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Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order. The House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Rabbi Meir Moscovitz who is the Regional Director of Lubavitch Chabad in Illinois. Rabbi Moscovitz is the guest of Representative Sente. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Rabbi Moscovitz."

Rabbi Moscovitz: "Thank you. We stand this morning just a few days before the Passover holiday. Passover is a holiday that we think about our family. We think about our faith. We think about friendship. In Jewish tradition, the obligation of the holiday is not just to have our own Passover Seder, but to make sure that those that are less fortunate also have the means to have their own holiday celebration as well. Indeed, in the Jewish Book of Wisdom in the Talmud we have the statement that every individual is but a half, and only when we think about the other individual do we become a whole. Tonight is the anniversary of the birthday of Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, of blessed memory, whose leadership of the Chabad movement directed and instituted 5 thousand Chabad Centers throughout the world and he was one that always thought about the other. Thought of the person in need, the person in need of something physical, a boost, a good word, or an inspiration. As a symbolic act, I want to actually take a dollar here and put it in the charity box and this serves as a reminder for all of us that we are here to think not just about ourselves, not just about our neighbors, but anyone that is in need. May God grant each and every one

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of us health, success, blessing in abundance for ourselves, our community, and the entire state. Amen."

Speaker Lang: "We will be led in the Pledge today by Representative Ammons."

Ammons - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Lang: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Jones is excused today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that all Republicans are present today."

Speaker Lang: "So happy. Mr. Clerk, take the record. There are 115 Members answering the roll and we do have a quorum. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Phelps, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities reports the following committee action taken on April 04, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 535. Representative Sims, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on April 04, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 2390; Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 2738. Representative Crespo, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: recommends be adopted Floor Amendment

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#2 to House Bill 2527. Representative Hurley, Chairperson from the Committee on Police & First Responders reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1849. Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 2610. Representative Riley, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 128. Representative Manley, Chairperson from the Committee on Cost Benefit Analysis reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: recommends be adopted as amended House Resolution 100. Representative Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: do pass as amended Short Debate House Bill 2572. Representative Hoffman, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 19; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 198. Representative Thapedi, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on April 05, 2017: do pass Short Debate House Bill 2459; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 2963. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 278, offered by Representative Evans. House Resolution 281, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia. House Resolution 283,

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offered by Representative Crespo are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Swanson is recognized."

Swanson: "Good morning, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With me today is my Honorary Page, Troy Mullen. Troy's from Princeton High School, he's a sophomore at Princeton High School. He participates on the Princeton Tigers Soccer Team and Track Team, very athletic young man. He's also very active in his church group. Two years ago, he went on a mission to Dallas, this year he's going on a mission to Louisiana in June. Troy enjoys helping both his grandpas on the farm, especially during the harvest season running a grain cart tractor. Troy is accompanied today by his mother, Danielle, his father, Ryan, and his little brother, Pierce, up in the gallery here. So, if we can give them all a warm welcome and let's give Troy some work today."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to the House chamber. Thank you, for joining us today. Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. And I'm honored today to have Althea Hensley with me. And she's in 7th grade in LaGrange. She's homeschooled. Her mom and dad are here with her today. Her favorite subject is Math and I just want to ask all the Members to give her a warm welcome to see what's going on in Springfield today. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative and welcome. We're glad you're here. Mr. Stewart."

Stewart: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Please, proceed."

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Stewart: "I'd like the House to welcome staff that are here and students from Highland Community College in Freeport. Tim Hood, Stacey Hammer, Kamm Tish, Katie Cross, John Werkheiser, Adam Werkheiser, Adam Jacobs, and Amy Werkheiser in the Gallery. Please welcome them."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you. Seems they're leaving, just as you introduced them. Mr. Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lang: "Go on, Sir."

Butler: "I would just like to thank everyone that came out last night for the Diabetes Caucus bowling event out at Strike 'N Spare West. We had a wonderful crowd out there. Representative Davis, obviously, did something to the judges and finally got himself to win the shirt competition last night. So, I'm not sure what happened under the table there, but we had a great crowd. Leader Durkin's team and all the ringers that he brings in won the event and I just want to thank everybody for showing up and having a good time last night. So, thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Wonderful cause. Thank you. Mr. Davis, for a rebuttal."

Davis: "Absolutely, Mr. Speaker. First of all, let me thank Representative Butler and his work and his leadership on the event was fantastic. We had a great turnout. We're looking for more Legislator participation next year and I can assure you and Representative Andersson that the Russians did not hack the election results, that the Syrians did not drop Syrian gas and clouded the judgment of the judges. It was...

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our shirts were just better. Let me just put it that way. They were just simply better. We won this year and I've already got an idea for next year's shirt. So, you better come swinging next year 'cause I'm going to get you. But thank you very much to Representative Butler, all the Legislatures that participated, and the staffs and friends that participated. Great event for a great cause and we're going to use those resources to do Diabetes education events. So, if a Member has an interest, reach out so we can have this event in your district so we can work on providing information and education to individuals who are affected by Diabetes. But again, thank you all very much."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Good answer."

Andersson: "And rebuttal. Representative Davis, congratulations on your win. Your shirts were terrific. However, I did just tweet out to the world that I believe that there was illegal wiretapping going on in our design workshop. So, I'm not sure about the Russians, but somebody's been doing that. I'm going to ask for an independent investigation, my friend. However, well deserved, game on, next year."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Long."

Long: "Thank you, Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Long: "Today, I have my district legislative aide here in the Gallery. And her name is Ashleigh Fitzmaurice and I would like to give her a nice warm Springfield welcome. Here she is up here."

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Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you, good to see you today. Mr. Sommer. Mr. Sommer."

Sommer: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Go ahead, Sir."

Sommer: "Ladies and Gentleman, I have two Pages with me today, also. From Deer Creek Mackinaw High School in Mackinaw, Illinois, I have Ashton Stimson and Karley Wilkins. They're both sophomores at DMAC High. You might recognize that school's name. Their team.. the State Championship Football Team was here a few weeks ago. Please welcome Ashley and Karley."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Welcome. Representative Hammond. Mr. Clerk. Excuse me, Representative. Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 263."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 263, offered by Representative Hammond. Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 100th General Assembly of the State of Illinois. That we congratulate the Western Illinois University women's basketball team, the Fighting Leathernecks on winning the 2017 Summit League Tournament."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is indeed a privilege to welcome to the Illinois House chamber, the Western Illinois Fighting Leathernecks. The ladies basketball team who were winning... on winning... they were the champions of the 2017 Summit League Tournament and they didn't do it easily. They defeated Indiana University, Perdue University at... in Indianapolis on March 7 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, by a score of 77 to 69 in overtime to win the first Summit League

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Tournament since 1995 and move on to the NCAA Tournament. They are here today with their coaches: JD Gravina; Assistant Coach Seth Minter; Assistant Coaches Sydney Crafton, Taylor Ignoto; Director of Basketball Operation, Mike Dasher; Marissa Webb; and Paige Wolfe. And the team is... consists of Emily Clemons, Olivia Braun, Mallory Boyle, Morgan Blumer, Olivia Kauffmann, Taylor Hannerman, Andy Pierce, Jasmine Patrick, Michelle Farrow, Taylor Higginbotham, and Sam Pryor, and their manager is Aaron Sullivan. Ladies and Gentlemen, if you would join me in giving the ladies and their coaches a warm welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Good to see you. Thank you for joining us today. Mr. Durkin, Leader Durkin."

Durkin: "A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Durkin: "Well, thank you. A few weeks back, there was a Gentleman's bet between myself and Representative Dan Brady over the 3A Semifinal basketball tournament, which was in Peoria, with his school, Bloomington High, and also my alma mater, Fenwick High school. We had a bet that if Fenwick won, I would provide Portillo's Italian beef and if Dan lost he would provide the gondola sandwiches from Avanti's. Well, Dan being the good loser that he is, has provided the sandwiches back in both of the backrooms of both chambers, compliments of Representative Brady for being a loser. And also, I just want to say just the lore of Bloomington, if you're familiar with Avanti's restaurant, there's history with Dan Brady and rumor has it that is where he... him and his wife became engaged over a gondola sandwich. That old romantic that he is, and if



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you've been there, and so having the sandwich might bring back some spark to that relationship that you may have... that you have or may not have with your spouse or significant other. So, but we just also state that the bet was just going to be sandwiches for the Republican Caucus but let it be known that is the first day in which Republicans are reaching across the aisle to say we are willing to negotiate with you and also work with you on your priorities. And I know that we all like to eat and I know that some of you do enjoy a gondola sandwich. So, we are now, not just the House Republicans that are participating in this, but we are welcoming the House Democrats to participate and eat the gondola sandwiches as well. So, this will be the first day of us negotiating a compromise to the bigger the problems we have in the State of Illinois as a sign of good faith. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Leader. The Chair neglected to take a vote on Representative Hammond's Resolution. It's HR263, those in favor of the Resolution will say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Moving on to the priorities we began yesterday. The first one on Third Reading is House Bill 780, Mr. Andrade. Out of the record. House Bill 3684, Representative Kelly Burke. Kelly Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 1804, Representative Cassidy. Out of the record. Members, request from the Chair to be in your seats, be prepared. You know what priority Bills you have. You know when they're up. Please be in your chairs so we can move through these so we can get finished with first priority Bills, so we can move on to second priority Bills. House Bill 1764, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1764, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. I want to thank Chairman Elgie Sims and his... his committee working with me on this piece of legislation. It's kind of ground breaking. It does really some small things, but large steps for women that are incarcerated. What it does, it amends... it makes two legal changes. It creates a mechanism for postpartum depression and postpartum psychosis to be considered as mitigating factors at sentencing and allows for an individual to seek new sentencing hearing if postpartum depression and psychosis were not considered at sentencing. And there is material and noncommutative evidence not presented at the trial or sentencing. I will take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to use the timer today. This Bill is on Short Debate. Mr. Andersson, for two minutes. "

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "Thank you. And very briefly, I won't need my two minutes. So, we're adding an aggravating or more likely a mitigating factor here. Is that correct?"

Chapa LaVia: "Correct. And it's based on the judge's decision, so..."

Andersson: "Judge's discretion..."

Chapa LaVia: "Discretion. Correct."

Andersson: "Just like he or she can take into account..."

Chapa LaVia: "Correct."

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Andersson: "...a variety of things we've just added to the list?"

Chapa LaVia: "Correct, Sir."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? I'm not going to wait too long for you to vote today, Members. Please vote your switches. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 706, Representative Bellock. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 706, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that we've done a little bit more work to that we passed out unanimously last year, and it's an initiative of the DuPage County Coroner. It's regarding the work that we're trying to do on addressing opioid disposal. And what we passed last year allowed the State Police and the coroners to take drugs away when somebody has died. This Bill allows nurses to do it also. Those are the changes in the Bill. I appreciate your support. I think it's a really good Bill that will help us address other people taking drugs out of people's homes, especially opioids, painkillers. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Thapedi."

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Thapedi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and just a quick statement. I want to thank the Sponsor for working with the committee on this particular piece of legislation. The Illinois Trial Lawyers initially had some concerns. The Sponsor was very amenable to working with her in the committee and I urge and 'aye' vote. "

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2893, Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2893, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the General Assembly. House Bill 2893 would allow crossbow hunting during the archery season. Thank you and I ask for your 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davidsmeyer: "Representative Costello, I've recently had some conversations with some individuals that are concerned about the effect of crossbows on hunting overall, especially in early seasons and taking.. where a lot of the population, especially the deer population gets taken. Have you had any

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conversations with individuals with DNR and others with regards to this?"

Costello: "I certainly have. DNR would say and they have said that they regulate the taking of animals through the permit process. In my opinion, and I think if you look at it, using a crossbow is more ethical. A lot of times... many times people who use a longbow don't practice enough and they end up wounding a lot more animals. A crossbow is typically more accurate. It has the action of a gun, has a scope and trigger. So, in my opinion, it's a more ethical harvesting of game."

Davidsmeyer: "So, will people be allowed to use a crossbow during regular bow season?"

Costello: "Yes, during the archery season. Correct."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. I'm not quite sure where I'm at on this just yet. So, I'll make my decision here in a minute."

Costello: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Riley."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Riley: "Representative Costello, the whole idea about giving crossbow hunters a season and the opportunity to hunt has been around a long time. A matter of fact, one of the first Bills to allow crossbow... crossbows to be used was my Bill because it had to do with someone that couldn't use longbows anymore because he had an injury. And at that particular time, all of the sturm und drang came out about crossbows. People were saying they had the same and the mussel velocity as rifles and all of this kind of stuff. And I think we've

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dispelled that over time. So, essentially again, could you explain what you're trying to do specifically with this Bill and how it doesn't incur upon longbow hunters?"

Costello: "Sure. So, again what I would say and what DNR would tell you is that they regulate the harvesting of animals through the permit process. And that's how that they make sure that not too many animals are hopefully taken. What I would tell you is the crossbow, what it does and especially for whether its younger people or sometimes a lot of women who like to hunt have a problem pulling the 40 pounds of a longbow, and so therefore, that's an issue for them to hunt. Crossbow allows them to get out into the field and to hunt as well."

Riley: "And there's no evidence that you've seen that said that because crossbows were allowed having their own little season or whatever the case may be that the cull of deer increased by some great margin?"

Costello: "Not at all, Representative. Not that I am aware of."

Riley: "Thank you very much."

Costello: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Hammond: "Representative Costello, on our analysis it shows that the Illinois White Tail Alliance, Illinois Federation for Outdoor Resources, and the Illinois Bow Society are in opposition to your legislation. Have... have they reached out to you? Have you tried to resolve any of their opposition?"

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Costello: "So, I... this is something that to be honest with you, I've worked with them probably for the last three years on. And we've put off running this Bill for a couple of years as Representative Phelps just told me, actually longer than that. And we got to the point where we viewed it as it was time to run the Bill. So, we've probably worked with them for at least five years."

Hammond: "So, so there was an attempt at a resolution, it just isn't there?"

Costello: "Absolutely."

Hammond: "Okay. Thank you, Representative."

Costello: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill, I want to compliment Representative Riley and Representative Costello for bringing this. I had this Bill many years ago and tried to talk to all the groups and they just more or less said that the crossbow was going to create more permits, which we're not, we're just giving the hunter the option of what weapon, if you want to call it, to go out there during bow season to use. The groups that Representative Hammond just asked about that said they were against this, they're saying the crossbow is not traditional. Well guess what, neither is the compound bow. So, if we all want to do that and get traditional, we can go back to the recurve Bill... bow and I don't think people want to do that. This just gives the hunter an option. It doesn't create more permits. A great Bill, great for the sports men and women. Thank you, Representative Costello. I urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello, to close."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd ask for an 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Ammons, Burke, Sente, Sims. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 76 voting 'yes', 29 voting 'no', 4 voting present. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Mr. Phillips. For what reason do you rise, Sir?"

Phillips: "Point of personal privilege, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Phillips: "I'd like for the team in the balcony there, the EIU team. Could y'all please stand up? Wave and shake. They're here with me... I'd like to see them shake that'd be great, student action team lobbying group. We just spent the last 45 minutes talking about higher education funding and the importance for higher education funding for Eastern and the rest of our colleges. It was a great conversation, and we got along really well. And they represent the college really well, and I'd just like to give them a warm thank you and welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. We're happy to have you join us today. Representative Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please, proceed."

Hammond: "Up in the Gallery this morning, this afternoon I have a group of ladies and gentlemen from McDonough County. It's



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the McDonough County Republican Women's group and they've been kind enough to bring their spouses along with them today to see the chamber in action, and I would appreciate it if we could give them a warm welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Happy you're here with us. Representative Jimenez."

Jimenez: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Go ahead, Sara. Go ahead."

Jimenez: "Thank you very much. I just want to introduce to the chamber to Michael Filan and some young men who are in the Lincoln Land Community College's Open Door Mentorship Program. They're here in the gallery. If you guys could wave. They're kind of in the back against the wall. This program connects these young men with local businesses and it's just an excellent wonderful program in our community. And they are here today lobbying Bills that are important to them. Let's give them a warm welcome. "

Speaker Lang: "Thank you for joining us. Enjoy your day here. House Bill 2935, Mr. Bennett. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2935, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bennett."

Bennett: "Yes, Sir. Sorry. House Bill 2935, this is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Corrections. The genesis of this Bill came from an individual who was broadcasting a pirate radio signal into the Department of Corrections facility. What this Bill tries to do is expand the definition of contraband to include recording devices and broadcast equipment. And this Bill makes it illegal to use a recording device or broadcast equipment with the intent to disrupt

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safety at an IDOC facility. We did talk with a couple of cable TV companies that were... that folks in our committee asked about and I did double check with them and there is no opposition from our cable media folks. So, I move for an 'aye' vote if I may so."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bryant."

Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This Bill actually was generated because there was an attempt to... to have some communication into a correctional facility to create some terrorist activity within the institution. And as someone who had to work in that environment before, I would also urge a 'yes' vote on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Ammons, Burke, Conyears-Ervin, Rita, Sims, Zalewski. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2426, Leader Currie. Please, read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2426, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is clarification and cleanup on the early childhood programs making sure that for all districts including Chicago that monies coming into the Early Childhood Block Grant be used not to supplant other funds, but to supplement, and that make

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sure that for both, the State Board of Education and the Chicago Public Schools, 25 percent of any new funding would be directed to the birth-to-three program. I would be grateful for your support and happy to answer your questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson, for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "So, this is the Early Childhood Block Grant, correct?"

