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Speaker McPike: "...Will come to order. The House will come to order. Members will be in their seats. Chaplain for today will be the Reverend Roy Roberts, Pastor of Emmanuel United Methodist Church of Galesburg. Reverend Roberts is a guest of Representative Hultgren. The guests in the balcony may wish to rise and join us for the invocation."

Reverend Roberts: "Let's join in an attitude of prayer. Lord God, more than anything right now, I pray that we go beyond formality and lip service and that we really bend our hearts to You. Realizing that the tasks before us are so great, that we need a power greater than ourselves in order to carry them out. I pray for these people. Ease their loneliness when they're away from their families, protect their families when their absence, refresh their bodies when exhaustion robs them of energy and refresh their spirits when they're disillusioned or disappointed. Help them to realize that they are appreciated in their striving, in their honesty and sincerity and open their ears that they can hear an echo in their footsteps to know that You are with them constantly, reaching out to love them and to be loved by them. And I pray for them as State Legislators. Help them to see wrong and try to correct it, suffering and try to ease it, need and try to meet it; empower them to open their hearts and minds to receive Your wisdom and knowledge for the tasks at hand. And as St. Francis prayed so many years ago, make them instruments of Your peace; where there is hatred, let them so love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light and when there is sadness, joy. I ask these things in the name of the Messiah. Amen."

Speaker McPike: "Be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by the

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Gentleman from Decatur, Representative John Dunn."

Dunn - 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 McPike: "Roll Call for Attendance. The Clerk will take the roll. One hundred and fifteen Members answering the Roll Call, a quorum is present. Representative Piel."

Piel: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would the record show Representative Cowlshaw is excused today?"

Speaker McPike: "Yes. Representative Matijevich, do you have any?"

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, there are no excused absences on this side of the aisle."

Speaker McPike: "Thank you. House Joint Resolution 148."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution 148. Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein; that the two Houses shall convene in Joint Session on Thursday, February 25, 1988, at the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon; for the purpose of hearing his Excellency, Governor James R. Thompson present to the General Assembly his combined report on the condition of this state, as required in Article V, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois and budget message for Fiscal Year 1988, as required by Chapter 127, Section 28 of the revised statutes."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Matijevich moves the adoption of the Joint Resolution. All those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution's adopted. Message from the Governor."

Clerk O'Brien: "To the Honorable Members of the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly;

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pursuant to Article IV, Section 9e of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return the following House Bills with my specific recommendations for change: House Bill 529 and House Bill 2065. Sincerely, James R. Thompson, Governor."

Speaker McPike: "Page 2 of the calendar. Amendatory Veto Motions, House Bill 529. Representative McCracken. Representative McCracken, you're on, I believe."

McCracken: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move to accept the recommendations of the Governor and to accept the amendatory veto of this Bill. This Bill as originally passed, would have allowed for the forfeiture of property, as defined in the Bill, used in the commission or to facilitate the commission of the offense of obscenity. It would have authorized the application for preliminary injunction or temporary restraining order to restrain assets being moved out of the jurisdiction or otherwise secreted. The Bill was amended by the Governor to address some concerns from opponents of the measure and I respectfully submit that with these changes it makes it an easier Bill for anybody to vote for. The authorization to apply for preliminary injunction or temporary restraining order has been deleted in its entirety. The forfeiture provisions would apply only in the case of the commission of a felony - that is a second conviction upon... of obscenity. That forfeiture obviously would only apply in the case of a conviction and would relate to the property as amended in the Governor's amendatory veto, which generally has the scope of limiting that what... that which is available to seize and forfeit. At all times in this hearing, which is required for the forfeiture, the burden of proof as to the use of the property rests with the state and all other elements necessary to proving the

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case for forfeiture, rests with the state. And I move that we accept the Governor's amendatory veto."

Speaker McPike: "The Gentleman moves to accept the Governor's amendatory veto, and on that, Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Yes, would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker McPike: "He will."

