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

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Gracious God, our Father, the giver and sustainer of life, it is in you that we live, we move, we have our existence. We humbly come before you, oh God, asking for your blessings to be upon this august Assembly. May your blessings be upon the Speaker of this illustrious House, all of its esteemed Leaders, its honored Members. God, as we come before you, we offer before you our hearts, our minds, and our lives. We cast upon you our cares. We yield to you our worries. We submit to you our weaknesses. We ask you to grant us strength, wisdom, and divine guidance. All of this, we humbly say thank you and amen."

Speaker Andrade: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Luft."

Luft - 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 Andrade: "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. Let the record show that Representatives Ammons, Burke, Barbara Hernandez, Hurley, Manley, Mason, Mayfield, Moylan, Omar Williams, Zalewski,

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Lilly, and Representative Guerrero-Cuellar are excused today."

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

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, I just got one for you. Let the record reflect that Representative Stephens is excused for the day."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 100 present, Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Harris, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on March 28, 2022: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to Senate Bill 2243; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 1171, House Bill 5246, and Senate Bill 257. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 759, offered by Representative Lilly; House Resolution 760, offered by Representative Kifowit; House Resolution 762, offered by Representative Moeller; and House Joint Resolution 86, offered by Representative Windhorst, are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood, for what reason do you wish to rise?"

Greenwood: "Thank you. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of this Assembly. House Resolution 657 was adopted on February 15 of 2022 of

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this year in this chamber. And what the Resolution did was outline the National Black McDonald's Operators Association and their commitment to helping African American communities by providing educational resources, promoting tolerance and acceptance, and empowering the people they serve through the state and local chapters of Black McDonald's Operators Association. The Black McDonald's Operators Association of Chicago and Northwest Indiana is a local chapter of the National Black McDonald's Operation Association. And today I am honored to recognize, in our chamber, McDonalds' owner and operator Mr. Jimmy Williams. Mr. Williams is standing in the chamber. Mr. Williams is a native of East St. Louis. He owns and operates 29 McDonald's restaurants. Through his entrepreneurship, he has consistently given back to the East St. Louis community by launching Archways to Opportunity, which provides financial academic assistance for McDonald's employees at all levels, by creating a mentorship program for young people and by offering countless other donations of his time and talent to the East St. Louis community. And we are very much appreciative of him. The meaningful efforts of the Black McDonald's Operators throughout the State of Illinois engage our local neighborhoods and embody the true spirit of family and community. May of 2022 is the National Black McDonald's Operators Association, where we will celebrate its 50... 50th year anniversary. And so, we welcome and commend Mr. Williams for his service and his entrepreneurship. And we also recognize the other Illinois operators that are members of the National Black McDonald's Operators Association for

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their continued service to Illinois' youth and communities.
Thank you, and welcome, Mr. Williams."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Davis, for what reason do you rise?"

Davis: "Speak on the same point very quickly, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Davis: "Ladies and Gentlemen, also, the young lady standing next to Mr. Williams, you may remember Marishonta Wilkerson who was on our tech review staff. After she has left our staff and moved on to other things, she is now working in the government affairs space for McDonald's. And we certainly want to congratulate her on her new role and her position. And next time, maybe she'll bring cookies and milk again, like she did before, so we can celebrate the success of McDonald's. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Marron, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Marron: "I just wanted to welcome three of my guests that I had that are sitting over behind the Democratic side. Kelly Darr, Dee Landers, and Rich Cary. They are all spouses of law enforcement officers here to talk to Legislators about some of the challenges that family and spouses of law enforcement officers have. Please welcome them to Springfield."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Welter for an announcement."

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, the House Republicans request an immediate caucus."

Speaker Andrade: "Do we know for how long?"

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Welter: "An hour, about."

Speaker Andrade: "The House Republicans will caucus. The Democrats will not. We will be returning on the House Floor for business once caucus is finished. Thank you. The House will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. The House will be in order. Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of the Assembly. Mr. Speaker, I move that Representative Meier, Niemerg, Friess... David Friess, and Representative Tarver be allowed to participate and cast their votes remotely."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Evans has made a Motion that Representatives Meier, Niemerg, David Friess, Representative Tarver be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely. This is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Motion, there are 71 voting 'yes', 22 voting 'no', and 4 voting 'present'. And the Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Is Representative David Friess present?"

