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Speaker Hoffman: "The House will come to order. Members will be in their seats. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the Pastor of Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield, Illinois. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend Crawford."

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Gracious and most sovereign God, who art the author and the finisher of our faith, the giver and sustainer of our life, in whom we move, in whom we live, in whom we have our being, we pray your blessings upon this august Assembly, the Speaker of this illustrious House, his esteemed Leaders, his honored Members, all of his staff. We pray your goodness, your endless mercies, your unwavering love, and your constant guidance would be present amongst and upon this House today. We pray for these who are in position of authority, that they would use it wisely with compassion. We pray that they take their charge and responsibilities as seriously, that they may be impactful. We pray for the very best, that their unique gifts and their unique talents would have to offer to those who desperately depend upon them. We pray they realize their need for you and for your direction, that they may do that which is right and stay on course. We pray they realize their need to hear you as they make decisions, that they heal and not harm, that they would unite and not divide, that they would build and not tear down. Pray that they would follow your guidance, your wisdom as they are pulled in many directions and not be pressured to follow the voices of the misguided and the unwise. We pray that they

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will have a passion for your ways, for your truths, and for your people. Pray that they realize that those who are the greatest among you are required to be the greatest servants amongst you. This we humbly pray in your name, Amen."

Speaker Hoffman: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Kelly."

Kelly - 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 Hoffman: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Greenwood is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There are no Democratic absences."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle. Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We'll let the record reflect that Representatives Charlie Meier and Representative Amy Elik is excused."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 102 Members answering the roll call, we have a quorum. Mr. Clerk, please read the Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Harris, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 1208.

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Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4846. The Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reported the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4434. Representative Scherer, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4139. Representative Kifowit, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 3820; Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4713. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4604; and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4639. Representative Moeller, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 110; Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4729. Representative Mah, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on February 23, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4929; and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5031.

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Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4316. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Immigration & Human Rights reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4179; and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4605. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4270. Representative Slaughter, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 3738; and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 3738. Representative Yingling, Chairperson from the Committee on Counties & Townships reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4772. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 684, offered by Representative Harper; House Resolution 687, offered by Representative Yingling; and House Joint Resolution 70, offered by Representative Severin, are referred to the Rule Committee."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members, an announcement. This is a reminder of House Rule 51.5. Please remember to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth. Face coverings should remain on

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while speaking on the microphone at your desk. To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, we ask that Members refrain as much as possible from eating or drinking on the House Floor and refrain from congregating in groups. We ask that all Members take these directives seriously to keep fellow Members and staff safe. Again, please remember to wear a face covering, including while speaking on the microphone, pursuant to House Rule 51.5. Leader Greenwood for a Motion."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that the following Representatives be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely. Representatives Mayfield, Wilhour, Yingling, Caulkins, Lilly, Miller, Sosnowski, Halbbrook, Niemerg, and Tarver."

Speaker Harris: "Leader Greenwood has made a Motion that Representatives Mayfield, Wilhour, Yingling, Caulkins, Lilly, Miller, Sosnowski, Halbbrook, Niemerg, and Tarver be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely. This is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed '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 this Motion, there are 75 voting 'yes', 18 voting 'no', 6 voting 'present'. And those Members will be allowed to vote remotely. And the Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Is Representative Caulkins present? Is Representative Caulkins present?"

Caulkins: "I am here. Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Caulkins is present. Is Representative Halbbrook present?"

Halbrook: "Yes."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Halbrook is present. Is Representative Lilly present? Is Representative Mayfield present?"

Mayfield: "Mayfield is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Mayfield is present. Is Representative Miller present?"

Miller: "Yes, Miller's present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Miller is present. Is Representative Niemerg present?"

Niemerg: "Representative Niemerg is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg is present. Is Representative Sosnowski present?"

Sosnowski: "Present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Sosnowski is present. Is Representative Tarver present?"

Tarver: "Present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver is present. Is Representative Wilhour present?"

Wilhour: "Wilhour's present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Wilhour is present. Is Representative Yingling present?"

Yingling: "Yingling is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Yingling is present. Is Representative Lilly present?"

Lilly: "Yes. Representative Lilly is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Lilly is present."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

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Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

West: "Thank you so much. I just received an email from my mayor, and it was really disturbing for me. And I was asking myself, what do I do? But I know, right here, right now, I have a microphone in front of me. I'm requesting help from my colleagues, the Governor, and the Speaker of the House. I have a... let me just give you a breakdown of my... my district and my city. We have a beautiful river that splits Rockford right down the middle. I sometimes call it the railroad tracks 'cause on one side of the river is the haves, the other side of the river is the have nots. Within that side of the have nots, we have one hospital, Mercy Health Hospital. They came in 2015 to acquire Rockford Memorial Hospital. And on top of that, they built a nice, beautiful campus on the far east side of town off of I-90, which is the haves side of town. They promised the city that they will not close down the west side campus, the side of campus that is... has the most Medicaid patients to go there, the most black and brown individuals to go there, the most people who just want some type of way to lift themselves up from invisible bootstraps that people tell them to lift themselves up from. Well, since 2015, they have casually and silently and just gradually started chipping away at that campus. Well, this... today my mayor, he sent me an email that the Head Start Program, the Community Action Agency just got wind that this same hospital, Mercy Health, is no longer accepting... servicing DCFS children. Because during the pandemic, they got rid of their MCOs that did not benefit their bottom line. And so, now we have a DCFS child who needs oral surgery with a doctor at Mercy Health who is

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ready and excited to help him, but because Mercy dropped their MCO, they cannot... he cannot get service at that hospital, which is right next door, pretty much, to where he lives. And his family does not have transportation to get to the other side of town. A lot of us here may take that for granted because we got here, we have cars. But for a lot of our community members, as we know, just going down five minutes from where they live can be a chore. So, I have a microphone in front of me. I have no idea what next steps are. But one thing I do know is that I have colleagues here who can help me to figure out what needs to be done to bust out Mercy Health Javon Bea Hospital. I have a... we have a Governor, Governor Pritzker, who can help us as well. I'm asking Speaker Welch to help me as well because right now I have a hospital that is trying to take away services on the west side of town and that hurts everyone. So, I just wanted to bust them out. Thank you for listening."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would... I wish I could say good afternoon, but it's not a good afternoon. I need to rise not only as the Chair of Veterans' Affairs but also, as you know, a Marine Corps active-duty veteran and the mother of a currently serving U.S. Navy Sailor. There is no question, there is no political divide when evil rears its head and the world sees what death and destruction is yielding by an individual without a conscious and without respect for human life. President Putin of Russia has acted in the most despicable manner, by without merit and without provocation, engaged in a military assault of an ally, a sovereign nation,

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the Country of Ukraine. Ukraine is the second largest country in Europe by area and has a population of over 43 million persons. President Putin has destabilized peace in Europe and attacked a friendly country, friendly to the United States. Missiles and bombs are reigning down on an innocent population as we stand here in this chamber today. This premeditated of attack is underway, by land, by air, by sea. And I'm calling on all, both sides of the aisle, as we unite with our allies, to demand an end to this aggression. And I am truly here in fear of our world future. It's been reported now that the 173rd Airborne Brigade is heading to Latvia as Ukraine comes under attack. Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade's 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment. They were conducting exercises in Italy. They are deployed... they are also moving up eight F-35 fighter jets, a battalion of 20 AH-64 helicopters from Germany. We are... we have 5 thousand U.S.-based airborne troops moving into Central and Eastern Europe. And we are looking at supporting the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, as they have increased their calls for help. At this time, many of our news feeds is filled with stories, heartfelt recants of family members who lived through World War II, of family members that were lost not only in World War II but in our wars, and it affects us every day. At this time, my son is still in training, but he is due to be assigned to a ship in the fleet in June, and I only fear where that ship is going to go. So, I ask the Body to hold all our men and women serving in our thoughts and prayers during this unstable time in Europe. We also need to reach out to our veterans who know all too well the realities of

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war, and especially our World War II veterans that are with us today, who are seeing something that I don't think they ever thought they'd see again. I ask for a moment of silence so we can reflect on the blessings it is that we are here in this country and reflect and pray for those that are suffering, for those that are in Ukraine, that we need to stand with our ally and we need to be there and stop this individual, President Putin, and hold him accountable for his actions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "We shall have a moment of silence. Thank you. Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to ask for two points very briefly."