Currie: "Yes."

Andersson: "And this... so, this is not the City of Chicago's separate scandal on block grants that's..."

Currie: "No."

Andersson: "...unique to Chicago?"

Currie: "Right."

Andersson: "So, are we dive... so, presently the way it was drafted, we unintentionally excluded Chicago's portion?"

Currie: "I don't... I think there was just a question as to whether Chicago understood that the money was used to supplement rather than supplant. This clarifies that for all the childhood programs it will be supplemental not supplanting."

Andersson: "So, it'll be treated uniformly throughout the state?"

Currie: "Uniformity throughout the state."

Andersson: "No fiscal impact?"

Currie: "Right."

Andersson: "It's neutral on fiscal?"

Currie: "Absolutely."

Andersson: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish?"

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes'; 3 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2534, Representative Bourne. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2534, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2534 is a follow up on Bills we've done in the past where we update the statute with synthetic drug substances that the drug dealers and manufactures have gotten ahead of us. It passed unanimously through committee. It's an initiative of the State Police and I would ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Turner. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2567, Mr. Evans. Out of the record. House Bill 2938, Mr. Breen. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2938, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2938, is the third Bill of a multi-year legislative process to ensure a consistent highway speed on our tollway system. So, what this Bill does is it will take effect 12 months after the effective date, get the speeds consistent on I-294 in the Eden Spur

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between 294 and US 41 to 60 miles an hour. The other tollways will be consistent at 70 miles an hour. What it does, it does not change the ability of a tollway authority to reduce speed limits, but what it does is ensures that the General Assembly has some input over that should they decide to do so. As well, 294 is about to be reconstructed which is the reason for the lower speed limit. Once they reconstruct, if the new design speed limit goes up then the speed will 12 months after that time go up as well. We've got no opposition that I know of and I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 109 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3521, Mr. Butler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3521, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3521 is a bipartisan citizen lead initiative to streamline and make a more effective government in Sangamon County through the elimination of the outdated township collector office. Township Collector position in Sangamon County is a duplicative office which the County Treasurer handles the same services of collecting and disseminating property taxes. In November of this past year, there was an advisory referendum on the Sangamon County ballots. The elimination of

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these positions received 75 percent of the vote in Sangamon County. Sangamon is only one of four counties left in the state which still even maintain these offices. We have the most collectors out of the 4 counties with 16 of our 26 townships having someone on the ballot this spring. This Bill will allow collectors elected yesterday to serve out there full four-year term, but all Sangamon County Township Collectors will be eliminated on January 1, 2022 and the Sangamon County Treasurer will assume the duties of his office. I am happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 110 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 244, Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 244, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 244 merely states that if a school is closed that there will not be an enhanced penalty if a student is caught on the premises with drugs. And I'll be more than happy to answer any questions that you may have in regards to House Bill 244."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Andersson: "Representative, so if I understand this correctly we have... we currently have enhanced penalties for delivering cannabis in a school or school property. This would change that that's its only during school hours? Is that correct?"

Flowers: "Yes. It would only be during school hours, number one. And if you are a student and you're caught on the campus after hours, there will not be an enhanced penalty if you are a student. But if the school is closed, physically closed, it's no longer a school..."

Andersson: "Right."

Flowers: "Then it will not be an enhanced penalty as well."

Andersson: "Are you not at all concerned about the fact that the school could be an easy gravit... gravitational point for these sorts of things to happen exactly at the time that we're talking about? At night when people aren't around."

Flowers: "Well..."

Andersson: "Why do we want to... why do we want to lighten up on that?"

Flowers: "Well, why do we want to enhance, use a penalty in the law that was made specifically for school grounds and this crime would be enhanced if you're caught with drugs on the school grounds, but now it's no longer an open school, the school has been closed. In Chicago, we've had 50 some-odd schools to close and so I don't want young people who are guilty of making an innocent mistake or silly mistake that will cost. I don't want them to be impacted by this for the rest of their life and the school was closed. Now, if you are not a student... if you are not student then whatever the

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penalty is it will be, but it will not be the enhanced penalty."

Andersson: "So, what about a student who is delivering cannabis to others?"

Flowers: "Whatever the current law is for that situation will continue to be, but if that person happen to be a student or if..."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Flowers, please complete your answer to the Gentleman's question."

Flowers: "Excuse me, Mr. Speaker. That's exactly what I was doing when..."

Speaker Lang: "Yes, I was just letting you know, your microphone was going back on. Thank you."

Flowers: "Thank you. And so, if the school is closed down physically and it's no longer a school that penalty should not be. And that's all this Bill is doing and it's not taking away... it's just merely taking away the enhanced penalties."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson, please bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Andersson: "Thank you, Speak... Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. My concern is that it's not, not a school just because it's closed. It's a place where children congregate sometimes improperly. I think that the enhancement is appropriate to discourage that activity. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives for two minutes."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. The previous Speaker just basically said that delivering cannabis is simply a silly or innocent mistake. It is far from that. Especially, when it's done on a school ground. There's no reason for this... the



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enhanced penalties not to remain in effect, especially considering the criminality that currently exists specifically in the city of Chicago, specifically around abandoned buildings and please, I encourage everybody to vote against this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Skillicorn for two minutes."

Skillicorn: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Representative Flowers. I don't like the idea of an enhanced penalty, so I just have a very minor technical question. Sounds like you're saying that this is for a school that is closed down?"

Flowers: "Yes."

Skillicorn: "And I support that idea. The only thing is that I'm looking through the text and I don't know if it refers to it as after school hours of a school that is operational. Is there a clear distinction just to make sure that its, you know, a school that's open that normally in operation 9 to 5, but after hours... I'd want to make sure that isn't open in the case for that is."

Flowers: "After hours the penalty remains the same except for if the person is a student on the campus. And for that person, we do not want he or she to be penalized. Whatever the current law is, except for the enhanced penalty, it will continue to be. Nothing has changed."

Skillicorn: "And I... what we are saying... I do agree with that. I just don't know if I see it in the text where it's open and active school. It's not an open and active school. That's my only concern."

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Flowers: "I'm sorry, I can't hear you?"

Skillicorn: "Representative, I'll just rephrase it very quickly.

I'm supportive of what you're telling me. I just don't see it in the language that an open and active school after hours is not part of this. If there's something that addresses that, let me know, please."

Flowers: "According to... I'm looking for... I'm sorry, Representative. What are you looking for, please? The last paragraph of the Amendment... and it speaks of if the offense if committed when school is in session and children are present... that's on page 4."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Skillicorn, you may bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Skillicorn: "So, I support the idea of it. It just... I wanted to take a look at the last sentence... last paragraph of this Amendment. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Stratton for two minutes."

Stratton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Stratton: "Representative Flowers, I just wanted to clarify. It appears the intent of this Bill is to remove enhancements when children are not present on the school grounds. Is that correct?"

Flowers: "To remove the enhancement when children are not present and the school is closed, correct."

Stratton: "Yes. And enhancements were originally created for the purpose of making sure... when we think about children being on the premises, that there would not be an... there would be an

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enhancement because there was a public safety issue relating to the students?"

Flowers: "That is correct, Representative."

Stratton: "So, this Bill only removes the enhancements... the penalty enhancements because that risk... that public safety risk of children being present at this time, either because the school is closed or it's after school hours, that risk is not present, correct?"

Flowers: "That is correct."

Stratton: "All right. Thank you. To the Bill. I would support this measure. The purpose of the penalty enhancements while children are present or the school... on the school grounds, this Bill specifically considers that this would not be the case; and therefore, the penalty enhancements would not be required and would also insist in making sure that young people would not be burdened with an additional enhanced background that could keep them from having other opportunities in the future. Therefore, I vote... I also urge an 'aye' vote on this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz for two minutes."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. And I can't say it any better than the previous speaker did. You know, we have added a lot of these penalty enhancements and aggravated factors and truth-in-sentencing and mandatory minimums at a time when, you know, we did not have the research to show us that they... they, in fact, do not act as a deterrent and they do not stop the behavior. All they do is pile penalty on top of penalty, and in fact, result in a decrease of public safety rather than the increase in public safety that we anticipated

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when... when this Body passed those items. So, I think that... I think the previous speaker, again, spoke very eloquently to the fact that all this does is take away a penalty enhancement. It doesn't remove a penalty. It just takes away a penalty enhancement when the risk to the public is no more on a school ground than it would be in a parking lot or... or at any other location where, you know, folks might be gathering. So, again, there's nothing to... there's nothing to indicate that all these penalty enhancements deter any behavior whatsoever. So I think this makes perfect sense to remove this. It's a small step, but it... but it makes perfect sense to do this when there is absolutely no difference in the public safety between a school where there's no children present and a parking lot, you know, where someone might be selling cannabis. I'd urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris for two minutes."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A question of the Sponsor?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, just one question, if I may. My analysis says that the Bill is supported by the Cook County Sheriff. And my analysis also says that the Bill is opposed by the Cook County Sheriff. Do you know what the position of the Cook County Sheriff is on this Bill?"

Flowers: "I would say that the Cook County Sheriff is in support of this legislation. I know of no opposition at all to this legislation."

Harris, D.: "So, you believe the Cook County Sheriff is in support?"

Flowers: "Yes. I was with him yesterday."

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Harris, D.: "Thank you."

Flowers: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Flowers to close."

Flowers: "I would appreciate an 'aye' vote. I know of no opposition to House Bill 244. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? DeLuca, Kifowit, McAsey. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 44 voting 'yes', 68 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And the Bill fails. Chair recognizes Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to say to that previous Bill that that was an imperative piece of legislation in terms of criminal justice reform and making right what we made wrong decades ago. The courtesy would have been wonderful for her to have made it to 45 so that she would be able to Postponed Consideration and speak with each of you about what that legislation truly did. It simply removed the penalty enhancement. It did not remove any penalty. No one would be soft on crime by voting on that Bill. Thank you for entertaining my privilege."

Speaker Lang: "House Bill 318... excuse me... 3108, Mr. Cavaletto. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3108, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Cavaletto."

Cavaletto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3108 Amendment 1 becomes the Bill amends the Illinois Finance Authority Act,

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removes language granting a finance authority power to obtain loan repayments, provides that the loan from the Ambulance Revolving Loan Fund with the purchase of an ambulance may not exceed 2 thousand.. \$200 thousand, which is currently 100 thousand. Committee Amendment #1 is an initiative with the Speaker's Office. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Chapa LaVia, Flowers, Lilly, Rita. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 10 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 514, Mr. Ford. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 514, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 514 as amended creates a streamlined process for immediate sealing of records of criminal charges with the exception of minor traffic offenses. So, when a defendant is acquitted, found not guilty of the charges, the charges are dismissed with prejudice. When the record is sealed that means it is not in the public record and is not available for the public without court order. However, the records are still physically and electronically maintained and are still available to the courts, law enforcement agents, and certain entities permitted by law. Currently, there's a lengthy process to request sealing for records of those that were

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found not guilty. 514, the process will become a little easier. Upon the entering of a judgement, a defendant is informed of his or her right to have eligible records sealed, records that prove that they were not guilty of crimes that they were charged with. A petition may then be brought by.. by a defendant, their attorney, or the State's Attorney, or the Department of the State Police immediately at the time of the trial or case. There is no opposition. There are proponents. The proponents are the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Cook County Clerks, the ACLU of Illinois, the Cook County Public Defenders. There is no opposition. I worked with the opposition. This Bill was before us last year and didn't pass. What I did do was I added the feedback for the petition and I also allowed for the State's Attorney or anyone to petition the.. the filing. I ask for a favorable vote for House Bill 514."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie is recognized."

Currie: "Please let the record show that Representative Soto is excused for the remainder of the day."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "So, Representative Ford, this is going to provide for an automatic sealing on everything except for minor traffic offenses. Is that correct?"

Ford: "Can you ask that.. what do you mean everything?"

Andersson: "Everything?"

Ford: "Everything when?"

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Andersson: "Provides the records of charges that resulted in an acquittal or dismissal with prejudice, except for minor traffic offenses, may be immediately sealed. Is that correct?"

Ford: "It doesn't happen immediately. The... the defendant still has to apply and the judge still has to review and make a determination. So, it's not automatic. It just gives them the opportunity to immediately ask for the sealing of the record."

Andersson: "If... if they have been acquitted or dismissed, why do they need to seal it?"

Ford: "Because it maintains on their record."

Andersson: "Right, as an acquittal or a dismissal in their favor. Why is that a problem?"

Ford: "I think that what constituents and people would rather have if they were acquitted or... and the charges were dismissed, I don't think they want to be burdened with the charges on their record."

Andersson: "But it's an affirmative dismissal. It's an... it's an acquittal, my goodness. I mean, you couldn't ask for better, right?"

Ford: "Well, better is that I was found not guilty and it should be removed. That's... I mean, why would someone be burdened with something that they were not found guilty of. It's just simply... and remember..."

Andersson: "I don't see the burden."

Ford: "...it's... it's... you don't see the purpose?"

Andersson: "No, no, no, not purpose, burden. I don't see the burden..."

Ford: "Oh."



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Andersson: "...of having something on my record that says I wasn't guilty. I'm innocent."

Ford: "Well..."

Andersson: "Yay, yay for me."

Ford: "Yeah. I mean, so would you rather have something on your record that says that I was charged with something, but I wasn't guilty or would you rather have something on your record that was something that doesn't have that at all? What is better for an individual-nothing or to say I was charged with this, but I was found not guilty. What's better for a person in your opinion?"

Andersson: "I... I understand your point, but at the same time I think showing that you've been accused of something. I think some people might actually like that being... being able to say, look, I was wrongfully accused. I'm proud of the fact that I was acquitted and I don't want it lost. But let me get... let me get... I don't want to drill down into that too much. My other concern is this seems to invert the process because right now the process is, is that people can go ahead and... and ask for it and then the State's Attorney can object. This seems to put... put the burden instead on the State's Attorney to... to come in. So, now, we're adding burdens to the State's Attorney's Office?"

Ford: "So, the petitioner still... to your... to your previous question, you said that a person may want to be proud of their record..."

Andersson: "Their acquittal."

Ford: "...and say I was acquitted."

Andersson: "Right."

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Ford: "I don't know who would be proud of that. If that person would like to be proud and... and showcase their acquittal, they still have that right to do that."

Andersson: "Right."

Ford: "They don't have to apply for the petition."

Andersson: "I'm going to... I'm going to run out of time, real quick."

Ford: "Okay."

Andersson: "So, there's another provision that says the state's attorney may not object to an immediate sealing and the judge 'shall' enter an order denying the petition during the hearing."

Ford: "Yes. That was removed."

Andersson: "How... how is that good? How is it good for us to take..."

Speaker Lang: "Please bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Andersson: "No. How is that good for us to take away discretion both... for both the State's Attorney and the judge in making that determination? To the Bill. This..."

Ford: "Well, if you check the records, it was removed, that part."

Andersson: "Thank you. I'll bring my... my quote remarks to a close. Thank you very much. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Mr. Breen for two minutes."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, I'm trying to figure out. You're adding a new right to seal to the statute. This is not... Is adding a new right to seal or is it piggybacking on the old existing rights to seal?"

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Ford: "That's a question and that answer is, no. Because this is still a right of an individual to apply to have acquittals sealed. This simply streamlines the process. We're not changing anything, but allowing the individual, at the time of the acquittal, to not go home and come back and apply for the sealing. It's as soon as the acquittal is rendered, they can just apply that day. It's called immediate."

Breen: "Immediate. So, help me out. Under existing law, so if I... if someone is charged with murder and they get an acquittal, are they able to seal that charge?"

Ford: "They... I mean, you can't just seal anything. You have to ask the courts to seal records. I mean, you can petition the court. The courts have to make the decision as to whether or not your request should be granted. So, nothing is automatic. This is not automatic sealing. It's called immediate sealing with the petition of the judge. So, that's very important. And that's a good question that you asked because it's not automatic, but it's... you still have to petition."

Breen: "So... Okay. Again, I guess it's my own unfamiliarity 'cause I have no problem..."

Ford: "Right."

Breen: "...speeding this up, but again, I just... I know that there's a lot of opposition on..."

Ford: "There's no opposition."

Breen: "Okay. I know there was some opposition in committee at least."

Ford: "No, there was no opposition in committee."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen, please bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

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Breen: "All right. I'm... I'm going to sit down for now and do a little research while you continue to debate."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andrade for two minutes."

Andrade: "Thank you. May the Sponsor yield, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andrade: "Representative, I have a question. I know when some people are applying for a residency or a U.S. Citizenship on the application I believe it says have you been charged? And if you say yes, even if you'd been found not guilty then Homeland Security requests a copy of the... I'm not sure of the legal term... a disposition or some... if it's automatically sealed, and I... and that person goes and applies, it's just gone? Can they get... can they get a copy of it?"

Ford: "Well, law enforcement... everyone... law enforcement still has access. So, it's still electronically maintained."