Friess: "Friess is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess is present. Is Representative Meier present?"

Meier: "Present."

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

Niemerg: "Present."

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

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Tarver: "Tarver's present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver is present."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Swanson, for what reason do you rise?"

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Swanson: "Thank you, Sir. Hey, just as a reminder, Friday, April 1, and for those of you who may not have been here last Friday, but on April 1 I have scheduled two Chinook-47 helicopters, those are the ones with two big blades on them, to fly Members of the General Assembly to Lincoln's Challenge in Rantoul, Illinois. Lincoln's Challenge is a site where 15 and half to 18-year-old boys and girls can attend to earn their GED or credit recovery. It is sponsored by the Illinois National Guard. The flights will leave from the... from the Springfield airport at 8:00, that's 0800 hours. You need to arrive there no... or no later than 0715 to get an inflight brief and safety briefing. We will return back to Springfield at 11:15, and from there then you'll be able to get you back in your POV and head back to the Capitol here. There is no... there are some restrictions of course, clothing restrictions. You want to wear comfortable pants, comfortable shirt. These helicopters do tend to leak oil, so don't wear your suit coat and tie on the flight. So, there is a requirement to fill out some form... fill out a form. I've got limited seating left. If you'd like to go along, please see me as soon as possible so I can get you to fill out the form. Thank you, Mr. Chair."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Severin, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Severin: "So, I rise today as a part of the March Women's History Month. I'd like to honor a lady that's in my district. She is the first president of the... first woman president of the Illinois State Bee Keepers Association. This Association was implemented or started in 1891. So, there's quite a buzz in my district about her being the first... thank you very much... the first State Bee Keepers Association woman president. Again, so her name is Rose Leedle. Her and her and husband and sons, they actually own a company called Leedle and Houme Bees in Christopher... actually in Mulkeytown, which is right outside of Christopher. And they actually raise hives, they raise bees. They have training. So, if you're interested in getting more information about a sweet operation, better known as honey, we'd love to have you participate and give her a call. So, again, Rose Leedle, she's your first woman president of the Illinois State Bee Keepers Association. How about a big hand for Rose?"

Speaker Andrade: "Members, we'll be moving to Senate Bills on Second Reading. Senate Bills on Second Reading. Proceed to the Order of Senate Bills on Second Reading. We have Senate Bill 705, Leader Evans. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. We have Senate Bill 1015, Representative Smith. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 2942, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 3023, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3023, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3050, offered by Representative Hurley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3050, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3069, offered by Representative Croke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3069, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3180, Leader Gabel. Mr. Clerk, out the record. Senate Bill 3189, Representative DeLuca. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3189, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3197, Representative McCombie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3197, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3416, Leader Evans.
Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3416, a Bill for an Act concerning
employment. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee
Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Andrade: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3616, Leader Gordon-
Booth. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 3832,
Representative Sonya Harper. Mr. Clerk, out of the record.
Senate Bill 3925, Representative Robinson. Mr. Clerk, out of
the record. Senate Bill 4028, Representative Stoneback. Mr.
Clerk, out of the record. Proceed to the Order of House Bills
on Third... Senate Bills on Third Reading. On page 4 of the
Calendar, under Third Readings, we have Senate Bill 145,
offered by Representative Willis. Mr. Clerk, please read the
Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 145, a Bill for an Act concerning
regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Willis, please proceed."

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill simply streamlines the
process which PA's can become licensed. It is agreed upon
Bill. And I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Batinick is recognized."

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

Speaker Andrade: "She said she will. Please proceed."

Batinick: "Representative, you said this streamlines a process
that PA's can be licensed. Is that correct?"

Willis: "Yes, Sir."

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Batinick: "And how does... how exactly does it do that? I see IDPFR (sic-IDFPR) and Med Society are not in support. They are neutral."

Willis: "They are neutral, and that was what I would call making an agreement. We worked very hard to do that. What it does is it gives the PA's a certain length of time to get their cooperative agreements put in place with their physicians, but they can start work immediately upon graduation."

Batinick: "Okay. Thank you for your answers."

Willis: "Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "The Chair recognizes Representative Willis to close. The question is, 'Shall House... Senate Bill 145 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess, 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver. Representative Tarver. Representative, we can't hear you."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received

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a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 153, Representative Didech. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 645, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 1575, Representative LaPointe. 1571, Representative LaPointe. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 2952, Representative Delgado. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 2958, Representative LaPointe. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Senate Bill 2963, Representative Keicher. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2963, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Keicher is recognized."

