSE BILL 2288. Introduced by Representative Bost, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 2289. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2290. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2291. Introduced by Representative Bost, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 2292. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2293. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 2294. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2295. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 2296. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 2297. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2298. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2299. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 2300. Introduced by Representative Thapedi, AN ACT concerning financial regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2301. Introduced by Representative Thapedi, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2302. Introduced by Representative Brauer, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 2303. Introduced by Representative Leitch, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2304. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 2305. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning conservation.
- HOUSE BILL 2306. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning animals.
- HOUSE BILL 2307. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning agriculture.
- HOUSE BILL 2308. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning fish.
- HOUSE BILL 2309. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning wildlife.
- HOUSE BILL 2310. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 2311. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 2312. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 2313. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning employment.

- HOUSE BILL 2314. Introduced by Representative Beiser, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 2315. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 2316. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 2317. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2318. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 2319. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 2320. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning correctional healthcare costs.
- HOUSE BILL 2321. Introduced by Representative Burke, Kelly, AN ACT concerning appropriations.
- HOUSE BILL 2322. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 2323. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning military service.
- HOUSE BILL 2324. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning military service.
- HOUSE BILL 2325. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning military service.
- HOUSE BILL 2326. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning government.
- HOUSE BILL 2327. Introduced by Representative Riley, AN ACT concerning courts.
- HOUSE BILL 2328. Introduced by Representative Verschoore, AN ACT concerning business transactions.
- HOUSE BILL 2329. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2330. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2331. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 2332. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 2333. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 2334. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2335. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 2336. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 2337. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2338. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning probate proceedings.
- HOUSE BILL 2339. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2340. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2341. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning liquor.

- HOUSE BILL 2342. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2343. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 2344. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2345. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2346. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 2347. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 2348. Introduced by Representative Burke, Kelly, AN ACT concerning finance.
- HOUSE BILL 2349. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2350. Introduced by Representative Williams, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2351. Introduced by Representative D'Amico, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 2352. Introduced by Representative Cassidy, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 2353. Introduced by Representative Cloonen, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 2354. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning business.
- HOUSE BILL 2355. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2356. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2357. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 2358. Introduced by Representatives Pihos - Moffitt, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2359. Introduced by Representative Pihos, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 2360. Introduced by Representative Burke, Kelly, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 2361. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 2362. Introduced by Representative Brauer, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2363. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 2364. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 2365. Introduced by Representative Fortner, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 2366. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 2367. Introduced by Representative Rosenthal, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2368. Introduced by Representative Rosenthal, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2369. Introduced by Representative Pritchard, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2370. Introduced by Representative Pritchard, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2371. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning public aid.

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
FIRST READING**

Representative Brown introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 17**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article V of the Illinois Constitution by changing Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7 and by repealing Sections 4 and 14 as follows:

ARTICLE V
THE EXECUTIVE

SECTION 1. OFFICERS

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

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 2. TERMS

These elected officers of the Executive Branch shall hold office for four years beginning on the second Monday of January after their election and, ~~except in the case of the Lieutenant Governor~~, until their successors are qualified. They shall be elected at the general election in 1978 and every four years thereafter.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY

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

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 4. JOINT ELECTION (REPEALED)

~~In the general election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, one vote shall be cast jointly for the candidates nominated by the same political party or petition. The General Assembly may provide by law for the joint nomination of candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.~~

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 6. GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION

(a) In the event of a vacancy, the order of succession to the office of Governor or to the position of Acting Governor shall be ~~the Lieutenant Governor~~, the elected Attorney General, the elected Secretary of State, and then as provided by law.

(b) If the Governor is unable to serve because of death, conviction on impeachment, failure to qualify, resignation or other disability, the office of Governor shall be filled by the officer next in line of succession for the remainder of the term or until the disability is removed.

(c) Whenever the Governor determines that he may be seriously impeded in the exercise of his or her powers, he or she shall so notify the Secretary of State and the officer next in line of succession. The latter shall thereafter become Acting Governor with the duties and powers of Governor. When the Governor is prepared to resume office, he or she shall do so by notifying the Secretary of State and the Acting

Governor.

(d) The General Assembly by law shall specify by whom and by what procedures the ability of the Governor to serve or to resume office may be questioned and determined. The Supreme Court shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction to review such a law and any such determination and, in the absence of such a law, shall make the determination under such rules as it may adopt.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 7. VACANCIES IN OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICES

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

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SECTION 14. LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR - DUTIES (REPEALED)

~~The Lieutenant Governor shall perform the duties and exercise the powers in the Executive Branch that may be delegated to him by the Governor and that may be prescribed by law.~~

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies beginning with the term of office otherwise commencing in 2015.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 17 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

At the hour of 6:01 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.