Speaker Hoffman: "State your points."

Ammons: "One is to thank our Chairwoman Kifowit for her presentation just now. This is such a difficult period for us in this country but in the world overall. And my son, my brother, multiple members of my family have been enlisted, men and women, and we certainly do not want to see a war, period. And hope that the Biden Administration can really work through diplomatic means with our allies to do exactly that. This is a very difficult time for our nation and really costs too much for us to be in a war. Secondly, on a lighter note, I want to bring to the attention of my colleagues that on this day, 27 years ago, I had a wonderful young man, who turned 27 today, Mr. Jelani Saadiq. He served honorably the Speaker... the former Speaker of this House and has moved on, but we wanted to wish him a happy birthday on his 27th birthday today. Thank you so much."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Happy birthday. On page 19 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4682, on the Order of Third Reading, Representative Swanson. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4682, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4682 is a Bill worked on with the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs. What it does, it opens up a category for which... which allows veterans' organizations to request funding from the Illinois Veterans' Lottery Cash Grant, specifically in the area of mental health. Previously it was only for those with PTS, but we've expanded now to include all mental health. We were having to turn people away. The veterans' grant through lottery has been awarded 390 times at a cost of \$18.1 million. The grants typically range from 25 to 100 thousand dollars per year. These grants are available additionally beyond just the mental health. It opens up another category to allow veterans' organizations to request funding to help pay for veterans who need assistance in housing, pay utility bills, and also to pay for groceries. So, it's a... it adds a new category to the Illinois Veterans' Cash Grant, which is available through the Illinois State Lottery. So, I would encourage a 'yes' vote, as you will see this reward with veterans within your own communities. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Is there any discussion? Representative Ammons is recognition."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Sponsor yield for a brief question or two?"

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Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Ammons: "Thank you. What is the revenue used for currently in this fund?"

Swanson: "It's currently the Veterans' Lottery Ticket that's sold in... around Veterans Day, usually from October, November, December. So, it's money generated through lotter ticket sales identified specifically for veterans."

Ammons: "No, I'm saying how is it used currently."

Swanson: "Oh, it... its current... this veterans' grant has been going on for several years. As I said, it's been awarded 390 times at a cost of \$18.1 million. So, since the Veterans' Lottery Tickets went on sale... I don't have the... since February of 2006."

Ammons: "Can I clarify, Mr. Swanson? You're asking to use this money for veterans, and it already exists. And what I'm trying to clarify is, what is it being used for currently? Of those that have been allocated, to what means have they allocate those funds for?"

Swanson: "So, specifically it's been for PTSD, veterans' homelessness, health insurance costs, disability benefits, long-term care, employment and employment training. What I am doing is changing PTSD to mental health to broaden the category for care. As I... we did have an organization request funding specifically for mental health, but we were unable to provide that because it didn't fall within the PTS category."

Ammons: "And does the funds that go into this fund, are they administered by a state agency or community-based organizations?"

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Swanson: "No, the grant holder or the grant provider is through the Illinois Department of Veterans' Administration. They actually have a... a account and a committee who reviews each grant that comes in."

Ammons: "And is this set for individuals to apply for or community-based organizations?"

Swanson: "It's for community-based organizations, primarily veterans' organizations."

Ammons: "Okay."

Swanson: "You know, whether it's at a American Legion, VFW, or some other community-based organization, they are eligible to apply."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Swanson, for clarifying those. Thank you."

Swanson: "Thank you for the questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Swanson to close."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4682 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins votes 'aye'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Representative Lilly... yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

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Mayfield: "Mayfield is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "I'm a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes. Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski, can you turn on your video?"

Sosnowski: "My video is on. I'm a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Going to

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page 19 on the Calendar, continuing down these lists, House Bill 4734, Representative Jacobs. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4734, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Jacobs."

Jacobs: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill I present is to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. It prohibits a scrap processor or automotive parts recycler from purchasing or receiving a catalytic converter, except from a commercial seller or from the owner of the vehicle which the catalytic converter was removed. Establishes record keeping requirements for the purchase or receipt of a catalytic converter. It prohibits a scrap processor or automotive parts recycler from acquiring a catalytic converter that has been removed from a vehicle and sold independently of such a vehicle. The truck and automotive recyclers are proponents of the Bill. And I ask for an 'aye' vote or answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4734 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'aye'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Halbrook, 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 107 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 19 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4735, Representative Davis. Representative Davis. Out of the record. Page 19 of

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the Calendar, Order of Third Reading, House Bill 4739,
Representative Walker. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4739, a Bill for an Act concerning State
government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walker."

Walker: "Thank you. This is a Comptroller's request. It's an
administrative cleanup Bill that does a whole series of
things. I'll just cover a couple. It would've come out on
Consent agenda but for a technical Amendment to fix a drafting
error. It changes the name of a report so that the acronym is
no longer an ethnic slur. It changes the date of another
report so that... to January 7 so they have a full year of data
for it. It does change the sign-off on the payment of a vendor
who has already started work before the contract was
finalized. The sign-off used to include the chief procurement
officer, the Treasurer, and the Comptroller. All three
parties have agreed that the review by the chief procurement
officer should be sufficient. So, that's the change there. I
ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On this question, Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I just want to really quick... this
cleanup Bill, correct, Amendment was really small Amendment
that fixed something that was a drafting area, correct? Is
that correct?"

Walker: "One word."

Batinick: "Okay. And could we possibly... have you thought about
naming this the Gwen Peebles Bill because she really worked

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hard on this cleanup Bill to make sure that everybody was all good, right?"

Walker: "Absolutely."

Batinick: "Okay. I urge an 'aye' vote on the Gwen Peebles Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, Representative Walker to close."

Walker: "Vote 'yes', please."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall the House pass House Bill 4739?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Aye."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Slaughter on House Bill 4741. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4741, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Slaughter."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 4741 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice. This Bill makes clarifying and technical changes to improve IDJJ's operations. Many of you may recall, the main objective of IDJJ separating from the Department of Corrections in 2006 was to make IDJJ a more

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youth and family-focused agency. As a result over these last 10 or 15 years, there's been a need for the Legislature to update the Juvenile Court Act and the Unified Code of Corrections to clarify this separation. And equally important, recognize the agencies new and different approach. HB4741 continues to codify this separation. House Bill 4741 also contains a provision regarding record management requirements that will make it easier for authorized personnel to access records. Ultimately, record sharing among stakeholders always becomes a critical component to the eventual rehabilitation of our youth. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I ask for a 'yes' vote on House Bill 4741."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4741 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 19 of the Calendar, Order of Third Reading, appears House Bill 4843, Representative Collins. Out of the record. Representative Cassidy on House Bill 4847. Out of the record. Representative Will Guzzardi on House Bill 4850. Out of the record. Representative Ford on House Bill 4933. Representative Ford. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4933, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. How are you doing today?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Wonderful day."

Ford: "Good. HB4933 is an initiative of the Chicago Principals and Administrators Association. It amends the School Code by making changes concerning the Chicago Board of Education's requirement and criteria for the position of principal of an attended center. Requires the board to establish a due process protection for candidates for the position of principals and establish a grievance procedure for those candidates the board has deemed ineligible. It simply required basic constitutional protections for principals. I move for the passage of House Bill 4933."

Speaker Hoffman: "And, Representative Ford, thank you for asking."

Ford: "You're welcome."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, can you speak to the nature of the opposition of the Bill?"

Ford: "I'm sorry. I don't know of any opposition."

Batinick: "Our notes say CPS is opposed."

Ford: "I'm sorry. I can't speak to their opposition."

Batinick: "Okay. And can you speak to the... the split committee vote on this one as well?"

Ford: "Sometimes we all see differently, but it's a good Bill because we all believe in protecting individuals' rights and that's what this Bill seeks to do."

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Batinick: "So, you believe that... this is adding a mandate to the school district for the due process protections for candidates for the position of principal of attendance in... that are equal or greater than the due process protection provided in the School Code pertaining to the revocation... revocation of a license? So, this is extra protection if you want to remove a principal, correct?"

Ford: "If... extra protection for grievances so that principals have the ability to file for grievance, and it goes through a regular process. Right now, that protection is not there for principals in Chicago. It's only for Chicago."

