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Speaker Greiman: "The hour of 12:00 having arrived, the House will be in Session. The Chaplain for today will be the Reverend Alvin Rodeck, Pastor Trinity Lutheran Church of Nokomis. Reverend Rodeck is a guest of Representative Kathryn... Karen Hasara. Will the guests in the gallery please join us for the invocation? Reverend."

Reverend Rodeck: "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. We pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, we praise and thank You for all the blessings You constantly shower upon us, upon our beloved nation and this great state. We thank You for our President, our Governor and for all our courageous Leaders. We pray that by the gift of Your Holy Spirit You will enable our lawmakers to foster legislation that provides our government with strength and power tempered by justice. Inspire us with Your wisdom to write and enact laws that will bring safety, protection and integrity. Restrain us from acting hastily or reacting in vengeance. Cause us, by our actions, to encourage goodwill among the people, that all citizens may grow in their appreciation of justice. Use our efforts to write laws that those who interpret them... and those who interpret them for the accomplishment of what is pleasing to You. Lord, keep us all, as citizens, from becoming indiscreet, from acting rashly, from neglecting the rights of others, from willful disobedience and the neglect of just laws and all manner of mischief that is harmful to our state and our community. We ask this all in Jesus' Name. Amen. May the Lord richly bless you in your work."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. McGann, will lead us in the pledge to the flag."

McGann - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands,

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one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Greiman: "Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Clerk, take the record. 112 Members having answered to the Quorum Call, a quorum is present. Yes, Mr... Mr. Piel, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Do you have excused absences?"

Piel: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would the record please show that Representative Hasara, Representative Harris, Representative Barnes and Representative Ropp are all excused today?"

Speaker Greiman: "Let the record so reflect. Are there any excused absences, Mr. Matijevich, on the Democratic side?"

Matijevich: "No, Sir. Good to have you back, Alan."

Speaker Greiman: "Thank you very much. All present and accounted for on our side then. Yes, Mr. Nash, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Nash: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. On a point of personal privilege. Today we are honored to have with us the Honorable Gloria Majuski, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Sanitary District, whose late husband served in this Body."

Speaker Greiman: "We welcome you, Gloria. Nice to have you with us. On the Order of... On page 12 of the Calendar, on the Order of Constitutional Amendments Second Reading, appears SJR 11. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #11. This Constitutional Amendment has been read in full a second time as amended and held on Second Reading."

Speaker Greiman: "Are there any other Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Third Reading. Yes, Mr. Pangle, were you seeking recognition? Mr. Pangle. Yes, Mr. Pangle, you want to take Ms. Satterthwaite's Bill... microphone.

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Alright, go over to Mr. Christensen's microphone. Let's try it."

Pangle: "Hello."

Speaker Greiman: "You're on, Mr. Pangle."

Pangle: "Playing musical chairs. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to have Senate Joint House Resolution moved to suspend the rules and moved to Third Reading, to be heard today."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman has asked that we consider Constitutional Amendment on Third Reading SJR 11 at this time. Yes, Mr. Vinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, the reason I originally sought recognition is just that it's very hard to hear in the chamber. I couldn't hear a word the Gentleman said and if we are going to get into a Constitutional Amendment issue, I think the Members ought to be alerted to it. If it is... would be constitutional to deal with that Amendment on Third Reading currently, I would certainly not oppose that and would be for that."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, you're saying if it were constitutional. Nothing violates the Constitution by considering it today on Third Reading, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "You're muttering again too. Now, will you speak up?"

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, Mr. Pangle has asked that we consider Constitutional Amendments Third Reading at this time. If there is no objection, we will move to that Order. Constitutional Amendments Third Reading, SJR 11. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Erien: "Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 011. Resolved by the Senate of the 84th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the House of Representatives concurring herein, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state for adoption or rejection at the

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general election next occurring at least six months after the adoption of this Resolution a proposition to amend Section 6 of Article IX to the Constitution to read as follows: Article IX, Section 6, Exemptions from Property Taxation. The General Assembly, by law, may exempt from taxation only the property of the state, units of local government and school districts and property used exclusively for veterans' organizations, agricultural, horticultural societies and for school, religious, cemetery and charitable purposes. The General Assembly, by law, may grant homestead exemptions or rent credits. The loss in revenue incurred by the unit of local government as a result of the exemption from taxation of property used exclusively for veterans' organizations shall be reimbursed by the state to the unit of local government. Schedule. This Constitutional Amendment shall take effect upon adoption by the electors of this state. Third Reading of the Constitutional Amendment as amended."