Cullerton: "Representative McCracken, are you really in favor of the Governor's amendatory veto or are you just concerned that if you tried to override you may not get enough votes?"

McCracken: "That's a fair question, John, and I would say it's a little bit of both. I... I believe the Bill as originally passed, was not unconstitutional. I believe the prior restrain arguments against it were not well-founded. However, it was do or die with the Governor and the prosecutors who are in favor of this measure think it is still...will prove to be an effective tool."

Cullerton: "But... but, you and I know that the Governor was a former assistant state's attorney in Cook County, that he was the U.S. attorney for the northern district of Illinois, he was the... the Governor who was responsible for Class X becoming law and who has always been known as a tough law and order man. Why would he weaken a Bill that the prosecutors drafted and thought was constitutional?"

McCracken: "I don't know. I don't... I don't know if he really believes it's unconstitutional or not. But it's irrelevant because I'm in favor of the amendatory veto."

Cullerton: "Well, there could be another motion perhaps to accept the amendatory veto, that someone might want to advance. How would you argue against that?"

McCracken: "Argue against accepting the veto?"

Cullerton: "Yes."

McCracken: "Well, I'm in favor of the veto."

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Cullerton: "So you personally are in favor of the improvement... you view this as an improvement to the Bill."

McCracken: "I... I view it as an acceptable compromise."

Cullerton: "I see. Okay. Well, I... I agree with what the Governor did although, I think I was opposed to the original Bill for some of the reasons that the Governor stated in his amendatory veto as well. I have no further questions."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Countryman."

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

Speaker McPike: "He will."

Countryman: "Representative, can you describe for me now what property can be seized under this Bill?"

McCracken: "I don't have the text in front of me but that was amended in the amendatory veto. If you could give me just a second I... I need the text. I'm sorry. We don't have our file here for some reason. It has been amended to conform to other forfeiture Statutes and the language in particular that was added was that the property had to be used to facilitate the commission of the offense as opposed to used in the commission of the offense. And that was requested in order to conform the language to... for example, drug forfeiture language."

Countryman: "I... I think that in my judgment, that was a good idea. But, can I ask you a question in a form of a hypothetical: If the obscene literature is sold on real estate grounds that might be owned in joint tenancy between a husband and a wife. The husband is arrested for the sale of that obscene material, convicted and the forfeiture statute comes in play, would that real estate be the subject matter of foreclosure? Or foreclosure of... forfeiture..."

McCracken: "I... you know, honestly, I don't have a firm answer

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for you. I believe it would, but I... I know that the facilit... the facilitation language was asked for in order to limit the scope of the forfeiture to that which can be done on an...on other forfeiture statutes. I believe your answer is yes."

Countryman: "Okay. That would be true even if two people owned the property and only one committed the offense?"

McCracken: "It would be subject to forfeiture only to the extent that you can have a partition of property under other provisions of the civil practice. But, yes."

Countryman: "I guess what my concern is that...that I hate to see the forfeiture of property of somebody who's innocent for somebody else who may be a joint owner on that property committing a felony or doing something else, who never... the person who's innocent never intending that their property can be forfeited or even used for that purpose. And I... I would like to see the text of this language and I... this is nothing that you did, Representative McCracken, but I'm a little amiss here without the Bill and the language as it's amended and... and really just our analysis here on the floor today. I still have some questions I don't think you're in a position to answer. So, I guess I'll vote 'present' for the time being. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "No further discussion, Representative McCracken, do you want to close?"

McCracken: "Just very briefly. This Bill passed the House with approximately 67 votes. For those who opposed it at that time - it's a better Bill from your point of view; for those who supported it last time - it's still a good Bill from your point of view. I move that we accept the Governor's amendatory veto."