Andrade: "Okay. So, it's maintained. So, if INS wanted... can... if a person goes and seals it, can they go and unseal it if they need... if they need a copy of it?"

Ford: "I think if it's their record, they could apply because it's still available. So, they could go to the State Police and say, could I please get a copy of my sealed record."

Andrade: "So, expungement and seal it. It doesn't disappear?"

Ford: "So, that's a good question. So, expungement disappears, expungement disappears. Sealing remains."

Andrade: "Ahh."

Ford: "Sealing remains available for law enforcement. Who else? Prosecutors... and certain government entities."

Andrade: "Okay. So, expungement disappears, but sealing still remains?"

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Ford: "Sealing still remains."

Andrade: "Okay. So, if someone wanted to apply... Okay. Thank you very much."

Ford: "And... and to your point, also..."

Andrade: "Yes, yes."

Ford: "...it's not automatic."

Speaker Lang: "Represent..."

Ford: "The judge still has to..."

Andrade: "Okay. Thank you. All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield for two minutes."

Mayfield: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Mayfield: "Is there any opposition to this Bill?"

Ford: "No."

Mayfield: "So, that means that the State's Attorney is not opposed to your Bill?"

Ford: "That's exactly right. They are not opposed."

Mayfield: "There is no law enforcement agency that's opposed to your Bill?"

Ford: "No. I worked with them and they are neutral."

Mayfield: "Okay. If a person has their record sealed and they create another crime, that information is still available to the State's Attorney, the local police, the State Police. Is that correct?"

Ford: "That's correct."

Mayfield: "So, this Bill just basically says that if a person is acquitted they have the right, at that time, to petition for their record to be sealed so they can go out, get a job, support their family without that coming back against them?"

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Ford: "That's right. It's going to save the court cost money, instead of someone going home, coming back, they can apply at the time of the acquittal instead of having a new court date, they apply that day immediately for the sealing."

Mayfield: "Thank you so much."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Stratton for two minutes."

Stratton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Stratton: "To the Bill. I just want to say that we are fooling ourselves if we think that it would not be a benefit to be able to say that a record has been sealed. We know that we live in an age of mass incarceration. We know that there are too many people that have criminal backgrounds and here we are talking about someone who has been acquitted. This Bill, as I understand it, does not require an immediate sealing. What it says is that the process begins immediately. And I think any one of us in this room, if we had been acquitted of some act, some criminal offense, we would want to be able to seal that record so that we could go on with our lives without having to give an explanation, without having to tell someone this is what happened and this is how I have been wronged. So, this is one very simple way to say that when someone has been acquitted let's get that process started immediately so that they can move forward. This is not an effort to try to cover up something; this is not an effort to try to say that a person should be... should not be penalized. It's saying when they have been acquitted, when they have been found that they should not be held with any kind of conviction or wrongdoing that they should have the opportunity to move forward. So,

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again, I ask for an... I also would support this Bill, ask my colleagues to support this Bill because there are enough people who have to deal with the ongoing penalty of a criminal record. And even if they have been acquitted, it is not helpful to have... it is not as helpful to say that they've been acquitted as it would be to say that this has been sealed and that we don't have to talk about it at all. And that's what we want for our communities to have people to be able to get jobs to take care of their families and to continue on as a productive citizen of our state. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Skillicorn for two minutes."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Skillicorn: "Specifically to this Bill. And when I look over this Amendment... I want to remind people there is an Amendment to this... this Amendment is now... switches the State's Attorney to a proponent and Illinois State Police as a proponent. And when I look at the text of this Amendment, it's saying that the State's Attorney can quash this application if they want to. I think that gives the State's Attorney quite a bit of freedom and an opportunity that this is someone is a... maybe have a repeat offender that has not been convicted but is someone that has gotten in trouble multiple times. The State's Attorney can quash this application and it still will stand. Also, I want to remind you that sealing is not expungement. It's very different. I'm a conservative Republican. I'm voting for this Bill. I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to feel comfortable voting for this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Wheeler for two minutes."

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Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I yield my time to Representative Andersson."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for a minute and 57 seconds."

Andersson: "Thank you, Sir. Representative, I think I may have misapplied or misread the Bill. My understanding now is that the existing right is not being changed, you're expediting it. That's all you're doing."

Ford: "Thank you, Sir."

Andersson: "Okay. I appreciate that. You know, one of the things... and I'll use my one minute 40 seconds to say this... one thing that happens in this chamber, once in a while that's really great is the debate illuminates something. Sometimes things go so quickly that we don't always get it right. And I got it wrong a moment ago. I support your Bill."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford to close."

Ford: "Follow his lead, vote 'aye'."

Speaker Lang: "Fair enough. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourself, Members. Switches haven't moved. Currie, Mitchell, Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 74 voting 'yes', 40 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2708, Mr. Demmer. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2708, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."



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Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2708 allows for the Department of Human Services to enter into an intergovernmental agreement regarding the Prescription Monitoring Program with DCFS. I know of no opposition. I ask for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Wehrli. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 772, Representative Gordon-Booth. Representative Gordon-Booth. Out of the record. House Bill 3701, Representative Greenwood. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3701, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Greenwood."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 3701 requires that before June 1, 2018 in... each institution of higher education adopt a policy to award academic credit for military training applicable to the students certificate or degree requirements. I ask for a 'yes' vote and will entertain any questions at this time. There is no opposition."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hurley. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is

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hereby declared passed. House Bill 3061, Mr. Guzzardi. Please... out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 2383, Mr. Frese. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2383, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Frese."

Frese: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2383 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Human Services. This will allow for unauthorized direct care staff of certified day programs for those with developmental disabilities to administer some medications. This is basically, again, part three of... of a process that started in 1999 when CILAs were awarded that opportunity to pass-it program. That passed unanimously. Again, in the 98th General Assembly, we extended it a little further. And this is a third stage which will now move it into the day programs. I'm open for questions and would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 114 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3703, Mr. Halpin. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3703, a Bill for an Act concerning mental health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3703 is a local initiative creating a pilot program to allow involuntary

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commitments from the State of Iowa, in the five counties in eastern Iowa, to be accepted and treated on an inpatient basis in Rock Island County. The Bill passed unanimously out of committee. And it will provide local patients the ability to stay close to their friends and family and their support network. I'm... there's no cost to the state. I'm happy to answer any questions. I'd ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "It won't take two minutes. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor will yield."

Andersson: "First Bill?"

Halpin: "Yes, it is."

Andersson: "Congratulations in anticipation. Any fiscal cost to the state on this?"

Halpin: "There's not."

Andersson: "And in fact, we're... we're cooperating with Iowa so that... like you said, people can be closer to home?"

Halpin: "Yes. And the local hospitals already accept Iowa patients on a voluntary basis. This would just allow us to recognize court orders from Iowa for the involuntary commitments."

Andersson: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen for two minutes."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, is this an attempt to stem the bleeding in the Illinois population loss crisis?"

Halpin: "I believe most of these people are already Iowa residents, but we'd love to have a few more. But actually the

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Bill provides that their state of residence will remain the State of Iowa."

Breen: "Oh. Oh, well. So, this... I think that this doesn't have anything to do with the proposal to build a wall to keep folks in Illinois from leaving? It has nothing to do with that, right?"

Halpin: "It has nothing to do with that."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you. It's a good Bill. Good luck."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Thapedi. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Congratulations, Representative. Mr. Phillips is recognized."

Phillips: "Once again, a point of personal privilege, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Phillips: "Now, I have another group of people from my alma mater, again, here at Lakeland Junior College in Mattoon, Illinois. They represent the Student Government Association. And we just had a brief discussion of what's important to them and one of them gave me a letter that MAP grants are important to her. And actually, I just wanted to tell you without the Illinois State Scholarship, I wouldn't be sitting here. So, maybe back before I went there... the college, they might have withdrawn the Illinois State Scholarships so I wouldn't be sitting here. I don't know, but I'm glad to be here. And I'm glad you're in Springfield. Please welcome them. Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Welcome to the House chamber. Mr. Swanson is recognized."

Swanson: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Swanson: "Thank you, Sir. I'd like to welcome a couple of constituents from home. Tim Denner, a young man who graduated from high school last year, is here with his mother, Andrea, and they're from Dover, Illinois. So, welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Good to see you today. House Bill 164, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 164, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the House. This Bill is for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. It deals with their retirement program and it follows what the General Assembly approved last year for TRS, SURS, and IMRF and allows those persons who had retired before the effective date of marriage equality and who had made the election to receive a refund of their spousal annuity benefit to pay that benefit back within a limited time period with interest in order to attain that benefit which they were legally denied in the past. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Andersson: "Thank you. So, we are just bringing the law into alignment for civil unions and marriage?"

Harris, G.: "So, it only applies to a very select group of people. Those who had already retired before the effective date of the Civil Union or Marriage Act. They would have to come in and elect... elect irrevocably to change that election. They would have to pay back any contribution they had taken from the fund with the actuarially approved interest so the fund was made whole for them to obtain that benefit."

Andersson: "And the bottom line is we're... we're just treating them exactly the same as whatever you want to call traditional marriages?"

Harris, G.: "Yeah. Well, it... for pension purposes, if they do those things, if they pay the money back, and if they act within a one-year period. This is not an open ended offer."

Andersson: "Right."

Harris, G.: "In all these cases there was a notice... it's a very small number of people. It's one..."

Andersson: "There's that way. Is there... is there any fiscal impact to this to the funds? Probably a small amount."

Harris, G.: "There should not be. There was one instance when it was explained to me where if the annui... if the money was paid back, the annuitant died and at certain time here... We had to wait for Representative Davidsmeyer to scooter by."

Andersson: "He's good at it."

Harris, G.: "If the... if the annuitant died at a certain point in time and then, were the spouse to outlive him or her by a certain period, the maximum liability I believe the number told to me would be \$128 thousand."

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Andersson: "Thank you very much for the answers."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Hays, Sommer, Stuart, Unes. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 86 voting 'yes', 26 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sims is recognized."

Sims: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Tomorrow we'll be hosting a CLE meeting on... with the help of the Cabrini Green Legal Aid Society on the difference between sealing and expungement at 10 a.m. in Room 114. And legal... legal credits will be provided for our attorneys, but if you are having questions about the difference between sealing and expungement, come out to Room 114 tomorrow at 10 a.m."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Representative Conyears-Ervin, for what reason do you rise?"

Conyears-Ervin: "Please let the record reflect that I intended to vote 'no' for House Bill 2893."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. House Bill 625, the other Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 625, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, last summer a woman who was using a crosswalk in my district was struck and killed by a vehicle that ignored that

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crosswalk signal. The driver of that vehicle received only a traffic citation. What this Bill does is two things: 1) It specifies that when approaching the crosswalk a driver has to yield and stop; and if there is serious bodily harm or death that a Class 2 felony would... would result. Now, before you say, well, there are lots of crosswalks all over the state. These are not normal crosswalks. This Bill only applies to crosswalks which are marked by a new type of device the Department of Transportation is using called a rectangular rapid flashing beacon. They're big yellow lights. They're marked with yellow signs. If you miss this one, you're ignoring the pedestrian in that crosswalk. So, the Bill tightens the penalties for... for violation of... of that crosswalk only marked by these special rectangular rapid flashing beacons. I'll be happy to answer questions. And I ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis: "Representative, in your remarks you said tightens."

Harris, D.: "I'm sorry. I said what?"

Davis: "You said it tightens the penalty. Meaning you're enhancing the penalty, correct?"

Harris, D.: "I'm ad... I am adding... Right now, if you have a crosswalk, as an example, that's just marked on the street, you might be... and you ignore it and somebody's hurt, you might... the driver might be charged with reckless driving, with distracted driving. These, again, are very highly visible flashing lights that if a driver ignores this one,



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they're not paying attention. So, it increases... yes, increases the penalty to a Class 2 felony in the event of serious bodily harm or death."

Davis: "So, what... what can you share with the Body about where these crosswalks exist?"

Harris, D.: "They... they exist infrequently in the State of Illinois. And I'm kind of having a running battle with the Department of Transportation because the device itself is approved by the Federal Highway Transportation Administration. The device is approved in the... what's known as the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the MUTCD. When you think yellow, what do you think? You think, oh, I've got to slow down."

Davis: "Right."

Harris, D.: "If you... if you see red, you say, I have to stop. So, the... the... our... my community in Mount Prospect, where this accident occurred, people say that device ought to flash red. I happen to think they're right; however, the Department of Transportation cannot change the color of the light because it's approved by the Federal Highway Administration. So, are they being used all over? No. They are being used infrequently in the State of Illinois by IDOT. And I think there's a question as to whether or not they're going to use them anymore because of the confusion regarding the lights."

Davis: "So, then, what is the rationale as to why that particular signal should be in that particular crosswalk?"

Harris, D.: "Because it's so... it's not part... it applies only to where IDOT uses this signal. It doesn't apply to... to

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crosswalks that you might have painted at the... at the end of your street."

Davis: "Well, that's what I'm trying to make sure I understand."

Harris, D.: "Right."

Davis: "What are the circumstances under which that type of signal may be placed in a crosswalk? Where do those crosswalks exist?"

Harris, D.: "They... they..."

Davis: "That, I mean, and I'm trying to understand. So, you..."

Speaker Lang: "Please complete your remarks."

Davis: "Oh, very, very quickly. You said that it's a very specific type of crosswalk. I'm trying... what's the distinction..."

Harris, D.: "Well, the cro... the cross..."

Davis: "...of the crosswalk?"

Harris, D.: "Well, they use them at... at crosswalks which are highly trafficked. As an example, this occurred at a... across a four-lane highway. So, they say it's not an average crosswalk. We're going to put this signal in, this highly visible signal, where there is heavy traffic and that that is a regular pedestrian crossing that needs that special attention that needs that high visibility of that signal. And if a... if a driver ignores this signals they are simply not paying attention."

Davis: "I... I guess my... my reason..."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis, please bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Davis: "I will. The reason for the question is simply because I'm just trying to see that those crosswalks only existing in your district. Do they exist in mine? Are they pointing at

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your district versus my district? I'm just trying to get some information. That's all. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker."

Harris, D.: "And... and I think it's a fair... a fair question. You'd have to go to IDOT to find out. I don't think they're using them greatly, but they are highly visible signals themselves."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford for two minutes."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ford: "Representative, I have a question about the enhancement. What is the penalty now?"

Harris, D.: "Well, there is no penalty for a driver that ignores this... these... these signals. Remember, this only applies... and I keep repeating this... it only applies to a driver that violates these signals, these rapid rectangular flashing beacons, the RRFBs."

Ford: "So, who determines if the driver violated it? I mean, I've seen these crosswalks and you have people... you want to stop, they... you want them to go, they don't want to go and it's like cat and mouse. And so, what happens right now if I hit someone. Is that a crime or not?"

Harris, D.: "Well, in an average crosswalk, you could be... conceivably you could be charged... well, depending on what you do, you could be charged, I suppose, with vehicular homicide. You could be charged with reckless driving. The notable thing about this... a couple of notable things... is that, number 1, the pedestrian has to activate the signal. So, there... there is not the biggest step off... step off the curb into a crosswalk. They have to push a button that activates these...

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these rapid flashing beacons. So, 1) you know that there's a pedestrian there and these... these lights come on, these very noticeable lights come on."

Ford: "Okay. But sometimes you're put in a situation where you're right at the crosswalk and the lights come on immediately. And you really don't have time to make the decision."

Harris, D.: "You can't... and you can't do that with this... with this type of a... this type of a signal. Again, this is a signaling device which is used infrequently in the State of Illinois and it's not like the lights come on. You have to... the pedestrian has to push the light... or push the button, rather, to activate the lights."

Ford: "And the last question is, if this Bill does not pass, does that put..."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford, please bring your remarks to a close."

Ford: "Thank you. So, if this Bill doesn't pass, does that mean that people in Illinois are less safe?"

Harris, D.: "Well, I think pedestrians are less safe, if they're using a... a crosswalk marked by a rapid rectangular flashing beacon, only... only those crosswalks marked by RRFBs."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "Representative, just... I want to clarify the position of IDOT, our analysis may not be up to date. What is the position at present?"

Harris, D.: "IDOT wanted two Amendments. The one Amendment was put in; the other Amendment I have com... if they need some

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modification of the language, not on the penalty side, but on the issue of... related to stopping and yielding. I can... committed to them that the Sponsor in the Senate who I've already identified will modify it in the Senate."

Andersson: "So, with those representations, IDOT's opposition is removed?"

Harris, D.: "With that, yes, I think so."

Andersson: "With this?"

Harris, D.: "I believe so."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris to close."

Harris, D.: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I think the Bill's had a good debate with questions. And I ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Have all voted who wish? Flowers, Turner. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no', 6 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Turner in the Chair."

Speaker Turner: "House Bill 2783, Representative Jimenez. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2783, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Jimenez."

Jimenez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill amends the Illinois Collection Agency Act to make it easier for collection agencies to interact with the Department of Financial and

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Professional Regulation through the utilization of a web administrator service for initial licensing and renewal for just the submissions of those applications. The Bill will also remove a unnecessary collection agency reporting requirement that is not useful to the department's initial licensure process. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 2783 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 98 voting 'yes', 12 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 2783, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3150, Representative Hurley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3150, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3150 simply removes the sunset date that was originally included in the Property Fraud Review and Refer Act. I'm available for questions. And would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 3150 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 3150, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House

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Bill 3460, Representative Long. Mr. Clerk... Out of the record.  
House Bill 2363, Representative Morrison. Mr. Clerk, please  
read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2363, a Bill for an Act concerning  
transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Morrison."