Speaker Greiman: "And on that, the Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Pangle."

Pangle: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We've certainly dealt with Senate Joint House Resolution before in this chamber. It deals with putting on the ballot in November the right, if passed by the general public, for VFWs, American Legion homes and so forth to forego paying their real estate tax in their local community. I would move for its passage."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Pangle, moves for the adoption of HR... SJR 11, and on that, is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall this Amendment be adopted?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action on a Constitutional Amendment. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 96 voting 'aye', 6 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', and the House does adopt Senate Joint Resolution 11. Yes, for what... For what purpose does the Gentleman from Marion, Mr. Friedrich, seek recognition?"

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to request a Republican Conference at 12:30 or immediately on adjournment, whichever comes first."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, Mr. Friedrich, the current plan is that on adjournment, because of your request that we not hold Rules Committee meetings in the conference room back here, we are going to hold a real Rules Committee meeting very quickly in Room 114, unless you'd prefer to not proceed with that request."

Friedrich: "I'd be delighted if you ever had a real Rules Committee meeting. We've never had anything but a farce so far, but..."

Speaker Greiman: "Well, I understand that. Where would you like the farce to be, Mr..."

Friedrich: "Well, I don't know. The farce is better stayed in 114 where the TV cameras can see you in action."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, then we are going to... we are going to certainly adhere to your request. Immediately upon adjournment, there will be a meeting of the Rules Committee in Room 114, immediately upon adjournment. The meeting should be very short and thereafter there will be a Republican Conference. So that there will be a Rules Committee meeting immediately on adjournment in Room 114. Thereafter, there will be a Republican Conference in Room 118. Rules Committee meeting 114 at adjournment. Directly after the Rules Committee meeting, a Republican Conference in Room 118. And now, Mr. Christensen, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

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Christensen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce the students from... 7th and 8th grade students from Immaculate Conception School in Morris, Illinois... right hand side of the balcony. Give them a hand."

Speaker Greiman: "Thank you. Yes, Mr. Matijevich, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Matijevich: "Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, the Rules Committee is going to meet as the Speaker has announced immediately upon adjournment in the Speaker's Conference Room and I am asking leave to..."

Speaker Greiman: "... Mr... Yes, the Republicans have asked that we hold it in 114, John."

Matijevich: "Oh, in 114?"

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, so we are going to meet in 114."

Matijevich: "Alright. I'm going to ask the... suspend the posting requirements for three Bills: House Bill 3649, 3650 and 3651 so that they may be heard in Rules Committee and ask leave of the... use of the Attendance Roll for that purpose. Also, I understand that certain Bills were not posted and were supposed to automatically been posted for the various substantive Committees. They were not and I would ask leave also that the posting notice be suspended for these Bills: Committee... Cities and Villages, meeting today, House Bill 546, 564, 1721 and 1987 and House Resolution 39 and House Resolution 189; in Agriculture Committee, House Bill 1025, 1191 and 3357; Financial Institutions, House Bill 1701 and House Bill 1905; Special Horse Racing Investigating Committee, House Bill 3461; Executive Committee, House Bill 3225 and House Resolution 579; Counties and Township, House Bill 2026 and 2027; State Government and Regulatory Review, House Bill 2141; Select Committee on Small Business, House Bill 1507; Energy and

