

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "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 Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Crawford."

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, we offer you our minds, we offer you our lives. We cast upon you our cares. We yield to you our worries. And we submit to you our weaknesses. We ask you to grant to us today, oh God, strength, grant to us wisdom, and grant to us divine guidance. For all of this, we humbly say thank you and amen."

Speaker Manley: "We will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Sommer."

Sommer - 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 Manley: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Greenwood is recognized to report any excused absences from the Democratic side of the aisle."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Greenwood: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Barbara Hernandez, Meyers-Martin, and Scherer are excused today."

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

Welter: "Madam Speaker, let the record reflect there are no excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle today."

Speaker Manley: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 109 present, answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Report."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Harris, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 1464 and House Bill 1591. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action March 29, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment... Floor Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 1563. Representative Moylan, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action March 29, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 79 and Senate Joint Resolution 6. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action March 29, 2022: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2940; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 73, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to Senate Bill 3626. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

committee action March 29, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 732. Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 722. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5246 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to Senate Bill 3467. Representative Moeller, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3720; and recommends be adopted is House Resolution 725. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 1175. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive reports the following committee action March 30, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4219 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to Senate Bill 3597. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 774, offered by Representative Ford; House Resolution 780, offered by Representative Swanson; House Resolution 781, offered by Representative Swanson; House Joint Resolution 87, offered by Representative Severin; and House Joint Resolution 88, offered Representative Swanson are referred to the Rules Committee."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "On page 16, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 66, offered by Representative Niemerg. Representative Niemerg is recognized."

Niemerg: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Today I rise for House Joint Resolution 66, which designates Interstate 64 in Wayne County from mile marker 112 to 116 as the 'Deputy Sean Riley Memorial Highway'. Deputy Riley was a three-year veteran of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. He was a public servant at heart, dedicating his time to his community and sports, serving as a tee-ball coach and basketball coach. But most of all, he loved spending time with his family. His wife, Leslie; sons, Logan and Deegan; daughter, Mia; sister, Spring; Aunt Margaret; mother-in-law, Glenda; and sister-in-law, Glenna, who are with us here today along with Wayne County Sheriff Chris Otey. Sadly, on December 19 of last year, Deputy Riley gave his life responding to a distress call, a call for help. That's the definition of a hero. Putting yourself above others, responding to a call, not knowing the situation or how it will unfold, but knowing someone is asking for help. That is a hero. It's difficult to put into words Deputy Riley's impact on his community. Following Deputy Riley's passing, the outpouring of support was tremendous from local businesses to just normal folks who wanted to help. So much so that his services were held at a local high school and every seat... every seat, folks, was filled an hour ahead of time. Deputy Riley's sacrifice will not be forgotten and his impact will always be felt. Today we honor a hero. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "The Members will take a moment of silence. Representative Niemerg moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 66. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Resolution, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. Representative Hirschauer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hirschauer: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. A point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Hirschauer: "Thank you. I just want to take a moment to acknowledge two very special guests who are joining us today. Maggie and Teddy have been here for a couple days, but today my husband, Jim, is here and our oldest daughter, Emma. And they're up there in the gallery. You can stand up and wave. Because... I promised I wouldn't do it, but I can't... I have to. I'm a mom. It is Emma's 15th birthday today. So, let's give her a big round of applause."

Speaker Manley: "Happy birthday. Representative Collins, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Collins: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Collins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. So, I just wanted to take some time and send my deepest condolences out to SEIU Healthcare Illinois member Cassandra McKnight. I wanted to send my love to her family and her friends. Anyone who knew

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Cassandra knew that she was a true fighter for working-class people. She led with dignity. She led with her heart. And so, our entire local is mourning a loss of our sister. And so, I just wanted this Body to take a moment of silence in memory of Cassandra McKnight."

Speaker Manley: "A moment of silence, Members. Thank you, Representative. Representative Ugaste, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Ugaste: "A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Ugaste: "Thank you. I wanted to announce today I have three great helpers here with me. My grand... three of my six grandchildren. In my arms is Mr. Ronan. He's three years old. My grandson, Dominic, who's the oldest, is next to me. And my granddaughter, Annalise, is in Leader Brady's chair. In true Ugaste fashion, we spread out and made ourselves at home. I also have my wife, my daughter... my oldest daughter, Tonia, and my son-in-law, Vince, here with me in the gallery here today. So, if we could welcome, I'd greatly appreciate it."

Speaker Manley: "Welcome to Springfield. Representative Kifowit, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Kifowit: "Point of personal privilege, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Kifowit: "Madam Speaker, on behalf of Representative Sue Scherer who had an emergency and could not be here today, I am honored to be joined by two amazing Pages for the day on her behalf. Tammy Taylor is the mother of Salathiel and she is our Page for the day. Salathiel Buford. And she is also the aunt of her fine nephew, Ethan Patterson. So, they are joining us for

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Page to the day. And I just would like everybody in Springfield to give them a warm welcome."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you for being with us. Leader Welter, for what reason do you seek recognition, although I can guess?"

Welter: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Welter: "Madam Speaker, yes, I believe you did guess it. I also have a guest down here. Seems like there's something going on, maybe kids are out of school. It's great to have some of the children and grandchildren and family members of our colleagues down here with us. But I've got my oldest daughter, Autumn, who is eight years old, a second grader at Saratoga Elementary in Morris, down here hanging out with dad for the next three days and seeing our legislative process. So, if you would, please give her a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you for being here. The Chair recognizes Leader Andrade."

Andrade: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Zalewski is excused. And also, Madam Speaker, I move that Representatives Guerrero-Cuellar, Representative Cassidy, Carroll, and Representative Meier be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Andrade has made a Motion that Representatives Guerrero-Cuellar, Cassidy, Carroll, and Meier be allowed to participate and cast their votes remotely. This is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this Motion, there are 76 voting in

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

'favor', 22 voting 'no', and 5 voting 'present'. And the Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Is Representative Carroll present?"

Carroll: "Representative Carroll is here."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll is present. Is Representative Cassidy present?"

Cassidy: "Cassidy is present."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy is present. Is Representative Guerrero-Cuellar present?"

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is present."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is present. Is Representative Meier present?"

Meier: "Present."

Speaker Manley: "On page 2 of the Calendar, on House Bills on Second Reading, House Bill 1170, Representative Meyers-Martin. Representative Meyers-Martin. Out of the record. House Bill 1567, Representative Elizabeth Hernandez. Representative Hernandez. Representative Hernandez. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1567, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. The Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Lisa Hernandez, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Manley: "Third Reading. House... Representative Hernandez, I'm sorry. You're recognized on your Amendment."

Hernandez, L.: "Not sure if it has an Amendment."

Speaker Manley: "Representative, should I take it out of the record for now?"

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Hernandez, L.: "Yes, let me... wait a minute. Yes, it's House Floor Amendment #1. Simply what it does, it just clarifies the existing Office of New Americans in the... New Americans in the Governor's Office. Adds to the list of things to do a reporting mechanism. That's it."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hernandez moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1567. 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 Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Manley: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1567, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of the House Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hernandez."

Hernandez, L.: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Today I'm presenting the Amendment to House Bill 1567, which does become the Bill. This legislation makes changes to the Governor's Office of New Americans to clarify their duties of the office to help it more effectively assist immigrants and refugees. The... excuse me. The legislation also provides that the Office of New Americans shall monitor the completion of New Americans Plans at each state agency. This Bill comes before you for consideration at a critical time as millions of people are forced to leave their homes and lives in Ukraine to seek safety, protection, assistance, and refugee abroad in the midst of their country's ongoing invasion by Russia. Over the past few weeks, we have heard calls of support for the people of Ukraine from both sides of the aisle. I ask for you to

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

stand on the right side of history and help us ensure that... that Illinois will be ready to welcome immigrants and refugees, not only from Ukraine but from across the globe, as they seek a better life for their families. And you may know, as a matter of fact, that just recently the Biden Administration announced that the U.S. will be welcoming about a hundred thousand Ukrainians. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognized Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Batinick: "Hey, Representative. Thank you. You actually started hitting on the end what I wanted to touch upon here with what we're doing this... with this piece of legislation. The New Americans Office is essentially, currently a statewide... a defunct office, correct? Somewhat defunct, not being used?"

Hernandez, L.: "I'm sorry. Can you speak up? 'Cause I can't hear you."

Batinick: "The... the Office... the Governor's Office of New Americans is kind of defunct right now and we're kind of reigniting it. Is that correct?"

Hernandez, L.: "That's correct."

Batinick: "Okay. Is there... is there anything for appropriations in this Bill?"

Hernandez, L.: "It... it falls under the Office of the Governor. So, it would be his allotment. The Governor did put in his proposal \$200 thousand, but essentially it does fall under his office... office's allocation."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Batinick: "And what are some of the things that the Office would do? Specifically, you've brought up the Ukraine situation. Is this specifically to refugees, any kind of immigrants? What specifically would the office do? Let's be honest, \$200 thousand probably isn't a lot, but what can they do with that?"

Hernandez, L.: "Well, let me just name a few things that the office has always been designated to do. Simply the only additional, and I did mention it, is the reporting factor that we have included. But what... what they do is basically promote and support immigrant and refugee integration into social, cultural, and economic and civic life of the United States, ensuring access to quality English language learning programs that support the successful integration of immigrant adults, coordinating the efforts of state and federal, local entities to support the effective social, economic, linguistic, and civic integration of immigrants, refugees, and their children. And there's more."

Batinick: "You know what? Thank you for going through that list. I hope my side listened. I appreciate the answer to the questions."

Speaker Manley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Mazzochi: "Leader Hernandez, I noticed that one of the original purposes or goals of the Office of New Americans that you've deleted was to help expedite their journey towards self-sufficiency. Now, to me, if we're not trying to encourage people to go towards self-sufficiency, then it seems like

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

we're trying to encourage them towards dependency. So, why did you remove the... the goal of helping people on their journey towards self-sufficiency?"

Hernandez, L.: "I wouldn't say it was removed. It was just maybe not included."

Mazzochi: "Well, okay, that usually means it's removed. Can you point to me anywhere in the new language that you think is comparable language to helping people on a journey towards self-sufficiency?"

Hernandez, L.: "I think that there are some programing that is currently in place. One of the initiatives is through the welcoming centers that exist through DHS that is a avenue to try to help immigrants to self-sufficiency."

Mazzochi: "Okay. Well, can you point to me to any of the duties that you've put in the Governor's Office of New Americans that is going to encourage people to expedite their journey towards self-sufficiency?"

Hernandez, L.: "Oh, well, we can... ensuring the inclusion of the perspective of immigrants and refugees from performing duties, identifying the anticipated effects of new government policies on integration efforts. It provides strategic advice to the Governor on how to address effects, gaps, and needs created by such policies. Evaluating the scale, quality, and effectiveness of state initiatives with respect to immigrant and refugee social and economic integration. That's a few."

Mazzochi: "Right. Well, I... I've heard... I heard giving advice and sitting on commissions, but not actually achieving getting anyone on a pathway toward self-sufficiency. So, I think it's actually rather disconcerting that you're taking that out of

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

the... one of the goals. On page 2, lines 5 to 6, the first duty that's identified is to welcome and support immigrants and refugees in the State of Illinois. Right?"

Hernandez, L.: "Correct."

Mazzochi: "Is there a reason why you didn't insert the term 'legal' in there anywhere?"

Hernandez, L.: "I would say it's understood."

Mazzochi: "Oh. Well, instead of having it just be implied, shouldn't we have it be expressed that it's only referring to legal immigrants and refugees in the State of Illinois?"

Hernandez, L.: "Can you repeat yourself again?"

Mazzochi: "Yes. You said that... that in the lines 5 to 6, item 1, to welcome and support immigrants and refugees in the State of Illinois. But it's implied that this is only supposed to involve legal immigrants and refugees in the State of Illinois. Is there a reason why you didn't specifically say legal?"

Hernandez, L.: "I think it's understood to all immigrants and refugees, including legal."

Mazzochi: "And does it also include illegal immigrants and refugees then for legislative intent?"

Hernandez, L.: "It may, yes. It may."

Mazzochi: "It will? All right. Thank you very much."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Hernandez to close."

