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Speaker Lang: "The House is now in order for regular Session. With leave of the Body, we will use the Quorum Roll Call for the Third Special Session as the Attendance Roll Call for regular Session today. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Chair recognizes Mr. Hays."

Hays: "Mr. Speaker. I would just like to note for the record, that that exercise you just went through, is straight out of a Monty Python movie. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "You can let me know later who's going to play me in the movie. Mr. Pritchard is recognized."

Pritchard: "A personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we've been very busy here working on whatever it is we're working on, and you may have missed some of your mail from yesterday. The Higher Learning Commission sent a letter that was copied to all of us talking about concerns that they have for our funding of higher education. As you may know, the Higher Learning Commission is the gatekeeper for all colleges and universities in the state, and it serves as a gatekeeper for the federally recognized financial aid for students. Back in February, this Commission sent a letter to the Governor and to the Leadership in the House and the Senate talking about their concerns for our funding or lack of funding for higher education. They further documented in the letter this week that they've been monitoring our situation and it was observed increasing dire efforts of that... our lack of a budget is having on these institutions of higher learning. How it's increased tuition and fees for students, the loss of MAP grants for needy

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students, significant declining student enrollment, the loss of faculty and staff and elimination of academic programs, the canceled Capital projects and cuts to plant operations, and the depletion and diminishment of cash reserves and the loss of grant and charitable donations. What is most concerning is, if this Body so chooses, they can remove the accreditation of all our institutions and thereby make students that attend them ineligible for any federal support. We're talking about a serious issue here for the failure to pass a budget. Ladies and Gentlemen, I hope in the next few days we will come to agreement in a bipartisan fashion and pass a budget that will not only shore up higher education but all of the services and programs of our state. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "The Chair recognizes Leader Currie for a Motion."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move to suspend the posting requirements so that the following items may be heard in the committees to which they've been assigned: House Bill 4069, House Resolutions 430, 434, 437, 473, 480, and 490, House Joint Resolutions 60, 61, 64, 66, and 67. I know of no opposition. And I'd appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Lady moves to suspend the appropriate Rules per her Motion. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Barbra Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 1227. Representative Zalewski, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action

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taken on June 23, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 is Senate Bill 1775. Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Mass Transit reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: recommends be adopted, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 and 2 to House Bill 2953. Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 434. Representative Ford, Chairperson from the Committee on Restorative Justice reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: recommends be adopted, Motion to Concur Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 531. Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1290. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 508, offered by Representative Batinick is referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Bellock: "I just wanted to say thank you on behalf of all the Conference of Woman Legislators for all the support that has been given by all the women and men in this room for the events that we've held this year, but especially what we just completed, the new Leadership program. I want to say thank

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you to Representative Camille Lilly for running the Capitol Capers, which helps to fund the money for that program. But a lot of you don't know that program, and it's a bipartisan program between the Democratic in women, Republican women of the House and the Senate. We now this year, after 12 years of working in conjunction with the University Of Illinois, have graduated 240 women leaders in the State of Illinois that are going on to serve either in government, in business, nonprofit and I think of all things that we've done and all the support that everybody has given of us we should give a round of applause to everybody. Natalie Manley, for helping this year with new leadership and also our executive director Debra Murphy, but all the men and women who have participated. Thank you very much for making it such a success. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are moving to some Bills on the Concurrence Calendar. Starting on page 11 of the Calendar, House Bill 213, Mr. Ford. Please proceed."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move and I concur with the Senate's recommendation on House Bill 213. And I move for the adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman... Mr. Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Could you just give us a little description of what we're actually voting on?"

Ford: "Certainly. The Senate made a recommendation that we continue the waived funds for the lottery as appropriated ongoing. And they made sure that it didn't just happen for one year, but continuously."

Andersson: "Okay and the vote in the Senate was unanimous or?"

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Ford: "It was unanimous."