Batinick: "Okay. Your Bill only affects Chicago? Okay. Thank you, Representative."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing any further discussion, Leader Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This Bill takes away local control in the principal hiring process and I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ford to close."

Ford: "Thank you very much for the robust discussion. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4933 pass?' All in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, no."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'no'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 60 voting 'yes', 42 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Collins on House Bill 4949. Out of the record. Leader Manley on House Bill 4979. Out of the record. Representative Collins on House Bill 4626. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4626, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4626 is the first step in responding to a 2021 Illinois Auditor General reporting urging DCFS to affirm and recognize hundreds of young people in DCFS care. Part of recognizing the identity of our youth in care is not assuming their identities, yet the language of our laws does just that. It fails to recognize youth of various identities, essentially excluding youth who are meant to be included. This legislation amends various child care... child welfare in juvenile court statutes to reflect more inclusive language and laws relating to children and families. When we say the Bill changes statutory language to make it gender inclusive, we mean making changes. Youth in care who are... youth and care who are part of our LGBTQIA+ community need to be seen and treated with respect. That's all I will say and urge an 'aye' vote. I'll urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Is there anyone seeking recognition? Seeing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4626 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

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Caulkins: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Wilhour's 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 60 voting 'yes', 42 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving on to page 20 of the Calendar. On the Order of Third Reading appears House Bill 4993, Representative Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4993, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am standing to present House Bill 4993. House Bill 4993 is an initiative of the Small Business Advocacy Council that puts money into our chambers of commerce that are needed today. This is a very good grant that will help them recover as a result of COVID. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anybody seeking recognition? Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4993 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes.' Representative Miller."

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Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 104 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5047, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill back to Second Reading for a purpose of an Amendment."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5047, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. The Bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gong-Gershowitz on Floor Amendment #1."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker, I would ask that we adopt the Amendment. Can I just present the Bill on Third?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5047 be adopted?' All in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5047, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Chairman Gong-Gershowitz on House Bill 5047, as amended."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I rise to present House Bill 5047. It's a simple Bill that just allows the use of an electronic device to display a statutory short form power of attorney for health care. I know of no opposition. It does not change the requirements for a validly executed health care power of attorney, just how an agent would be able to show it. And I'd ask..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5047 pass?' All in favor... all those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

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Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

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Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Remaining on page 20 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 5048, Representative Moeller. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5048, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Moeller."

Moeller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 5048 came to me from a health care practitioner in my community who was concerned about residents of nursing homes arriving at an area hospital gravely ill, unable to express their wishes concerning life-sustaining care. This Bill is a very simple Bill. It requires nursing homes to offer to POLST-appropriate residents, which are defined in the Act, residents who are gravely ill, nearing... nearing end of life, who've been admitted to emergency room or hospital several times. The practitioner orders a life-sustaining treatment form so that they can make their wishes known in the event that they are required to be transferred to a hospital and are unable to communicate their wishes. I do anticipate that there will be a small Amendment in the Senate to further address a definition within the Act. But do encourage an 'aye' vote here in the House. And happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Is there any Members seeking recognition? The Chair recognizes Representative Frese."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Frese: "Representative, you mentioned in your opening statements there that the POLST-appropriate resident was defined. Could you give me a little bit of that definition of what is POLST-appropriate?"

Moeller: "Sure. In the... in the Bill, a POLST-appropriate resident means a person of any age who is: (1) at high risk for a life-threatening clinical event because the person has a serious life-limiting medical condition, which may include advanced frailty; or (2) has a history of emergency department transfer or admission or a hospitalization for the treatment of a life-threatening emergency or a clinical event due to a serious, chronic, and life-limiting condition, which may include advanced frailty."

Frese: "Okay. So, high risk or frail or vulnerable position. And at that time, someone at the nursing home is going to provide them with a POLST form?"

Moeller: "Correct."

Frese: "Does this person have any kind of a personal attachment to this person? Is there... are they going to be looking out for their personal interest or... what is going to be the motivation of that person?"

Moeller: "Well, this would be a community partner. For example, an individual who works in hospice or palliative care organization, a staff member at the nursing home, or a

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qualified health care practitioner, which is defined in the Health Care Surrogate Act."

Frese: "So..."

Moeller: "A practitioner who's actually physically examined the resident."

Frese: "So, community partner, is that defined? Is that restricted?"

Moeller: "Well, Representative, that... that is not defined..."

Frese: "Okay."

Moeller: "...but that is what is contemplated to be amended in the Senate."

Frese: "So, we've got a vulnerable person here, POLST-appropriate as defined, going to be presented a very, very important document, and there's no one that we really know of that's going to have the personal interest of that person. May or may not. We just don't know. So, what if the patient is... is very frail, maybe incoherent? Is that still in the realm of POLST-appropriate or does something else come into play?"

Moeller: "If... the patient is presumed to have the mental capacity to complete the POLST form. If they don't have the mental capacity to understand a document that they are signing or completing, they would not be... that's under existing law, according to my understanding. They would not be presented with that form."

Frese: "Okay. Thank you for answering my questions. I... as you can probably tell, I consider this a very, very sensitive situation where I would prefer to have someone, a family member, maybe someone from member of clergy, someone looking

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out for the personal interest. So, for that, I want to encourage a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, Representative Moeller to close."

Moeller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I do appreciate the comments of the Representative who spoke on this issue. As I mentioned, there will... there will be an Amendment offered in the Senate. So, this will come back to the House. And to reemphasize, this is a voluntary form that is completed by the resident. It's not obligatory for care or for continued admission in a nursing home. So, would request an 'aye' vote for the compassion for our residents who find themselves in this situation."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 5048 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

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Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 65 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Greenwood is recognized."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to report Representative Hurley is excused for the day."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you, Leader. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5052, Representative Harper. Out of the record. Representative Vella on House Bill 5060. Representative Vella. Out of the record. On page 20 of the

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Calendar appears House Bill 5254, Representative Wheeler. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5254, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, presenting House Bill 5254 today, which came to me really by women that I know in my district, mostly friends of my wife who have gone through things like the BRCA2 gene testing on... have taken action to protect themselves, protect their families. One of the unfortunate side effects of that is that after a hysterectomy it's very, very difficult to adjust to the new normal. This Bill would mandate that a hormone therapy be offered to those women who have just had a hysterectomy. And I'd appreciate your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5254 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Calkins, 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes. Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Gonzalez on House Bill 5273. Representative LaPointe on House Bill 5240... 5285. Out of the record. Representative Croke on House Bill 5287. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5287, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke."

Croke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB5287 will allow the Department of Revenue to adopt rules and regulations for payment by cryptocurrency. This would mirror their authority around accepting card payments, essentially in practice and similar to credit cards. IDOR would have a third party who processes the payments and converts the cryptocurrency into U.S. dollars, which are then paid to IDOR. IDOR would not be holding cryptocurrency, and there would be no cost to the department. The Bill passed out of committee unanimously."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Reick: "Representative, I'm just asking you this question to put this on the record. When we talked about this in committee, crypto is still in its infancy and we still... it's subject to some volatility in the market. God knows what volatility it's going to suffer over the next weeks. My question to you is, if there's a payment by crypto and before it is converted to currency here in Springfield in U.S. dollars, there's a loss in the value of that money between those two times, who bears the risk of loss on that?"

Croke: "So, that would be the third-party vendor who actually does the conversion of the payment. Not IDOR, 'cause IDOR does not... would not hold the cryptocurrency at any point."

Reick: "Okay. So, the number of dollars in dollar denominated money that would be coming to Springfield is going to be the

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same regardless of whether the value of the crypto had fallen sometime in between payment and delivery?"

Croke: "Yes. And then I would assume... obviously, this is just for the department to establish rules and regulations associated with accepting it. It's not saying that the department has to accept crypto or do this third-party vendor system, but I assume the department would then have to reach out to whoever did the payment if it were to drop in value 'cause they would still owe a certain amount of U.S. dollars."

Reick: "Okay. That's all I had. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Is anyone seeking further recognition? The Chair recognize... the Chair recognizes Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a couple questions?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Ammons: "Thank you. Unfortunately, I was not in Revenue to hear the testimony of this Bill, but this Bill brings me significant pause. And I just want to clarify a few things on the Bill. This Bill allows the state agency to receive cryptocurrency, but could you clarify what this actually does?"