Hernandez, L.: "Members, at a time right now that we see what is occurring at the Ukraine, I really press upon that this is a good time to activate, once again, this particular office. We're doing a lot of good things for our immigrant and refugee

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

communities. This is adding on to that. So, I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1567 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 94 voting in 'favor', 18 voting 'against', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1592, Representative Conroy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1592, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Conroy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Conroy on the Amendment."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Conroy: "Thank you, Speaker. House Floor Amendment 1 directs the Illinois Department of Human Services to create a plan to maximize the use of existing state-operated psychiatric beds for nonforensic or noncourt-ordered cases through staff training, regular assessments to ensure patients continue to meet the regular requirements for court-ordered inpatient care, and improved access to outpatient step-down services."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Conroy moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1592. 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 Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Manley: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1592, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Conroy."

Conroy: "Thank you, Speaker. This is an initiative of NAMI Chicago, Thresholds, and the Illinois Department of Human Services to create a strategic plan for the department to maximize the use of existing state-operated inpatient psychiatric beds. It will include, number one, inpatient strategic plan. DHS Division of Mental Health would prepare a strategic plan for making the best use of state-operated inpatient psychiatric beds, reducing length of stay for forensic patients and improving quality of care in state-operated facilities. This plan would be published within one year of the effective date. And two, prohibition on further bed reduction. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Mazzochi: "Representative Conroy, so one of the... I heard you say that this Bill calls for the preparation of a strategic plan, but it's not actually appropriating any new funds to actually build more inpatient psychiatric beds. Right?"

Conroy: "No, it is not."

Mazzochi: "All right. And it doesn't actually obligate the Governor to create any new inpatient psychiatric beds at all, does it?"

Conroy: "This piece of legislation does not, but the critical piece is making sure that we utilize what we have and making very sure we do not close any more. I guarantee you, there will be following legislation in terms of opening more."

Mazzochi: "All right. But when it comes... with this blanket prohibition though on reduction of state-operated inpatient beds, at least for purposes of legislative intent, can you confirm that, if in fact though these state-operated inpatient mental health organizations are found to be noncompliant in the sense that they're putting patients' lives in danger, that's not the type of closures you're trying to avoid. Right?"

Conroy: "Of course not."

Mazzochi: "All right. Thank you very much."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Conroy to close."

Conroy: "Thank you very much. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 1592 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 112 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Demmer, for what reason do you seek recognition? Awe."

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

Speaker Manley: "There's a lot of cuteness there. I'm talking about your son."

Demmer: "Talking about John, okay."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Demmer: "Thank you. Fellow colleagues, I'd just like to introduce and welcome to Springfield, my family is with me this week. It's spring break like so many others. My daughter, Katie,

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

our son, John, and my wife, Becca, are here visiting for the first time. So, please join me in welcoming them to the Capitol."

Speaker Manley: "Welcome to Springfield. Leader Andrade, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Andrade: "Point of personal privilege, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Andrade: "I'd like to... first of all, I'd like to welcome back our former Member, Senator Robert Martwick, who is... today I have... you can clap a little bit later. Hold on a second. One second. I'd like to introduce my guest, Zach Figliuolo, who is here today with us paging. He is a senior at Concordia University, majoring in strategic communications. He came to observe the legislative process. Clearly, he came in the right chamber. It's right over here. He is also the nephew of Senator Robert Martwick. Please join me in giving Zach and Senator Martwick a warm welcome to the House chamber. Thank you very much. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Representative McCombie, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

McCombie: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

McCombie: "Thank you. In the gallery visiting us today is a friend of many of us, but one of Representative Halpin and I's favorite mayors, mayor of Rock Island, Mayor Thoms. Welcome."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Swanson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Swanson: "We are honored today to recognize a birthday on the House Floor. It is my seatmate, Avery Bourne's, birthday. So, let's wish her a happy birthday."

Speaker Manley: "Happy birthday, Representative. I like how he didn't mention your age. Chair recognizes Representative Severin. For what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Severin: "I have... I told you last week it was National Be a Page for Severin Week. Well, we're continuing that. Today we have three young men from Marion, Elijah Henry, and his father is in the gallery, Terance. He's the son of Laura and Terance Henry. And some of his activities, he participates in basketball, also the City of Marion's Electronic Recycling. And as an eighth grader last year, straight-A student through the whole school, outstanding band student. And one of his buddies, Logan Ridings, is here today also. He's a freshman at Marion High School. His parents are Lindsey and Jeremy Ridings. Band drumline. I've never told anybody, but I played the drums. And so, I'm glad to see he's in the band drumline. Computer Club, photography, student journalist, and the Robotics Club. So, that's Logan Ridings. And our third of the three trifecta here is Scottie Adkinson. He's an eighth grader. He's the tallest of the three. I'm recruiting him to come to Benton, but he says no way. He's the son of Bethany and Richard Miles. Participates in basketball, STEM, and track. Also, Elks Hoop Shoot, Upwards Basketball, AAU Basketball. So, in other words, you might want to keep an eye

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

out for Scottie Adkinson. But these are the three gentlemen that are Pages for me for today. So, I would appreciate a warm welcome to the House Floor for my three guys from Marion."

Speaker Manley: "Welcome to Springfield, gentlemen. Representative Lilly, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Lilly: "Personal privilege."

Speaker Manley: "Please proceed."

Lilly: "I'd just like to take a minute to say happy birthday to my father. Today is his 92nd birthday. Thank you. He is... he's battling stage IV cancer. And he said to me on yesterday, I made it, to his 92nd birthday. So, thank you all. Give him some love in your prayers. And thank you all for loving on me each and every day. God bless you."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you, Representative Lilly. Page 3 of the Calendar, House Bill 3220, Representative Tarver. Representative Tarver. Out of the record. Moving to page 4, Senate Bills on Third Reading. Senate Bill 153, Representative Didech. Out of the record. Senate Bill 645, Representative Hoffman. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2945, Representative Hurley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2945, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 2945 creates the Statewide 9-8-8 Trust Fund in the state treasury to be used to establish and maintain a statewide 9-8-8 suicide prevention and mental health crisis system pursuant to the

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020. I'm here for questions and would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2945 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 112 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2981, Representative Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2981, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and the great Members of this Assembly. Senate Bill 2981 creates the Innovations for

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Transportation Infrastructure Act to implement design-build in Illinois, which permits the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Illinois State Tollway Authority to use design-build approach in bids and proposals. For IDOT, the cost may not exceed \$400 million for contracts awarded during IDOT's multi-year highway improvement program for any 5-year period. For Tollway Authority, it may not exceed 20 percent of the Authority's annual improvement program. The design-build approach consolidates design, engineering, and construction services into one fixed package selected by a qualification-based selection process. The goal of this process is to bring greater efficiency and innovation to the system in order to deliver projects faster and more efficiently. IDOT and Tollway typically use a different approach. This is what's happening today. Design-bid-build, which through these services procure such as separate contracts. While this process works well for most projects, design-build offers a more streamlined and effective approach, an efficient approach for more complex projects, bridges, interchanges, and such, which are coming. Illinois has hundreds of small and diverse engineer companies that work with IDOT and Tollway. I, along with many advocates and other Legislators, we had serious concerns about the impact design-build would have on this sector and we wouldn't sit back. So, as a result, the language in this Bill works to ensure that DBE inclusion and protections are present and visible in this new procurement model, including separate goals for design and engineering and bid shop protections. Again, real protections for DBE inclusion. Design-build will

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

help speed up implementation of the Build Illinois Capital Bill. Getting shovel-ready projects out the door more quickly will allow Illinois to capture more federal funding, which we need. Design-build has a proven track record on success on many projects in Chicago and throughout the country with more than \$100 billion in projects in 2020, and of course, including Chicago. I appreciate your support. We have a tool for innovation for our construction industry. This is that tool. And again, we're doing it in an incremental way to make sure it works. We know it works, but to make sure it works. So, I request your support and available for questions."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Davis."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates that he will."

Davis: "Representative, would you mind maybe speaking again? You indicated, I think, in your remarks that you felt this effort was going to be better for diverse businesses. Can you speak to that again, please?"

Evans: "We put in protections to ensure that diverse businesses are protected with the procurement model. There's some of the companies that we know and that I know reached out because they wanted to make sure that they wouldn't lose out. And if you look at page 16 through 17, we want to make sure that the agency is allowed to reject bids that don't meet DBE requirements. Also, making sure there's no bid shopping. Also, making sure that there's still a separation with the bids with regards to engineering because some of the companies were concerned about the big boys coming in and taking all the design-build work. That's not the reality in other places,

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

but we wanted to make sure the legislation was reflective and protective of the companies we care about."

Davis: "But are there still waivers in this process?"

Evans: "But there's waivers in all processes. So, we're not changing the waiver process. That's a separate issue."

Davis: "Okay. So, when you talk about protecting, if that... that prime contractor that gets the opportunity doesn't do what they need to do in terms of reaching out and bringing on diverse businesses, could they still apply for a waiver saying that they claim they can't find them, that they don't exist, that they're not there?"

Evans: "If you have an issue with the waiver process, you got to file a Bill on waivers. I don't want to get into a discussion with waivers. Waivers are a concern that people have. If you have an issue with waivers, let's... do what you have to do with regards to waivers."

Davis: "Okay. You don't want to talk about that. I understand. So, let's talk about the percentage goals of DBE. So, are you aware that IDOT is under... under a conversation right now to reduce the DBE goal?"

Evans: "Again, you're... we're talking about design-build, a new tool for procurement. If you want to address all of these issues, you can stand up on every IDOT Bill and talk about the issues with IDOT. We do need improvements in IDOT. You worked on procurement for a while. I'm not seeing how it's connecting to the design-build. What we're doing now is a Bill to allow design-build incrementally upward to \$400 million. You want to talk about all the issues with construction and black folk, we're going to be here all day."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Davis: "I understand that, but you said that it offered protection. So, because you said that, I'm just asking some general questions about why... how you feel a business is going to be protected, particularly if IDOT is trying to reduce the goal. But I understand you don't want to speak to those. You said you want to just focus on the content of the Bill and that's fine. So, I'll just speak to the Bill very quickly."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Davis: "Design-build, while it may be a more efficient way to do a project, I'm not sure if it offers the necessary protections for diverse businesses that are being asked about and talked about or being discussed as nature of the Bill. I mentioned earlier, I was reached... I received information from a contractor that IDOT is now undergoing a conversation that they said they have to do about reducing the goal, the DBE goal. If we are that concerned... if this administration is that concerned about protecting small businesses, protecting diverse businesses, then why would IDOT even be undergoing such a conversation? And I get the Sponsor doesn't think it's necessarily relevant. Well, in that construction space, all of this is relevant. And to his point, you're right. I guess if I'm concerned about the goals or all the things that he mentioned, maybe I do need to do... file Bills. But in his opening, he talked about how this process protects. And I'm just not convinced that it does protect small businesses. Yes, it may be a better way of the state doing business, being able to do projects, get projects done, but there's a lot of detail that I think may be not being discussed in this process. So, obviously, Members will vote how they feel. Those

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

that support and want to get projects done will support the Member's Bill. At this point, I'm not sure if I can. So, thank you very much, Representative. Thank you for your commentary. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Elik."

Elik: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Manley: "He indicates that he will."

Elik: "Leader Evans, our analysis states that the transportation agencies shall have imminent domain and quick-take powers under the Act. Is this something new or is... are these powers already existing with the department?"

Evans: "Exist... existing powers. Whenever we do Bills like this, and I've done a few, this is always something that comes up. So, it's nothing new. It's something that they've always had the power, the option to exercise. Of course, we always want it exercised in the most limited way."

Elik: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates that he will."

Mazzochi: "I just had one question relating to page 32. There's a reference to providing some bonding authority to build a new transportation center. Can you explain that a little bit more, please? I'm sorry. It's on page 31. No, I'm sorry, 35."

Evans: "Okay. I'm looking. I'm trying to find the page. It's 35?"

Mazzochi: "Yeah. It... it basically is creating... it indicates that there's some new bonding authority."

Evans: "Okay. My understanding that's just some, like, boilerplate language that's needed. In the Bill, I don't think it's any

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

specific to one project, but I'm sure it's something I can follow up with you on. But my understanding is... yeah, I'm just... I'm looking at it, the language now..."

Mazzochi: "Yeah. So, on page 32, it's talking about may apply for allocation... for the purpose of financing a transportation facility undertaken under this Act, the authority may apply for an allocation of tax-exempt bond financing authorization provided under the Revenue Code, as well as financing available under any Federal Law or program. So, I was just curious, for that is there any limit on that or is that going to be ultimately be subject to appropriation? How... what's the scope of the bonding authority?"