Keicher: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that I received over from the Senate. And what it does is it seeks to close some gaps from a Public Act that we passed last year where a beneficiary from a group product, either disability or life insurance, who may be on disability leave, would potentially not qualify for a new plan at the end of the plan year. So, it seeks to close that gap to ensure that they have continuous coverage under the new planned proposal that's put into place by their employer. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Andrade: "There being no further questions, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2963 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess says 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Friess votes 'yes'."

Friess: "Friess votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier."

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Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Tarver's a 'yes', if you can hear me."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2974, Representative Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2974, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Davis is recognized."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. This is the Senate version of a House Bill that we passed out. And what this allows for is that, under certain medical situations, this allows for an individual that... that needs specific medical treatment to be able receive that medical treatment in a hospital facility in another state. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Frese is recognized."

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

Speaker Andrade: "He said he will. Please proceed."

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Frese: "Representative, thank you for your indulgence. Thank you for bringing the Bill. I know that in committee my... some of my fellow Republicans and I were in opposition because of our thought of where the family groups were standing on this. Thank you for working with me, and thank you for getting me in touch... and Representative Bennett with Gia, or to talk about this. We have removed any and all opposition, and I'm looking forward to casting an 'aye' vote for your Bill. Thank you very much."

Davis: "My pleasure, Representative Frese. Thank you for your indulgence and allowing us to share information to work with you to clear up any confusion that there may have been. So, again, thank you for your assistance. And with that being... Mr. Speaker, if there any additional questions?"

Speaker Andrade: "There being no further questions, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2974 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2981, Leader Evans. Mr. Clerk, take the Bill out of the record. Senate Bill 2984, Representative Windhorst. Mr. Clerk, take the Bill out of the record. Senate Bill 2991, Representative Halpin. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2991, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Halpin is recognized."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2991 is a technical request from SURS, the State Universities Retirement System, to allow them to make sure to recover any benefit overpayments they make, particularly where the error was not based on their calculation but was a result of incorrect information supplied or omitted by the affected member or beneficiary. I'm not aware of any opposition, and I would ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Batinick is recognized."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This is probably going to be the last time I'm going to get to say this in committee or on the floor. This Bill's a decent Bill. It allows SURS to go back and recapture up to three years of overpayment. But if it goes from 36 months to 37 months, the annuitant gets to keep all of it. There was a better solution. I keep talking about the better solution. To make it so that they can recapture up to three years instead of, if you avoid

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the situation longer, you get to keep it all. I think that's not a great way to do it. It's better than nothing. Urge an 'aye' vote. But I had to put it on the record, Representative. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "There being no further discussion, Representative Halpin to close."

Halpin: "Again, I'd ask for a 'yes' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2991 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess is a 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3005, Representative Vella. Mr. Clerk, take the Bill out

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of the record. Senate Bill 3006, Representative Croke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3006, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Croke is recognized."

Croke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. SB3006 is an initiative from the Illinois Commerce Commission regarding the Collateral Recovery Act that will address audit findings, make the Act consistent with administrative rules, and allow for electronic communications. It will ease the burden on both the ICC and the license applicants. Just as a reminder, the CRA allows the Illinois Commerce Commission to regulate the industry that handles the repossession of cars, boats, and motorcycles. This Bill passed committee unanimously, and I know of no opposition."

Speaker Andrade: "There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3006 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess is a 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3007, Representative Kelly. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3007, a Bill for an Act concerning the Secretary of State. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Kelly is recognized."

Kelly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 3007 is an initiative of the Secretary of State to simply amend Illinois Vehicle Code. It passed the Senate unanimously and passed out of committee unanimously also. I encourage a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Butler is recognized."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor. Question of the Sponsor. You were kind of quiet there."

Speaker Andrade: "He indicates he'll yield. Please proceed."

Butler: "You were kind of quiet, Representative. I couldn't quite hear what you said on the Bill there."

Kelly: "You got a problem with your hearing?"

Butler: "Well..."

Kelly: "I'm just kidding. I can repeat that."

Butler: "Representative, is this your first Bill?"

Kelly: "Yes, it is."

Butler: "It's not a good way to start your first Bill."

Kelly: "I apologize."