Croke: "So, the Bill allows IDOR to set up rules and regulations if they so choose to start having payments made by crypto. So, similar to credit cards, you have a third-party processor. So, this would allow for IDOR, for example, to get a third-party processor. So, if I were paying by crypto... let's say I'm paying a bill or a payment to IDOR, and I wanted to pay in crypto, I would go through the process of paying my online bill and then there would be a third-party processor that

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then converts the cryptocurrency to U.S. dollar. At no point would IDOR be holding any type of cryptocurrency."

Ammons: "My concern is that this week there was two media reports on people who have moved money into cryptocurrency, into third-party vendors, who actually moved it into individual wallets and scammed a number of people in the United States. How do we prevent that from happening in this case?"

Croke: "So, this would just be a processor. This would not be like a third-party... like a third-party coin base or a place for someone to have a wallet or anything like that when you're talking about cryptocurrency. So, this also just establishes rules and regulations for IDOR to start a process in which they could accept cryptocurrency. This Bill does not require them to actually even start accepting payments by cryptocurrency."

Ammons: "And would that regulatory action include ways to prevent the cyberattacks that are happening to people who are using cryptocurrency and unscrupulous folks are stepping in the middle of that transfer?"

Croke: "I think we're kind of talking about two different things."

Ammons: "Okay."

Croke: "When we're talking about like a cyberattack on someone's crypto and payment by cryptocurrency in which it's converted to U.S. dollars for the Department of... Department of Revenue. There just seems to be two different things."

Ammons: "I don't... I don't know... ultimately, because the feds are not regulating it appropriately and we don't have regulations right now, which this is why I can't, at this point, support this initiative. Because it's too unclear on how you protect

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the citizens of Illinois, assuming we would use this, or in the case that the state decides to do some kind of investment in crypto, how do we protect the interest of the state in regulating this?"

Croke: "This would not allow the state to do any type of investment..."

Ammons: "Okay."

Croke: "...with cryptocurrency. Again, the state would never be a holder of cryptocurrency. This is purely for the ability for crypto to be converted to U.S. dollars, which then are paid to the Department of Revenue."

Ammons: "Okay, I guess... little bit too much for me right now. But thank you so much for answering the questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "We're going to implement a three-minute timer. Obviously, other Members can yield. Other Members can yield. Representative Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Davidsmeyer: "So, I'm not going to rehash some of the questions that have already been asked. So, we're not going to get an, like a... I think it was OBJ who had the contract that he wanted to get paid in Bitcoin from the NFL or from... from the Rams. And I think it was like worth \$800 thousand or something and then Bitcoin dropped, he still had to pay taxes on the \$800 thousand amount. And I think at the end of the season, he would've made 35 thousand instead 800 thousand dollars. So, we're not... so, why does the state have to authorize this? Why can't an individual say, I'm going to cash out my Bitcoin and send it to the State of Illinois?"

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Croke: "I mean, that could totally... that would be an option. I mean, if someone has cryptocurrency and they decide... they can always decide to convert it to fiat currency. That's..."

Davidsmeyer: "Because it's not like a... an investment. I mean, it's taxed based on the current value of the currency itself, right? Or the cryptocurrency itself. So, I guess I don't understand if there's a... does the law not currently allow... you know, if I want to pay my taxes in Bitcoin, but I still have to go through a third-party vendor, does the law not allow that third-party vendor to pay my taxes on my behalf?"

Croke: "No. That... that would not... yeah. Right now, you could not have a third-party vendor go directly to IDOR. That would not be... like, an individual could obviously convert their cryptocurrency..."

Davidsmeyer: "Yeah."

Croke: "...into U.S. dollar and then pay IDOR. But that... that third party would not... is not authorized to give a direct payment to IDOR in U.S. dollar."

Davidsmeyer: "So, basically you're taking out that extra step. You're saying, I can go to this third-party vendor, and instead of them having to pay me in dollars and then me pay the Department of Revenue, it can just be me, third-party vendor, Department of Revenue."

Croke: "Yeah, again, this is..."

Davidsmeyer: "If they decide to do it."

Croke: "...it's somewhat hypothetical because this just establishes the rules and regulations..."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay."

Croke: "...for IDOR to start engaging in that conversation."

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Davidsmeyer: "And since... I mean, obviously, since we work in dollars with our budget and everything, this has no negative impact on the State of Illinois based on the dollar value of..."

Croke: "No."

Davidsmeyer: "...of crypto?"

Croke: "No. No."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anyone seeking further recognition? The Chair recognizes Representative Demmer. Leader Demmer."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Demmer: "All right. Representative Croke, thanks for bringing this Bill. I wanted to ask about it from a rulemaking perspective. So, the idea of whether someone can use cryptocurrency, fine. As long as they're paying what they owe to the department, I think that's great that we collect that. I'm just wondering, this authorizes the department to adopt rules to facilitate this, but it's a very... it's a very short Bill overall, right? We only have a handful of lines here. As a member of JCAR, when these rules come to JCAR, what... what is it your intent that we are evaluating those rules for? So, for example, should the department be prioritizing the acceptance of as many kinds of cryptocurrency as possible? Should they be trying to negotiate the overhead fees as low as possible? Should they have 10 different crypto conversion services you can choose from or one? I'm just trying to get

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to... when they actually have to make these decisions, what are they going to base that decision on?"

Croke: "I would assume that it's going to mirror their process in which they... they process credit card payments. So, I believe it'd be incredibly similar to that. And in... I don't know what the process is for IDOR in determining who they procure as a payment processor for credit cards, but that's essentially what this statute is based on."

Demmer: "Okay. All right. Thank you for that. So, currently, they have these relationships with payment processors through credit cards. Do they take... do they have any other payment processing relationships, foreign currencies, bank transfers, those sorts of things?"

Croke: "Unfortunately, I'm not aware of other types of processors."

Demmer: "Okay. All right. Thank you for that. And so, to the Bill. You know, this is obviously a developing technology, and I think it's important that we look for ways to make doing business with the state easier for people across the state. You know, perhaps as this Bill continues to move through the legislative process, we could give some direction to the department about what it is we're trying to achieve. Again, knowing that when this Bill... when these rules are filed in JCAR, we'll likely have input from different industry representatives, maybe some concerned citizens. And there's a lot that has to happen from... to take it from this one page to implementation. And so, I... it's always important, during these rulemaking discussions, that we clearly express the intent and purpose of the legislation before us. That being

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said, I hope that we can continue to perhaps look on that and nudge it in the right direction. But today, I urge a 'yes' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a quick question?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Guzzardi: "Thanks. Representative Croke, thanks for bringing this forward. Just help me understand, 'cause I'm a little new on this stuff. What's the impetus for bringing this Bill? Are there taxpayers who are coming to the state today saying, like, we want to pay our taxes in crypto and we're not able to do that right now?"

Croke: "The Bill came to me from IDOR."

Guzzardi: "I can't hear you. I'm sorry. You..."

Croke: "The Bill... the Bill came to me from IDOR. So, I assume that there was some sort of outreach to IDOR about essentially payment processing with crypto."

Guzzardi: "I guess what I'm struggling with is... the Gentleman on the other side made this point earlier. But if I have... if I have some sort of cryptocurrency and I want to pay my taxes, what's to stop me today from just cashing out the amount of crypto that I want to pay my taxes in and paying it in U.S. dollars? Why is that not just as effective of a process?"

Croke: "I mean, I think that you... you have that option. You also have an option when you pay taxes to use a credit card. You have an option instead of using a credit card of going and getting a... if you wanted to pay in cash, I guess, or if you

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wanted to.. there are multiple ways in which to pay your taxes.
This is just another option."

Guzzardi: "Okay. Yeah, I.."

Croke: "And this is.. this only applies to IDOR. This does not
apply to, like, local municipalities or anything like that.."

Guzzardi: "Sure."

Croke: "...in the which... in the way they decide to collect their
taxes."

Guzzardi: "I understand, but I think with the credit cards it
makes sense to me because you can put more money on your
credit card than you have and then pay it down in
installments. But with... with cryptocurrency, it seems like
it's equivalent to the U.S. dollar value. Like going to a
third-party processor to convert my crypto into U.S. dollars
and then pay my taxes through that third-party processor, why
couldn't I just go to that processor, covert it to U.S.
dollars, and then pay the taxes myself?"