Morrison: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that would help  
our municipalities. Currently, IDOT requires municipalities  
over 5 thousand to do a 20-year transportation study on the  
major thorough... thoroughfares. And as I talked to many of our  
local officials back at home, they said, it's... it's not a  
practical study to have to do. They do it because it's the  
law. But what would be more practical would be to put in  
statute a 5-year plan. Many of them... most of them are already  
doing a 5-year plan. So, this just puts this in statute. IDOT  
is neutral. The Illinois Municipal League is neutral. But  
this would help our municipalities. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House  
Bill 2363 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote  
'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all  
voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please  
take the record. On a count of 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 2363, having received  
the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House  
Bill 2427, Representative Olsen. Out of the record. House  
Bill 2647, Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, please read the  
Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 26... House Bill 2647, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is the final product from the Veteran's Suicide Task Force. It lays out a very progressive and comprehensive plan to combat veteran suicide on behalf of the State of Illinois. And I ask for all the support from the Members because I think Illinois wants to be the leader in addressing and preventing veteran suicide."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Andersson: "Thank you. Representative Kifowit, I just note in my analysis that the Department of Veterans Affairs itself is opposed. One, is that correct and two, why?"

Kifowit: "They expressed various issues in committee. Most importantly, they declared that this is an unfunded mandate. And I believe that the State of Illinois needs to find the funds to address the fact that we cannot have one veteran commit suicide in the State of Illinois. And I believe that they have the ability to do that if they put their minds to it. We did file Amendment 3 which allows them to go and be very aggressive in finding private funding and in looking at alternative sources of revenue. Therefore, in my humble opinion, they can mitigate the cost by being aggressive, by being proactive and actually working hard to fund such an important initiative such as this."



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Andersson: "So... so, basically their objection is fiscal in nature?"

Kifowit: "That's what they said, but again, Amendment #3 allows them to be very aggressive in fundraising. They can form public-private partnerships. They can administer this plan to the... to their ability to fund it. And that was encompassed in Amendment #3."

Andersson: "And it appears that the impact, assuming they don't take you up on those very good suggestions, about 650 thousand. Is that correct?"

Kifowit: "Correct. Six hundred and fifty thousand out of a 32 to 36 billion dollar budget I think is more than adequate to make sure that veterans do not take their own lives after they've served our country."

Andersson: "Certainly not taking issue with your proposal. And the 650's annual, correct?"

Kifowit: "If they claim that they need to hire the eight staffers. I... I do believe that through a public-private partnership there are a lot of organizations out there. There's a lot of interns out there that would help in the fight against veterans committing suicide after they've served on active duty."

Andersson: "Thank you. I appreciate the answers to the questions."

Kifowit: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Williams is recognized."

Williams: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I just want to make a comment as a new Member of the Veterans Affairs Committee. I have been inspired by the amount of dedication

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and commitment that Sponsor Kifowit has provided and the energy that you..."

Speaker Turner: "Excuse me, Representative. Excuse me."

Williams: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Members, can we please bring the noise level down in the chamber, please? Thank you very much. Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you. I just wanted to reiterate how inspired I've been by the hard work of our Sponsor. And actually, Members on both sides of the aisle that make up the Veterans Affairs Committee. There's few issues that are as important as the matter... as the issue of protecting our veterans, our returning veterans, our injured and disabled veterans. I think if the department is correct that these are unfunded items, we need to prioritize and find the funding to make this Bill a reality. And I'm committed to working with both sides of the aisle to make that happen. Thank you, Representative, for your hard work on this Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. So, this is a very difficult subject to discuss. And it's one that you should take with much seriousness. My son, serving up in Alaska, within one month had two service members take their life. Now, neither one of them had been in combat. They... they did it anyway. So, I... I firmly believe that there's been a lot of emphasis on this topic. I served on this task force with Representative Kifowit. We had a lot of great testimony. The Department of Veterans Affairs was involved in the entire process. And the report is substantial on this issue. However,

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I will say this. Much of the testimony that we took in as a task force really related to issues that broke down at the federal level with the Department of Veterans Affairs with their veterans hospitals, with their out-processing procedures, with their not keeping track of particular medical issues with their veterans. It also, in many ways, dealt with family situations for which much of what we would want to address are very difficult and individual things to address. So, while... since the department is opposed to this and since I firmly believe the department is doing as much as they possibly can on this issue, and understanding the full extent that a lot of this stuff is not things that we're not trying to do already. We're already trying to do much of what's already proposed here. So, with that in mind, I don't intend to vote for this Bill simply because there is department opposition to it and because so much of this needs to be handled at the federal level and with the families of these veterans and that is difficult when you're talking about sending additional tax dollars to wrap your mind around. So, if they were not opposed, if we could find a way for them not to be opposed, I would be in favor of this. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Swanson for two minutes."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and to the Bill. As I expressed, I'm a veteran. As I expressed in the Veterans' Committee, I do have some issue with the Bill in that, as a veteran advocate myself, and we do have veterans committing suicide every day, I don't think this really gets after some of what we're trying to do. We identify... as I spoke up in the committee hearing, we don't identify what veterans' we're

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trying to help. And some of the information that is required for the Veterans Department to track casualties, units of service, combat-related illness, those veterans committing suicide today are not only Iraqi Freedom in Afghanistan, but it's Vietnam, Korea, and World War II veterans which is difficult to track. And I think this puts an undue burden on the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs to do and use some of those tracking mechanisms that is identified within this Bill. The Federal Government doesn't track the Department of Defense, Army, Navy, any of those branches, some of the requirements, as I said, that are needed for the Department of VA. So, it's difficult for me to support this Bill if the attempt is to accomplish veteran suicide prevention. It's pretty overwhelming for the Illinois Department of VA to do that with what this legislation proposes. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit to close. Representative Lang in the Chair."

Kifowit: "I'm going to address what was mentioned in committee or what was mentioned on the floor today. With all due respect to Representative Ives, I went to every single hearing from southern Illinois to northern Illinois. I was..."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Kifowit: "...I was there for all of them and I heard all the testimony. So, to just paraphrase that it's solely the Federal Government, does not encompass what we heard throughout the state. In addition, what was said in committee is that this Bill gives the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs latitude to incorporate data in the way that they seem fit.

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To the Representatives concerned about data collection, it was mentioned in committee that the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs can collaborate with an organization not-for-profit to establish even a simple website, so that veterans can self-identify. The fact of the matter is there are programs the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs are doing now that would not be detrimental if we codified it into law to make sure that these programs continue. There are very creative ways and with all due respect, I think the Representative is misinformed because there is no... nothing in this Bill that says they have to get identifying information from the Federal Government. It could be self-described. And veterans want to be able to get the help that they need and this Bill does exactly what the task force laid out. So, if... if individuals in this chamber want to vote against preventing veteran suicide then by all means you can make up any excuse you want. But the bottom line is, I am committed to addressing the fact that we should have zero veterans in Illinois commit suicide. This is the path to do it. This is the way that we culminated from a year working with the State of Illinois and I know that my colleagues on this side of an aisle share that view and they are committed and they are against and they are going to fight to make sure that no veteran in the State of Illinois feels that they need to take their life. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Nekritz. Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 110 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, the House Democrats will caucus immediately for approximately one hour in Room 114. That means immediately, House Democrats. The Republicans will do whatever Republicans do for the next hour. The House will be in recess 'til the call of the Chair."

Speaker Turner: "Members, we're going to begin with Third Readings. First up, we have House Bill 760, Leader Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 760, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. From time to time on this floor, we have voted to provide exemptions to debt limits for schools who have had to build additions. The statute is filled with these exemptions. I voted for many of them. Those of you who've been on the floor for years have also voted for many of them. House Bill 760 is one of those exemptions for my... one of my school districts in Skokie. But after we introduced the Bill, we put an Amendment on the Bill to make it crystal clear that in... that for this Bill, for this school district and in the future, there are hoops that a school district must jump through so that it is not done perfunctorily on this floor and so that they have to give some thought to things. They have to have passed a referendum. They have to have a public hearing and post notice. They have to provide certain facts and figures that my school district

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had done, but many school districts, even those who had gotten some of the exemptions, had never done. So, this is a good piece of legislation to take care of a problem that some allege has existed. And so, to make sure we're not just in a perfunctory way giving these school districts these exemptions, this is good for this school district, good for yours, and set some guidelines for school districts that need to go beyond the cap. In this case, for my school district, they passed a referendum 2 to 1. They have jumped through all these hoops. All their residents, all their taxpayers knew what they were getting into and they voted for the referendum. If you believe in local control, you'll certainly want to help my school district. I hope you will."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Andersson: "Thank you. Appreciate the clear explanation. I guess my question is this. Is in the referendum process, was something missed that they didn't increase their... their debt limitation at that same time? What... what was the gap that... that stopped this from being fully implemented simply by the referendum?"

Lang: "They couldn't do it statutorily. So, we have to change the statute to enable them to go beyond what the statute would have allowed them to... I think the statute would have allowed them another \$12 million. They need \$47 million. But let's, again, remember, they passed a referendum 2 to 1. My constituents and those who live in the school district were

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quite aware of what they were doing. This is the school district that needs this school."

Andersson: "Right. Was the election... it looks like it said November 8, 2016?"

Lang: "That's correct, Sir."

Andersson: "Okay. In your comments, you said you've set up a structure for doing this prospectively for any of us, for any school districts? Is that correct?"

Lang: "Well, so, in the past, if you looked at the statute, you would see that there are several... many, maybe a dozen or two dozen different times that the Legislature has provided exemptions to local school districts for this exact purpose. But there was nothing ever in the statute that delineated what hoops they had to jump through. So, we added an Amendment so that it's very clear to any school district in the future that if you're going to come to us for this relief, you should have done all these things. Most particularly, most importantly, two things: 1) the referendum and 2) providing all the facts and figures at a public hearing to your constituents."

Andersson: "Will they still need to come back to the General Assembly, though?"

Lang: "No."

Andersson: "No, they won't. So, if they've done those things, they're... they're able to accomplish this without us?"

Lang: "Well, no, I'm sorry. I thought were talking about... other school districts will still have to come back here and make the request, but they cannot make the request unless they've jumped through these hoops."



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Andersson: "So, assuming they've jumped through the two hoops, they still have to come back to the GA and get our approval?"

Lang: "That's correct, Sir."

Andersson: "Thank you very much. I appreciate the answers to the questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mayfield is recognized for two minutes."

Mayfield: "Just to the Bill. I just want to thank the Sponsor. This Bill did come through my committee and he addressed all of our concerns. He actually made it a better Bill when he added the transparency piece. As a former school board member, that is something that has always been lacking in a lot of districts. The exact amount of what that bond letting is going to cost everybody, I think individuals need to know... not just what you're asking for... but the fact that, you know, there is interest. There are penalties. And you know, all of that is in his Bill. And I just wanted to thank him for addressing our issues."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized for two minutes."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. And I do appreciate the Sponsor's addition of Amendment 1 which does at least help to inform the public a little bit more about the level of the debt that they are about to take on. I think that as part of that provision could be stronger. I've written a Bill that addresses some of the... some of it in a different way. So, hopefully, that will get out to the floor as well. I just want people to be aware, though, that in this particular case, this school board is actually going to exceed their debt limit

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by four times the amount that we have already put in statute as a limitation based on their EAV. So, that's four times the amount. That's just not a small overreach; it's a massive overreach. And unfortunately, the taxpayers aren't quite aware of it. After the fact, they'll be put away... made aware of this in the future, but the current taxpayers really don't understand, I don't think, the entire cost of all this debt and how it relates to what they're capable of. The other thing that's kind of interesting about this entire Bill is the fact that this is a single school, school district, which is part of the reason that their EAV is so low compared to the debt that they wish to take on. And hopefully, this will serve as a little bit of an insight, a little bit of impetus to perhaps in the future one of the things that we also need to do is to consolidate school districts. Literally having unit districts is the way to go. Not only does it help in this manner when you need to access revenue for major projects and you don't have the EAV to do so, based on our other Bills that we've passed, but also, it's just the right thing to do in term... for a governance standpoint. We have an alignment from one superintendent K through 12. So, those are my comments on this Bill. I will be voting 'no' because it's a massive overreach in terms of the additional debt they're taking on. But I do appreciate the Sponsor's Amendment 1."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Olsen is recognized for two minutes."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

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Olsen: "Representative Lang, could you help me understand a little bit further what transparency measures the House... Floor Amendment... or the Committee Amendment 1 provides, Sir?"

Lang: "The school district would require to hold a public hearing and post notice as required under the Bond Issuance Notification Act which is an existing Act. One public hearing set by the presiding officer of the governing Body must be held to discuss the intent of the sale of the bond. Notice must also be published with... within a newspaper between 7 and 30 days before the date of the hearing. It must also be posted at least 48 hours at the location where the hearing will be held. At the notice... at the hearing, they have to discuss the description of the projects for which the bonds will be issued, an estimate of the number of years for which the bonds will be outstanding, an estimate of the total debt service to be paid on the bonds including principal, interest, and cost of issuing the bonds, an estimate of the average annual property tax needed to pay the principal and interest on the bonds extendable against the property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value of \$100 thousand or more. So... and it must be posted on the school district's website. None of these things are in the current law as it relates to the debt exceptions. And so, this adds much transparency to the law and requires more than we've ever required before in terms of public notice."

Olsen: "And... and to be clear, they would have to conduct this hearing before coming to the General Assembly?"

Lang: "That is correct, Sir."

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Olsen: "To the Bill. This Amendment is an excellent transparency measure. I think it advances our understanding and the public's understanding before going forward with one of these processes. And I whole-heartedly support it. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Batinick is recognized for two minutes."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Batinick: "A technical question. I like the idea of what you just added with your Amendment quite a bit, but I actually... ironic... coincidentally had a call from a constituent today about a situation where the... in that... in their school district the... debt is going to be increased via referendum and then there's a Bill on the floor to, you know, we have to do what we normally do, give them a carveout. What does your Bill... if it passes and moves through to the Senate and the Governor's desk, what does it do to these situations that are currently in the pipeline?"

Lang: "Representative, the effective date of the Bill is January 1, 2018. So, it would be after that."

Batinick: "Okay. So, anybody in the pipeline is not affected by these new transparency provisions?"

Lang: "That's correct."

Batinick: "Okay."

Lang: "But again, I just want to say this, because I have a wonderful school district, they have done all these things before it was required by the law."

Batinick: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Lang to close."

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Lang: "I would appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 760 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 71 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 760, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hammond, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Hammond: "At this time, Representative Tony McCombie and I would like to welcome Miss Illinois, Jaryn Franklin, of East Moline to the Illinois House Floor. Jaryn was crowned Miss Illinois on June 18 of 2016 at the Marion Cultural and Civic Center. As Miss Illinois, she's traveled the State of Illinois promoting her personal platform of advocating for individuals with disabilities. And it is her intent to promote a culture of understanding and acceptance towards individuals with disabilities with the youth of Illinois."

McCombie: "Jaryn represented Illinois in the Miss America Pageant at the historic Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, New Jersey. She has the pursuit of a profession in STEM-related field. And after completing her year as Miss Illinois 2016, she hopes to earn her doctor of nursing practice and become an acute... Oh, boy... Yep. Yeah, an acute nurse practitioner. So, please help us welcome Jaryn to the floor."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you. Welcome to your Capitol. House Bill 2448, Representative Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2448, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a Bill that when we came out of committee needed some work. And I listened to the Members of the committee and have amended it. And that's what has already been adopted to this issue. And this Bill deals with really driving safety. If you have been on the road and been early morning, late at night, or conditions when you couldn't see other vehicles very well, you know that we have an issue with distracted driving and other issues. This Bill would require headlights on the open road, not in municipalities, and only on two-lane roads for vehicles in the Class 1 and 2 situation. This Bill is like motorcycles that are required to have headlights all the time. This Bill would require white running lights or headlights to be on at all times to improve safety. I've had a number of constituents contact me that said they just barely avoided accidents because they couldn't clearly see another vehicle. And that's where the headlights would be of assistance or running lights. I would be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please excuse Representative Wehrli for the remainder of the day."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Skillicorn is recognized."

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Skillicorn: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Pritchard, just a couple observations. There's a few people that contacted me, they have older classic cars, that are concerned about the older headlamps not being able to support... or wear out very quickly because they could be on all the time when they're driving. You mentioned that some of these are very hard to reproduce or acquire because it's the cost of the car that might be, you know, 60, 70, 80 years old. The parts aren't that available. And they usually don't drive at night anyway because of what it is. And now, when they go down to the parade or they go to a car show, they have to have the lamps on. They were never designed to do that. There's some, you know, issues with the voltage regulator and stuff. But then also ABATE hasn't come out against this Bill, but I'm an avid motorcycle rider and I really think that this does make my life a little bit harder. I'm hard to differentiate from a car and be harder to see. So, I... I appreciate the effort. I appreciate the good debate on this, but I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The Chair recognizes Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Ammons: "Thank you, Representative. I'm really trying to clarify and not get misled here about what this Bill is requiring. Can you just go back a little bit, so that I can understand what you're asking for in this legislation?"