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Environment, House Bill 744, 1060, 2142 and 2519. And I ask leave for the posting notice be suspended on all of those Bills."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Lake has asked for leave to suspend the posting requirements of Rule 20 and is there objection? Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I object to every request for leave that the Gentleman asked for and I further object to your attempting to call in violation of Rule 20, the posting rule, a Rules Committee meeting at a time and a place that it's never been posted for. The rules specifically require that you've got to give two days notice pursuant to Rule 20, specifying an exact time and location, an exact time and location for Rules Committee meeting. You haven't done that, so I object to that as well."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, that was done in response to the request of the Minority Spokesman of the Rules Committee. It's my understanding that there was appropriate posting for here and we can move it back if you like, Mr. Vinson. Would you like us to move it back to the... to the meeting room? This was done at the request of your Minority Spokesman. Yes, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I made... I made... I objected to something the Chair announced. The objection is well-founded in the rules and I would expect you, reading the rules, to recognize that without leave you cannot do what you sought to do."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, the Chair responded to a request of Mr. Friedrich who asked that the meeting be held in a more commodious place, that is 114. You are objecting to Mr. Friedrich's request, certainly within your right, and the posting for the Rules Committee is indeed proper. So that the Rules Committee will meet when we are through with

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Session, directly after Session, in the Speaker's Conference Room. And on that, Mr. Vinson, we are within the rules. The postings have been appropriate. Now, that does not include the three Bills that have been requested. Those are not going to be appropriately heard because of your... because of your objection. Yes, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I believe if you will examine - and I wish you would do it yourself because I know that you are a much better lawyer than anybody who may be giving you advice at this time, so I wish you would do it yourself - but if you would examine Rule 20, you would find that Rule 20 requires not only a precise location, but an exact time for a Rules Committee meeting. Now, the exact time for the Rules Committee meeting that was posted in the Calendar is 12:15. That time has gone and past, so you've got to repost a new Rules Committee call, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Greiman: "No, no, no, no. Mr... Mr. Vinson, rules are meant to be interpreted in a rational fashion. Now, obviously, we were in Session at 12:15 and it was at 12:15 that I made the announcement about the Rules Committee. It would have been possible for us to be through with Session and for the meeting to have been appropriately held, but nonetheless, we were in Session and therefore, it would have been in violation without a waiver of the rules for us to hold that meeting on rules. Accordingly, the Chair did the appropriate thing and, in fact, deferred to the wishes of Mr. Friedrich - I always like to defer to his wishes - and, in fact, tried to make it more commodious for the Republican side. But my ruling will stand that the posting is appropriate, that no rule has been violated, Mr. Vinson, on those and they will stand and we need to go no further on that. Yes. Mr... Mr. Vinson, in examination of Rule 20 with respect to your objections to waiving the



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other requests for posting that Mr. Matijevich made, you were indeed correct, of course, and you have made objection and so those Bills will not be posted in their substantive Committee. They are not Bills necessarily that were partisan, but there are probably as many Bills on your side of the aisle as ours and so those Sponsors then will not have an opportunity to present their Bills, Mr. Vinson. So, I am ruling in your favor on that. Now, Mr. Friedrich, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Friedrich: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I think what you have done is in violation of the Open Meetings Act. You and I both know that 114 has had many, many people in attendance to Rules Committee. There is no way the press or the public can have access to that pantry in the back of the... back of the Chair there. So, I say you are violating the people's rights and the Members' rights in holding a meeting of this kind in that room."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Matijevich, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Matijevich: "While my light was off... I really didn't rise, but I'd like to respond to that. I can't help but... I almost want to sit here and laugh because when the prior Chairman of the Rules Committee was Chairman, we were in the Minority and I'll tell you, you talk about trampling on rights, we were trampled on so badly that we... it took us a while to get up and recover and he used to just sit there and laugh at us. Now, I think we have been pretty kind to you. Now, I have been here long enough to know that you have got something up your sleeve and you haven't got it yet so you are trying to use this tactic to try to get your way. You might as well tell us in open meeting what you are looking for. Do it in open meeting. You don't have to run and hide and then use this tactic to try to get what

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you're at. I have been here long enough, Representative Friedrich. You've never fooled me. You'll never fool me. I've run the Rules Committee better than you ever thought of running it. Don't give me that guff."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Vinson: "Well, for two purposes, Mr. Speaker. The first purpose is to reiterate that when I objected to Mr. Matijevich's request, I did it for all Committees where he was seeking to evade the posting rules, not just Rules. He had a long list of Bills for Committees such as Cities and Villages, Agriculture, Financial Institutions..."