Croke: "Again, I think it's just a... it's an option that... it's an
option that IDOR wants to be able to create rules and
regulations around."

Guzzardi: "Okay. Understood. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Mazzochi: "All right. You know, one of the concerns that's been
raised with regard to this language in terms of payment by
cryptocurrency is that it's not very specific. So, let me
throw a few additional issues to you. So, you are

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contemplating that the department itself will take cryptocurrency as an asset?"

Croke: "No. The department would not ever hold cryptocurrency as an asset."

Mazzochi: "Okay. But..."

Croke: "The department would never be a custodian of cryptocurrency."

Mazzochi: "Okay. So then, I guess the question becomes, if you're saying that the department itself is never going to actually take ownership of cryptocurrency, it must always be converted into dollars before it reaches the department, then I'm not sure what the Bill is actually managing to accomplish?"

Croke: "So, IDOR would like to have the ability to create rules and regulations around cryptocurrency being a payment option. And being able to essentially engage a third-party processor, very similar to the process in which they process credit card payments. But they would not be holding cryptocurrency."

Mazzochi: "Okay, but here's the thing. If... what I really hear you saying is that you want the department to essentially select a payment vendor who will be able to manage cryptocurrency transactions on its behalf so that the department gets dollars. That's... that's actually a different issue versus rules and regulations. To say rules and regulations is to, kind of, define here's how I'm actually going to get the asset and how I will then treat it and move it forward and convert it into dollars, perhaps before it reaches the Treasurer's Office or the Comptroller's Office. What you're..."

Croke: "I'm giving you... go ahead."

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Mazzochi: "Sorry. And again, if I misunderstand your... misunderstood your prior answer, I do want to make sure we get clarification. You indicated that you're expecting the department to issue rules that will allow it to select or prescreen vendors who in turn can accept the payments in a manner and now it gets to a credit card transaction."

Croke: "So, I apologize if my example is going to the actual... it's an example. What I'm trying to provide is a easy, understandable example of how this Bill could be implemented. But the Bill itself is just about rules and regulations. How the department decides... or what the department decides in regards to those rules and regulations will go to JCAR. And that... this is me just providing an example of one of those rules or regulations."

Mazzochi: "Right. And again... to the Bill. I'm... I have no problem with the State of Illinois finding ways to recognize using cryptocurrency as a way to engage and exchange relationships that they need to have with the State of Illinois. But to provide a very vague Bill that just allows the administrative agency to do a whole bunch of things that may or... may or may not be in the best interest of the agency or the state, and with no real-world standards and no real-world goals, I think you're actually handing the administration an administrative mess. I think that if you were to take this and further amend it and maybe break it down so that there were more clear standards, goals, and criteria, this would be a much better Bill. So, I hope that you'll at least commit to try to fixing it in the Senate. I know we hate that language on our side of the aisle, but I think if you really want to have stronger

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support, that would be an advisable idea. Because what you currently have now is just saying you're going to let them make a whole bunch of rules. So, you haven't even established legislation. You basically just stated a goal with no... with no real meaning behind it. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Final speaker, Representative Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Collins: "Would the third-party vendor receive a fee for converting into U.S. dollars?"

Croke: "Again, I can't speak to that because this is just for the rules and regulations. So, I don't know if that... in that process if a vendor would charge a fee or what IDOR's process would be for procuring a vendor."

Collins: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke to close."

Croke: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5287 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'aye'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'yes'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield, please turn on your video."

Mayfield: "Sorry. Mayfield is a 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'no'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller, please turn on your video."

Miller: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Wilhour votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 84 voting 'yes', 15 voting

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'no', 3 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5408, Representative Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5408, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5408 makes technical changes to the State University Civil Service Act that brings it into alignment with the university system around the issuance of benefits. In Section 36d, Section 36h changes and codifies the delegation has been the practice for more than a decade of civil service executive director's responsibilities. And Section 45a, in there designate... the annual Juneteenth state holiday as a state holiday. They were inadvertently left out of the State Holiday Act when we had nominated Juneteenth as a state holiday. And I move for its approval."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5408 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'aye'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

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Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 66 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the Order of Third Reading, moving to page 21 of the Calendar,

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appears House Bill 5436, Representative Ann Williams. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5436, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Williams."

Williams, A.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Very simple Bill. It just raises the filing fee for entities seeking a variance from the statutory regulations from \$75 to \$250. But keep in mind, this has not been changed and that filing fee was established in 1988. So, this is the first time this entity will be requesting a fee increase. They also do not receive general revenue funds. And so, fees are the only ways they can... the only opportunity to... for their... funding their operations. So, I would request an 'aye' vote. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "I just want to clarify, and I actually appreciate you clarifying it fairly clearly, but it looks like there's 6 or 7 fees that go from \$75 to 250, correct?"

Williams, A.: "This is the filing fee. It applies to various categories, if that's what you're referencing."

Batinick: "Oh, yeah, it's a site-specific regulation, variance review, a permit, local government decision pursuant to Section 40.1, adjusted standard. Okay, yep. Thank you for that clarification."

Williams, A.: "You got it."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Williams to close."

Williams, A.: "I appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5436 pass?'
All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is
open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative
Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative
Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative
Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative
Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative
Niemerg. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative
Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative
Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. Representative... Representative Williams."

Williams, A.: "Can you please put this on Postponed Consideration?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Williams has requested this be placed on Postponed Consideration. It is placed on Postponed Consideration. Moving back to page 21 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 5439, Representative Ford. Out of the record. Representative Stoneback on House Bill 5445. Out of the record. Representative Stuart on House Bill 5464. Representative Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5464, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. House Bill 5464 is an initiative of IBHE and it contains provisions related to the Board of Education that reflect... aligning with the strategic plan that was recently released by the Board of Higher Education. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anyone seeking recognition? Leader Brady."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

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Brady: "Representative, in committee, our side had some questions in regards to some provisions in this. And could you tell me if there's been any change in regards to some of the issues that we brought up? In other words, there's not been any Amendment or anything that's... we had talked about?"

Stuart: "No, there have not been any Amendments."

Brady: "Okay. And so, there's no change to the way the Bill came out of committee?"

Stuart: "No."

Brady: "Okay. Unfortunately, there are some points that we had talked about that... from our side of the aisle in Higher Ed that we wanted some clarification on and some changes and that hasn't occurred yet. So, I'll be voting 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I'll be honest. I've got a lot of Bills, and I wasn't as up to speed on this one as I would like. But can you speak to the portion of public versus private schools. This affects both, correct?"

Stuart: "Yes. And I'm trying to find the notes that IBHE had given me. So, I also need a second."

Batinick: "Okay. No sweat."

Stuart: "So, can you... do you have a specific..."

Batinick: "Well, it prohibits for-profit and vocational schools from creating and developing a course of instruction, non-degree program of study, or program study of curriculum in order to sell such courses without IBHE approval. I guess just the fact that you're folding in private school might... is

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probably what gave some of the people on our side of the aisle pause. I just wanted to flag that for them, give you the opportunity to clarify, but make sure my Members understood that aspect of it."

Stuart: "Can I give a quick answer or did you have another..."

Batinick: "Oh, yeah, you have the mic as long as you want. It's your Bill."

Stuart: "Okay. All right. I just... there are... and I could... I can find the number and IBHE has a chart. There are lots of the private institutions are grandfathered in. So, this will not apply. But what happens is, when an institution is looking to institute, say, a new program, there's this level that they have to go through in terms of IBHE to make sure that it... it's meeting workforce needs. And we have issues with cannibalizing our own students and we want higher education to grow all together, right? Like lift up the whole system. So, we want it to all work. And what we don't want is, like, out-of-state, for-profit institutions to kind of swoop in and have a leg up on starting, say, a new cyber security program and take away the opportunity for SIU to start that program."

Batinick: "Okay. Awesome. Thank you for the clarification."

Stuart: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anyone seeking further recognition?
Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Mazzochi: "Couple of quick questions. Currently... under current law, if some of these private institutions want to participate

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in the data collection and data analytics, they have to voluntarily opt into the program, right?"

Stuart: "I believe you're correct, yes."