Pritchard: "So, this Bill would require vehicles that are traveling on the open two-lane road outside of

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municipalities... so, I'm responding to the concern about police stops in municipalities. And would say that if a vehicle is on the open road, they need to either have running lights or headlights at all times."

Ammons: "So, on the two-lane road, like a country road, there... I thought we already had current law for that? I don't understand what this is doing."

Pritchard: "No. The current law only deals with dawn and dusk driving or when inclement weather like rainstorms and the windshield wipers are on that you would have to have lights at those times. But if you're observant and watch other vehicles on two-lane roads outside of municipalities, you'll see that a lot of people avoid that law or ignore that law. Besides the fact, we've got distracted drivers as you well know and people that aren't necessarily paying attention. And if you've got a vehicle that is colored so that it's similar to the background, it's very hard to see. And the National Transportation Safety Authority has done studies and they say anywhere from 7 to 15 percent of the accidents could be avoided if we had this kind of law."

Ammons: "So, why would it apply only to roads outside a municipalities? I don't... I don't get the distinction."

Pritchard: "So, there was concern in committee about having this also apply to municipalities and they were concerned about whether police would be stopping people unnecessarily. So, we excluded that. This is strictly to open-road driving on two-lane roads."

Ammons: "Okay. And... and there's no concern about the same issue in the open-load... road driving?"



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Pritchard: "Excuse me?"

Ammons: "So, you don't have a concern about the implementation of this on open-road driving, assuming somebody's headlight went out or something like that?"

Pritchard: "Well, it's the hope that over time people will learn the safety devices and it's just similar to what we had with seatbelts."

Ammons: "Okay."

Pritchard: "It took a while for people to get in the habit of using seatbelts. And this is trying to get people in the habit of having running lights or turning their headlights on at a time when... at all times so you can avoid possibly someone running into you."

Ammons: "Okay."

Pritchard: "And there's lots of incidences that constituents have talked to me about where they were in a long line of cars and people were trying to pass and but for the fact they had running lights, someone would have pulled out in front of them. So, that's the kind of incident that were trying to avoid. And hopefully, it'll be something that we can educate people over time and won't be an issue."

Ammons: "And it's... this is simply punishable by a ticketed fine?"

Pritchard: "So, it's punishable by a business fine of \$100."

Ammons: "A bus..."

Pritchard: "It doesn't... it doesn't go on your driving record."

Ammons: "Why not?"

Pritchard: "Because I... there would be objections to doing that."

Ammons: "It would be on..."

Pritchard: "There would be objections to doing that."

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Ammons: "But why a business fine? Why not a... why wouldn't a Vehicle Traffic Code apply the same way that it applies in municipalities on the fining of inoperable lights or any other thing?"

Pritchard: "This fine was suggested by... and I'm not sure... either the Secretary of State's Office or the State Police Office, as a way of having some kind of nominal punishment to try to get peoples to cooperate."

Ammons: "Thank you so much for taking my questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Flowers is recognized."

Flowers: "Representative Pritchard, does it have to be a fine? I mean, is it not possible that a State Trooper could pull someone over and say, turn on your lights, please?"

Pritchard: "It would be possible and that might be what happens."

Flowers: "No. Because the law is the law."

Pritchard: "There is discretion in application of the law."

Flowers: "And what is the discretion and whom is it applicable to and how's it going to be used?"

Pritchard: "Excuse me?"

Flowers: "How will the discretion be described, to whom is it applicable to, and how would it be used, if it's the law?"

Pritchard: "So... so, the discretion is up to the police officer."

Flowers: "Okay. Well, Representative, I would appreciate you taking this Bill out of the record because part of the problem now with being the police officer's discretion is more one-sided than the other. And..."

Pritchard: "And that's why we have eliminated this to being on the open road outside of municipalities."

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Flowers: "Well, irregardless to where it's at. If it's applied unevenly, it will be applied wrong. And it's wrong because you're asking a person who may inadvertently forget to turn on their light and they'll be charged with a fine, a fine that could cost them their rent, their light, their gas because they just inadvertently forgot to turn on their headlights. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I would appreciate a 'no' vote on House Bill 2448. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Pritchard to close."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we're concerned with safety here. We have news accounts every day of people that are distracted, that aren't paying attention, and we have accidents, a lot of it with texting. This is an issue that helps make a vehicle more visible. And I would appreciate your support. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 2448 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 9 voting 'yes', 93 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4... 2448, having failed to reach the Constitutional Majority, does not pass... fails. Still have work to do, Members. House Bill 3163, Representative Manley. Out of the record. House Bill 370, Representative Mayfield. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 370, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mayfield."

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Mayfield: "Thank you. This Bill just simply allows for school districts... all school districts in the State of Illinois to provide an invisible area of the 9-1-1 number for students to call for assistance. Ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 370 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 370, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3122, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3122, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Moeller."

Moeller: "Thank you, Speaker. House Bill 3122 is... is legislation that's very similar to a Bill that was introduced a couple weeks ago by Representative Olsen in the sense that it applies to pension benefits for part-time officials who serve on taxing body boards. The... the primary distinction with this Bill is that it would also apply to appointed officials who serve less than a thousand hours as a part of a... of a taxing body board. They would no longer be eligible for IMRF pension benefits. Ask you for an 'aye' vote and would be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. So, this Bill doesn't do what really taxpayers want, which is to actually abolish...

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abolish from this time forward the idea that a part-time elected official deserves a taxpayer-funded pension for any reason at all, no matter how many number of hours you work. We are... this state is broke. Our pension funds are a disaster. And this Bill, while it helps a small amount... a small bit by adding some metrics behind what a part-time elected official's job is and the number of hours they work. What taxpayers want is these to end, just end them. That's the Bill we need to be running. No more pensions for part-time elected officials, period. Doesn't matter where you serve: township, municipality, the General Assembly. Just end them. I don't know why we keep doing these piecemeal, minor fixes when we have the largest pension problem in the entire United States. And it is crippling... it is crippling our municipalities; it is crippling our state. Not only are we at 25 percent of GRF going to pensions, we're headed to 30 percent of GRF going to pensions. And it is cri... it is absolutely ensuring that we can't provide the services that we want to, to the disabilities community, to pay state group health insurance claims, to provide for infrastructure, to give more money to education. We are freezing out... all... all of our new money is doing nothing to a pension problem. And this does nothing to end that. This perpetuates it by letting them decide... they can find a document saying that they worked a thousand hours. Just end them. That's what we should be doing instead of these piecemeal Bills."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Skillicorn is recognized for two minutes."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Does the Sponsor yield?"

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Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Representative Moeller, for advancing this cause. I think it's very clear that appointed board members... we would like them to contribute to IMRF, but the idea that they might fully vest at appointed board member level with very small contributions and then later on go on to a municipal job and basic... basically pension spike themselves into a very nice pension. That's something that I think everyone in this room here could be against. So, thank you for advancing this. I do urge an 'aye' vote. And this is specifically for appointed members of these boards. These are not elected officials. And also, I will speak to Representative Ives. I think it's right that we probably should move to start getting rid of some of these pensions for part-time positions. But it's also... if they sign the affidavit saying they worked a thousand hours, they would be committing perjury if they did not. So, that's still significant and I would highly recommend no one ever do that if they're not working a full thousand hours a week on this. So, I do urge an 'aye' vote. I think it's a great step in the right direction."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Moeller to close"

Moeller: "Thank you. I appreciate the comments of the former speaker. I do think this is a step in the right direction. Last year we saw a Bill that would address pensions at the county board level. We were successful in advancing that legislation. This takes the next step along with the Bill that Representative Olsen passed out of the House last week. I think we have made incredible advances in addressing the

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problem of pension benefits for part-time elected and appointed officials. I would ask for an 'aye' vote. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3122 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 3122, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3455, Representative Spain. Mr. Clerk, please call the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3455, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Spain."

Spain: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3455 is a Bill that creates an Adopt-a-Trail Program within our state parks. This was an idea that originated upon a visit from Director Rosenthal to a state park in my district. We adopted a Floor Amendment yesterday that just clarified that none of the volunteer activities that would place through adopting a trail would in any way take the... take away work from existing state employees. So, there are no known opponents to the Bill. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House... Representative Andersson with a late light."

Andersson: "I do apologize for that. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield?"

Andersson: "I just got to ask, Ryan. Is it your first Bill?"

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Spain: "I almost snuck it through there. Yes, Sir, it is."

Andersson: "You... you did. Where's Severin? He's got a question.

I'll ask it for him. Are you nervous?"

Spain: "It depends on your other question?"

Andersson: "Well, then I guess you're not nervous 'cause I don't really have any other questions."

Spain: "Thank you."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will yield for two minutes."

Ives: "Did you say in your testimony that there was... did you have to tailor this Bill so that we didn't have opposition from workers to have a volunteer program? Is that what I heard?"

Spain: "So, the Floor Amendment that we adopted yesterday, yes, does clarify that volunteerism within our state parks and state trails would not take the place of existing work currently performed by our state employees."

Ives: "Okay. Thank you. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. It's pretty amazing that we have to run an Amendment like that, that collectively employees are threatened by volunteers who just want to do the right thing and clean up a trail. But this is the State of Illinois where essentially unionized employees are the ones that are running the state and are mandating that this type of language gets added to a Bill. So, I support your Bill. I just think it's pretty ridiculous that we even have to do a Bill like this, but thank you for bringing it forward."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Spain to close."



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Spain: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3455 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 3455, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3907, Representative Moylan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3907, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Moylan."

Moylan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Do we have to file an Amendment on this? Okay. This clarifies that law enforcement drills must prepare students and school personnel for school shooting incidents with language consistent with the language for fire drills. And I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield for two minutes."

Andersson: "For two minutes, thank you. You are re... you're removing the requirement that law... law enforcement drills be conducted?"

Moylan: "No. We're requiring a requirement."

Andersson: "You're requiring them. All right. Our analysis seems to indicate you're removing the requirement that law enforcement drills be conducted on days and times when

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students are present in the building. Is that what's changing?"

Moylan: "No. It clarifies that staff training for school shooting incidents shall apply to staff in the building that day and clarifies that part-time staff shall be made familiar with the school's crisis response plans rather than required to complete school training."

Andersson: "And what's the impetus for this? Why are we doing this?"

Moylan: "There is... because some schools were doing it as optional. This requires them to do it."

Andersson: "So, we are creating a mandate?"

Moylan: "Well, we're creating a requirement that is good for the schools both children and safety."

Andersson: "Also known as a mandate."

Moylan: "I say it's a good requirement that is... makes our schools more respondent to what's happening in these trying times."

Andersson: "Do we know what the expense of this is going to be to the schools?"

Moylan: "I don't put an expense on safety."

Andersson: "Right. But now, we can't educate the kids as well because we're... we're taking time for this?"

Moylan: "Again, we can't clarify an expense for safety especially when our children are involved."

Andersson: "So, safety at whatever cost, right?"

Moylan: "Safety is paramount especially when you're having children in schools."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Moylan: "Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "The Chair recognizes Representative Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Representative Moylan, is this your first Bill? Just... just kidding. Just kidding. We're friends..."

Moylan: "Sometimes I feel like it is."

Davidsmeyer: "I'm joking. What... so, just along the same lines that we were speaking of before. My concern is not necessarily mandates, but unfunded mandates. If we're mandating something that's already taking a certain amount of time, it doesn't cost them anything extra, I don't have a problem with it. My concern is that if this... if this actually costs the school district extra money, that's where my concern is."

Moylan: "Yes. And I understand that."

Davidsmeyer: "So... so, what is the additional cost?"

Moylan: "I don't have it. Like I mentioned earlier, we have school districts in our district called and stated that they really appreciate this Bill because some of the schools in the district were not doing them and they feel that it's really responsive to have them required to do it. And they stated there would be no additional cost because a lot of the schools are doing it anyways."

Davidsmeyer: "Can the school board require this?"

Moylan: "I'm not sure. I don't have that answer for you."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. I... I'm just concerned because I've got... I've got some larger school districts that have law enforcement that are readily available that can do these types of drills. And then, I've got others that are more rural that... that will have a much harder time doing something like this. There's definitely going to be a cost to those school districts."

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Moylan: "Right."

Davidsmeyer: "So, while I... I applaud you for bringing something like this forward, I will be unable to support you at this time."

Moylan: "Well, thank you. But terrorism doesn't discretion... differentiate between rural and urban."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield for two minutes."

Stuart: "I just wanted to ask a clarifying question. From what I understand is currently the... the drills are required but not required to be done with teachers and students present. And all this does is say that we need teachers and students present so that they're actually prepared for these things?"

Moylan: "Correct."

Stuart: "Okay. And I... I appreciate this Bill. I taught in middle school and high school for many years. And I always liked that we did these drills with the children there and so that they would be prepared to know exactly where to go in any of these, you know, horrendous and scary incidents. So, I appreciate this Bill. Thank you for bringing it forward."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Sente for two minutes."

Sente: "Hello. Will the Speaker yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will yield."

Sente: "I served on a School Security and Safety Task Force with Representative Demmer. And one of the things we learned was, in fact, what Representative Stuart said is that we do have a mandate in this state that... the number of drills. So, that is

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currently happening now. And I... so, I do wholly support this Bill. And when I've checked with all my school districts, they really said they already have their students and teachers participate in this state-mandated drill because it is more productive. So, I don't know that all of the school districts in the state do that already, but they already have to have a drill. So, I'm very much encouraging an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Moylan to close."

Moylan: "Thank you. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3907 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Members, please record yourself. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 112 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 3907, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1273, Representative Mussman. Out of the record. House Bill 3005, Representative Riley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3005, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Riley."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. House Bill 3005 essentially allows the State Treasurer to be able to broaden their investment options by letting them invest in municipal or county securities at a price above par value. This will essentially also bring into congruence the Deposit of State Moneys Act and the Public Investing Act, where the Public

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Investing Act already allows public entities to be able to buy securities above par."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Andersson: "So, it looks like what we're doing is we're giving the Treasurer with the consent of the Governor, if I read that correctly, the ability to invest in municipal bond issuances that they might not otherwise qualify for. Is that correct?"

Riley: "That's correct."

Andersson: "Okay. And then in the event of a default, it looks like there's a remedy for the state. Can you explain what that is?"

Riley: "Yes. It's essentially language that basically says in the case of a default, and frankly speaking that would be a rare occasion, but in the case of a default that the Comptroller can recoup the monies by essentially intercepting monies that would normally go to that municipality and making sure that they come back to the state coffers."

Andersson: "And... and it looks like it's... it's graduated so that..."

Riley: "It is."

Andersson: "...you're not taking all of the money all at once. Is that correct?"

Riley: "That's correct."

Andersson: "And what's the... what is the impetus? I mean, what are we... what are we trying to address here that we can't do right now? I mean, I understand what we can't do..."

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Riley: "Right."

Andersson: "...but what's driving this?"

Riley: "Basically, the Treasurer... the Treasurer want to be able to invest the moneys of the state, the taxpayers' monies, in the best investments that... that he or she, whoever the Treasurer may be later on, can do. And sometimes these are bonds that are... they're basically premium bonds. And so, they want to be able to invest in any type of marketable security that gives the best rate for the state, essentially."

Andersson: "And yes, I would agree I think that's what it does. And... but it is limited in the sense it's only State of Illinois municipal bonds that we're expanding this to, correct?"

Riley: "That's correct."

Andersson: "Okay. So, we might be able to get a better rate simply because it might be a little riskier, but we have a somewhat of a super priority lien on it, if you will, by our ability to recoup from our own funds that we would give to them. Is that correct?"

Riley: "And... and that's true. And you know, there's still going to be the old question about, you know, is a bond that's essentially a premium bond, is it more risky? It may be, but the bond... the rating... the bond rating still has to be high."

Andersson: "Sure."

Riley: "It still has to be AA, AAA. And so, there's all kinds of safeguards. We know exactly what they're investing in. The bonds must be rated high in the first place, and you know, again, it's the way that a greater return would be derived by

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investing in those bonds or being able to invest in those bonds."

Andersson: "And the... and the ultimate backstop, if I understand it correctly, is Governor approval and Treasurer, obviously, approval. So, it got Constitutional Officers backing this up. Is that correct?"

Riley: "Exactly. And there's transparency in that we know what they're investing in and they still have to deal with the bond rating from the bond houses."

Andersson: "And... I'm trying to determine is it a..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative, can you please bring your remarks to a close?"

Andersson: "Yes, Sir, I will."

Speaker Turner: "It's long past two minutes."

Andersson: "The City of Chicago is opposed, why?"

Riley: "I didn't see that opposition, frankly. Sometimes..."

Andersson: "Looks like CTA, City of Chicago, Policy Institute."

Riley: "I think this is good for the state."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized for two minutes."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Ives: "Representative Riley, your Bill essentially talks about, though, however if they fall into default that you would intercept state funds to pay for that defaulted bond holdings. Is that correct?"

Riley: "That's correct in those particular entities that were mentioned in the Bill."



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Ives: "So, why are we worried about default?"