Speaker Greiman: "And I have ruled, Mr. Vinson. I have ruled that your objection is appropriate."

Vinson: "Secondly, I wonder... I wonder if you could provide him with a second canned speech so that his speeches would get more interesting and varied."

Speaker Greiman: "Page 11 Calendar, on the Order of Consent Calendar Second Reading Second Day... it is the Consent Calendar. Excuse me, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Matijevich, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Matijevich: "Speaker, I guess... I guess I've looked over those Bills in Rules Committee and find that maybe we don't need a Rules Committee any... to meet anyway and I'm going to cancel the Rules Committee meeting that was posted. Secondly, I might tell the other side of the aisle that all of those Bills that I was seeking to withdraw the posting notice, I think most of those were from the other side of the aisle so we'll forget about those too."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Matijevich, the Chairman of the Rules Committee, has announced that the Rules Committee is cancelled for today. Mr. Vinson, your light is not on."

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Vinson: "Yes, it is."

Speaker Greiman: "Oh, Mr. Vinson, your light now is on. Proceed, Mr. Vinson. For what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Vinson: "If you believe the second part of what he said, you'll believe in the tooth fairy too."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright. Mr. Giorgi, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, last week during Rules Committee meeting, House Bill 3461 was... was put out by the House Rules Committee, but it inadvertently was not posted for hearing for this afternoon on the Special Committee on Horse Race Investigations and I ask for the consent of the House to waive the posting rule for that Bill. I'm joined by Kubik from the Republican side of the aisle."

Speaker Greiman: "The... Mr. Giorgi, would you hold that for a minute. We are in the middle of a... of a... have we begun reading the Consent Calendar yet? We have. Alright, well, does the Gentleman have leave on that one Bill? There being no objection, the rule will be waived with respect to that Bill. Alright, now, Mr. Clerk, on the Order of Consent Calendar Second Reading Second Day, the Consent Calendar."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2969, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Criminal Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. House Bill 3123, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Municipal Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. House Bill 3277, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Third Reading. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Joint Resolutions 142, McAuliffe. Senate Joint Resolution 140, Regan. Senate Joint Resolution 141,

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Nash and DeLeo. House Resolutions 1227, Friedrich. 1223, Friedrich. 12... it's 1229, Friedrich. 1226, Friedrich. 1226, Hartke. 1225, McNamara. 1224, Stern. 1222, Kubik. 1221, Matijevich. 1220, Matijevich. 1219, Panayotovich. 1218, Keane. 1217, Keane. 1216, Daley. 1214, McNamara. 1215, McNamara. And House Joint Resolution 179, Barger. And House Joint Resolution 178, Panayotovich."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Winnebago, on the Agreed Resolutions."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Winnebago moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. General Resolutions. Oh, Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1223, offered by Representative Kubik, with respect to the memory of Yu Houg. And House Resolution 1227, offered by Representative McAuliffe, with respect to the memory of Richard 'Dick' Less."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Matijevich, on the Death Resolutions. Mr. Matijevich, Gentleman from Lake, moves for the adoption of the Death Resolutions. Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Death Resolutions are adopted. General Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution 180, offered by Representative Koehler. House Joint Resolution 181, offered by Representative Homer."

Speaker Greiman: "Committee on Assignment. First Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3653, Vinson, a Bill for an Act designating the Illinois Veterans' Home at Manteno (sic - Manteno) as the George H. Ryan Veterans' Home. First Reading of the Bill."

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Speaker Greiman: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Madison, Majority Leader McPike. Mr. McPike moves that the House stand adjourned until the hour of 12:00 tomorrow. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the House does stand adjourned until the hour of 12:00 tomorrow."

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