Mazzochi: "Okay. And now, under the legislation as you've changed it, the Board of Higher Education is authored to... is authorized to make disclosure of all of this institutional and student data mandatory. And they can disclose this data for any purpose that they want under this Act."

Stuart: "I'm trying to find the... again, there are schools that are grandfathered out."

Mazzochi: "Yeah, it's in around pages... sorry?"

Stuart: "There are schools that are grandfathered out."

Mazzochi: "Well, but... but not every program. And if somebody is going to want to have... that's not how I read the language. The way in which you've redefined institution of higher learning means any public or non-public entity that is a public institution of higher education, other than a community college; is a public institution of higher education; is a non-public educational institution in connection with private business or vocational schools; is a non-public institution authorized or approved to operate in this state. So, there's a whole host of institutions that you're now sweeping in for data collection purposes that previously were not going to be covered, right?"

Stuart: "It is important to the State of Illinois that we are tracking progress of students and that we are looking at issues of equity and access. So, yes, we would like that data."

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Mazzochi: "Right. So, to the Bill. Once again, we see an instance where the other side of the aisle is trying to get access to all sorts of various sensitive data issues. This time it relates to our institutions of higher education and our students. And, once again, there is no oversight mechanism. There is no controls over the scope and size of data that gets collected or how it's used. So, for that reason, I'm a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart to close."

Stuart: "I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative... the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5464 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook, please turn on your video."

Halbrook: "No. Halbrook is a 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "Miller's a 'no'."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 63 voting 'yes', 44 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5546, Representative Robinson. Out of the record. Representative Stoneback on House Bill 5574. Out of the record. Representative Ammons on House Bill 5575. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5575, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is a task force Bill and I know how much we love task force in this House, but this is an important task force. The Institution for Justice

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Clinic on Entrepreneurship presented a report to us that suggested that we have significant barriers to entry into entrepreneurship and other small business tasks because of occupational licensing. And so, we looked at that report and decided that we would ask the General Assembly's support in additional study around occupational licensing for low... I'm sorry... for middle and low-income people who are trying to start their own businesses. This Bill offers an opportunity for us to put this task force together to include business owners, advocates, the department, and Legislators to look at our process around occupational licenses. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I wanted to thank you for including the House Minority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader in having ability to make appointments for this task force. We were... that seemed to slip by the side for a while. So, I appreciate it, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5575 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 102 voting 'yes', 6 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ammons on House Bill 5576. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5576, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5576 amends the Regulatory Sunset Act by changing the factors used by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget in recommended termination and continuation. This, again, is part of the study of the IJ Clinic and the SBAC. Over the summer, we worked on several pieces of the initiatives to make access to business an easier process for our state, and this is part of that package of Bills. And I move for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Is there anybody... anyone seeking recognition? Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I just want to clarify. It looks like you have a fair amount of opposition on this Bill. You've got the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, the Professional Land Surveyors, and the CPA Association. Have you heard from them the nature of their opposition?"

Ammons: "I'm sorry, Leader Batinick. I cannot hear what your question was."

Batinick: "You have some opponents, the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, the Illinois Professional Land Surveyors Association, and the Illinois CPA Society."

Ammons: "Oh, yes, Sir."

Batinick: "I would think pretty benign organizations. What's the nature of their opposition?"

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Ammons: "I don't know about the other two. I do know the CPAs, in this study, they were concerned that we may remove the regulatory requirements of... for CPAs, which we will not do that. This is just for us to look at the process of these licensing. Those that are required by either education and certification and those, they will remain as they are. I don't know about the other two."

Batinick: "So, I'm going to read what our analysis says here verbatim. 'Provides the state shall not regulate a professional occupation, industry, business, or trade in a manner which will unreasonably and adversely affect equitable access to quality jobs and economic opportunities.' What exactly does that... in the real world, what exactly does that mean? How would that apply? How do you define something being adversely affecting that?"

Ammons: "How do we... I'm sorry, I just... I'm having a hard time hearing. I can't hear you."

Batinick: "Okay. I can't hear you either. Maybe we could do this outside. We'll take the masks off and..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members. Members, please keep the level down."

Batinick: "'State will not regulate a profession which will unreasonably and adversely affect equitable access to quality jobs and economic opportunities.' In practice, how does that... how do you quantify something that seems so intangible?"

Ammons: "Well, I think part of the testimony in committee if... I don't know if you got a chance to see that. But in committee, we have some regulations that really are, I think, a little bit outdated. We had barbers come and testify to the amount of regulatory actions that are taking for them to do just to

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cut hair or to braid hair, or some of the entry level positions like cutting grass and things of that nature. So, that's why we are looking at the provisions. Those professions that require advance degrees and study in the occupational space, those will remain. But we are looking to diversify and provide opportunities through this study as well."

Batinick: "So, to the opposition, like the engineering requirements or the surveyor... I'm more familiar with engineers and surveyors, but I assume there's some sort of designation that's required. This does not affect any of that?"

Ammons: "Does not affect any of that at all. And they also have to have certain certifications and education to do those professions."

Batinick: "Okay. Thank you for clarifying things."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anyone seeking further recognition? Representative Reick."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Reick: "Representative, we had a conversation in committee. And it appeared from the testimony that we got in the committee was that you're really trying to remove barriers to entry here. And I... I think that the society and the other folks like lawyers and doctors and things like are not going to... this does... this has no impact at all upon them because of the professional nature of that. I found no... nothing to not like about this Bill. This is a... I'm all in favor of removing barriers to entry, and I urge an 'aye' vote on this Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons to close."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5576 pass?'
All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'.
The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative
Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative
Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative
Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative
Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative
Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative
Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative
Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative
Wilhour."

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Wilhour: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 95 voting 'yes', 13 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5538, Representative Halpin. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5538, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5538 would level the playing field for contractors where one unit of local government hires another unit of local government to do their public works contract. Currently, as we know, a local government does not have to pay prevailing wage on their own projects. This Bill does not change that. It only requires prevailing wage when unit of local government essentially acts as a third-party contractor to another government. This is supported by the AFL-CIO, laborers, State Council Operating Engineers, and I would ask for a 'yes' vote. I will answer any questions with trepidation."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Oh, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "With trepidation, he will yield."

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Reick: "With trepidation, I like that. Representative, question. We have some... we have some opposition to this Bill, the Municipal League and the Associated Builders and Contractors. Can you speak to that opposition for me, please?"

Halpin: "You know what, I don't want to put words in their mouth, but I know that they would prefer to be able to have their workers not be required to pay prevailing wage on these projects. Obviously, it's... they have an advantage in some cases if they were to contract themselves out. They can undercut private contractors sometimes in those situations."

Reick: "Have you done any kind of a... is there any kind of study out there or anything that indicates how much extra this is going to cost local taxpayers if you have interagency arrangements that require the prevailing wage rather than something less? I mean, I guess..."

Halpin: "Not that..."

Reick: "Go ahead. I'm sorry."

Halpin: "Not that I'm aware of. My understanding is that this is not a overly frequent problem, but it is a regular occurrence. It's not... we're not talking multiple... we're not talking millions of dollars, billions of dollars."

Reick: "Yeah, I'm thinking of the situation where you've got a... like a parking lot at a rec center or something like that that needs resurfaced. And to provide for that kind of a job, which maybe would take five or six hours, maybe a day, and would boost that up to prevailing wage when a city... when a city road crew is sitting there maybe not doing anything. I have a... I guess I have a problem, as a local taxpayer, saying... just the simple fact that it's a municipal agency doing work

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for another municipal agency, we have to jump... we have to jump the cost up. That affects my property tax bill. And I... I think that any way we can... anything we can do to keep property tax... I mean, we're paying these people ourselves out our tax money. Why should we be obliged to pay an additional amount on our tax bills just to satisfy these small, insignificant types of jobs that you're anticipating in your Bill?"

Halpin: "So, right now, the law of the land is, when a public body performs... hires and contracts out for public works project, that they have to pay prevailing wage here in the State of Illinois. What this Bill does is try... avoids a loophole for those public bodies to get around."