Evans: "Yeah, it's not... my understanding it's not GRF related. It's just some boilerplate language that the department needed, some standard language that was included, I believe, for them to receive funding. But it's... it's not a specific dollar amount. There's not a specific allocation. There's not an appropriation Bill. So... I mean, I can follow up with you, but I'm on page... I don't think... it's nothing specific that's really germane to the substance of the Bill."

Mazzochi: "Well, maybe I can try to get at it this way. Is this going to expand the scope of the department's ability to take on new debt that is not otherwise authorized in connection with our existing budgetary authority?"

Evans: "No, that... no. I would say, no."

Mazzochi: "I think the answer is no. I just want it clear on the record."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Evans: "No. I'm very comfortable. No. Yeah. I have to be sure 'cause you know... you know your stuff. So, I want to be sure. But the answer is no."

Mazzochi: "All right. And with regard to the... this innovation program, one of the concerns that we've had is that we're not actually quickly getting our federal ARPA funds used and other... and there may actually be... we may actually lose some federal funding if we can't get these projects out the door quickly. So, if we implement this, does that mean that Road District 1 is actually going to get more funds and more projects out the door quickly?"

Evans: "Yes. I mean, that's the understanding. We want to be the top recipient of federal funds for infrastructure improvement. The time is now. And my understanding is this tool, if it works out with the \$400 million allowed and the 20 percent with the Tollway, then hopefully it'll be expanded in the future and really get projects going."

Mazzochi: "All right. And do you know about how much of this is going to go to Road District 1, which is where my district is?"

Evans: "Not specifically the amount. We have to work with IDOT to see where they want to target. It's only a limited amount of money, \$400 million. So, I think they'll probably pick the most-efficient projects, but that's up to the department."

Mazzochi: "All right. Well, I'll... I'll just say for IDOT's benefit, is that Road District 1 has been getting shafted and shorted in these recent capital projects, in terms of getting projects out the door. So, I hope that your promise is going to hold true that Road District 1 is actually going to get

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

the funds that it needs because we need those funds. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates that he will."

Davidsmeyer: "Leader Evans, I think this is something that IDOT has been working towards for years and years, isn't it?"

Evans: "Yes."

Davidsmeyer: "I just want to say, from my experience in talking to contractors as well as IDOT, they think this is an opportunity to be able to do things more efficiently. We had a bridge over the Mississippi River from Pike County, Illinois to Pike County, Missouri. They just redid.. Missouri was in charge of it. They used design-build. They came in under budget and got it done in less time. So, I think this is an opportunity to allow IDOT to see if this will actually work and allow them to spread their wings a little bit. I did have one question. Does this still require the same DBE requirements that all other projects require?"

Evans: "Yes. And, of course.. and that was a priority for me as Sponsor to see that in.. the language is there. And the concerns of those contractors makes sense. Every state is not like Illinois. Some states don't care about proper DBE inclusion and participation. That's a problem."

Davidsmeyer: "Yeah."

Evans: "But here in Illinois, we make that a priority and we ensure that our version of design-build will still prioritize DBE women, black, minority-owned contractors."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Davidsmeyer: "And the last thing I want to say is, this allows not only large companies who have internal engineers but also smaller companies who can team up with engineers to go together to go after these projects. So, I think this is a step in the right direction. This is certainly larger work than my company will ever do. So, I'm happy to support this for IDOT."

Evans: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Evans to close."

Evans: "Again, please support. It's a tool that we have. Let's utilize the tools and make Illinois the top place for infrastructure and development. We're in the middle of the country, we should be the top recipient of federal funds. Let's get the money we need to improve our infrastructure. Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2981 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

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

Speaker Manley: "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 111 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3036, Representative Tarver. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3036, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Thank you, Madam Chair. This Bill is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association. It came out of the Senate in committee unanimously, out of the Senate unanimously. It came out of the Jud - Civ here unanimously. And all that it does is allow for a judge, in his or her discretion, to allow a party to procure life insurance to secure child support payments. My understanding is that the Act already has this for maintenance and it was an oversight that it did not include it for child support payments. I know of no opposition and urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates that he will."

Batinick: "Actually, inquiry of the Chair. Can we quiet down a little bit? I don't think our side was able to hear that."

Speaker Manley: "Members, can we bring the volume down a little bit here in the chamber? Members. Members. How's that?"

Batinick: "You're the best. Thank you."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Please continue."

Batinick: "Representative..."

Tarver: "Yes."

Batinick: "...I think I heard you solely because I'm five feet from you, but basically this is dealing with life insurance for child support payments?"

Tarver: "That's correct."

Batinick: "Okay. Another quick synopsis of it. Doesn't have to be even as long as what you just did, that life insurance can be used for the..."

Tarver: "So, for instance, you know, when a judge is looking at the outset and allocating child support, either way... actually, a better example is this. I could secure life insurance in the event that I pass and it would pay for my daughter's child support in the future, essentially. It's something that is already available for maintenance. And my understanding is that the Act inadvertently left it out for child support."

Batinick: "Cleanup, technical change. Urge 'aye' vote."

Tarver: "I would urge an 'aye' vote, yes."

Batinick: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Tarver to close."

Tarver: "I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you, Madam Chair."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3036 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 109 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Leader Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Madam Chair and Members of the Body. If we could turn our attention to the gallery. We have crime survivors who are with us this afternoon. If you could please stand so that you could be recognized by the Body. Crime survivors, please stand. Today is a special day. So, for the last two years, we have been recognizing crime survivors across the State of Illinois that come from every corner of this state. Central Illinois, upstate, downstate, Metro East. You likely have a crime survivor who was here at the Capitol advocating on behalf of policies that have a demonstrated impact on communities that have been impacted by crime and violence. We have House Resolution 782 before the Body today."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

WHEREAS, On March 30, 2022, more than 200 Illinois crime survivors traveled to the Illinois State Capitol in Springfield for Survivors Speak 2022; These survivors are gathering to heal together, share their stories, advocate for change; Survivors Speak Illinois 2022 is organized by the Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice and the Alliance for Safety and Justice; Crime and violence leaves harm on any individual and community, regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, immigration, or economic status; There is a need for the State of Illinois to invest in programs that provide assistance to crime survivors and their families to effectively deal with the inherent trauma and residual effects of violence; Illinois must support trauma recovery centers that play a critical role and are an important resource for the survivors impacted by crime; Illinois must address the immediate safety concerns facing families and invest in a long-term, comprehensive plan to address the root causes of violence; The voices and experiences of survivors have to be centered and cannot be ignored, leading to poor policy and a justice system that fails to meet the needs of survivors or stop the cycle of crime; Most crime survivors do not, do not, receive the help that they need; And only eight percent of all survivors of violence receive direct assistance from a victim service agency; this drops to four percent when the crime is unreported, which is the case for more than half of all violent crimes in this state; Crime survivors understand existing gaps to recovery and how to bridge them; Crime survivors want a system of justice and safety that prioritizes

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

prevention, rehabilitation, and trauma recovery; Though their experiences... through their experiences, crime survivors are well-situated and uniquely qualified to provide essential input and influence in discussions of public safety and criminal justice policy; and there be it for

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend the survivors and the advocates of Survivors Speak Illinois 2022 for their work to stop violence and help those impacted by it from this point further. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Body, please give a round of applause for the survivors who have come all over this state to advocate on behalf of people who have been impacted by homicide, sexual assault, and domestic violence. If I could, too, I want to recognize their leadership, Mr. Aswah Thompson, CEO of Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice, and Miss Lenore Anderson, president of the Alliance for Safety and Justice. Thank you for your leadership."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you, Leader. Chair recognizes Leader Harris for an announcement."

Harris: "Members, Democrats will caucus immediately in Room 114."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Welter for an announcement."

Welter: "Any idea on how long you might be caucusing today?"

Harris: "I'd say an hour."

Welter: "You would say an hour. All right, very good."

Speaker Manley: "Democrats will caucus immediately. The House will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. Democrats will

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

go to Room 114. On page 5 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2984, Representative Windhorst. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2984, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 2984 adds youth entrepreneurs to the list of those served by entrepreneurship assistance centers. A youth entrepreneur is defined as those individuals 16 to 29 years old seeking community support to start a business in Illinois. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House... excuse me, Senate Bill 2984 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 in 'favor', 0 voting

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Leader Greenwood."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to move to add Representative Zalewski... that he be allowed to participate and cast his vote remotely."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Greenwood's made a Motion that Representative Zalewski be allowed to participate and cast his vote remotely. This is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 76 voting 'yes', 25 voting 'no', 5 voting 'present'. And the Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Is Representative Zalewski present?"

Zalewski: "Z is present."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Zalewski is present."

Speaker Manley: "Senate Bill 3050, Representative Hurley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3050, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3050, identical to House Bill 4342, which passed out of the chambers and passed unanimously out of the State Government Committee. It's also similar to HB3160, which is Public Act 102-0460. And it's also similar to HB5251, which presented by the State Rep from Savannah and went on the Agreed Bill List. This is just to.. it increases the expenditure threshold at which the park district contracts must be competitively bid from 25 thousand to 30 thousand, and it's an initiative of the Illinois Association of Park Districts. I am here for any questions, and I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Batinick: "Representative, it is great to have you back in the chamber today. So, this raises the bid limit from 25 thousand to 30 thousand. This is similar to, I believe, Representative McCombie's Bill that she had. Was that this General Assembly?"

Hurley: "Correct. Hers were with townships. This is the park district."

Batinick: "Oh, hers was with township, this is the park district. I think with 7, 8 percent inflation, \$30 thousand in the upcoming years is actually going to be, in real dollars, less

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

than 25 thousand was. Do you know how long it was set at \$25 thousand when that was put in this statute?"

Hurley: "I do not."

Batinick: "I feel like we've been debating this concept for the eight years that I've been here. I think it's a pretty good Bill. You might see some red on this side, probably mostly.. mostly green. But thank you for answering my questions."

Hurley: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hurley to close."

Hurley: "I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3050 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. Voting's open.
Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "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 99 voting in 'favor', 4 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving on to Senate Bill 3069, Representative Croke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3069, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Croke."

Croke: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. SB3069 is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association and clarifies that homeowners in an HOA can delegate their association to exercise tax appeal rights for all the unit owners rather than require each unit owner to file an individual appeal. Recent Property Tax Appeal Board decisions, as well as other case law from the Illinois Appellate Courts, have granted townhome associations the right to file a joint appeal on behalf of all owners at the PTAB. There just isn't explicit language in either the Property Tax Code or in PTAB's own rules yet. The Bill passed Revenue Committee unanimously, and I know of no opposition."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further discussion, Senate will... the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3069 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no',
0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate
Bill 3073, Representative Mayfield. Out of the record. Senate
Bill 3083, Representative LaPointe. Mr. Clerk, please read
the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3083, a Bill for an Act concerning
civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative LaPointe."