Andersson: "Thank you very much."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion 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. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 97 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no'. And the House concurs with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 213. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 303, Mr. Guzzardi. Please proceed."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Concurrence represents a gut and replace. This will embody... this will embody a wide body of reforms that we have worked on to the civil asset forfeiture statutes in the state. This is an issue that has... garnered national attention. We have worked diligently with members of the law enforcement community, with the prosecutors. We've reached a consensus on this Bill. It has passed out of the Senate unanimously. It's coming back over here for Concurrence. The Bill will contain several key reforms to the way the civil asset forfeiture works. Right now, as you may or may not know, law enforcement can seize the property of anyone that they believe the property to be involved in the commission of a crime. And the burden of proof falls on the property owner to go before a judge and petition for the return of their property if they view that it was taken in error. So, our Bill contains a vast number of reforms. The most central of which is that the burden of proof

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now falls on the state. So, this... when the state takes your stuff, they have to say we can prove that it was involved in the commission of a crime, rather than you the property owner having to prove that your stuff was not involved in the commission of a crime. We believe that this restores the fundamental principle in our justice system of innocent until proven guilty. We made a number of other procedural reforms which I'd be happy to get into. But this is a good Bill; it's an agreed Bill. There are no known opponents. And it passed out of the Senate unanimously. I'm eager to get it passed out of here as well. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you..."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "Thank you. I'm not actually going to ask the questions of the Sponsor, but I'll speak to the Bill. I just want to congratulate Will on this, I know that he has worked enormously hard on this Bill. It didn't always have no opponents; it started with plenty of opponents. And I think you've done a great job of building a bipartisan Bill that everyone can be proud of. And we're really improving the State of Illinois with this Bill. So, I urge an 'aye' vote. And I congratulate him presumptively on passage."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Costello: "So, Will, the Chiefs of Police, and I think the Sheriff's Association they were against this in the beginning. All of that has been taken away with this?"

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Guzzardi: "That's correct. Yeah, we had lengthy negotiations over the course of many months with them. And they're all neutral or supportive."

Costello: "Thank you for the clarification."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion 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. Burke. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 100 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And the House, having concurred with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 303, this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 305, Mr. Bennett."

Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Basically this Bill originally provides that the requirement that a police applicant possess an associate's degree may also be waived if the applicant has successfully received credit for a minimum of 60 credit hours toward bachelor's degree. This Bill passed out unanimously from the House. And the Amendment really has one word that basically it's focused on. And what the Amendment does is adding one word back into the statute that was deleted in the original Bill, and that was the word 'honorable'. It's a technical change, it does not change the meaning of the Bill. And here's the sentence that we're talking about. Basically this is what it says. The requirement that a police applicant possess an associate's degree under this subsection may be waived if one or more of the following applies. 1) the applicant has served for 24 months of honorable active... and there's the first time the word 'honorable' is used and that's

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the time we took that out... duty in the United States Armed Forces and has not been discharged dishonorably or under circumstances other than honorable. So, we took that out originally thinking that was a duplication. But this is what the Amendment does to say put the word back in. And we're fine with that and again it does not change the meaning of what we're trying to do. So, Sir, I'd like to ask for an 'aye' vote, if you would, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves to concur. This Concurrence Motion requires 71 votes. Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion 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 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the House concurs with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 305. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 350, Mr. McSweeney. Please proceed, Sir."

McSweeney: "Mr. Speaker, I recommend... move that we concur with Senate Amendment #1. House Bill 350 prohibits someone from receiving survivor benefits if they are convicted of a felony involving the service to their spouse. I'd recommend a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "The Gentleman moves to concur. This Concurrence Motion requires 71 votes. Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Fine. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And



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the House concurs with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 350. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 534, Representative Sente. Please proceed."

Sente: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with Senate Bill 2... Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 534. This was an initiative for Lake County. This Bill passed near unanimously. This is... comes back because there was a typo and the Senate chose to fix it."

Speaker Lang: "You've heard the Lady's Concurrence Motion. This requires 71 votes. Those in favor of the Lady's Motion 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 100 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the House concurs with Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 534. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 622, Mr. Hoffman. Please proceed, Sir. Out of the record. House Bill 688, Mr. Zalewski. Please proceed."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur in Senate Amendment #1. It combines two pension Bills that dealt with the downstate Fire Code which allowed for transferability for credit. This is a very narrow window that would allow downstate entrants to enter into the city system. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. This Bill requires 71 votes. Those... Excuse me, late lights. Mr. Andersson is recognized."