Reick: "To the Bill. Again, I think what we're dealing with here is a situation where, as the Sponsor plainly states, we're not dealing with a lot of real big projects. It's not like you're going to have them going out and replacing a bridge or something like that. But I do believe that any chance we get to minimize the impact on local taxpayers in situations like this is worth doing. And, therefore, I would urge a 'no' vote on this Bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin to close."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a good Bill. It puts private contractors, everyone on a level playing field. I did receive bipartisan support in committee. And I would ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 5538 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 79 voting 'yes', 23 voting 'no', 4 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the Order of Third Reading, moving to page 18 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4292, Representative Morgan. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4292, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, happy to present to you what I affectionately call the Morgan-Batinick COLA Buyout Bill. For those of you who served on Pensions over the years, you're familiar with this issue. This is a Bill that deals with an extension of the COLA buyout program, which has about 10 years of history. When I worked in State Government did the State of Illinois and the Legislature spent a lot of time talking about ways to take pension benefits away from those who had earned it. And I had an idea, and a number of others at the time did too, to instead offer a voluntary buyout. And the benefit of the buyout is it reduces our unfunded liability. Representative Mark Batinick passed this Bill several years with an initial pilot of a billion dollars being borrowed to buyout COLAs. We've used 750 million of that and it saved 1.4 billion. So, for every dollar spent on the COLA buyout program, we have saved \$2 on an unfunded liability. And, Ladies and Gentlemen, that means we have more

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money in our budget to do the things we care about to help the people that need it. So, this is an extension of that program. This will allow an extra billion dollars of borrowing. This is supported by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget, and this is something we need to do to continue to reduce the pension debt that we have. This is the first and only Bill that has ever been passed in the General Assembly that was constitutional that actually reduced our pension liability. We passed Tier 2, which in the long term will reduce our pension debt, but this is the only Bill that ever was passed to reduce our pension debt for Tier 1. This is a very important program. I'm very proud to have been a part of this program at its infancy. And we need to continue it to help reduce the burden of our pension debt. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Demmer."

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

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Demmer: "Representative Morgan, thanks for the explanation on that. I'm looking through our analysis here just to remind folks of this. It looks like this provision was originally created in the 100th General Assembly, Public Act 100-587. Does that sound right?"

Morgan: "That's correct. It's been around for a few years and we've now had an opportunity to see the success of the program and play out the fact that in fact does reduce our unfunded liability."

Demmer: "So, Public Act 100-587 is not a great name for this program. Maybe Batinick Buyout sort of rolls off the tongue

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a little bit better. Is... is that something you think might be a fitting name for this Bill?"

Morgan: "Well, given that it is floor Leader Batinick's birthday, I'm willing to discuss that issue as we move this Bill out of the House."

Demmer: "Thank you, Representative. I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Zalewski on the Batinick Buyout Bill."

Zalewski: "Speaker, I'm sorry. Put my mask on. Representative Moylan's telling me about his Bill. I just want to urge passage of... to the Bill. I want to urge passage of it. We have struggled over the last 5 to 10 years with the issue of paying public pensions. The program that the previous speaker referenced that we are enhancing with this Bill is... was wildly successful. And it helped reduce the unfunded liability by doing something that was totally constitutional. This is a good Bill that we all can be proud of. I congratulate the Sponsor and his work on it, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan to close."

Morgan: "I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4292 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Yes, on the Batinick Buyout."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'yes'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield, please turn on your video. Representative Mayfield..."

Mayfield: "Mayfield's a 'yes'. Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "...Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "Wilhour's 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'yes'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling is 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish?"

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Excuse me. 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 108 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to page 19 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4735, Representative Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4735, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 4735 amends the Health Facilities Planning Act to allow state board members to opt in to receive a stipend for each state board meeting they attend. The stipend is set for 250 per day for board members and 400 for the state board chair. I should let you know that the dollars for these stipends are not GRF dollars. They are not GRF dollars. They come out of the Health Facilities Planning Fund, which is a fund that they maintain based on fines and fees for those individuals that are subject to the board's approval. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4735 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

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Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'no'. Representative Tarver. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 64 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed."

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Representative Davis, House Bill 4736. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4736, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 4736 amends the Health Facilities Planning Act to change the timing on the report that the board staff posts on each application. This report, which is called the State Board Staff Report, sets forth the applicants conformants with each of the board's review criteria. Under this Bill, the applicant and the public will be able to submit written comments specific to the report for five days after the report is posted. Currently, they have four days to submit written comments. This Bill will allow for an additional day to submit comments. Currently, the written comments can be filed up until 10 days before the State Board meeting. Currently, the State Board Staff Report is posted 14 days before the board meeting, leaving only four days for comments. So, again, this new time frame begins on a date that the State Board Staff Report is posted and allows for an additional day, up to five days, of public comment. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the questions is, 'Shall House Bill 4736 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Caulkins, 'no'."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Caulkins votes 'no'. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook, please turn on your video."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook, please turn on your video."

Halbrook: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Halbrook votes 'no'. Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Lilly votes 'yes'. Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Mayfield votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Mayfield votes 'yes'. Representative Miller."

Miller: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Miller votes 'no'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Niemerg votes 'no'. Representative Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Sosnowski votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver. Representative Wilhour."

Wilhour: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Wilhour votes 'no'. Representative Yingling."

Yingling: "Yingling votes 'yes'."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Yingling votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Speaker Hoffman: "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 66 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Members, we will be moving to the Order of Second Reading. On page 3 of the Calendar, on the Order of Second Reading, appears House Bill 1847, Representative Guzzardi. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1847, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. On page 5 of the Calendar, Representative Vella has House Bill 3150. Out of the record. Page 5 of the Calendar, Representative Weber has House Bill 3386. Out of the record. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3977, Representative LaPointe. Out of the record. On House Bill 4073, Leader Manley. Out of the record. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 4139, Representative Scherer. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4139, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Scherer."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Scherer on Floor Amendment #1."

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Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to move the Amendment, and it really is just technical in nature. It sort of spells how ISAC will administer the tuition reimbursement. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On Floor Amendment #1, does anyone... anyone seek recognition? Leader Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Are there notes on the Bill?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Clerk, are there any notes?"

Clerk Bolin: "Several notes have been requested on the Bill as amended by House Amendment #1, and those notes have not yet been filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader, it is my understanding that the Representative can adopt the Amendment, but it would remain on Second Reading for the notes. The question is, 'Shall the House adopt Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4139?' All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment adopted.. is adopted. And the Bill shall remain on Second Reading. Representative Gong-Gershowitz on House Bill 4180. Out of the record. Representative West on House Bill 4201. Out of the record. Representative Davidsmeyer on House Bill 4230. Out of the record. Representative Joyce Mason, on page 8 of the Calendar, House Bill 4268. Out of the record. House Bill 4281, Representative Stava-Murray. Representative Stava-Murray on House Bill 4281. Out of the record. Representative Morgan on House Bill 4324. Out of the record. On page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4356, Representative Gabel. Out of the record. House Bill 4434, Representative Delgado. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4434, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Delgado."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado on Floor Amendment #1."

Delgado: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 creates an additional... or adds an additional sports team to the original. So, it includes the Chicago Fire, and it eliminates the St. Louis Rams, who are no longer in St. Louis."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you for eliminating the St. Louis Rams. Representative Delgado moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4434. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Third Reading. On page 10 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4526, Representative Ness. Out of the record. Representative Guzzardi on House Bill 4559. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4559, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Guzzardi."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi on Floor Amendment #2."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 is a technical cleanup from LRB. It corrects a typographical error in the original Amendment. And I urge its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, Representative Guzzardi moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4559. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have

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it. The Amendment's adopted. Representative Windhorst... excuse me. Third Reading. On page 10 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4590, Representative Windhorst. Out of the record. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4073, Leader Manley. Leader Manley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4073, 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 Hoffman: "Third Reading. On the Order of Second Reading, on page 12 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4696, Representative Ozinga. Out of the record. Representative Morgan on House Bill 4703. Out of the record. On House Bill 4713, Representative Lawrence Walsh, Jr. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4713, a Bill for an Act concerning natural resources. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Walsh."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh on Floor Amendment #2."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to adopt Floor Amendment #2. It adds... designates certain criteria for the advisory board for DNR. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Anyone seeking recognition? Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Does the Amendment remove the hold we had on this one, Representative?"

Walsh: "Yes."

Batinick: "Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4713. All in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Third Reading. Representative Willis on House Bill 4729. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4729, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Willis."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Willis on Floor Amendment #1."