LaPointe: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3083 is an
initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association. The Bill
creates a statutory framework to allow courts to appoint
parenting coordinators that can more quickly and less
expensively resolve immediate and minor issues causing
conflict in families. The Bill builds off a successful model
in Cook County and efforts in other local circuits who are

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

using a local circuit model. So, it creates a statutory framework that will encourage local circuits to use this program if they want to do so. A parenting coordinator is not intended to supplant judicial decision making but rather smooth the way for minor decisions to be made on a much simpler and less expensive basis. Parenting coordinators are authorized to make recommendations on things like dropping off and picking up children for parenting time, minor disputes on extracurricular activities. Just to be very clear, and this was something that was discussed in committee, parenting coordinators are not empowered to make decisions related to health care. There are no known opponents. Happy to entertain any questions. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Mazzochi."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Mazzochi: "While I appreciate that you're saying that, again, the intent of this was not to necessarily make health care decisions, I think one of the reasons why there was a concern in committee about the scope of this... and it wasn't just raised by me, other Members came to me, including on your side of the aisle, expressing some concerns that the language here was pretty loose in terms of these parenting coordinators and what they could and couldn't do. Because there's a concern that they're going to effectively become the latest arm of DCFS that's going to start to interfere with parental rights and then the parents are going to have to pay for it besides. So, if we... so, one of the things that it does say is that one of the things that the court is allowed to do is to have this

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

parenting coordinator make decisions... and this is on page 1 of the legislation, lines 21 to 22. 'The parties' failure to adequately cooperate and communicate with regard to issues involving the children.' So, there was a concern that that's pretty broad and loose language that probably should be tightened up. Because, again, this is allowing for a parenting coordinator to be appointed when it's deemed in the best interest of the child due to any type of supposed failure to communicate. And then when it comes to item (C) that starts on page 2, line 7... again, it isn't just kind of making an assessment on who's right, who's wrong. I mean, this has the parenting coordinator talking about facilitating the resolution of comment regarding an existing parenting plan, monitoring parental behaviors, including compliance or lack thereof with orders. You know, that was viewed as a parenting coordinator as effectively stepping into the position of the judge and that may be denying parties some of their rights. Making recommendations, not only to the parties but also to the court, and that somebody doesn't necessarily have many rights to communicate on this. And then when it comes to some of the specific recommendations, yes, they're relating to time, place, and manner for pick up, but it also has this parenting coordinator making decisions in connection with the extent and nature of the educational and extracurricular activities. It says minor alterations of parenting time, but there was a question as to what does it mean to actually have minor alterations of parenting time. What might seem minor to one could be minor to someone else. And but then... this is one that I'd like you take a look at a little bit more closely.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

On page 3, item (4), lines 6 to 9. This is talking about any other specific issues assigned to the parenting coordinator by the court or agreed by the parties which do not exceed the authority under this Section. So, again, while I appreciate that you think that it shouldn't involve health care decisions, that language doesn't preclude it. In fact, it seems that if the court does make a referral in connection with a health care related dispute, then the court's going to have the... then basically your parenting coordinator is authorized. So, that's why I think that there was a belief that conceptionally there's probably cases where this could be a good idea. The way in which it's drafted, I think... some of us thought that there could be some improvement in the language drafting and we're kind of disappointed, I guess, that some of that hasn't come out. And then... and likewise, when it comes to where we're saying that the parenting coordinator shall not make recommendations, again, that does not preclude... or it doesn't prohibit health care related decisions from being referred to a parenting coordinator. So, this is an area where I think an Amendment would be appropriate. It would probably and hopefully make the Bill better. And then the other major objection that needs to be addressed or dealt with is, this is another area where if the court so orders it, the parties have to pay for it. So, how are... how are you going to handle the funding situations for that? So, I know that those are a whole lot of things. I don't know if this is something that you've discussed with some of the other Members of your caucus, but those are definitely

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

some of the concerns that were raised and I don't think that they've been resolved."

LaPointe: "Thank you for those comments and those questions. The.. the item that you raised that was discussed with people both on my side of the aisle and on your side of the aisle were concerns about authority over health care decision-making. And that triggered another conversation with the Illinois State Bar Association where it was determined that the language was clear enough that parenting coordinators do not have authority over health care decisions. And.."

Mazzochi: "Yeah, but I... I guess the problem is, is that if you want to do that, can we try to just make that fact more clear? You know, and I appreciate that the Bar Association is now saying that that's not their intent, but we have to deal with how this is going to actually get applied in the real world by... by judges. And the Illinois State Bar Association isn't going to be showing up in every case to say this is the reason why we're doing it."

LaPointe: "Okay. I'm going to go back to the concerns that were... are being raised by you and that were raised in committee, concerns related to this idea that the parenting coordinator would have authority over health care decisions, which they do not."

Mazzochi: "Right, but what... what language is it that you think is actually saying they cannot have any authority over health care decisions?"

LaPointe: "Page 3 of the Bill, line 10. 'A parenting coordinator shall not make recommendations as to the allocation of parental responsibilities for decision-making.'"

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Mazzochi: "Yeah, but that's allocation. That's deciding which parent gets to decide. But, for example, if both parents have jointly decided that they're going to be participating in health care decisions, then what happens? You're in a conflict-oriented situation. One parent says, 'I want to do A.' Another parent says, 'I want to do B.' In theory, the coordinator is supposed to now come in and resolve the issue and the parties have to live up to it. And that's the concern, is that now you're going to have the parenting coordinator essentially picking one position over the other."

LaPointe: "Any party that's involved in this discussion can file a petition in court."

Mazzochi: "Yeah, but then... but then, see, that's the problem. Right? Is we've got provisions in here that says that the parenting coordinator's decision is going to be binding, and then you have to appeal to the... you're supposed to be abiding by it, and then you've got to appeal to the court. So, then the question becomes, well, what's the parenting coordinator necessarily accomplishing? Because I would've had the right, if there was a disagreement, to go directly to the court. So, now I'm paying for an intermediate layer that's going to cost me money and I still have to get that issue decided anyways."

LaPointe: "The whole idea behind this parenting coordinator concept is that it keeps people out of court for minor decisions, not the big decisions like health care."

Mazzochi: "Right. But see, I guess the problem is, is we're very used to instances where courts or agencies, when we have loose language in the statute, it winds up getting expanded by the courts and used against people in a way that the Legislature

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

didn't intend. So, at the very least, if we are going to say this parenting coordinator cannot touch on health care decisions, let's be blunt, let's be exquisitely clear that that's an area where they cannot go. Because you've identified some areas where they can't go, but they're drafted so vaguely that that's one of the reasons why we had the concerns. So, I understand, Madam Chairman, that there's others who want to speak on this issue, but this is an area where I think it would be very... I think that there's a lot of people who are supportive of the concept, but this is an area where there's... there could really be some improvement to the language where I think you'd get a lot more 'yesses'. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Excuse me. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for just..."

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Ammons: "Thank you so much. So, I'm reading through the language here and I'm pretty familiar with this personally. I'm trying to clarify, first of all, what qualifications the parent coordinators are supposed to have in order to inject themselves into this parenting issue?"

LaPointe: "That is a good question, Representative, and it is in the Bill. So, let me go over that."

Ammons: "Could you speak up a little bit? 'Cause I am really having trouble hearing you."

LaPointe: "One of our fellow colleagues switched out my microphone. So, therefore, the problem."

Ammons: "Okay."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

LaPointe: "Okay. So, the qualifications to be a parenting coordinator... I'll just walk through them with you, Representative. The person... okay, 'possess and Juris Doctorate or Master's degree in social work, psychology, or counseling, or a higher or equivalent degree in a related field; have at least five years of experience in law, mental health, or a related field; complete an improved course on domestic violence; and attend at least 4 hours per year of continuing education programs which shall address, at a minimum, psychological issues, the needs of children in cases of family separation, and family dynamics.'"

Ammons: "And how does it... how do they interface with already existing mediators who's supposed to actually do this? There's mediators already in the court process that... whose job it is to actually mediate these issues."

LaPointe: "This is another option that families could pursue that is designed to prevent them from penetrating further into the court system."

Ammons: "So, the parenting coordinator under this would have to be paid for by the parents that are in the dispute, correct?"

LaPointe: "Good question. So, the parties shall pay for the parenting coordinator fees as ordered by the court or agreed upon by... agreed upon in writing by the parties and the parenting coordinator. The court shall consider the financial resources of the parties and they may waive any... excuse me. They'll consider the financial resources of the parties and any fee waiver requests that may come in."

Ammons: "And so, the... if I am in the family court and I can barely afford the attorney that I'm paying for, I'm also going to

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

have to pay for a parenting coordinator also to settle these issues?"

LaPointe: "The court has the ability to waive that."

Ammons: "Is it income eligible... based on income?"

LaPointe: "The local court would have to decide that. But just to your concern here, the idea here is parenting coordinators prevent further penetration into the court system which, as we all know, gets extremely expensive."

Ammons: "Yeah, I don't think they will. I don't think this actually will do that. Because if I'm already in the court and I have to have an attorney, even if you assign a parenting coordinator, in our case there was a mediator assigned, which they can charge whatever it is that they say their time is worth. There is no restriction on that. That increases the cost for the family of which they're already struggling to pay. And the mediators of the courts that are already paid for in this... to try to help this, the parents don't have to pay for that mediator out of their pockets currently. This would incur another cost to the families in order to have mediation. And I do think there needs to be mediation, that's for sure. But to add a... another professional in between that process outside of a CASA or outside of a mediator of the courts that are already designed to try to solve these issues with a parenting plan, I think this adds an additional burden to families to have to pay for that. If this was going to be covered by additional resources that we provide to local governments or to counties in order to cover their court cost, that would make sense. But to add this to the families without any kind of income eligibility or a guarantee waiver if I'm

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

indigent, there's... each county can do it however they want to do it under the current iteration of the Bill. That's the concern I have. I appreciate you taking the time to answer the questions. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Members, we're going to move to a three-minute timer. You'll thank me some day. Chair recognizes Representative Caulkins for three minutes."

Caulkins: "Three... will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Manley: "Indicates that she will."

Caulkins: "Thank you. Representative, you have described a highly trained, very talented, and in-demand job description. Where are we going to find... I mean, realistically we can't staff DCFS. We can't staff high schools with counselors. Where do you expect to find these people?"

LaPointe: "First of all, let me say that I share your concern about workforce issues that we have here in Illinois and across the country, especially when it comes to the helping professions. And that's something I know we all are actively working on. These parenting coordinator positions, it's not... it's not something that folks are going to do for their full-time job in most instances."

Caulkins: "You can speak to me."

LaPointe: "So, these parenting coordinators are not in child welfare court, just to be clear. And although, yes, we have a larger workforce issue with our helping professions, these are folks that are going to be otherwise working that are also going to take on parenting coordinator responsibilities. And also, just to be clear, nothing about this Bill forces Circuit Courts around the state to do this. It creates a

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

statutory framework to provide more clarity for our circuits that choose to do it."

Caulkins: "Okay. To the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Caulkins: "I know this'll probably get... thank you. This will probably get me in trouble with some of my colleagues. I agree with Representative Ammons. This is another burdensome step in a process that I don't feel is necessary. This, perhaps, is another case of we should fix it in the House instead of the Senate. And as the Bill stands now, I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Costa Howard for three minutes."

Costa Howard: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Costa Howard: "Representative, are parenting coordinators working in the DCFS child welfare system?"

LaPointe: "No, they are not."

Costa Howard: "These... is it fair to say that the parenting coordinators are only in family courts dealing with parentage issues and divorce... divorced parents?"

LaPointe: "That is accurate."

Costa Howard: "Okay. Is this program successful anywhere?"

LaPointe: "Yes. It is currently rolling and successful in Cook County."

Costa Howard: "Can a... can a parent object to the appointment of a parenting coordinator?"

LaPointe: "Yes, they can."

Costa Howard: "When it comes to payment of a parenting coordinator, can an individual ask for a waiver?"

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

LaPointe: "Yes, they certainly can."

Costa Howard: "Can fees be reallocated, perhaps to a different parent?"

LaPointe: "Yes."

Costa Howard: "Can fees be waived for a parenting coordinator?"

LaPointe: "Yes."

Costa Howard: "Is a parenting coordinator different than a mediator in family court cases?"

LaPointe: "Yes, they are distinct and different."

Costa Howard: "Okay. Is it fair to say that a mediator actually has the ability to write a report to the court for the court's viewing?"

LaPointe: "Yes."

Costa Howard: "And a parenting coordinator does not write a report to the court, correct?"

LaPointe: "That's correct."

Costa Howard: "In fact, isn't a parenting coordinator somebody who is supposed to deal with high-conflict cases only?"

LaPointe: "Yes."

Costa Howard: "Okay. To the Bill, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Costa Howard: "I'd like to address some of my colleagues' questions. Representative Caulkins, to you specifically. This is not... this is a family court case. This is not DCFS. It doesn't go there, believe me. I'm with you. I wish we would've had a chance to talk about it 'cause I do believe this is a Bill that you would want to vote for. This is reserved for high-conflict cases. These are families who can't decide whether or not to feed their children a home-cooked meal by

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

one's definition versus another. That is what this is. This is a highly-successful program in Cook County and many counties across the state. It is an opportunity actually to keep the cost down for families because they don't have to go to court on every little issue. And anybody in this room who has been involved with or knows high-conflict divorce cases, this is an actual solution to the problem and not whether or not somebody's going to get a health care decision. The language in this statute is clear as to what this parenting coordinator can actually do. These are helpful for our families. I'm going to urge an 'aye' vote. This is a good Bill that solves problems."

Speaker Manley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Mayfield for three minutes."