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Butler: "Especially when I'm spokesperson on the committee that you sit on. So..."

Kelly: "Yes, and you were part of that."

Butler: "Do you know how Bill numbers are assigned?"

Kelly: "I do not."

Butler: "How'd you get 3007 on your Bill?"

Kelly: "I was just lucky."

Butler: "Are you very Bondish, James Bondish?"

Kelly: "I wouldn't say so."

Butler: "Okay. Do you know how many drivers' services facilities there are in the State of Illinois?"

Kelly: "I'm sure I do not."

Butler: "What's the most important thing about this legislation?"

Kelly: "That the Secretary of State is behind it."

Butler: "Some of us might argue with that over the years, but that's a good answer since the Secretary of State's retiring. Who are you supporting.. oh, I can't ask you that question, I guess, on that."

Speaker Andrade: "Out of order."

Butler: "Representative, it's great to have you on this committee. Great to have you on this House. We do miss Representative D'Amico, but you've been a real pleasure to work with. So, congratulations on your first piece of legislation."

Kelly: "Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Cassidy is recognized."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Some questions of the Sponsor for legislative intent. Representative..."

Speaker Andrade: "Indicates he will yield."

Cassidy: "Thank you."

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Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Cassidy: "Representative, on page 10 of your Bill, there's some new language being added to the Vehicle Code that relates to the suspension of drivers' licenses for certain cannabis violations, specifically for a person under 21 years of age possessing cannabis in a motor vehicle and for a person under 21 using a fake ID to obtain access to cannabis. It's my understanding that the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act already authorizes license suspension for these reasons. Can you please explain why it's necessary to add this language to the Vehicle Code?"

Kelly: "Sure. Adding cross references to these existing provisions of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act in the Section of the Vehicle Code will assist the Secretary of State's Office in implementing license suspension laws previously passed by the Legislature. It will facilitate the process of adding codes within the Secretary of State's computer system that correspond to these additional grounds for license suspension relating to cannabis violations."

Cassidy: "Thank you. Just a couple more questions. When the Secretary of State's Office suspends someone's driver's license because of one of these cannabis violations, do you know whether that happens at the time they are charged or issued a citation or does the suspension occur after the individual has actually been found guilty of the violation?"

Kelly: "According to the Secretary of State's Office, to date there have been no suspensions imposed under these provisions. The Secretary of State also advised that, if and when a suspension is ever imposed, that would occur after the

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Secretary of State's Office has received notification from the Circuit Clerk that the person has been found guilty of the violation."

Cassidy: "Thank you. I know that some advocacy groups have raised concerns that the current language is a bit unclear on that last point and proposed some language to make it more clear. I've also been told that that clarifying language is acceptable to the Secretary of State's Office but that an Amendment is not being adopted out of concern that amending the Bill at this time could slow it down in the Senate and risk delaying passage of other provisions in the Bill that are important to the Secretary of State's Office. Is that accurate?"

Kelly: "Yes, that's accurate."

Cassidy: "And will you commit to working with me to make those additional clarifications in a trailer Bill during the Veto Session or the 2023 Session?"

Kelly: "I do."

Cassidy: "Excellent. Great Bill. Congratulations on your first Bill."

Kelly: "Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Davis is recognized."

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

Speaker Andrade: "Indicates he will. Please proceed."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Representative. It's my understanding that this is your first Bill, correct?"

Kelly: "That's correct."

Davis: "I noticed that it's an omnibus Bill. So, can you tell me how many buses are being driven?"

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Kelly: "I couldn't. I'll get back to you on that."

Davis: "You'll get back to me on that?"

Kelly: "Yes."

Davis: "Okay. Does this Bill contain language that would allow for the residents of Taiwan that come to this country to be able to exchange their driver's licenses, their Taiwanese driver's licenses in reciprocity for Illinois driver's license?"

Kelly: "I don't see that in this Bill, but I'd have to look. I don't think so."

Davis: "You'd have to check..."

Kelly: "Yes."

Davis: "...to make sure?"

Kelly: "Yes."

Davis: "So, does that mean you'll pull out of the record while you check to see if a Taiwanese resident... if that reciprocity is in there?"

Kelly: "I'd rather not pull it out, but... so, I don't think that's in there."

Davis: "You're not sure if it's in there? And you still can't tell me exactly how many buses are being driven with an omnibus Bill?"