Willis: "Floor Amendment #1 simply adds the line 'subject to appropriations'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, Representative Willis moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4729. All in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. On page 13 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4846. Once again, Lawrence Walsh, Jr. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4846, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Walsh."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh on Floor Amendment #2."

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Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd move to adopt Floor Amendment #2. This basic... puts the fees back at where they were originally so there's no fee increase in the Bill. And dignifies the educational levels that they have in this certification."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, same question. Did this remove the hold on the Bill?"

Walsh: "Yep."

Batinick: "Thanks."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4846. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Representative Mah on House Bill 4929. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4929, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Mah."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah on Floor Amendment #1."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment simply includes language that brings all parties to agreement. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall'... Representative Mah moves for the adoption of

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Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4929. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. On page 14 of the Calendar, I have House Bill 4989. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4989, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Representative Mah on House Bill 4031... or 5031. House Bill 5031, Representative Mah. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5031, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Mah."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah on Floor Amendment #1."

Mah: "Again, it... the Amendment contains language that brings all parties to agreement. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, Representative Mah asks for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5031. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. I have House Bill 5069. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5069, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Representative Kifowit on House Bill 5078. Out of the record. Representative Halpin on House Bill 5080. Representative Halpin. Out of the record. Representative Ozinga on House Bill 5105. Out of the record. Representative Hirschauer on House Bill 5193. Out of the record. Representative Harper on House Bill 5195. Out of the record. Going back to House Bill 5195, on page 15 of the Calendar. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5195, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please return House Bill 5195 to Second Reading. Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Could the record reflect we'd like to excuse Leader Durkin for the rest of the day? Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. Representative Smith on House Bill 5274. Out of the record. Representative Nichols on House Bill 5305. Out of the record. Representative Vella on House Bill 5385. Out of the record. Moving to page 17 of the Calendar, on the Order of Second Reading, House Bill 5456, Representative Mazzochi. Out of the record. Representative Mah on House Bill 5465. Out of the record. Representative Sonya Harper on House Bill 5488. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5488, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Representative Weber on House Bill 5496. Out of the record. Representative Gonzalez on House Bill 5513. Out of the record. On House Bill 5552... on page 18 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5552, Representative Stava-Murray. Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, please return to page 17 of the Calendar, House Bill 5496, Representative Weber. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5496, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Weber."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Weber on Floor Amendment #1."

Weber: "All Floor Amendment #1 is a request from the Secretary of State's Office, changing the effective date."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, Representative Weber moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5496. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Manley in the Chair."

Speaker Manley: "Manley in the Chair. On page 11, House Bill 4639, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4639, a Bill for an Act concerning manufactured home dealers. The Bill was read for a second

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time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hoffman on the Bill... on the Amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Floor Amendment #1 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Revenue to make the information regarding manufactured homes to be shared with the Secretary of State for administrative purposes in order to be able to allow this Bill to work."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hoffman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4639. In favor... all those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Manley: "Third Reading. On page 6, House Bill 3820, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3820, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Hoffman to explain the Amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Amendment simply puts into conformity what CMS had requested. And I know of no known opposition to the Amendment."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Hoffman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 3820. All those in favor say 'aye';

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opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Manley: "Third Reading. Chair recognizes Leader Wheeler for a point of personal privilege."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I know that there's a lot going on in our world right now, but I want to point out that we still have some special things in our lives and some reasons to celebrate. I want to recognize a very, very good friend of mine, someone I hold in the highest regard, someone I have great fondness for, a fellow University of Illinois alum. I'd like to wish a very happy birthday to Illini all-time basketball great Deon Thomas today. At the same time, more importantly, I'd like to wish my roommate, my classmate for this House, GOP Floor Leader, a great friend of all of us, Mark Batinick, happy birthday."

Speaker Manley: "Happy birthday, Leader Batinick. Chair recognizes Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Today I am pleased to present our moment in black history. Today we celebrate Marva Collins, an educational firebrand who established her own rigorous educational system to enrich her students' success and independence. Her method was so unique, it became known as the Marva Collins' Way. Collins graduated in 1957 from Clark College in Atlanta with a degree in secretarial science but could not find a job as a secretary due to her race. Instead, she took to one of the few occupations available for an African American educated woman in the south. She became a

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teacher. Collins taught bookkeeping, typing, shorthand, and business law at Monroe County Training School before moving to Chicago in 1959. When Collins began working for the Chicago school system in 1961, she was disappointed by apathetic teachers and a clear disdain toward inner-city students, most of whom were poor and black. Collins adopted unorthodox teaching methods and set high academic standards for her students. She taught phonics, the Socratic Method, and classic text that others considered too difficult. In 1975, Collins founded the Westside Preparatory School in her own home. She began with 4 students, but enrollment grew to more than 200, with classes from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. The school operated for more than 30 years. Collins rose to international fame in 1981 with the release of the film *The Marva Collins' Story*, which documents why Collins left the public school system to establish Westside Preparatory School. Collins refused many prestigious job offers, such as the U.S. Secretary of Education and the superintendent of the Los Angeles school system to remain with her school. In 2008, President George Bush awarded Collins with the National Humanities Medal. Today we honor Mrs. Marva Collins. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Demmer: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'd just like to call your attention to a situation that we know is unfolding half a world away in Ukraine. Overnight and throughout the day today, we've seen some very disturbing images of the Russian

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invasion and significant attack that's been launched on a innocent nation without provocation and without any justification or cause. We all, I know in this chamber, stand in solidarity with peaceful nations across the world. And in this time of assault, our thoughts and our prayers and our minds go to the people of Ukraine. There's only so much that we, as State Legislators, can do in a international conflict like this. But we stand together, I know, with elected officials across the United States looking for a peaceful and speedy solution to this. One thing that Illinois can do and has done in previous conflicts is to welcome refugees from war-torn countries. Only a few months ago, our own Department of Human Services and many agencies in Illinois worked together to provide a safe place for refugees from Afghanistan. And in committee testimony this morning, Secretary Hou from the Department of Human Services indicated they continue to be in contact with the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. To show support for that, today I introduced two appropriation Bills to ensure that we have adequate resources in the refugee program to provide a safe place here in Illinois. Illinois is one... home to some... one of the largest populations of Ukrainian Americans in the country, and I know many of them are concerned and worried about their relatives, family, friends, and their ancestral home. So, I ask the Body to join me in a moment of silence and to show support in whatever way we can for a peaceful resolution to this unprovoked attack. Thank you."

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Speaker Manley: "Members, a moment of silence. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting this afternoon. At 4:00 is Personnel & Pensions in Virtual Room 1, Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies in Virtual Room 3, the Executive Committee in Virtual Room 4, Financial Institutions in Virtual Room 5. Meeting at 4:30 is Higher Education in Virtual Room 5; Elementary & Education: Administration Licensing & Charter Schools, Virtual Room 4; Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges in Virtual Room 3; Human Services in Virtual Room 2. Meeting at 5:00 is Energy & Environment in Virtual Room 2, Health Care Licenses in Virtual Room 3, Judiciary - Criminal in Virtual Room 4."

Speaker Manley: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 685, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin. And House Resolution 686, offered by Speaker Welch."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption of Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Friday, February 25, at the hour of 10 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 290... correction,

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Senate Bill 2912, offered by Representative Greenwood, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2945, offered by Representative Hurley, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 2962, offered by Representative Moeller, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 2963, offered by Representative Keicher, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3007, offered by Representative Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning the Secretary of State. Senate Bill 3017, offered by Representative Yednock, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3023, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 3050, offered by Representative Hurley, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3083, offered by Representative LaPointe, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3166, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3187, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3197, offered by Representative McCombie, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 3215, offered by Representative Stava-Murray, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3474, offered by Representative LaPointe, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3490, offered by Representative Collins, a Bill for an Act concerning LGBTQ older adults. Senate Bill 3495, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3497, offered by Representative Moylan, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3609, offered by

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Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3617, offered by Representative Conroy, a Bill for an Act concerning mental health. Senate Bill 3625, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Senate Bill 3650, offered by Representative LaPointe, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3667, offered by Representative West, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5701, offered by Representative Ammons, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5702, offered by Representative Demmer, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5703, offered by Representative Demmer, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5704, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5705, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. First Reading of these House Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."