Mayfield: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Mayfield: "Okay. Representative, you said that families can refuse this coordinator. However, that language is nowhere in this Bill. It says that the court will appoint these coordinators. So, where is it in your Bill that says that the families have an opt-out?"

LaPointe: "One moment. We're going to get clarity for you, Rep."

Mayfield: "Okay. And while your assistant is getting clarity on that, I do got some other questions."

LaPointe: "Okay. So, the parents can object to the recommendations of a parenting coordinator."

Mayfield: "They can object, but they can't opt-out. So, their objection will be noted. However, they will still be forced

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

to have this parenting coordinator, even though they don't want one. An objection is not an opt-out."

LaPointe: "Okay, Rep. We're looking for clarity on your question."

Mayfield: "Clock's ticking on me. All right, to the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Mayfield: "This Bill does not have an actual statement within it that allows parents to opt-out. As stated, they can object. An objection is not the same as opting out and saying, no, thank you. I do not want this parent coordinator interjecting within this marital dispute. We want to be able to resolve this with the current mediation that is available. I don't believe this is a good Bill. I think this Bill needs some more work. There is the issue with the waivers and how that is going to actually be played out. I'm not sure if anybody in here has ever had to apply for a waiver. I doubt it because you would not receive it, you make too much money. But if you make \$15 an hour, you are often refused a waiver. So, that means that the average person out here flipping burgers that's going through a divorce cannot afford this service. They're not going to get a waiver. And they're going to be stuck with this. If they object... and it says that this coordinator shall provide a plan. And if you object to that plan, you're going to be stuck paying for the court fees to go back to court to say that you disagree with this coordinator that you didn't even have an opportunity to object to. I believe this Bill is not soup yet. It needs to be pulled from the record at the very least. I'm asking everybody, please do not vote on this. This is not a good Bill in its current form. It still needs a lot of work. Thank you."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Friess."

Friess: "Thank you. To the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Friess: "As everybody knows, divorces can be very ugly, especially when there's children involved. And I'm going to tell you this. This is how this is going to work if this is enacted. One party is going to petition for a parent coordinator. And if the court grants that petition, the next thing they're going to do, they're going to order one of the parties to pay for it and that parent coordinator is going to be contacted every time there is a dispute. And the other party's going to have to foot the bill for it. This is going to be used as a weapon, as a sword in these divorces that involve parenting. And in my opinion, this is a bad Bill and I would vote 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognized Representative Didech for three minutes."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Didech: "So, my... what I thought I heard earlier in the debate about this Bill is that this sort of process is already in place in Cook County and maybe even a few other counties in the state as well. Did I hear that correctly?"

LaPointe: "You heard that, correct."

Didech: "And so, in Cook County, in all these counties throughout the state that are already implementing this program, have they seen any of these parade of horrors that are being speculated about on the floor today with increased costs, with appointments happening against people's will, with

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

parental rights being taken away? Has any of that happened when this has gone through in the actual court system in the actual counties in our states?"

LaPointe: "It has not happened. And in fact, where these parenting coordinators have existed, they keep people from going further into the court system and keep costs down."

Didech: "And we had a very thorough discussion about this Bill in committee. I reviewed the witness slips before. My recollection is that every stakeholder who is involved in this process supports this Bill. That's the Illinois State Bar Association, advocates for families, advocates for children. Everybody who has looked at this Bill that has actual real-world experience in this process supports this Bill. Is that accurate?"

LaPointe: "That is accurate. And there were no entities slipping in opposition during the committee process."

Didech: "Thank you. Now, to... to the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Didech: "I think... when we're deciding how to vote on this Bill, one, I think we should trust the experts. All the experts who are familiar with this process, who are practitioners in this process are advising us that this is a positive step. We also have to trust reality and trust the empirical results of this program, which is happening right now in Cook County to what has been a tremendous amount of success. So, I urge an 'aye' vote. I hope everyone will join me in supporting this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Flowers for three minutes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Flowers: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. Representative, I'm sorry.

I was having some meetings in my office and I kind of heard a buzz word and it was kind of concerning to me. So.. so, I'm in divorce court and my husband wants to take my children and I don't want him to. And so, this parent coordinator, she or he is going to come in and tell me what I need to do, or my husband need to do, and I have to pay for her services? Or his services? For them to tell me what to do with my family, what they think is in the best interest?"

LaPointe: "So, in the situation that you described, Leader..."

Flowers: "Tell me the situation for the Bill, because I may have described it wrong."

LaPointe: "In the example you provided, the parenting coordinator would help the parties come to a resolution about the disagreements that are.. such as who's picking up who from hockey practice."

Flowers: "Okay. Let... let me just say this because my time is short. It says the parties must follow the coordinator's recommendation. I got to follow the coordinator's recommendation. And if I don't follow the coordinator's recommendation, which could be something totally contrary to my belief in regards to my child. Why must I... and if I don't follow what this coordinator wants me to do, then what? You going to take my child because I was not obedient? I'm an adult. So, why is it that this is saying that I must follow, I shall follow? Who are these people, and what is their criterias, and where can I go to look these people up to know their background that will give me the satisfaction of knowing that they're qualified? How old are they? Where do they get

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

their life experience from and do their life experience have anything to do with my life experience that they could understand and walk a mile in my shoes? Or is this something they read in a book?"

LaPointe: "Those are good questions. First of all, this is nothing to do with child welfare court. So, nothing to do with..."

Flowers: "No, no, no, no. I didn't say child welfare court. I'm reading what you're saying that the parenting... the parties must follow. The parties must follow. And so, if I don't, there must be consequences, if I don't follow what the coordinator wants me to do. How do I know that he or she doesn't have some type of conflict and it's in their best interest to do something to... totally to the contrary?"

Speaker Manley: "Leader Flowers, would you like me to get you some more time from another Member?"

Flowers: "I would appreciate that. I would appreciate that. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Hurley gives you her three minutes. Please continue."

LaPointe: "Okay. So, if the parenting coordinator is unable to work with the parties to come to an agreement, the parties are free to go back to court. That's not ideal because the whole point of this is to keep people out of the court system, but that's what would happen if an agreement is unable to be reached. And if I could speak to your other question about who are these people, what are their qualifications. There are counties right now, Cook is one of them, who are doing this."

Flowers: "Wait..."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

LaPointe: "So..."

Flowers: "Representative, you know what this sounds like to me?

This sounds like a DCFS adult court for adults. Okay? That's what it sounds like to me. Okay? And so, again, parties must follow the coordinator's recommendation unless the court ruled otherwise. So, I will be... we will be in court battling out... not with each other. I'm not battling with my husband now. Now, I'm battling with some coordinator that I have to pay. And I just... I just refuse to battle with this coordinator 'cause all I want to do is get divorced from this husband and raise my kids, or to have him to pay the child support so he can help me raise my kids. I don't need a coordinator. But now, this coordinator, instead of my husband, he or she is going to bring me back to court. Now, really? I mean, I know your intentions are well, but families... this is a hot-button issue. And no one... you can... I can... I don't know your life experience and your background. And you cannot come into my house and I shall obey you. I know it's a job for somebody, but it's a bad job and you can cause a lot of friction and family... further family divisiveness. And I can see... between the divorce and this coordinator, I can see that it's going to be the children that's ultimately going to be hurt the worst. So now, if you really... if you really want to do something... because I'm sure you've had friends, girlfriends, boyfriends, all kinds of friends that you have had it out with. But give you some space and then we can come back and talk about it later. But this coordinator, because I got to do what he or she says, they can come to my house any time they want to. Then they can tell the judge, oh, well, she

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

didn't let me in at 6:00 in the morning. You doggone skippy I did not let you in at 6:00 in the morning because I didn't want to be bothered with you or anybody else."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Flowers."

Flowers: "That should be my right."

Speaker Manley: "May... could you bring your questions to a close?"

Flowers: "Representative, I know you might mean well, but in the real world, this is a very dangerous Bill and you're putting other people in jeopardy and I wish you would reconsider. And because I know the danger of a Bill like this, because just from your neighbors and friends interfering with your businesses, it causes family feuds. I would appreciate if you would take it out of the record because I would hate to have to vote 'no', but I would have to if you want to continue on. But thank you very much."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you, Leader. Chair recognizes Representative Willis."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates that she will."

Willis: "Representative, is the... I want to clarify some of the offshoots that are coming on this Bill from the people that are objecting and I want to make sure that I have this right in my head. This parent coordinator has no right to make any custody decisions. Am I correct in that?"

LaPointe: "That is correct."

Willis: "And basically what it's trying to do is prevent parents that are having difficulty coparenting from constantly going to court for every single little, tiny thing. The minor things. Not the major things about how much child support's

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

supposed to be paid or any major decisions but minor things. Whether the kid signs up for tennis or signs up for basketball. Am I correct in that?"

LaPointe: "That's correct. It's designed to resolve conflicts and keep families from further penetrating into our very expensive court system."

Willis: "And so, while there is a cost to having this parent coordinator, it's certainly less than a cost that it would be to go before a judge with a lawyer every time there was a conflict. Am I correct in that?"

LaPointe: "That's correct. Far less expensive."

Willis: "Far less expensive. Probably a lot less traumatic for children also, which is one of the goals that we always have when we're dealing with a divorce situation, correct?"

LaPointe: "Correct."

Willis: "Okay. To the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Willis: "This... this program has already been put into place in Cook County. It has been successful. It cuts down on the court cost. It also cuts down on the overflow of the court calendar. We see court calendars having to wait weeks, months before it goes through. This is a good, commonsense thing. It will help our children be able to work in families and be better in families where parents sometimes just can't get along. And we don't want to constantly have to drag them into court. I urge an 'aye' vote. I see it working well. Thank you so much."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative West for three minutes."

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Indicates that she will."

West: "Thank you. Representative, I just have a clarify... clarifying question. Maybe it'll alleviate concerns, maybe not. I'm just... I know there's not a distinction between the two, but we already have a... we're looking for nurses. We can't find them. We're looking for more teachers. We can't find them. We're looking for more psychologists and psychiatrists. We can't find them. This one... your legislation asked for a parent coordinator who has a law degree, if I'm not mistaken, five years' experience in law, mental health, or a related field. Do we have individuals in the State of Illinois to fit that role throughout the whole state? Even in rural counties throughout our state?"

LaPointe: "We do. We do. But just to be clear, this Bill creates a statutory framework to allow Circuit Courts to move forward with parenting coordinators. It doesn't mandate that any counties do so."

West: "Understood, but if a court wanted to use a parent coordinator, do we have enough people qualified to become parent coordinators? And furthermore, do we have parent coordinators who culturally can fit with the different dynamics of issues that parents may go through?"

LaPointe: "We have a diverse workforce in Illinois. We are all working, I know in this chamber, to increase that. And, Representative, if you don't mind, I'm going to step back for a minute. So, as we've already discussed, there are some counties in Illinois that are already doing this without a statutory framework that authorizes it. The Supreme Court may adopt rules governing the qualifications, appointment,

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

duties, and training of parenting coordinators as long as the rules don't conflict with the minimum requirements that we've already talked about of parenting coordinators."

West: "Understood. So, the counties that have it now, specifically Cook, correct?"

LaPointe: "Correct."

West: "And of course, there's a lot of diversity in Cook. But again, we are seeing that... we are looking for a diversity and just raw talent in certain arenas throughout the whole state. And since we're dealing with children... I'll just be blunt. Are there black parent coordinators out there? Are there Latino parent coordinators out there on standby ready to deal with cultural issues, racial issues throughout the state? Are... do you have... I don't see it in the Bill, but are they out there? Like, do you have the numbers that show that they are on standby ready to go?"

Speaker Manley: "Representative, can you... would that be your last question?"

West: "That's my last question."

LaPointe: "Okay. So, when we walk through what the qualifications of a parenting coordinator are, there are people all around Illinois of diverse backgrounds who possess those qualifications. In addition, once we create a statutory framework for parenting coordinators, the Supreme Court may adopt rules governing the qualification, appointment, duties, and training of parent coordinators. So, some of what you are talking about in terms of having a ready workforce to step into these parenting coordinator roles will be addressed in a forthcoming training from the Supreme Court."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Representative."

LaPointe: "I answered to the question."

Speaker Manley: "Okay. Representative Stava-Murray, this will be the last person asking to be recognized."