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Andersson: "I apologize for that. So, can you give us a little background on the Bill since we haven't seen it for a while?"

Zalewski: "Sure. There's two components to it. The Senate, in their wisdom, combined my Bill along with the gen... the Gentlelady from Cook's dealing with transferability of an entrant into the downstate fire fund into the Chicago fund assuming of a requisite amount of actuarial equity put forth by the person wishing to purchase the credit. This... it started out as a very broad Bill, but thanks to the wisdom of the GOP Members of the... your caucus, I think we've come up with a very narrow elegant solution."

Andersson: "And so, at this point, where are we at with opponents to the Bill?"

Zalewski: "We are aware of no opponents, Steve."

Andersson: "And how did it pass out of the Senate? What was the vote?"

Zalewski: "39 to 10, like a football score."

Andersson: "There you go. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Morrison."

Morrison: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like a vote verification... request a vote verification."

Speaker Lang: "That will be acknowledged. Representative Willis."

Morrison: "Oh, Mr..."

Speaker Lang: "Excuse me. I'm sor... I thought that was your only comment. You wish to talk about the Bill, Sir?"

Morrison: "Yes. Will Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Morrison: "Representative Zalewski, what is the approximate funding level right now for the City of Chicago fire fund... pension fund?"

Zalewski: "Twenty percent."

Morrison: "Twenty percent. And so, this would be a benefit enhancement, wouldn't it be, for these individuals?"

Zalewski: "No. The answer is no."

Morrison: "Are you... I mean, are you certain of that? How do we know that these are not..."

Zalewski: "You know, Tom, I believe based on what we worked out with the city and the downstate fund that it's cost neutral because the actuarial cost of the difference in the two funding's is being picked up by the person who wishes to enter the system of the Chicago system. So, we addressed that when we made... made that change."

Morrison: "All right. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. We should be winding down these pension plans not adding to them. I ask for a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Willis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Willis: "So, Mr. Zalewski, for the original 688 that passed with 82 votes, correct? It did; I'm looking at it."

Zalewski: "Yes."

Willis: "So, it did. And then what... the Concurrence is because you have rolled in my Bill that passed with 100 'yeas', 618. So, that is the reason for this Concurrence, correct?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

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Willis: "Okay. And just for... to the Bill... for the Body as a whole, those 100 votes were totally obviously bipartisan and we worked very hard to make sure that there was minimal impact on the pension fund. These... this is for a very small group of downstate firefighters, less than a dozen, that changed their careers in public safety from police to firefighters. It keeps them still... it puts them on Tier 2. So, it is not putting them to Tier 1. It allows them to be Tier 2 which was an agreed upon bipartisan agreement. It also goes forth and they must, and this is very important, they must have left the police departments or their police service in good standing. So, we're not taking any bad apples and rewarding them. We're simply realizing that many times men and women change their career paths, but they still are public servants. I think when we look back at the past votes we had 82 original 'yesses' on House Bill 688; on House Bill 618 we had 100 'yesses'. That's pretty darn close to unanimous 'yesses'. I don't see any reason why anyone would fail to concur on this Bill. And I certainly urge an 'aye' vote on this. This is something that we need to put in place. It is not going to do it. What we're doing is simply rewarding or actually making it equitable, it's not a reward, this is an earned... definitely an earned pension. These men and women pay into the pension funds. People that are on Tier 2 pay in much more than they will ever get out. And so, therefore, I certainly urge an 'aye' vote on this. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, I'll go directly to the Bill. I just want to bring up the point that we wouldn't have these issues if... if

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we had the ability or either the option... the option for employees to go into a defined-contribution plan. This is a perfect example. People like to job hop; people don't want to keep the same career for a long time. So, I just wanted to illustrate. We wouldn't have these issues if we had the option of a DC. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Manley: "Mike, can you tell us... give us a little of... so, the 20... you know the 20 percent funding is disturbing to me. What can we attribute that to?"

Zalewski: "The Chicago funding 20 percent?"

Manley: "Yeah."