Riley: "I... I really... well, we're not worried about it because, again, if you look..."

Ives: "You're obviously worried about it 'cause your Bill addresses a default situation where you're going to intercept State Treasury funds and... and apply it to the defaulted bonds rather than to the services for which state... state revenues are supposed to go to."

Riley: "Well, Representative Ives, don't misunderstand me so fast. I think that, you know, I'm looking at that as a safeguard. That is a safeguard to say that if it does happen and again, the RTA, the CTA, the chances of them defaulting when their full faith and value is behind the bond, is very limited. But I feel that that language must be in there to, you know, at least give a failsafe if in the rare event it does happen. That's... that's the only way I'm looking at the intercept language."

Ives: "Okay. To the Bill. Because I'm running out of time. This... this language is clearly... clearly written to address issues of a debt default. When a local government gets in trouble, it will take a simple Amendment of law to allow the Treasury use its expanded powers to buy that bad debt. This is one of four Bills... they have been circulating on the House... in the Statehouse that deal with the intercept of state funds, state money that is supposed to go for services to the local governments and instead will go to pay off bondholders and bankers. There's SB10 in the Senate. There's HB2584 in the House. There's your 3004 and there's 3005. All of them are designed to intercept state funds, state funds that are

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supposed to go to services and not bondholders or bankers in the case of bad debts. This is terrible, terrible legislation. It's designed for the state to start bailing out municipal governments that are in trouble and other local governments that are in trouble. And if you let this pass, you're essentially going to cause literally..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative..."

Ives: "...in some cases, billions of dollars... it'll cost taxpayers in excess..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative..."

Ives: "...the taxes, property taxes..."

Speaker Turner: "...can you please bring your remarks to a close? I'm trying not to cut your mic off."

Ives: "Okay. I'll ask for somebody to yield my time... yield some more time to me."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Riley to close."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again, this is a good Bill. It gives your Treasurer, people of this state an opportunity to maximize to optimize the investments of the state. And again, that intercept language means the money comes back to us. It comes back to the state not to bondholders or anybody like that. It comes back to the state. And so, this is a good Bill. It gives the Treasurer the latitude that the Treasurer needs plus it makes congruent two acts that are in opposition to each other. That's all the Bill does. Think about the efficacy of the underlying Bill. Thank you and I'd appreciate 'aye' votes."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3005 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting

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is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 65 voting 'yes', 48 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 3005, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1542, Representative Phelps. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1542, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1542 is a piece of legislation from the Illinois Oil and Gas Association. There are no opponents. This is just clarifying the process of when the... when traditional oil and gas are sold, the funds are generated for distribution to the owner under what is ever said in a will. I just ask for its passage."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1542 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 1542, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2990, Representative Slaughter. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2990, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Slaughter."

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Slaughter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. HB2990 is modifying the Code of Corrections to help our state reach the Governor's goal of reducing our prison population by 25 percent by 2025. Many of us are aware of our awful 45 percent recidivism rate and our high number of technical parole violations. This Bill's not only addressing who parolees associate with but how they associate with others. This Bill is seeking to add sensible, commonsense judicial protections for parolees no matter who they associate with under two conditions. One of those conditions is when they are engaging in prosocial, positive activities. These are activities that benefit them that help them to continue to rehabilitate. The other's a provision regarding criminal drug activity. The provision is providing a protection to parolees when they're around drug activity, but they're unaware or don't know about such activity and they haven't demonstrated any criminal intent or involvement. A third of our... a third of our parole violations are technical parole violations. This is a serious, serious issue. The Chiefs of Police are neutral as well as the State's Attorneys. IDOC is also neutral. The Governor's Office is also neutral on the Bill. I know of no opposition. As the Sponsor of this Bill, I'm asking this Body to continue to move away from our state being a punitive state. Let's continue our bipartisan efforts towards criminal justice reform. I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

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Andersson: "Thank you. Representative, this is... this is in the area of parole and mandatory supervised release. So, these are people who we are working very hard, hopefully, to rehabilitate, correct?"

Slaughter: "That's correct."

Andersson: "And I certainly support the concepts that you've articulated. We want people back to work. We want them rehabilitated. We want them off of the path that they were on. But my concern is, is we are now creating exceptions to allow a variety of circumstances where they can reassociate with gang members. And I understand that maybe there's an intent aspect to... of this, but that's really, really hard to prove, really hard to prove. And so, my concern becomes when we do this are we really providing an unintentional vehicle for these offenders to reassociate? When they really... we got to try... we got to try not to have that to happen."

Slaughter: "Representative Andersson, it's a very good point. It's a good question. The State's Attorneys have voiced their support for this Bill because of its approach and its objectives. We spell out specifically what those activities are. If you and I are both on parole or if you're a gang member, we should be able to go to church together. We should be able to engage in a job training program together. We should be able to engage in a volunteer opportunity together. We... we... what the Bill is looking at is addressing the zero tolerance associations policy that we have towards these technical parole violations."

Andersson: "So... so, I appreciate that. I appreciate the answer. Again, my concern is just that like anything... like... like

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addiction, like alcoholism or something like all these things. You want to avoid circumstances that will encourage you to recommit, if you will. And I'm just concerned that by carving out these exceptions... and I grant you they're unintentional... but now, we're putting... putting temptation back in the... in the room."

Slaughter: "I understand. But these exceptions are prosocial, positive activities. We're talking about praying together in worship."

Andersson: "We... we are... we are in a..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson, your time has expired."

Andersson: "Thank... thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ammons is recognized for two minutes."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative, have you looked at the cost of incarcerating people on technical violations?"

Slaughter: "I have, Representative."

Ammons: "Can you give us an idea of what the cost is to the State of Illinois to incarcerate someone on a technical violation?"

Slaughter: "I believe it's \$135 a day for... for... to incarcerate per day."

Ammons: "And how many people in Illinois, if you know this, have been reincarcerated... not based on new crimes, but on technical violations only?"

Slaughter: "Good question, Representative. I believe it's 7... currently around 7 thousand that are back in prison because of parole technical violations."

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Ammons: "So, that technical violation... and my final question... does not necessarily mean that the person has committed an additional offense, but they may have been in the wrong place at the wrong time?"

Slaughter: "That's correct, Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you so much. To the Bill. I'll be very brief. There is a research report done by the Pew Charitable Trust... that's the Pew Charitable Trust, for those who may want to look at this. And in that research, it not only demonstrated why this Bill is necessary now... and I appreciate the Representative for doing the work on this Bill... but it also highlighted the costly expense of incarcerating people based solely on technical violations, meaning being in a car with someone who else they got arrested and didn't know that they may have had some paraphernalia on them and the other person is then returned to the Department of Corrections. This is a commonsense, economic Bill. And I don't know what you call this, but that's what I would have called it if I had done this Bill. So, thank you so much, Representative, for bringing it forward and it is in the best interest of the State of Illinois."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Cassidy is recognized for two minutes."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. One of the previous speakers talked about the importance of avoiding temptation. And I think it's critical to understand, with a lot of the folks that we are talking about, with a charge like this. We're talking about folks who are going home to communities where it's not possible to avoid being around another gang

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member that you might have someone in your home, you might have someone in your workplace. And so, I think that this Bill does a great job of avoiding that unintended consequence of simply being in the company of someone that may be a member of your family, may be your neighbor, may be your coworker, may be a member of your congregation. And so, I think it's important that, you know, while we can stand here and talk about avoiding temptation, that's not... this... it's not a very realistic view in many of the communities that some of us represent. And I... and I... I urge you to contemplate it from that perspective, please. And I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Reis is recognized."

Reis: "I would like to allow my time for Representative Andersson."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson is recognized for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor continue to yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will continue to yield."

Andersson: "So, Representative, just back where I was. I... I really do appreciate your comments and the comments a moment ago about the circumstances. What I am concerned about is not the good faith application of this law because when people are acting in good faith I think your... your Bill works. It really does. I'm concerned about the bad faith application. The temptation not just to the parolee, but from the others who want to get him or her back. That's my concern. And so, when you talk about praying, I agree with you. Praying, great. But when it turns into preying, p-r-e-y, on those people in a bad



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faith way, that's what I'm concerned about with the Bill. But I certainly respect what you're doing. And I thank you for... for taking my question that really wasn't a question."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Slaughter to close."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Representative. Listen, we need to reach and address the Governor's goal of reducing the prison population by 25 percent by 2025. I'm hoping that this Bill can help us do that. I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 2990 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. Representative Slaughter."

Slaughter: "Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill to the Order of Postponed Consideration. House Bill 1849, Representative Stewart. Out of the record. House Bill 3142, Representative Wheeler. Out of the record. Excuse me. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 3142. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3142, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Wheeler."

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3142 prohibits public colleges from asking applicants about their criminal history prior to admission. This Bill is a repeat from last year's House Bill 4446. It passed in the House but was stalled in the Senate. The biggest sticking point in the Senate was the fact that it included private colleges. Here in this Bill, 3142, we removed private colleges. As I mentioned last week

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and I will mention today, the number one priority of this Body is to pass a balanced budget. There isn't anyone here that disagrees with that statement. Sadly, for many reasons, we have yet to agree on how to solve the budget crisis. However, one of the things that this Body does extremely well and worked together in bipartisan, bicameral, and support of the Governor is our efforts toward criminal justice. We all acknowledge that meaningful employment and education reduces recidivism. But by banning the box during the college application process, we eliminate a barrier that holds so many people back from attaining a college degree and gaining meaningful employment. Higher education, at any level, whether it be trades, the college associate's degree, decreases reliance on public assistance, increases employment rates, improves physical and mental health, but most importantly, it strengthens communities and improves communities. Please vote 'yes'. And I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Lang in the Chair. There being no debate, those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Breen, Cabello, DeLuca, Mayfield. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 65 voting 'yes', 45... excuse me... 49 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1813, Mr. Wheeler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1813, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Wheeler."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 1813 provides that DCEO shall establish a Networking for Success Program that assists small to mid-sized businesses in strategic market research, geographic information systems, web design and search engine optimization, and social media marketing. This program expects to be working through the existing small business wellness centers throughout the state. It is subject to appropriations. And it's modeled after a successful program in Florida. Appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hurley, Turner, Phillips. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3368, Mr. Sims. Mr. Sims. Mr. Sims. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3368, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sims."

Sims: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3368 allows us to update in the form... students across the State of Illinois to teach them entrepreneur skills. Would allow the State Board of Education to make resources available on their website to teach these for youth by school districts and secondary schools. The Amendment that we adopted previously removes all opposition. I'm ready to answer any questions. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "If I understand, Representative Sims, it looks like presently there is a requirement that the state board create a model curriculum and you're adjusting that back to hosting of resources. Am I correct about that?"

Sims: "Correct. It was... it was only for... the Amendment that we adopted allows for the state board to make those resources available to school districts and to students."

Andersson: "Right. So, we're actually lessening a mandate, if you will?"

Sims: "Yeah. We're not mandating that they create the curriculum. We are making sure that they identify resources that are available. And then make those available to students and school districts."

Andersson: "Right."

Sims: "There is a program currently that... that's being hosted by groups across the country. One of which is the National Federation of Independent Businesses has a program that teaches students independent... or teaches students entrepreneurial skills. Just recently, in the City of Chicago there was a... there were resources made available to school... to schools in the City of Chicago to teach the students entrepreneurial skills. If we're going to rebuild our economy, we're going to... we got to invest in small businesses and we got to teach students to do that."

Andersson: "Thank you for the answers."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Harris, Hoffman, Turner, Sommer. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I'd like the Clerk to record me on House Bill 3142 as intending to vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Thank you, Sir. House Bill 2990, Mr. Slaughter. Sorry. Take that Bill out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 2453, Representative Stuart. Out of the record. House Bill 2805, Representative Tabares. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2805, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Tabares."

Tabares: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill, 2805, passed unanimous out of the Elections & Campaign Finance Committee. It just establishes some requirements for vote by mail applications that are sent to a post office box that is not controlled by an election authority. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Batinick, Turner, Wheeler, Zalewski. Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is

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hereby declared passed. House Bill 388, Mr. Welch. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 388, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 388 seeks to legalize a practice that is currently illegal. Yesterday was Election Day up and down this state, across the state, and many people who went to the ballot took photographs of their ballot and posted them on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, and other forms of social media. And under current law, all of those people who did that committed a criminal law violation. This Bill would seek to decriminalize that activity; however, it would have a criminal penalty that is equal to the current penalty on the books if there are people who are trying to buy, sell, intimidate those who have votes. This Bill has bipartisan support. The ACLU... ACLU is a strong proponent. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Fortner for two minutes."

Fortner: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Fortner: "Representative, when we discussed this Bill in committee and later after committee, I gauged you the idea that there might be some technical changes that are needed in this Bill specifically as the portion of the felony and the way it was drafted and how it was included. And my question to you is, I understand we're going to be moving it to the Senate, is it your intent to get that cleaned up once it's over in the Senate?"

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Welch: "Yes. Our intent is to take a close look at what you pointed out to me. I'm working closely with the Senate Sponsor, Senator Harmon. And if there are any issues to clean up, we will clean it up."

Fortner: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Evans, Fine, Gordon-Booth, Stratton, Thapedi, Wheeler. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 97 voting 'yes', 14 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2404, Representative Willis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2404, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Willis."

Willis: "This Bill will go and allow all universities to put on file what their policies are for giving credit for prior learning. They will then put that record with the Illinois Community College Board for them to hold on hand, so that they do have record of what the different institutions will accept for prior... prior learning credit. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is

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hereby declared passed. House Bill 2505, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2505, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Similar to what we did for the Chair a moment ago, this Bill allows a school district to participate in a debt extension. This school district passed its referendum last evening. It complies with all of the provisions within Leader Lang's piece of legislation from earlier. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "So, this complies with the Lang rule?"

Zalewski: "With the Lang rule. I like that."

Andersson: "The newly established Lang rule?"

Zalewski: "I like that, Steve. It complies with the Lang rule."

Speaker Lang: "That's great."

Andersson: "Mr. Speaker, you weren't being asked any questions. Thank you. I have no questions."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives for two minutes."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Mr. Za... Representative Zalewski, could you tell us what is their current debt limit and how much are they going to exceed it by?"

Zalewski: "One moment. There's a \$14.7 million limit. And it has... the district has 5.7 million in outstanding debt right now,



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which will be retired by 2026. They'd like to renovate and expand their... the facilities."

Ives: "So, they're going to... they have a debt limit of... how much again?"

Zalewski: "Fourteen point seven."

Ives: "And they already have 5?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Ives: "So, they have about 9 left that they could borrow up to?"

Zalewski: "Yeah. But I believe they expect the addition to cost more."

Ives: "Right. So, they're going to... how much are they going to issue in bonds? What was the referendum for, 20?"

Zalewski: "20."

Ives: "So, then... so, they're going to more than double the amount of their... their debt limit at that point 'cause the 5 won't be paid off by then. So, they're doubling down on their debt?"

Zalewski: "Yeah. I mean, I would say in response to that that the condition of this particular school district is strong. And my expectation is that debt... that 5.7 would be retired by the time we're talking here of the expansion."

Ives: "Okay. And what type of school district is this?"

Zalewski: "It's a middle school."

Ives: "It's a middle school district, so..."

Zalewski: "With a... I'm thinking there's a grade school to the north of it."

Ives: "Okay. So, it's a two-school school district?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Ives: "So... so, you're going to tax in excess of two times what their debt limit is for a two school..."

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Speaker Lang: "Please bring your remarks to a close, Representative."

Ives: "I'll wait for somebody to yield me time."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welter is recognized."

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, I request to yield my time to Representative Ives."

Speaker Lang: "Kind of felt you were going to do that. Representative Ives for two minutes."

Ives: "Well, I figured out how to play the game now. So, I'll just ask for to yielded time. So, how... do you know what the interest expense is on this \$20 million in additional debt they're taking on? 'Cause the referendum may be 20 million, the entire debt cost may be far more."

Zalewski: "We... we don't know the interest, Jeanne. We have no sense of what the market will be when they go to market. This Bill would still have to go to the Senate..."

Ives: "But you just... wait, you just said that you complied with the Lang rule. And the Lang rule said that you had to have a hearing which included all the issuance cost and the interest cost. So, I'm imagining that you guys should have an idea of what the interest cost is on this."

Zalewski: "I... I think they do have an idea, but I'm not certain I'd put it on the record to the extent that you'd like me to and if that number happens to change, then I'm in a position of stating something on the record that wasn't..."

Ives: "No, not necessarily. You were... even in his language he uses very... very precisely... well, not precisely, but very... in a good way. He says the projected cost because we know that

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if we we're definitive in the cost we could run into a little trouble. So, what's the projected interest cost?"

Zalewski: "I... I would say in the testimony you heard in committee, Jeanne. You heard Mark Kasniewski talk about all aspects of this project and heard about the certainty he provided to you and along with Members of that committee about the financial security of this transaction. To the extent you're willing to ask me what the rate is going to be, I'm not inclined to put that on the record on the floor."

Ives: "Okay. I'm not asking for the rate. I'm asking for the projected interest cost. But Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. So, I'd just like to highlight this because I think it's super important that people understand we already have debt limits in place for these school districts. And time after time after time, we never... we never protect the taxpayers, which is why we put those debt limits in place. Instead we let them waive off of that for every project..."