Stava-Murray: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Stava-Murray: "So, I had a question... so, I see the qualifications here, but it also says the court may waive the above listed requirement. What sort of instances do we imagine that they're waiving these requirements? Because that actually has me deeply concerned."

LaPointe: "Okay. So, for example, if somebody has years of experience doing a certain thing but they don't have a master's in social work or psychology or counseling, that would be an instance where the court might waive the requirements."

Stava-Murray: "That's helpful. Is there anything that we limit to say that they can't waive the requirement, that they must have completed an improved course on domestic violence? Or that they must have at least four years of continuing education program?"

LaPointe: "So, in the Bill, the court may waive the requirements."

Stava-Murray: "Okay. So, that's a problem for me. And I think the other problem is a missing requirement, which I think Representative West was speaking towards, is one of cultural competency. And I think that at the very least, if we can't ensure in every corner of the state a diverse workforce, which we may or may not with all of the qualifications listed... and then, I'm concerned about waiving the qualifications. So, I...

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

I do think that if there were some cultural competency and others I would be able to vote for it. But as it is, I cannot."

Speaker Manley: "Representative LaPointe to close."

LaPointe: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I appreciate the questions. Again, just to clarify. We have a few counties out there that are using parenting coordinators right now. This creates a statutory framework to provide more guidance for counties that wish to proceed with parenting coordinators. This is designed to keep families from penetrating an expensive and often traumatic court system. I have sat with people that were terrified about having to go back to court, knowing that the debt that they would have to go through, the debt that they would have to incur. Appreciate the conversation. I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3083 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'present'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'present'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'no'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'no'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "No."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'no'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

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

LaPointe: "Madam Speaker, I move for Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Manley: "This Bill will be placed on the Order of Postponed Consideration. Senate Bill 3092, Representative Slaughter. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3092, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Slaughter."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 3092 is an initiative of the Illinois Funeral Directors Association. The Bill simply allows electronic signatures where written signatures are currently required on cremation authorization forms for the next of kin of the deceased. As many of you recall, this became the practice during the initial COVID outbreak with the Governor's Executive Order. You may also recall last summer the Uniform Election Transaction Act (sic Uniform Electronic Transaction Act) passed, which allows for electronic signatures whenever a written signature is required in state statute. This Bill just codifies this specifically into the Cremation Regulation Act. I think initially there was a little concern that this Bill would be used as a shell. As you can see, it is not. And also, glad to have one of our Leaders

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

from across the aisle as a chief cosponsor. I am not aware of any opponents on the Bill. I humbly ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Brady."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates he will."

Brady: "Representative, just a couple questions, and I think you covered... one of them was, we've had discussions and worked on the Bill. There's no intent to have this as any other type of vehicle other than what you have up on the board. Is that correct?"

Slaughter: "That's absolutely correct."

Brady: "Okay. And also, just for point of clarification, and you were touching upon it. This is for the electronic signature between a... primarily a funeral home establishment and a immediate family member of the deceased when it comes to cremation as their choice of final means of disposition, correct?"

Slaughter: "That's correct."

Brady: "And majority of the times that a family needs to do that, the immediate next of kin may not be in the area and may not be able to provide, whether that be out of state, out of country, whatever the case may be, they're not able to provide a signature sitting right there in someone's conference room at an office at the firm, correct?"

Slaughter: "That's correct, Leader."

Brady: "Okay. To the Bill, Ladies and Gentlemen."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Brady: "One of the first pieces of legislation that I had here was the filing of creating birth and death electronic records. So, we've had electronic filings of death certificates in Illinois for a number of years and it's helped in a variety of reasons. This would ensure that the protection, via electronic, is there, but it would also allow the firms to be able to buy the technology, if they wish to, to have the electronic means in which to do this, protect the security and the identity, but yet get the signature as soon as possible which is timely and important when it comes to death. So, I certainly intend to support the legislation. And also, the safeguard in here is that there is nobody in Illinois that is cremated before the coroner, the medical examiner would sign off on that cremation authorization. Which by the means, was done through the IVRS, which is the Illinois Vital Records System, which is part of the electronic filing death system. So, all and all, I believe there's safeguards there while we're going to create the means and the ease and convenience for families to be able to do something in a timely manner that is either their wish or their loved one's wish, correct? Thank you very much."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Slaughter to close."

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

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3092 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Yes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Could you say that again with your video on,
please?"

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting
'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a
Constitutional Majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill
3103, Representative Vella. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3103, a Bill for an Act concerning
State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Vella."

Vella: "Thank you. Senate Bill 3103 is identical to House Bill
4542, which passed out of the Agriculture & Conservation
Committee 8 to 0. What is does is... is an initiative of the
Department of Natural Resources. It allows people to commit

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

certain actions in a state park with the approval of Department of Natural Resources. For example, breaking a natural object, killing a bird, or taking a fish for scientific purposes. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3103 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Sorry, a little camera problem there. Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy is 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier, could you say that again with the video on?"

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Would you say it one more time, Representative Zalewski?"

Zalewski: "Yes. Yes."

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "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 113 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3108, Representative Yednock. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3108, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Yednock."

Yednock: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3108 is an initiative of the IDNR. The Bill seeks to shift responsibility for historic sites under the larger umbrella of the IDNR. The aim is to let the Historic Preservation Act and the Illinois State Museum each contribute to managing the sites together to focus on their areas of expertise. We're trying to take away some boundaries and some silos and have a better government operation."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is... would you like to close?"

Yednock: "Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Manley: "Okay. Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3108 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy is 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "I'm sorry, Representative Cassidy. Could you say that again?"

Cassidy: "Cassidy is 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes. Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Yes. Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3120, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3120, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Moeller."

Moeller: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. House... or Senate Bill 3120 expands the scope of the Illinois Child Bereavement Leave Act to provide employees up to 10 unpaid days of leave for bereavement... for bereavement leave following the death of a covered family member, which is defined in the Act as a parent, a grandparent, a father-in-law, grandchild,

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

grandparent, spouse, domestic partner, sibling, or step-parent. It also provides for unpaid bereavement leave for those who experience a miscarriage, a stillbirth, a failed surrogacy agreement, diagnosis that negatively impact pregnancy or fertility, failed adoption, or unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or assisted reproductive technology procedure. It also makes a change to the short title, such that the Act is titled the Bereavement Leave Act. As Members of the Body may know, the original Act concerned the death of a child, providing that employees would have up to 10 unpaid days of leave in the event of such a tragedy. This expands those who would be covered... family members that would be covered and these other tragic situations that an employee might experience and need time to grieve and make arrangements and heal from such an experience. Would ask for an 'aye' vote. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Chair. Or, Speaker. Sorry. Would the Sponsor yield for one question?"

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

McCombie: "In the Bill, does it state to be absent from work due to a miscarriage?"

Moeller: "It provides that an employee may take up to 10 unpaid days for leave in the event that they have a miscarriage. Yes."

McCombie: "Thank you. To the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

McCombie: "As the Spon... as the Sponsor knows, 80 percent of all miscarriages happen in the first trimester. I would like to

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

thank the Sponsor for acknowledging a miscarriage acknowledges the end of pregnancy, the death of an unborn child. Please join me, support life, and support this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Moeller to close."

Moeller: "Thank you. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3120 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier, could you say that again?"

Meier: "Yes. Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Yes. Z votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Zalewski votes 'yes'. Representative... Representative Meier, could you say your vote yet again?"

Meier: "Yes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier... Representative Meier and Zalewski vote 'yes'."

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3130, Representative Williams. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3130, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Williams."

Williams, A.: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill deals with the provision of search and reunion services for current or former youth in care. Anyone that has anything to do with the world of adoption understands the importance of search and reunion in our lives. And I say our lives because, as an adoptee, I've been involved in search... my own search and reunion for pretty much my entire adult life. But on that note, this Bill does two very important things. It provides that search and reunion services for youth in care and former youth in care are able to be provided by DCFS. It also provides search and reunion services to former youth in care who have been adopted, at least 18 years old, to connect with former foster parents, former foster siblings, in addition to birth relatives and siblings. It contains a lot of assurances that the children and the adults at issue are able to have a mutually desired relationship with family, both biological and other. And I'm happy to answer any questions."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House (sic Senate) Bill 3130 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Would you say that again, please?"

Cassidy: "Sorry. Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Would you say that again, please?"

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Yes. Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. And the Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3127, Representative Swanson. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3127, a Bill for an Act concerning emergency services. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. House Bill... or Senate Bill 3127 amends various Acts to classify emergency medical dispatchers as first responders. It's that simple."

Speaker Manley: "Love it."

Swanson: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "On this... would you like to close?"

Swanson: "I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "All right. Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill... Senate...' I'm sorry. 'Shall Senate Bill 3127 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes. Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Zalewski, could you turn off your camera until the other Members..."

Zalewski: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Once again, Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

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

Zalewski: "Yes. Yes."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3132, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3132, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the chamber. House... Senate Bill 3132 is a proposal to allow spouses to qualify to serve as personal assistants to individuals with disabilities with brain injuries and with debilitating HIV/AIDS. This is being temporarily allowed by the Federal Government in response to the severely limited pool of personal assistants available due to the pandemic and the need to limit contact with outsiders for immune compromised individuals. DHS would like to apply for a waiver to continue this program as we know the workforce shortage and the risk of infection by COVID variants will persist for some time. Allowing spouses to fill this role will expand the number of assistants available for

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

other clients and will provide a paycheck for families that may see their wages suffer when a spouse has to leave their usual work duties to provide care above and beyond their usual legal obligations. The department will only proceed with this expansion if the waiver is approved by the Federal Government. It is cost neutral because those wages would qualify for federal matching dollars, just as they do now for personal approved assistants. Several states are already allowing this. I am unaware of any opposition, and this proposal passed the Senate unanimously."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3132 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'."

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

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3144, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3144, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Gong-Gershowitz."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the chamber. Senate Bill 3144 creates the Task Force on Counsel in Immigration Proceedings. The goal of the task force would be to investigate how Illinois could fully provide legal representation for immigrants in removal proceedings. They would provide a report to the General Assembly on no later than July 1, 2023. It is an uncompensated task force. I know of no opposition. And I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Keicher."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Keicher: "Thank you for bringing this, Representative. I... looking at my notes here and having come through committee... giving my side of the aisle a little bit of time. This is identical to House Bill 25 that passed out of this chamber 82-25 and 1 'present', correct?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "That's correct."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Keicher: "So, anybody on this side that was curious about how they might want to vote on this should consult HB25 from this General Assembly, correct?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "Yes. It's identical to that Bill."

Keicher: "All right. So, in HB25 that we already voted on... I hope I've said that enough... we are creating a task force to be able to evaluate the efficacy of this program. It doesn't actually establish the program, correct?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "That is absolutely correct."

Keicher: "Okay. And are you aware of any pilot programs that are currently undertaking an experiment in this space in the State of Illinois?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "We do have one in Cook County where they're providing legal representation to immigrants in removal proceedings currently."

Keicher: "Okay. And can you share with the group how that's currently funded?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "I haven't... I haven't received a recent update. I know when we passed the Bill, I think the pilot had received some funding from a nonprofit."

Keicher: "Okay. All right. So, on our side of the aisle, folks, refer back to HB25. Thank you, Representative, for bringing this."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a brief question on this?"

Speaker Manley: "Indicates that she will."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Ammons: "Representative, can you... the task force that's being put together right here is made up primarily of either statewide officials or Members of the General Assembly. Are there any spots on this task force for people in the public?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "So, the... the task force, as you identified, is comprised of seven uncompensated members who could be designated by the Governor, the Senate President, Minority Leader, et cetera, including the Secretary of Human Services. You know, it... entirely possible that that designee would come from the community."

Ammons: "Okay. And is... the seven people who will make up this according to the appointees here, those... are there any diversity requirements on this task force to include immigrants of color, Haitian, those African immigrants that are, in many cases, not receiving the same services?"

Gong-Gershowitz: "There is not a diversity requirement per se. However, given that Members of this Body, including the Speaker of this House and others, would have some say, I would hope that this would be a diverse coalition of folks who would have an opportunity to serve on the task force. And I'd be happy to weigh in to state that that would be my intent. This is a Bill supported by the Illinois Coalition on Immigrant and Refugee Rights. And I think we are familiar with that organization as being one that is diverse and represents a broad cross section of individuals in the State of Illinois. So, it would be my expectation that we would have a diverse body represented on the task force."