Zalewski: "Any number of factors, the Great Market Recession of 2008, the inability to execute an enactment of a Bill here in Springfield to bring that funding structure current, the old... aging of annuitants. I mean it... I think this fund is representative of every single pension fund that's had experiencing these problems."

Manley: "So, the Legislature bears some responsibility for this as well?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Manley: "Albeit, maybe not everybody standing here today, but the Legislature... the last I checked, we're supposed to be fixing things, right?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Manley: "Okay. And many of us on this floor walked into this mess, correct?"

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Zalewski: "Right."

Manley: "Probably... I don't know, probably almost half of the people here are as new as I am, if not newer to this Body, right?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Manley: "And so, the thing that I am constantly talking to my constituents about is the fact that we may have inherited a lot of these problems, in fact we inherited probably most of the problems, but our job rather than to point fingers and blame, which we tend to do quite frequently here, our job is to fix things, come up with the solutions, and to work together. Would you agree?"

Zalewski: "Correct."

Manley: "So, would you describe this as one of those avenues?"

Zalewski: "I... I think if we're having the conversation of about pension reform I think it's historically been the... the practice of this Body to do these types of transfers and swaps without the safeguards that are in 688, which is one fund says to another fund if you're going to come in, if you're going to have entrants come in then you're going to need the ability for... you're going to pick up the actuarial problem cause we have a underfunding problem. And you're going to help us fix that. We're not going to take on water if we don't have to; you're going to pick up the actuarial cost of this. So, to the extent that we're in the business of wanting pension reform in this chamber, this is a start. Things like this when we've learned our lesson we've done the things necessary to correct to... to make sure we don't make the same mistake twice, I think it's worth considering and I think it's worth passing."

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Manley: "So, my final question is, we have heard repeatedly from almost every mouth that sits in a chair in this House of Representatives that we want to fix the pension problem. It's a great talking point; I hear it constantly. I was one of the people that voted for the 2013 pension reform, not because I don't think people deserve their pension, but more because that I think the system itself is going to cave in out from underneath us if we don't do something to fix it. And there's a lot of people that went without pay for went... higher pay for those... the promise to those benefits. And so, if we don't do something... You know, what I heard a lot of and I will continue to talk about is... is one the statements that's being made out of the Governor's Office, and even by some of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle is, you know, it just doesn't go far enough. It's just not perfect. And if we don't stop thinking that way, we'll never get anywhere, you know? So, if you... you would say then that this is definitely a step in that direction. We're going to do something, finally?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Manley: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski to close."

Zalewski: "Ask for an 'aye' vote. This is an initiative of the fire fighters division. It's a good Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman has moved to concur in Senate Amendment. Mr. Morrison has asked for a verification. This Motion requires 71 votes. Members will be at their chairs and vote their own switches. Those is favor of the Gentleman's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Feigenholtz, Jones, Mayfield, Stewart. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 73 voting 'yes', 22 voting 'no'. And Mr. Morrison, do you persist?"

Morrison: "Yes, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please read the roll of the affirmative."

Clerk Hollman: "A poll of those voting in the affirmative.

Representative Ammons; Representative Andersson;  
Representative Andrade; Representative Arroyo;  
Representative Beiser; Representative Bryant; Representative  
Burke, D.; Representative Burke, K.; Representative Cassidy;  
Representative Cavaletto; Representative Chapa LaVia;  
Representative Conroy; Representative Conyears-Ervin;  
Representative Costello; Representative Crespo;  
Representative Currie; Representative D'Amico;  
Representative Davis; Representative DeLuca; Representative  
Demmer; Representative Drury; Representative Durkin;  
Representative Fine; Representative Flowers; Representative  
Ford; Representative Fortner; Representative Gabel;  
Representative Greenwood; Representative Guzzardi;  
Representative Halpin; Representative Hammond;  
Representative Harper; Representative Harris, D.;  
Representative Harris, G.; Representative Hays;  
Representative Hernandez; Representative Hoffman;  
Representative Hurley; Representative Kifowit;  
Representative Lang; Representative Lilly; Representative  
Mah; Representative Manley; Representative Martwick;  
Representative McAuliffe; Representative Meier;



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Representative Moylan; Representative Mussman;  
Representative Parkhurst; Representative Phelps;  
Representative Pritchard; Representative Riley;  
Representative Rita; Representative Scherer; Representative  
Sente; Representative Severin; Representative Sims;  
Representative Slaughter; Representative Stratton;  
Representative Swanson; Representative Tabares;  
Representative Thapedi; Representative Turner;  
Representative Unes; Representative Wallace; Representative  
Walsh; Representative Welch; Representative Willis;  
Representative Yingling; Representative Zalewski and Mr.  
Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Morrison."