Kelly: "No, I could not."

Davis: "Okay. Well, you need... have a lot of work to do on your Bill, clearly, to make sure."

Kelly: "I agree."

Davis: "Because the number of buses being driven by an omnibus Bill is extremely, extremely important."

Kelly: "Okay."

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Davis: "Will you work with me on that?"

Kelly: "I will work with you on that."

Davis: "Thank you very much. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Andrade: Leader Mazzochi is recognized."

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

Speaker Andrade: "Indicates he will."

Mazzochi: "One question is, on page four of the Bill, lines three to six, you're expanding the scope of reasons why you can lose your driving privileges if you engage in what's described as 'a similar offense in another state if, at the time of the offense, the person held an Illinois driver's license or identification card.' What's the scope of the similar offenses in the other states that you're referring to here and that you're including?"

Kelly: "As long as they are actions that are criminalized in this state."

Mazzochi: "Well, right. But can you identify for us what some of those are? In Section 6-301, 6-301.1, 6-301.2, or Section 14, 14A, or 14B of the Illinois ID Card Act."

Kelly: "Those are violations in relation to presenting fake identification."

Mazzochi: "Okay. Including for 6-301? I know your staffer is frantically looking to see what the answer is."

Kelly: "I believe so."

Mazzochi: "Okay. Well, you believe so.. but, I mean, this is your Bill. Do you know?"

Kelly: "To the best of my knowledge."

Mazzochi: "All right. Well, again, you're trying to basically ding people for what could be a violation in other states."

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And I want to make sure that people are actually clear as to what is or isn't within the scope of what they're authorized to do under the law. So, I'm a little bit concerned that you don't have those answers. Let's go ahead and take a look at some of the provisions that are being added in on page 35, lines 5 to 9, subsection (m). You're saying here that a person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life if that individual uses a commercial motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving an act or practice in connection with human trafficking, as defined under Federal Law. Tell me how this provision that you're adding in is consistent with the Black Caucus pillars that are trying to focus on restorative justice? And... or consistent with the ideas of you've actually got rehabilitation? And maybe your staffer would like to take the mic and explain."

Kelly: "As far as I know, it doesn't."

Mazzochi: "Well, why... why is that? I mean, this... again, you're basically getting rid of someone's driver privileges for life. No... no appeal. No possibility of being exempted or getting your... getting that driver's license restored. So, how is that consistent?"

Kelly: "Because they're involved with a severe form of human trafficking."

Mazzochi: "Right. But, I mean, we've got instances where we're allowing people... where we're, under the Black Caucus pillars, the theory is that you're trying to get people back into the workforce system. So, how are you going to be able to achieve that if you're basically banning them for life from having a driver's license?"

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Kelly: "The Black Caucus Bill is not addressing severe forms of human trafficking."

Mazzochi: "All right. Well, so.. all right. Well, maybe you're.. I think you're parsing it a little bit differently. But, I mean, in terms of philosophically, the idea of you're not trying to ban people for life from a particular opportunity for work. How do you... how do you consider that to be consistent? Looks like Mr. Ford is going to come over to help you. Or Representative Ford will help you."

Kelly: "This is specifically for severe forms of human trafficking."

Mazzochi: "Right, but it's for life. Is the felony conviction for life in this instance? It's not, is it?"

Kelly: "The suspension of CDL privileges would be for life."

Mazzochi: "Right. And.. so, just to be clear, that you're okay with the idea that someone is going to lose their CDL privileges for life even though they've completed their felony sentence in connection with the underlying offense?"

Kelly: "For a severe form of human trafficking, yes, I am."

Mazzochi: "All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Batinick is recognized."

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

Speaker Andrade: "Indicates he will. Please proceed."

Batinick: "Representative, have you heard from the Girl Scouts on this Bill whether they support or oppose?"

Kelly: "I have not."

Batinick: "Okay. Any opposition whatsoever?"

Kelly: "No."

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Batinick: "Are you enjoying debating your first Bill?"

Kelly: "I am."

Batinick: "Okay. Welcome to the General Assembly,
Representative."

Kelly: "Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "There being no further discussion,
Representative Kelly is recognized to close."

Kelly: "I ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3007 pass?'
All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting
is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess?"