Ammons: "I appreciate your clarification and intent on this. Thank you."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Representative Gong-Gershowitz to close."

Gong-Gershowitz: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3144 pass?'
All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting's
open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'.
Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'.
Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Representative Meier, 'no'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier votes 'no'. Representative
Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 86 voting in 'favor', 27 voting
'against', and 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received
a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate
Bill 3146, Representative Collins. Mr. Clerk, please read the
Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3146, a Bill for an Act concerning
employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. So, Senate Bill 34... Senate Bill 3146 is the companion to House Bill 4600 that we passed a month ago. This is the One Day Rest Seven Act, which protects workers' rights to the opportunity of one day off work per week and a 20-minute meal break for every 7.5 hours worked. The current parity of this language is outdated and inconsistent with the Department of Labor enforcement practice. What this Bill would do, it will add an additional 20 meal break for workers working a 12-hour shift or longer and clarifies the reasonable bathroom breaks that don't account toward the meal break. It adds a breakdown poster... a breakroom poster requirement, including virtual options for employees with remote workers, clarifies that a work week is defined any consecutive seven days. And it also creates a two-tier penalty structure for small businesses while protecting workers under the Act. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Wheeler: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a Department of Labor initiative that does a lot of good things. At the same time, there's a continuing concern that the Manufacturers' Association has. They continue to oppose the Bill because it does not address a turnaround time for the waivers for exemptions of this Act. There's a reason why many of us voted 'no' in committee. For that very reason alone, I think it's only fair that if the department's going to ask for accountability from the employer, the employee should be able

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

to get accountability from the department. That's why I voted 'no' in committee. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Collins to close."

Collins: "Yeah, so... I just ask for an 'aye' vote. This Bill is cut-throat. It's protecting workers' rights. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3146 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Representative Meier votes 'no'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'no'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 69 voting in 'favor', 44 voting 'against', 1 voting 'present'. And the Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Bill 3149, Representative Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3149, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill, I believe, echoes Leader Andrade's remarks of yesterday that it's aged like a fine wine. I believe it's a better Bill than the last time we saw it. It is identical to a Bill we passed in the House a couple weeks ago. It requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to distribute information to recipients of MAP awards about the Child Care Assistance Program 'cause some of the recipients of those MAP awards will indeed need help with child care. The Bill came to us unanimously from the Senate, passed Senate committee and the Senate Floor unanimously. We had a divided roll call on the House Bill in committee. But after some elucidating questions this time around, we have a unanimous roll call in House committee. So, I believe we can see a little bit more green today. I appreciate everyone. I urge an 'aye' vote.

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3149 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3156, Leader Batinick. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3156, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This is a fine Bill. Came over from Senator Fine. It amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act. Does two main things. It changes the name 'direct support person' to 'direct support professional' and it adds a date to their pilot program. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3156 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Meier, 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3157, Representative Windhorst. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3157, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3157 presides... provides clarification about who can access court files for emergency orders of protection, stalking no contact orders, and civil no contact orders before the respondent is served in the case. Currently the law says that they will not be

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

publicly available. This Bill would make clear that the files will be accessible to the court, law enforcement, the petitioner, victim advocate, counsel of record for either party, and the state's attorney for the county. This is an ISBA initiative, and I'm aware of no opposition. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3157 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting's open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 113 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 1 voting 'present'. And the Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Bill 3161, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3161, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the chamber. Senate Bill 3161 is identical to House Bill 4450, which passed out of this chamber, this Session, just a month ago on the Consent Calendar. It is agreed to by industry and labor. It is a request of the Department of Labor to modify the waivers needed when a child actor is requested to work after 10 p.m. and before 7 a.m. I am aware of no opposition, and I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Batinick: "I just... I just wanted to go back. You hit it, but you were really good and fast, which I really like. But it was House Bill... what was the House Bill? 4450, I believe."

Mussman: "4450."

Batinick: "Okay. And what was the roll call on House Bill 4450?"

Mussman: "It was unanimous on the Consent Calendar and in committee."

Batinick: "Okay. Okay. Unanimous... and you had some 'no' votes in committee. Do you under... maybe... any differences in the Bill?"

Mussman: "There are no differences in the Bill. I believe the 'no' votes in committee on the Senate Bill were not related to the matter of the Bill."

Batinick: "Okay. And there's no opponents and this is agreed?"

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Mussman: "Yes."

Batinick: "Thank you very much."

Mussman: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "I appreciated support for this Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Question is, is... 'Should Senate Bill 3161 pass?'
All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting
is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative
Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy is 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative
Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative
Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 110 voting in 'favor', 3 voting
'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Bill 3163, Representative Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3163, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill just allows for the issuance of a copy of a birth certificate with... when requested, names of health care providers redacted."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3163 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Once again, please, Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Once again, please, Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes... Z votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3166, Representative Meyers-Martin, to be presented by Representative Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3166, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. 3166, as amended, provides that hospitals, establishments, or facilities organized or licensed under the various Acts that this Bill amends shall ensure that nurses are aware of employee assistance programs. It's an agreed Bill with the Illinois Hospital Association, the Health Care Council of Illinois, and the American Nurses Association. I'll answer any questions."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3166 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative
Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Z votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record.
On this question, 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed',
and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate
Bill 3172, Representative LaPointe. Out of the record. Senate
Bill 3174, Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, please read the
Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3174, a Bill for an Act concerning civil
law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill is identical to
House Bill 4278 that passed unanimously out of this chamber.
It's just technical changes from the Treasurer's Office."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is,
'Shall Senate Bill 3174 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye';
opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative
Cassidy."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 113 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3177, Representative Guerrero-Cuellar. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3177, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Thank you, Speaker. Senate Bill 3177 would allow Chicago firefighters younger than 50... or younger than 57 with less than 10 years of service, or any fireman that withdraws from service and enters service with another department, the right to refund their contribution into FABF. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Batinick."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Batinick: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. To the Bill. This actually came through my committee. I just want my side to be aware that this is actually... probably reduces the financial burden to the state or to local government. Well, Chicago... to Chicago government as opposed to adding to it. So, I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Cuellar to close."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Vote 'aye'."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3177 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3178, Representative Halpin. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3178, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Each Session we consider a plethora of Bills that add to the statute books, but I'm happy to say that this Bill removes and consolidates some. Senate Bill 3178 consolidates several River Coordinating Councils into a single Rivers of Illinois Coordinating Council. I'm aware of no opposition. I will uncomfortably answer any questions, and I would ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3178 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3179, Representative Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3179, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill does two things. It repeals the Illinois Geographic Information Council that has been defunct for about 10 years, and it replaces it with an Illinois Center for Geographic Information within the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois. And it transfers those duties that were in the council to the new center. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3179 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair... Senate Bill 3184, Leader Greenwood. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3184, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Greenwood."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. Senate Bill 3184 is an initiative of the Department of Natural Resources. It makes the following changes. It brings hiring standards for Conservation Police Officers in line with those used by the Illinois State Police. It clarifies some regulations related to hunting and fishing. And it updates certain language to allow for easier usage of modern technology. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Batinick, Chair recognizes you."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Batinick: "Representative, thanks for having the sidebar earlier today on this Bill. A couple things. I think there were some heated debate, some fun, intense debate over exotic animals, and I believe that got worked out with Members on our side of the aisle. Is that correct?"

Greenwood: "That's correct. It was over the fur-bearing breeders, the language that's included in the Bill."

Batinick: "Okay. But the other... the other part I think that gave our side some pause was you're actually lowering the amount of education requirements for Conservation Police Officers, I believe, from a bachelor's to an associate's. Is that correct?"

Greenwood: "Well, we're... the current hiring standards are out of line with ISP standards. So, they're making it the same as the standards of the Illinois State Police."

Batinick: "Sure. I think it was our understanding, at least some of us, that this is... that this requires a little bit more education. But I'm just going to go ahead and say thank you for clarifying that for my side. You'll... Christmas, red and green. And I look forward to the rest of the debate."

Greenwood: "Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Davidsmeyer: "So, I was in committee when this went through, and I understand there were concerns about fur-bearing mammals and things of that sort and understand that's been worked

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

out. My... my ultimate concern on this DNR Bill when we're looking at parity between ISP, Illinois State Police, and DNR Conservation Police is that DNR Conservation Police have a significant amount of more power than the State Police. When you look at their ability to go into a person's home and look for animals or fish or wild... any wildlife that they've caught. I... and I'm a hunter, so I know they have the ability to do this, to go on your property without... without your permission and things of that sort. I want to make sure that we have good quality conservation police, but I do have big concerns that we're lowering standards on this. Certainly want to provide more opportunity to find the best candidates possible for DNR. I don't know if there's another opportunity or another direction that we can go. I haven't had an opportunity to actually talk to DNR directly about this. But at this point, I will be voting 'no'. I think there are certainly other avenues that we can pursue. So, thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Greenwood to close."

Greenwood: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3184 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative
Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 76 voting in 'favor', 37 voting
'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received
a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate
Bill 3187, Representative Willis. Mr. Clerk, please read the
Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3187, a Bill for an Act concerning local
government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Willis."

Willis: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill is identical to House
Bill 4845. It is... all it does is simply allow the recorder to
use an electronic stamp instead of having to physically sign
everything for the recorder of deeds. It passed unanimously,
the House Bill, and I hope the same will happen on this Senate
Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall
Senate Bill 3187 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote
'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski... Zalewski votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "One more time, please, Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 112 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3189, Representative DeLuca. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3189, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative DeLuca."

DeLuca: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. The Southland Reactivation Act creates a special designation for blighted property in the South Suburbs of Chicago. The property would receive a special designation for property tax

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

purposes to incentivize development. The southland reactivation property is defined as property that has been designated by a municipality by resolution as a priority tax reactivation property due to its clear pattern of stagnation and depressed condition. It must be a... the property is owned for commercial or industrial use. The property has had its past property taxes cleared. It is now classified as exempt, where the property has not had a lawful occupant for the past 12 months. The property would be sold to a buyer or developer that has been approved by the municipality. The property would be located in the following counties in Cook, which would be Bloom, Bremen, Calumet, Rich, Thornton, or Worth. And the property would be certified within five years of the effective date. The property that receives a designation would be assessed at 50 percent of the last known equalized assessed value. And the bill liability for the property cannot exceed 100 thousand. The amount shall be increased over the tax liability for each year by 10 percent. Be happy to ask... answer any questions."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Representative Reick."

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

Speaker Manley: "He indicates he will."

Reick: "Representative, we had a good conversation about this in committee. And it's a good Bill, and I'm going to support it. I just want you to explain, please, what property we're talking about when we deal with 50 percent... the 50 percent limitation on assessment. Is it the underlying property as it was originally handed over to the buyer or does it include any improvements that are put on the property subsequent to

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

the purchase? Or does it just have... does it just affect the original property?"

DeLuca: "This would be effective for a landbank property in those townships that I mentioned. And it would be assessed once developed, but it would be capped at the 100 thousand amount and then increase 10 percent each year for the next 12."

Reick: "Very good. All right, thank you. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Representative DeLuca to close."

DeLuca: "Thank you very much. Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3189 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Representative Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Thank you."

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "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 in 'favor', 6 voting 'against', 1 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3197, Representative McCombie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3197, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. SB3197 is a cleanup Bill drafted in order to fairly address state employees' death benefits in case of a survivor who is entitled to occupational health benefits. The survivor is eligible for group health insurance benefits regardless of the employee's vesting. It treats all survivors like Pam Knight, more recently Deidre Silas, and anybody, unfortunately, in the future receiving benefits. This is retroactive to January 1 of 2022. However, all existing eligible will be upon the change of law, which is seven... seven families in Illinois. I ask for an 'aye' vote and will take any questions."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3197 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 113 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3215, Representative Stava-Murray. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3215, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Stava-Murray."

Stava-Murray: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3215 simply validates that existing community mental health and developmental disability boards that were created since the PTELL Act became law are a legally created entities. Going forward, this legislation corrects an inconsistency between the two Acts and puts the Community Mental Health Act in compliance with referendum language required in the PTELL Act, ensuring transparency with voters. Senate Bill 3215 ensures that funding for services to vulnerable populations

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

served by community mental health boards will continue without interruption and without legal challenges. This Bill's companion Bill, HB4228, was almost identical to this but just slightly different. There were a few technical fixes in this version of the Bill. It passed the House earlier this month on a vote of 87-17-0. But this Bill passed out of committee last week on full leave. So, thank you for your time and I ask for your support."