Speaker Lang: "Please complete your remarks."

Ives: "Okay. I encourage a 'no' vote. I encourage us to actually get control of the debt and to protect taxpayers with... and follow the statute that we already have in place. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Batinick for two minutes."

Batinick: "I won't be that long. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Batinick: "You know, and I got distracted slightly. I hope you didn't answer this question. But Representative Andersson asked about the Lang rule, as we're going to call it, that you complied with that. I wanted to be clear 'cause did you..."

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did they follow the... the set of new procedures that are, hopefully... maybe going to become law or just..."

Zalewski: "Yeah. They ever... The way I phrased it to the superintendent when the... the Leader's Bill was being proposed was is there anything in this legislation that you feel is out of compliance with what you're proposing as being advised by your attorney, your bond council, your finance people, and the response I got was we comply with every aspect that... well, whatever is in Leader Lang's Bill. To the extent I can predict the rates, the interest going for..."

Batinick: "I'm not going to ask you to do that."

Zalewski: "...no, I know. I'm just saying. I'm comfortable telling you, Mark, that there's nothing lessened in this debt... debt limit extension than what we would prescribe in the... in the Lang Bill."

Batinick: "In the Lang Bill..."

Zalewski: "There... there's nothing..."

Batinick: "...or the Amendment?"

Zalewski: "There's no lesser of a standard in my district's..."

Batinick: "Got you."

Zalewski: "...proposal than there is in the Lang Bill."

Batinick: "That's all I was looking for."

Zalewski: "Yeah."

Batinick: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski to close, if you care to, Sir."

Zalewski: "I... Just briefly. To the extent you were able to support the Leader's Bill, I would ask you to support my Bill. This is an excellent school district with excellent stewardship of its finances that's done everything by the book and is well-

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equipped to handle this expansion. They won their referendum last night, local control. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Harris, Meier, Turner, Wheeler. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 62 voting 'yes', 49 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3684, Kelly Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3684, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Burke."

Burke, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3684 eliminates an obsolete retail employee fee and redundant certificate while still maintaining Illinois' specific training and food safety guidelines for food handlers. It removes a \$35 fee. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's..."

Burke, K.: "And I will take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Sorry. Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hurley, Sims, Butler. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1804, Representative Cassidy. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1804, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 1804 is a Bill, a contest I've worked on for several years, but with the cooperation from the good folks at the Illinois State's Attorneys Association, we've been able to come up with language that will work. As we've worked through a great deal of our criminal justice reform, we've often commented on the issue of what happens to the guy that got sentenced on the day before we changed the penalty for a particular crime. So, what we've... what we're doing in 1804 is creating a possibility to seek a resentencing hearing for someone who is currently serving a sentence on a crime that we have changed the penalty for... lessened the penalty for so that they might get the same... they have an opportunity to argue for the same treatment that the person who was convicted on the next day was... was afforded. And I... I have... there's no opposition. As I said, we worked in concert with the State's Attorneys Association to come up with language that... that took care of their concerns. There are no objections to the Bill at all. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "Thank you. So, is there a time frame, Representative, retroactively that we're talking about? How long in the past has the rule had to have changed?"

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Cassidy: "That was something that we discussed in our dealings with both in committee and in our dealings with the prosecutors. The reality is we're not changing penalties for crimes that carry lengthy sentences. So, it was hard to put a pin in the right amount of time. And it... through our discussions it became clear it really wasn't terrifically relevant given that the likelihood of changing sentences for things with extraordinarily lengthy sentences wouldn't happen and given that prosecutors have an opportunity to object, this only happens with the approval of the prosecutor, it became not relevant to put that time frame in there."

Andersson: "So, let's be clear. So, the prosecutor has virtual veto power over this?"

Cassidy: "Yes."

Andersson: "Thank you very much."

Cassidy: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Burke, Lilly, Parkhurst, Turner. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 72 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2567, Mr. Evans. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2567, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of this august Assembly. This is a creation of a task force for our

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Secretary of State. Right now, there's some discussion about automobile licensing, whether or not particular individuals should have which licensing. So, the Secretary of State in his wisdom would like to connect with the various automobile dealers throughout this state to come up with some resolutions. So, I ask for your support on a creation of this wonderful task force."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Mr. Unes."

Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Unes: "Mr. Speaker, today in the gallery, we have many members with us from the... representing the Illinois Dental Society. We have many dentists and many students from across the state visiting their Capitol today on Legislative Day. From the Peoria area, I'd like to recognize a few of our dentists with us. It's Mike Ganner, Kevin Nelson, Melissa Stiegel, and Linda Thomas. And then, from also the Peoria area some students that we have with us joining us is Jessica Green, Evelyn Noard, Jeff Chen, Brittney Pham, and also a third-year student at SIU, Katie Unes is joining us. Please welcome all of them to the State Capitol."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. We're happy you're here with us today. House Bill 34... excuse me, wrong number... House Bill 2427, Mr. Olsen. Please read the Bill."



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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2427, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is a simple Bill. It amends the Township Code. Provides that a township made by ordinance provide for the collection, transport, disposal, and recycling of brush, wood chips and leaves. Currently, it only provides for collection, transport, and disposal of brush and leaves within the unincorporated areas of the township. This adds a definition of recycling. This will save money for Downers Grove Township and other similar townships. And I'm open to any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 772, Representative Gordon-Booth. Out of the record. House Bill 3061, Mr. Guzzardi. Out of the record. House Bill 3083, Representative Hernandez. Out of the record. Members, some Bills on Second Reading. House Bill 2721, Representative Conroy. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2721, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Conroy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Conroy."

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Conroy: "The Amendment was brought forth by the Department of Insurance. And it was brought into committee and passed through committee. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Lilly, do you rise to the Amendment? Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Now, the Chair recognizes Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, please."

Lilly: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentle.. Okay. Ladies and Gentlemen, as you know in order to have a fantastic Capitol Capers there is rehearsal that is needed. Today, 4:30, Stratton, Room 392-C. Be there, be there. Look forward to seeing you."

Speaker Lang: "I don't like being ordered around. House Bill 3649, Mr. Crespo. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3649, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 764, Mr. Andersson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 764, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 2 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 394, Mr. D'Amico. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 394, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3054, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3054, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 2 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3486, Mr. Brady. Out of the record. House Bill 3157, Representative Harper. Representative Harper. Out of the record. House Bill 3131, Representative Mah. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3131, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Mah, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "I wish to adopt Floor Amendment #2. It's a technical change that fully aligns the demographic variables with those of the U.S. Census."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 755, Mr. Davidsmeyer. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 755, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3536, Representative McAsey. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3536, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2771, Mr. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell. Out of the record. House Bill 3658, Representative Hammond. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3658, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2499, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 3791, Representative Sente. Representative Sente. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3791, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3328, Representative Ives. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3328, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3785, Representative McDermed. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3785, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3400, Mr. Sosnowski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3400, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 466, Mr. Welter. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 466, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3167, Representative Stratton. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3167, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. The Chair recognizes Representative Mah."

Mah: "Point of personal privilege, Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, please."

Mah: "I'd like to introduce a constituent from my district, Alex Esparza, who is the executive director of the Eighteenth a Street Development Corp in Pilsen. And he's also been

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appointed to the Latino Caucus Foundation Board. Please give him a warm Springfield welcome. This is his first time in Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. You're hap... we're happy you're here with us. We hope it won't be your last time here. Mr. Evans is recognized."

Evans: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead."

Evans: "Thank you. I'd like to make a quick announcement. I hope all of you all or whoever can will join me this evening for the Cancer Caucus' first event at 6 p.m. 'til about 9 p.m. at the Sangamo Club. I know many of you all have expressed interest in being involved in the Cancer Caucus because this disease affects millions of people nationwide but many people in every district. I'd like to thank Representative La Shawn Ford and Greg Harris, Representative Scott Drury, Representative Lisa Hernandez for agreeing to be a part of the Leadership Council of the Cancer Caucus. We hope to educate all of us on cancer-related issues, connect with the business community, connect with our advocacy partners and make Illinois and the General Assembly the most informed and involved group of Legislators with regards to cancer-related issues. Tonight stats that. Again, we're going to be at the Sangamo Club tonight, 6 to 9 p.m. The Sangamo Club, of course, is 227 E. Adams St. Cocktails and dinner will be provided. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're moving back to Third Reading. And we're going back to... to the top of the alphabet. First Bill is House Bill 3780,

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Mr. Burke. Mr. Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 3806, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3806, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Speaker, I'm awaiting an Amendment. Can we take that back to Second, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please put the Bill..."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank..."

Speaker Lang: "...back on the Order of Second Reading and hold it there. House Bill 3744, Representative Conyears-Ervin. Out of the record. House Bill 2910, Representative Bellock. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2910, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. This Bill was brought to me by the Cook County Guardian. And what it does is it puts into statute placement of kids that can go out of state for residential facilities, but the real meaning for the Bill is to be able to go the courts and to make sure that these requirements are there that the court must make sure that the children will be in a safe environment and have different requirements as to why they were placed out of state. Because we're seeing the numbers increase as to how many children are sent out of state. It actually has tripled over the last couple of years. So, that is why the Cook County Guardian wants to make sure that there is capacity here in Illinois even if some of the children must be placed out of state for

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reasons because only the programs there can fit the needs of those children."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Flowers, Martwick. Please take the record. There are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3820, Mr. Crespo. Out of the record. House Bill 2477, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2477, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. People who are in these facilities are allowed to vote but only at their last known address, not in the facility in which they reside. This is a violation of civil rights and liberties. All this Bill does is to say that if someone's been in one of these facilities for more than six months then that individual may register and may vote at that facility rather than at his or her last home address. I know of no opposition. And I'd be grateful for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Batinick, Parkhurst. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby



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declared passed. House Bill 2641, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2641, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 2641 creates the Protection of Individuals with Disabilities in the Criminal Justice System Task Force. Provides that the task force shall be up to 24 members, 10 appointed by the Attorney General, 10 appointed by the Governor, and each of the Leaders and Minority Leaders of each chamber will also pick an individual. The Bill suggests that the members must reflect the race.. racial, ethnic and geographic background diversity of the state that includes judges, state's attorneys, public defenders, representatives from organizations that advocate for persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities, representatives from organizations that advocate for persons with physical disabilities, representatives from organizations that advocate for adolescents and youth, representatives from state's protection and advocacy agency, sheriffs or their designees, chief of municipal police departments or their designees, individuals with disabilities, parents or guardians of individuals with disabilities, community-based providers of service... of services to persons with disabilities, and representatives of a service coordination agency. I'd be more than happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Butler, Cassidy, Currie. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2752, Mr. Evans. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2752, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Evans."

Evans: "Yes. First of all, I'd like to mention that in the past we've passed licensing legislation. It's a passion of mine because it gives motivated individuals the opportunity to get to work. House Bill 2752 had two Amendments. Table Amendment 1 was tabled. Amendment 2 was adopted. And Amendment 2 was an agreement. If you look, we had a long list of opponents and with the Amendments, well, we have zero opponents. I want to thank all of the proponents. I want to thank my Republican colleagues and everyone for working on this. This Bill is about getting individuals who are motivated, who've made a mistakes, back to work. We know that the great jobs of this state or of this country require license, require certification. If you put the work in to get certification, it's just happy to see that we want to get those individuals back to work. This Bill which is an initiative of the Safer Foundation but became an initiative, I believe, of everybody requires that sealed conviction juvenile adjudications for some offenses and arrest records not affect the department's

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license IDFPR decision and that applicants should not be expected to self-impose those records. It also specifies for insurance producer and public adjuster license provides relief for applications for insurance produced in public adjusters who have sealed or expunged records. I have... at this point I'll take any questions. I know they're coming."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor will yield."

Andersson: "Thank you. So, it appears we are dealing with IDFPR's licensing procedures. And we are now saying that, if I'm reading this right, we're prohibiting the Department of Insurance from finding a lack of good moral character based on previous convictions. Is that correct?"

Evans: "Yes. That's... that's a very simplified view of it. I think we still want..."

Andersson: "I'm a simple guy."

Evans: "Yeah. We still want the department to take into account the department still has refusal right, but we want to give the department some structure. I think in the past... and I passed previous licensing Bills... there was never clarity. Now, we have specific clarity on what we would ask the department to do before making a denial."

Andersson: "So, for example, let's say a person's convicted of fraud, right..."

Evans: "Yes."

Andersson: "...a serious issue. And now, they were able to become... I don't know all the things that IDPFR regulates, but let's say insurance... they probably regulate insurance. So, now,

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we've got a person who's convicted of fraud and now they can't take into account the fraud that the person committed?"

Evans: "Sir, of course they can take into account of fraud."

Andersson: "They can?"

Evans: "I mean, we can... we can go to the most extreme because they rape, murder, fraud..."

Andersson: "I didn't go there."

Evans: "It's generally... those things are generally not expunged or sealed, first, let's stay there. So, you're not going to get rape, murder, or child endangerment. These are... and those individuals generally are not applying for a license for the most part. It's individuals who make generally petty mistakes because you're not going to get those expunged or sealed."

Andersson: "Well, I'm... I'm running out of time. So, I got to get to my point. So, I'm not concerned about those at this juncture. What I'm concerned about is the sort of things that IDFPR regulates are licensure issues. So, my example of fraud is not theoretical. That's something that could... you're telling me... would be sealed, unable to be reviewed by them in taking into account whether they should be licensed? I mean, that's exactly the sort of stuff they should be taking into account, right?"

Evans: "Yeah. And I'm not saying that they can't, but..."

Andersson: "How do they do it?"

Evans: "...for the most part. Yeah, for the..."

Andersson: "How do they do it?"

Evans: "Yeah. For the most part sealed... those particular offenses are just not sealed or expunged for the most part. And if they..."

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Andersson: "Well, I think one of the earlier Bills sealed everything."

Evans: "I didn't hear you? I'm sorry, Representative."

Andersson: "I think, another Bill we just heard about was proposing to seal virtually everything except minor traffic violations."

Evans: "We have thousands of other Bills. Today, I'm focusing on 2752. If you oppose those other Bills, please feel free. But I'm requesting your support for this Bill, which is agreed, which is... has zero opponents."

Andersson: "You have zero opponents. Who was opposed that shifted?"

Evans: "It may be listed in your analysis. I'm not sure."

Andersson: "It might be, but I've got 13... 6 seconds left, so who?"

Evans: "House Amendment 2 was adopted to House..."

Speaker Lang: "Please bring your remarks to a close."

Evans: "Yeah. This particular Bill now I'm... it has no opponents, so I'm not sure."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives for two minutes."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Representative Evans, does this in... your Bill, is it... is it for all types of insurance: auto, health, life, property, business?"

Evans: "The Bill does not focus specifically on the type of insurance. It's the license that's given by the department. So, I'm sure if an individual wants to make a lot of money they're going to try to provide as many insurance options as

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possible. So, that's up to the department. I'm not trying to run the department that's why I worked with the department and that's why the department is not opposed."

Ives: "Okay. But you're essentially with this Bill trying to limit the information that possibly an insurance company can have about a... a particular applicant's past. Is that correct?"

Evans: "No, I'm focusing on the department. What information that the insurance agency will receive I don't think is germane to what we're doing."

Ives: "Okay. Well, it seems to me in my reading... Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. It seems to me in my reading of this that if there's an issue with a particular insurance company wanting to actually go out and give somebody insurance at a particular rate that would be solved by the free market. Because the free market's going to decide based on really claim history more than anything else as to what the premium rate should be and whether or not they want to sell insurance to a particular applicant. That is far more important than anything else in a person's history. It's really their claim history that matters. So, I think that we don't really need this Bill. What we need is actually a really open market for insurance, so that they can decide, the companies themselves, so they can convert insurance and at what rate. So, thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Evans to close."

Evans: "Thank you, again. I appreciate all of the proponents and all of the work that they've done: the Safer Foundation, the Governor's Office, all of my Republican colleagues, all of my Democratic colleagues. We're going to get people who made

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mistakes back to work, keep them on track, reduce crime. This Bill does all of that. I request your support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. DeLuca, Fortner, Unes. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are... on this question, there are 54 voting 'yes' and 60 voting 'no'. And the Gentleman asks for Postponed Consideration. House Bill 2367, Mr. Ford. Mr. Ford. Out of the record. House Bill 3045, Mr. Harris. David Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3045, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill was... was a recommendation of a constituent who thought it would be a good idea to allow the Secretary of State to use more email capability in making contact with... with constituents. The Secretary of State offered an Amendment which I adopted in committee which took any opposition that they had off the Bill. I know of no opposition to the Bill. It affords greater use of email. And I... I ask for your 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2423, Mr. Breen. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2423, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that came to me from my township highway commissioner. My township and the neighboring township, York and the Milton Townships, they have an issue where they are responsible for maintenance of the roadways and so, they're clearing trees off the rights-of-way, and they've got to do something with the woodchips. Unlike downstate, we can't burn those... those tree products. And so, the tradition from time in memorial has been to put them on... to deliver them to residents who'd like them. So, what we're doing is putting that into statute and also ensuring that there's either a first come, first serve or a random drawing process that there's sufficient notice to the residents of the township so as to ensure proper procedures and good order. So, I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Nekritz, Sims. Mr. Sims. Please take the record. There are 110 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1784, Mr. Butler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1784, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Butler."