Friess: "Friess is 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative
Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'.
Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On
this question, there are 102 voting in 'favor', 0 voting
'nay', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.
Congratulations, Representative Kelly. On page 17 of the

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Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 62, offered by Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. House Joint Resolution 76, offered by Leader Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Resolution. Representative Bennett is recognized."

Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 76 deals with a gentleman by name of Trooper Albert Hasson. This House Joint Resolution designates U.S. Route 24 in the City of Chenoa as the 'Trooper Albert Hasson Memorial Highway'. It's important to remember those officers who lost their lives while upholding their oath to serve and protect. Trooper Hasson was the first, I repeat, the first Illinois State Police Officer to be killed in the line of duty. He was struck by a car while patrolling near the City of Chenoa, Central Illinois in McClean County, taken to the hospital in Pontiac where he died September 7, 1924. Trooper Hasson was a World War I veteran and a four-month veteran of the Illinois State Police at the time of his passing. Illinois State Police District 6 Headquarters named their training room after him in 2004. We are grateful for his service, and I ask, please, for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Bennett moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 76. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted.. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver. Representative Tarver."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 'present'. And this Resolution, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. House Joint Resolution 77, offered by Representative Swanson. Representative Swanson is recognized."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 77 recognizes a soldier from Representative Yednock's district, but to be recognized within my district. Staff Sergeant Hollinsaid was a great American who gave his life for us in the war. He was a... an extremely dedicated man. His character carried through him in high school and was recognized by his teachers and by those on his staff at school of his abilities to lead. He was killed in action just days after his platoon sergeant was killed. He took over the platoon for a few days and was later killed. His specialty was IEDs, or improvised explosive devices. His specialty was being that first responder when IEDs were found and IEDs were discovered. It was him who went there to recover. He was a staff sergeant from the tiny Central Illinois town of Malden and is recognized on his page from a close friend of his that said, he had left several messages on the Hero Page. 'For years, I used to dial your number and hang up.' That was to his family.

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'I carried so much guilt for years. Lincoln was my team leader at Fort Irwin, California. It's because of him that I am with my family, and I thank you for having a great son. He is thought of every day. Please reply, I've lost your number throughout my many moves.' That was one of his fellow soldiers who told him thank you for training me, so I could go home. Thank you for sacrificing your life, so I could go home. Many of the stories we hear are from our great heroes who have served. So, I would ask for a favorable vote on HJR77. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Swanson moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 77. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative David Friess."

Friess: "Friess votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Friess votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Niemerg."

Niemerg: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Niemerg votes 'yes'. Representative Tarver."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Tarver votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 103 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 voting 'present'. And this Resolution, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. Representative Scherer, for what reason do you rise?"

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today I have a Page for the day. I have three of my eight grandchildren. And thank you to those of you who were able to sign their books. We have Parker, age nine, Sadie, age eight, and Lorelei, age seven. So, welcome our Page for the day. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Welcome to your Capitol. Representative Moeller, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Andrade: "Proceed."

Moeller: "Thank you. On behalf of the Illinois Environmental Council, I'm pleased to invite all of the Members of this Body to their annual breakfast tomorrow, Tuesday, March 29 from 7:30 to 9:30 at their offices located at 520 E. Capitol Ave., here in Springfield. Come enjoy a cup of coffee, some sweet rolls, and learn about the Bills that the Illinois Environmental Council is working on this year. Hope to see everyone there. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Kifowit, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Kifowit: "Immediately after adjournment today, at the Pharmacy Gallery, 623 E. Adams Street, is the Conference of Women Legislators event. The reception is from 5:30 to 7:30, with remarks at 6:30. And anything raised goes to scholarship funds to help individuals with their college funds. So, I would

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encourage everybody to be present and come to the Pharmacy for the Conference of Women Legislators tonight. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Cassidy, for what reason do you rise?"

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to share with the Body. Given that our chamber is now Sullivan-less for the first time in many, many years, Representative Butler and I serve as the nominal cochairs of the Sullivan Caucus. Our annual party is tomorrow evening after 5, the 29th at the Gin Mill. Come see a bunch of Sullivans, have some corn beef, and celebrate with us."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolution. House Resolution 761, offered by Representative Mason."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption of Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing for perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Tuesday, at the hour of noon. Tuesday, March 29, at the hour of noon. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those 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 and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5731, offered by Representative Buckner, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5732, offered by Representative Niemerg, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue.

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First Reading of these House Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."