Speaker Manley: "Chair recognizes Leader Batinick."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Batinick: "Representative, you had mentioned this Bill passed earlier. I think it was on Consent Calendar. People switched it to... some people pulled off and switched to a 'no'. I think 87-17 was the roll call after the Consent Calendar was done. House Bill 4228, correct?"

Stava-Murray: "I'm not familiar with that House Bill 4228, whether or not it was on the Consent Calendar or not, but I... I'm just familiar with this version of the Bill. I do know that it passed the House 87-17-0. So, I'll trust you on the rest."

Batinick: "But that was the mirror Bill, correct? Okay."

Stava-Murray: "Yeah, and it was the mirror Bill except there were some technical changes to this one that I think took away some of the opposition."

Batinick: "Okay. Do those technical changes address any issues that Representative Bourne, Davidsmeyer, Caulkins, Chesney, Hamilton, Hammond, Jacobs... let's see, Windhorst, Weber, Severin, and a few others, Niemerg... did... do you know if the

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

technical changes... did the technical changes address their issues?"

Stava-Murray: "I think that... I don't remember their issue off the top of my head."

Batinick: "Okay."

Stava-Murray: "So, I think they'll have to just look at the Bill and assess that themselves."

Batinick: "Awesome. Thank you. No further questions."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Ugaste."

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

Speaker Manley: "She indicates she will."

Ugaste: "Representative, was... is this Bill being brought to fix a result of a court case in Kane County?"

Stava-Murray: "No, this is not the result of a court case in Kane County, but the result of... specifically... but about multiple community mental health boards that ran into the same issue."

Ugaste: "That ran into what?"

Stava-Murray: "That ran into the same issue with the PTELL Act... with not being in compliance with the PTELL Act. So, this brings them into compliance."

Ugaste: "Well, wasn't there a case in Kane County that actually held the Act the way it was and the way a number of different... the way the PTELL Act was written and the way a number of different communities had run their referendums, weren't... didn't coordinate and jive with each other. Isn't that correct?"

Stava-Murray: "I'm not familiar with the Kane County case."

Ugaste: "If there are two communities in Kane County that did not collect the tax revenue as a result of these referendums, and

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

the referendums did in fact pass, is there a problem with them not collecting that revenue and having to go back and collect it from their taxpayers at this point in time, if this passes?"

Stava-Murray: "I'm sorry. Can you restate that?"

Ugaste: "Sure. If two... if this Act passes and changes this and there are two communities who passed a referendum such as this, that this is addressing, and they did not, like I said, collect those revenues, do they have to go back now and collect those revenues from their taxpayers and create a heavy-duty burden on those taxpayers?"

Stava-Murray: "Apologies. I'm just looking for technical assistance."

Ugaste: "Okay. Sure. I understand."

Stava-Murray: "I don't believe that there is anything, but I don't want to misrepresent it. So, I'm hearing that the Elgin Township Board dissolved their board. So, this would not apply to them. But this would only apply to the boards that are still in existence."

Ugaste: "Okay. Well, I... I was..."

Stava-Murray: "But it doesn't... I don't believe that anything about it mandates what you're saying."

Ugaste: "I was contacted by Elgin, and they're very concerned that this is going to cause them to go back to their taxpayers and collect a levy that they had not done because of the problems with the... the Act. So, is there any way to create a carveout so that they definitely would not be affected by this? I'm only looking to make certain, certain communities aren't hampered by what you're trying to fix."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Stava-Murray: "So, if the board has already been dissolved, what I'm hearing is that they cannot levy because there's no board to collect the taxes."

Ugaste: "So, would there be a problem with making certain that this reads that way? 'Cause they don't see it that way?"

Stava-Murray: "It's the intent of the Bill that it be..."

Ugaste: "Well, the Bill says what it says. Everyone likes to talk about intent here. And being a lawyer, I can assure you that they don't even get to legislative intent unless there's some ambiguity in the Bill. And if the Bill's not ambiguous, they're not even going to look at intent. And they rarely ever look at intent. They know how to read it in the courts, and they'll just read the Act as it is. So, I would ask..."

Stava-Murray: "Well, and it says it does. It says it's applying to existing boards. So, again, that board does not exist when we're passing this law. So..."

Ugaste: "I know you keep telling me that, and I'm telling you the township's concerned. All I'm asking... and just answer me if you will... are not willing to change it and make the carveout, just say that. But this is possibly causing a large problem for one of my communities, and I'm trying to make certain they're not adversely affected. So, are you willing to try and change it, or are you going to pass it as is? That's all I'd like to know. Thank you."

Stava-Murray: "Elgin... Elgin did not reach out to me, the Bill's Sponsor, about this issue. This is the very first that I'm hearing any issue of Elgin saying that they think that there is not... that they are going to be held accountable to this Bill, even though they're not a..."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Ugaste: "So, I'll take that as a no because you continue to refuse to answer my question. Thank you. I..."

Stava-Murray: "Well, I guess, barring them coming to me and having spoke to me at a reasonable time about this issue, I think they're... we could've resolved this in a different way."

Ugaste: "Okay. I'm going to go to... to the Bill if I could."

Stava-Murray: "But I think this is very important and we can't be..."

Speaker Manley: "To the Bill."

Ugaste: "Thank you. This, from what I understand, could create a big problem for at least one community in my district and possibly a second community within my county. I'm only asking that we make certain that it is written in such a way that they're not adversely impacted. Since the Sponsor's not willing to do that because apparently the people in the level of government that is going to be impacted did not know to reach out to the Sponsor but reached out to me just yesterday, I'm going to urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Stava-Murray to close."

Stava-Murray: "This is a Bill that impacts more communities than the community of Elgin, which, of course, Representative Ugaste represents. And I can understand his perspective, but I would urge us to consider all of these communities that have voted for and put a referendum out there, got the petitions to get a referendum on the ballot, got a referendum on the ballot, want to be supporting the mental health of the people in their communities with these gap closures that often mental health boards can provide with their levies. So, I

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

would strongly urge an 'aye' vote and not delay this any further. So, thank you very much."

Speaker Manley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3215 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 76 voting in 'favor', 38 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3216, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3216, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Leader Hoffman."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Hoffman: "Thank you, Speaker. This would simply amend the Vehicle Code by allowing licensed physical therapists to verify that a person qualifies as a person with disabilities for the purpose of obtaining the necessary license plate of... or a parking placard. I'm asking for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3216 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting's open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 112 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

3433, Representative Didech. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3433, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Didech."

Didech: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Senate Bill 3433 amends the Illinois Exotic Weed Act to allow all municipalities to adopt ordinances to provide for the eradication of buckthorn on public or private land. Buckthorn is a nonnative invasive weed that creates significant ecological challenges in the areas where it propagates. This is something that Home Rule municipalities can already do. So, this Bill essentially expands that authority to non-Home Rule communities. It has the support of both the Illinois Municipal League and the Illinois Environment Council. I'm happy to answer any questions, and I thank everyone for their consideration of this Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3433 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'.
Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative
Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 71 voting in 'favor', 43 voting
'against', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received
a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate
Bill 3459, Representative Halpin. Mr. Clerk, please read the
Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3459, a Bill for an Act concerning the
military. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. And I'm honored to carry this
Bill, Senate Bill 3459, which makes two small but significant
changes to the Military Code of Illinois. Essentially what it
does is to make sure that we can get the... the state flag into
the hands of the next of kin for Illinois residents or other
National Guard members who were laid to rest out of state. It
expands it to make sure any Illinois resident laid to rest
out of state is... has their family presented with a state flag.
And also allows the Adjutant General to designate a
representative so that we can make sure to do that without
the Adjutant General having to necessarily travel out of
state. This is a way to make sure that we are efficiently

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

able to provide family with the honor of the Illinois state flag. I know of no opposition, and I'd ask for a 'yes' vote." Speaker Manley: "There being no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3459 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll." Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy." Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar." Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier." Meier: "Yes." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski. Representative Zalewski." Zalewski: "Yes." Clerk Bolin: "Representative Zalewski votes 'yes'." Speaker Manley: "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 113 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present'. The Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3465, Representative LaPointe. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3470, Representative Collins. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3470, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Madam Chair. Senate Bill 3470 is a pathway for our youth in care to truly be independent once they transition out of care. Currently approximately 3300 youth in DCFS care receive Federal Social Security or veterans' benefits because they are disabled or because their parents is deceased. DCFS, like many other welfare agencies, use this money to pay for the cost of the child's foster care, almost always leaving them no money when they transition. This Bill will require DCFS to save a portion of those benefits for the youth beginning when the youth reaches the age of 14. This additional money, technically the child's own money, can have significant positive impact on helping youth successfully transition to independence. There's already a model in Maryland about this Bill that went into effect 2018. I truly believe that children that we care for deserve a head start, especially those who transition out of youth in care... youth in care who transition out of DCFS. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Manley: "Seeing... seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3470 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 19 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Resolution 706, offered by Representative Stuart. Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. I'll be very brief. I spoke at length on this Resolution earlier, but this is actually Illinois... this would be MS Awareness Day today. So, I just ask to adopt the Resolution today. Thank you."

Speaker Manley: "Representative Stuart moves for the adoption of House Resolution 706. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Carroll votes 'yes'. Representative Cassidy."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Cassidy: "Cassidy votes 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Cassidy votes 'yes'. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Zalewski votes 'yes'."

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

Speaker Manley: "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 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And the Resolution, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. Chair recognizes Representative Butler. For what reason do you seek recognition?"

Butler: "A point of personal privilege, Madam Speaker."

Madigan: "Please proceed."

Butler: "Thank you. Once again, I would just like to invite everyone tonight to the Alamo for another U.S. soccer game tonight where they could very well... they're going to clinch going to the 2022 World Cup. So, on behalf of Representative Buckner, who's waving the scarf over there, Representative Keicher, and Representative Cassidy, please join us at the Alamo along with the Land of Lincoln chapter of the American Outlaws to have some fun watching U.S. soccer. 8:00. 8 to 10, we'll be there. Please come join us."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Speaker Manley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Madam Chair. And first, I want to thank the indulgence of the Body. I know it's late, but I... on behalf of Representative Scherer, who due to an emergency could not be here today, I was requested to relay her Women's History Month comments. So, in honor of Women's History Month... throughout Women's History Month, we've highlighted several strong, intelligent, and inspirational women who have made their mark on our state and our country. Today we do the very same for women who share these qualities and use them to raise their children despite many obstacles. It is time to celebrate the thousands of single mothers in Illinois and the U.S. who do everything they can to nurture and support their children. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, of the 11 million single-parent families in the United States, almost 80 percent of them are headed by single mothers. These mothers are more likely to live in poverty, more likely to lack health insurance and earn less than their male counterparts. Single mothers face food insecurity and have to balance the extreme responsibilities of work, life, and motherhood. Even when the odds are stacked against them, single mothers do their very best every day to create an environment where their children can grow and thrive. They sacrifice time, energy, sleep, and personal pursuits to make sure their children have food, clothing, and shelter. Single mothers do so much with so little and deserve our respect and celebration this Women's History Month. As a governing body, we must do everything we can to support this vulnerable, yet extremely fierce, population of women. By doing so, we also support our children

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

and improve the wellbeing of our entire state. This Women's History Month, please take a moment to appreciate and thank all the hard work and sacrifices of single mothers and thank the single mothers that are in our lives and make sure that they are appreciated every single day. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Manley: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The State Government Administration Committee will meet immediately in Room 114 and Virtual Room 2. All other committees for this afternoon were canceled."

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

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 642, offered by Representative Niemerg. House Resolution 775 and 776, offered by Representative Lisa Hernandez. House Resolution 777, offered by Representative Randy Frese. House Resolution 778, offered by Representative Ford. House Resolution 779, offered by Representative Moeller. And House Resolution 782, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth."

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 Thursday, March 31, at the hour of 11:30 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."

STATE OF ILLINOIS
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

94th Legislative Day

3/30/2022

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5734, offered by Representative Nichols, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5735, offered by Representative Ugaste, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. First Reading of these House Bills. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1146, offered by Speaker Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. First Reading of this Senate Bill. Second Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 2940, a Bill for an Act concerning electric vehicles. Senate Bill 3720, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Second Reading of these Senate Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."