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Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 1784 is a Vehicle Code Bicycle Safety Bill. It's an initiative of Ride Illinois. It allows motorists to legally pass bicycles in a no passing zone. Clarifies that bicycles can but are not required to ride on the shoulder. It allows for a red steady or flashing light on the rear of a bicycle in place of or in addition to the current mandatory red reflector. I believe Representative Moeller might have a legislative intent question as well."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Moeller."

Moeller: "Thank you, Speaker. Does the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Moeller: "Thank you. So, yes, so for the purpose of the legislative intent, does this mean that bicycles are required to ride on shoulders where shoulders exist?"

Butler: "No, it does not. The legislation does not require bicycles to ride on shoulder. In fact, it is ill advised to require bicycle riding on a shoulder. For many bikes, gravel or non-slip shoulders lead to flat tires, possibly falling. And while shoulder remmel strips may release cars running off the road, they're often jarring and dangerous for bikes to ride on. Finally, other legal cyclists, traffic maneuvers such as making a left turn can mean a bicyclist would ride away from a shoulder."

Moeller: "Right. Thank you. I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Long."

Long: "Thank you, Speaker. I only have one question. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Long: "I only have one question. Is this your first Bill?"

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Butler: "This is, unfortunately, not my first Bill."

Long: "Well, I do have to say that..."

Butler: "It might be my last Bill, yes."

Long: "I do have to say that, as somebody who has put in a tremendous amount of miles as a truck driver, 2 million 850 thousand miles, I appreciate this Bill and you have my support 100 percent. And I encourage everybody on the floor to vote in favor of this. Thank you."

Butler: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Conyears-Ervin, Harris, Martwick. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3538, Mr. Halpin. Out of the record. House Bill 1677, Representative Hurley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1677, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 1677 simply requires that the Secretary of State include information on human trafficking into the commercial driver's license curriculum. I'm here for questions. And appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Halbrook, Hoffman, Slaughter. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And

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this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2998, Representative Jimenez. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2998, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jimenez."

Jimenez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill deletes the provision in the Illinois Diseased Animals Act that requires the Department of Agriculture to reward... books in the office and print administrative rules in a pamphlet. These rules will continue to be published online. And I'm thankful to Leader Lang for his cosponsorship on the Bill. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Feigenholtz. Feigenholtz. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3074, Representative Kifowit. Representative Kifowit. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3074, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What this Bill does is if an individual has their car taken from them without permission, they can file a statement instead of having to appear before the adjudication."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Members, please record yourselves. Flowers, Guzzardi, Slaughter. Flowers. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3503, Representative Mah. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3503, a Bill for an Act concerning telecommunications. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "Oh. Actually, out of the record."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 3322, Representative Manley. Representative Manley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3322, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "House Bill 3322 brings Illinois in accordance with national terminology, duties, and standards. Illinois, being behind the times and the statute needs updating to keep pace with the vast majority of states. It was drafted by the Illinois Professional Land Surveyors Association and negotiated with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. And there is no known opposition."

Speaker Lang: "Those..."

Manley: "I'll take any questions."

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Speaker Lang: "...those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Sims, Wallace. Mr. Sims. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2829, Mr. Meier. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2829, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Meier."

Meier: "Yes. House Bill 2829 was brought to me by a constituent in the community. We... we have gotten tired of people causing wrecks that have no insurance. And this raises the penalty if you do great bodily harm, permanent disability or death while driving as an uninsured motorist. We raise it up one level."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hurley. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 8 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2842, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 3718, Mr. Sims. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3718, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sims."

Sims: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3718 amends the Code of Civil Procedure. It

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set forth the procedures for requesting and issuing domestic violence... domestic violence orders of protection, civil no contact orders, and stalking no contact orders. With the Amendment we adopted, which clarifies the process, I know of no opposition and request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3903, Representative Stratton. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3903, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 3750, Representative Stuart. Katie Stuart. Out of the record. House Bill 465, Brian Stewart. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 465, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Stewart."

Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a TIF extension Bill for the Village of Pearl City in Pearl City, Illinois. There's no opposition. All of the letters are into the Speaker's Office. I'd ask for your approval."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields for two minutes."

Ives: "Could you give us an idea of why they need this TIF extension? What's going on with that project that is behind?"

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Or... or are they looking to just garner more money for other projects outside of the original TIF?"

Stewart: "They're... they're just orig... they're just asking for the TIF to be extended for more development in the project zone.

So, it's a village of about 800 people in Stephenson County."

Ives: "And what is the... what are they using the TIF dollars to do?"

Stewart: "Reinvestment in the community."

Ives: "In that particular TIF area or..."

Stewart: "Yes."

Ives: "...the community as a large?"

Stewart: "Yes."

Ives: "Oh."

Stewart: "In the TIF area."

Ives: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, all the letters are in?"

Stewart: "Yes, Sir. All the letters are in."

Harris, D.: "Every taxing district has agreed that this is a good idea to extend this TIF?"

Stewart: "That is correct."

Harris, D.: "And it's going to be used for reinvestment in the community?"

Stewart: "In the community, yes."

Harris, D.: "Great idea. Let's vote 'yes'."

Stewart: "Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Flowers, Pritchard, Wheeler. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 110 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 770, Mr. Wheeler. Excuse me. It's Barbara Wheeler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 770, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wheeler."

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 770 establishes an intergovernmental agreement between IDNR and the Fox Waterway Agency for dredging of the Chain O'Lakes."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Kelly Burke, Mussman. Please take the record. There are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 270, Representative Wallace. Out of the record. House Bill 3063 on the Order of Third Reading, Mr. Guzzardi. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3063, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Assembly. This is an agreed Bill that we worked on with the Department of



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Public Health and the Public Health agencies around the state as well as with the interest of local farmers. This is a Bill about enabling farmers to sell their products at farmers' markets. It expands the scope of products that will be available for sale to encourage our farmers to help grow small businesses and make healthy foods more accessible to the people of the State of Illinois. I'm very excited about this legislation. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the Order of Second Reading, House Bill 3120, Mr. Demmer. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3120, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Demmer, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #3 just adds 'scheduled for that locality' to the Bill. It's a very technical change."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2428, Mr. Spain. Mr. Spain. Out of the record. House Bill 2699, Mr. Wheeler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2699, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3737, Mr. Andrade. You want to move the Bill, Sir? You want to move the Bill? Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3737, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2460, Representative Cassidy. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2460, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amend.. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Cassidy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 addresses concerns raised by prosecutors and removes all objections to the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3909, Representative Conroy. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3909, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2626, Representative Fine. Out of the record. House Bill 243, Representative Flowers. Out of the record. House Bill 2369, Representative Harper. Representative Harper. Out of the record. Representative Harper? Out of the record. House Bill 1785, Mr. Harris, Greg Harris. 1785. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1785, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this... this Bill was read a second time a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3769, Representative Mayfield. Out of the record. House Bill 2402, Mr. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell. Out of the record. House Bill 2764, Mr. Moylan. Out of the record. House Bill 2580, Mr. Phelps. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2580, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 2977, Mr. Welch. Mr. Welch. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2977, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. A state mandates note has been requested but not filed at this time."

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Speaker Lang: "Bill shall be held on the Order of Second Reading.  
The Chair recognizes Mr. Welch."

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, I'd ask that the notes on this Bill be ruled inapplicable. This Motion... this note request was filed way back in March. I believe that this is a stall tactic. And I ask that it be ruled inapplicable."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves that the note request be held inapplicable. On that question, Mr. Andersson is recognized for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "How is this not applicable? How is this not applicable?"

Welch: "Well, first... the first note wasn't regarding fiscal activity. And it came back that there's no fiscal responsibility of the state. With regard to a state mandate, we're not mandating that the state do anything with regard to cursive writing. And that's why this particular note is inapplicable."

Andersson: "It would appear that it's a mandate to me. It's including in its curriculum a unit on instruction prac... instruction practicing writing in cursive. How is that not? It seems to be perfectly appropriate to the note."

Welch: "It's not a... it's not a mandate on the state. It's a requirement of the local school districts."

Andersson: "It's not part of the state?"

Welch: "Those are their own local entities, Representative."

Andersson: "And... and you noted that it was a delaying tactic, but we don't delay it. I mean, did the departments respond?"

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Apparently, the fiscal note's already been responded to. You said it's been months. I don't know if that's the case."

Welch: "I said it's been weeks. And I suspect because the Governor's Office is opposed to cursive writing, DCEO is not going to get back to us any time soon."

Andersson: "I think that's a little bit of a stretch to assume our agencies are going to exercise bad faith in that regard? If you want... I'll call them myself, but I think that the note is appropriate. I object."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reis."

Reis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields for two minutes."

Reis: "Representative, is today House Bill-Third Reading deadline?"

Welch: "No."

Reis: "When is that?"

Welch: "I don't have that date handy right now."

Reis: "Well, it's not this week. It's not next week, the week after... or it's the week after. So, we have a month to get this back. Surely, we can wait 'til then."

Welch: "This has been out there for three weeks. And I just really... DCEO is going to take their sweet time with this issue."

Reis: "Mr. Speaker, I would request a Roll Call vote on this and should this receive the requisite votes, a verification."

Speaker Lang: "Your request is acknowledged. The Gentleman has moved that the filed note request be held inapplicable. Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Chapa LaVia, McAsey. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 61 voting 'yes', 52 voting 'no'. The Gentleman's Motion prevails. Mr. Reis has asked for a verification. Members will be in chairs; staff will retire to the rear of the chamber and all conversation will cease. Mr. Reis is recognized."

Reis: "I withdraw my Motion."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman withdraws. You can go back to talking again. The note is held inapplicable. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further notes requested at this time."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 3877, Representative Willis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3877, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. A fiscal note has been requested but not filed at this time."

Speaker Lang: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 302, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 302, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. On the Order of Postponed Consideration, House Bill 2361, Representative Feigenholtz. You may proceed, Representative."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm very excited that this Bill is up. There was a misunderstanding when this Bill was first debated by some of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle. This is a Bill that would allow the City of Chicago

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to utilize a noise monitor along Lake Shore Drive. I'm glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "So, again, like you said, there seemed to be a misunderstanding last time. The representation was made on the House Floor that ABATE was against the Bill. And I think we verified that that is, in fact, not the case, correct?"

Feigenholtz: "Correct."

Andersson: "And in fact, I noticed that perhaps two of the most vociferous opponents of your Bill are now your chief cos. Is that correct?"

Feigenholtz: "Yes. Weird and correct, yes."

Andersson: "Weird, correct, and good."

Feigenholtz: "But I'm really happy about it."

Andersson: "I'm very excited as well. Let's vote for this Bill, shall we?"

Feigenholtz: "I think it's a great idea."

Andersson: "All right. Let's do that."

Feigenholtz: "All right."

Speaker Lang: "I think I'm going to start making this one minute. Mr. Wheeler is recognized."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields for two minutes."

Wheeler, K.: "For one minute? Representative, I'm glad that we got together and got everything worked out and clarity is our friend now. Urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you so much."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 85 voting 'yes', 30 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Joint Resolution 34, Mr. Arroyo. Please proceed, Sir."

Arroyo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 1 is a technical change."

Speaker Lang: "Excuse me, Sir. There's an Amendment? Mr. Clerk."

Arroyo: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #1 has been approved for consideration is offered by Representative Arroyo."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Arroyo on the Amendment."

Arroyo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 34 encourages the 115th Congress to introduce and pass legislation on the mission to Puerto Rico as the 51st state. Suitable copies of the Resolution would be presented to the Speaker of the House Representative Paul Ryan, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Governor of Puerto Rico Ricardo Rossello, and Resident Commissioner Jennifer Gonzalez. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson for two minutes."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "Representative, just... I note from our analysis that the Puerto Rican Cultural Center of Chicago opposes your Bill. Why would that be?"



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Arroyo: "You would have to ask them that. I don't know."

Andersson: "You didn't... you didn't ask them?"

Arroyo: "No."

Andersson: "Not interested in their opinion?"

Arroyo: "Not really."

Andersson: "Okay. Fair enough. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen for two minutes."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Now, does this Resolution only go into effect if California secedes, so that we can keep 50 stars on the flag and kind of keep everything balanced out?"

Arroyo: "That's a good question. Well, that's new to me. I don't think so. I don't know. We have to make Congress decide. If it's going to have 50... 51 stars on there."

Breen: "Okay. Well, thank you, Mr... Thank you."

Arroyo: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reick for two minutes."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reick: "Is this Bill being introduced so that Illinois's not the only economic basket case on the 50-star flag?"

Arroyo: "That's a tough question. I don't know that question, but yeah, this is just encouraging Congress to consider this Resolution. This is all it is."

Reick: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentlemen's Resolution will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. I apologize, we have not adopted the Amendment. Those in favor of the

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Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Now, those in favor of the Resolution will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. DeLuca, Harper. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 72 voting 'yes', 32 (sic-36) voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 192, Mr. McSweeney. Please proceed, Sir."

McSweeney: "Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 192 puts the House on record against the so-called Netflix tax. There's been a lot of discussion about imposing a six and a quarter percent tax on streaming video and audio, cable, DIRECTV. I think it's the wrong answer for the state. And I would appreciate a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Arroyo, are you rising on this, Sir? You can say no."

Arroyo: "No."

Speaker Lang: "Those in... Mr. Davis is rising on this for two minutes."

Davis: "I just wanted to know, can you... I missed your explanation. Can you..."

McSweeney: "Yes, Sir."

Davis: "...again, please?"

McSweeney: "So, this Resolution puts the House on record against the so-called Netflix tax. There's already a 9 percent Netflix tax in the City of Chicago. There's been discussion about a six and a quarter percent tax on streaming for audio and video

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in the state. And this simply puts on record as opposing that tax."

Davis: "Opposing that tax?"

McSweeney: "Yes, Sir."

Davis: "Is that tax a revenue generator for the state?"

McSweeney: "It is."

Davis: "It is. It does generate revenue for the state?"

McSweeney: "It does."

Davis: "Okay. Are you opposing just because it's a tax?"

McSweeney: "I'm opposed to it because, first of all, I think on the overall budget wouldn't... if we look at where we stand right now we need a comprehensive solution that's focused on the spending side, number one. But number two, is we should be encouraging streaming of services for both audio and video. And I think taxing that in addition to the 9 percent tax we have in City of Chicago would be very detrimental. That's why I'm introducing this Resolution."

Davis: "So, you said we should not be encouraging streaming?"

McSweeney: "We should be encouraging streaming."

Davis: "We should be?"

McSweeney: "This... this would... this would discourage... a tax would discourage streaming services here in the State of Illinois. That's why I'm doing the Resolution so that we are encouraging not discouraging streaming."

Davis: "Thank you very much. Sorry, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Turner."

Turner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Turner: "Representative McSweeney, why would we want to tie our hands before we begin any real revenue discussions considering our fiscal situation here and go on record as opposing any potential revenue generating stream for the State of Illinois?"

McSweeney: "Representative Turner, as I said in my previous statement, I think this will be very harmful. I think it's a aggressive tax. I think it's one that would be detrimental to the development of streaming services, both for audio and video. And I want to put us on record as opposing it."

Turner: "And will you support a progressive tax?"

McSweeney: "Absolutely not. I think that would actually be the final nail in the coffin for the State of Illinois, so I oppose that, Sir."

Turner: "Well, then I think that we should keep our options open and Members should vote 'no' on this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McSweeney to close."

McSweeney: "I would appreciate a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Resolution will say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, on Supplemental Calendar #1, there appears Senate Bill 19, Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 19, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. A correctional note, fiscal note, state mandates note has been requested but not filed at this time."

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Speaker Lang: "Please hold the Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Arroyo is recognized."

Arroyo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was wondering... I thought I was going to call the House Resolution also right behind the House Joint Resolution. Is that possible or do I have to wait to... thank you."

Speaker Lang: "We'll be in Session tomorrow, Sir. It'll keep you here one more day. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 279, offered by Representative Winger. House Resolution 280, offered by Leader Durkin. House Resolution 282, offered by Representative Winger. House Resolution 284, offered by Representative McAuliffe. House Resolution 285, offered by Representative Butler."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Members, I have an announcement that will please the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. We will be in Session on Friday. Mr. Clerk for an announcement."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committee was canceled for this evening: Government Consolidation & Modernization has been canceled for this evening. Also, the Revenue & Finance Committee was canceled for tomorrow morning. The following committees will be meeting immediately after Session: Appropriations-General Services in C-1, Appropriations-Public Safety in D-1, Energy in 115, Human Services in 122, Consumer Protection in 413, and Appropriations-Human Services in 118."

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Speaker Lang: "And now, leaving perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til Thursday, April 6 at the hour of 11 A.M. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4030, offered by Representative Guzzardi, a Bill for an Act concerning education. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 91, offered by Representative Beiser, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. (sic-House Bill 51, offered by Representative Lang, a Bill for an Act concerning courts.) Senate Bill 69, offered by Representative Burke, Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 84, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 587, offered by Representative Breen, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 588, offered by Representative Stewart, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 598, offered by Representative Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 607, offered by Representative Stewart, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."