Morrison: "Representative Mussman."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mussman is waving at you, Sir."

Morrison: "Okay. Representative Sims. There he is."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Sims is actually at his chair, Sir."

Morrison: "Okay. Representative Moylan."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Moylan is also waving at you."

Morrison: "And Representative Martwick."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Martwick, Mr. Martwick. Mr. Clerk, remove Mr.  
Martwick. Anything further?"

Morrison: "No, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "This Motion, having received a vote of 72 to 22,  
this... the House concurs in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill  
688. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional  
Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Mr.  
Long. For what reason do you rise, Sir?"

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Long: "Thank you, Speaker. Let it be known that I intended to vote 'yes' on HB688."

Speaker Lang: "The record reflect your intention. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolution. House Resolution 507 offered by Speaker Madigan."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the... Leader Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolution is adopted. Recognizes Mr. Hoffman on a point of personal privilege."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. So, we've been here a few days in Special Session and I think that each of these days our side of the aisle has discussed our willingness to sit down in a bipartisan fashion to come to a budget solution. And I think that... and I applaud Leader Durkin for his comments earlier in the week where he indicated that everyone needs to lay down their arms for a little bit and put things aside and think about the welfare of the state. I agree with him: I totally agree with him. And so, here's what I have in my hand. I have a mailer against Representative Moylan, I have the same mailer but a different picture against Representative Yingling; I have a mailer against Representative Manley, same mailer; I have a mailer here against Representative Scherer. I know there've been mailers... several mailers against Representative Costello. And my daughter lives in Representative Stuart's district, five mailers all negative, five mailers all negative, five mailers. The Governor said yesterday to, I believe, a group

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of reporters that we've got to stop... we've got to stop having politics and game playing and move on. We have to stop it. One point five million dollars, I believe, in negative TV advertising is on the air as we speak; yet, they want everyone to negotiate in good faith. A Representative earlier asked us, have we seen... he was concerned that we hadn't seen are mail because there was a letter from the university Presidents or the universities' groups about how the university system is on life support. We've seen our mail; this is the mail we're getting. This is the mail we're getting, and every day a person from your side of the aisle has stood up and agreed with us. Well, take some action. Take some action as a caucus. Ask the Governor to stop the political games, ask the Governor if he truly wants a Special Session to be... to be... to have any type of good results, call a Leaders' meeting. He hasn't even asked the Leaders to meet to talk about the budget. How many days are we going to sit here before they sit down and begin to negotiate the budget in a bipartisan fashion. And I'm not giving any secrets here because it was reported in *Capitol Fax* that we had a meeting yesterday on the issue of workers' compensation reform. I believe we could possibly get there. Representative Brady and I sat down and I think we had a good discussion. Are we in agreement? No, but it was progress made? I would say yes. I'm not in the... the business of negotiating in public, so I'm not going to tell you all the specifics because I want to get to a point where we have an agreement. If that's a prerequisite, we'll sit down and try and hammer it out. Stop... stop the bashing, stop the finger pointing, stop the mailers, stop the TV and let's get an agreement."

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6/23/2017

Speaker Lang: "Members, both Parties are going to caucus. House Members will go to Room 114... House Democrats will go to Room 114; the House Republicans will go to Room 118. It is the intention of the Chair to commence the Committee of the Whole on property taxes at approximately 2 p.m. the House is in recess."

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DO NOW ARISE

Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order in regular Session. Leader Gordon-Booth moves that the House, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, stand adjourned until Saturday, June 24... thankyou... at the hour of noon. 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. Committee Reports. Representative Tabares, Chairperson from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Finance reports the following committee action taken on June 23, 2017: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 711. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."