Speaker McPike: "The question is, 'Shall the House accept the

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specific recommendations for change with respect to House Bill 529?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this motion there are 91 'ayes', 16 'nos' and 1 voting 'present'. This motion has received the required Constitutional Majority, the motion is adopted and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendations for change. House Bill 2065, Representative Van Duyne. Representative Country... Cullerton on the motion. Representative Cullerton on a motion to accept."

Cullerton: "Yes... motion to accept. Yes, of course. Yes, I've been thinking about this. This is a good motion to accept this Governor's amendatory veto of the Illinois Pull Tabs and Jar Games Act. The Governor changes the Bill and he changes the rate in the taxing amounts. I think it's a slight hundred percent increase over what... when it was drafted. The Governor's changes are to the rate in the taxing amounts were made after consultation with the Department of Revenue. Of course, the Governor appoints the director of the Department of Revenue and he consults the director. The department believes that the higher fees are justified because of likely increased regulation costs, since pull tabs can be conducted on a daily basis, whereas charitable games and bingo operations are not. So, that's... that's basically all that the Governor's amendatory veto does. So for that reason, we would move to accept the Governor's amendatory veto and help the veterans."

Speaker McPike: "Any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House accept the specific recommendations for change with respect to House Bill 2065?' All in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted? Have all

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voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this motion there are 91 'ayes', 7 'nos' and 2 voting 'present'. This motion has received the required Constitutional Majority, the motion is adopted and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendations for change. Let the record show that Representative Sutker would have voted 'aye' on that motion. And Representative Brunsvold would have voted 'aye' on the motion. Committee Reports."

Clerk O'Brien: "The Committee on Rules has met and pursuant to Rule 29(c)3 the following Bill has been ruled exempt on February 25, 1988; House Bill 981. Jim McPike, Chairman."

Speaker McPike: "Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 982, Terzich; 1046, Flowers; 1049, Panayotovich; 1051, Wyvetter Younge; 1052, Morrow; 1053, Morrow; 1054, Ronan; 1055, Terzich; 1056, Johnson; 1057, Johnson; 1058, Johnson; 1059, Johnson; 1063, Regan; 1064, Krska; 1065, Morrow; 1066, Morrow; 1069, Goforth; 1070, Terzich; 1071, Black; 1072, Black; 1073, Black; 1074, Black; 1075, Speaker Madigan; 1079, Slater; 1081, Stephens; 1084, Terzich; 1088, Panayotovich; 1090, Barger; 1091, McCracken; 1092, Curran; 1093, Terzich; 1099, Terzich; 1100, Terzich; 1101, Matijevich; 1102, Terzich and 1103, Barger."

Speaker McPike: "Lieutenant Governor George Ryan is having his picture taken with Members if you'd like to line up in the center aisle. Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I move the (sic) adopt the Agreed Resolutions. These are all the congratulatory type."

Speaker McPike: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Death Resolutions."

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Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1044, Shaw; 1045, Wyvetter Young; 1047, Shaw; 1048, Shaw; 1050, Shaw; 1060, Johnson; 1061, Johnson; 1062, Johnson; 1076, Shaw; 1077, Anthony Young; 1078, Wyvetter Young; 1080, Wyvetter Young; 1082, Daley; 1083, Daley; 1085, Daley; 1086, Virginia Frederick; 1089, Daley; 1094, Daley; 1095, Churchill; 1096, Churchill; 1097, Churchill and 1098, Churchill."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Matijevich moves the adoption of the Death Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Death Resolutions are adopted. Representative Cullerton on a motion."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would move to take House Bill 981, pursuant to Rule 79(e), from the table."

Speaker McPike: "The Gentleman moves to take House Bill 981, that was exempted by Rules this morning from the table. And on that, Representative McCracken."

McCracken: "Mr. Speaker, to the motion. There's a time and place for everything. And I don't think this Bill's time is yet come. I would ask this side of the aisle to support me in resisting this motion to take from the table. As you know, it requires 71 votes. We have the votes to stop it and I would ask you to help me to do that today. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Cullerton to close."

Cullerton: "Well, I think that I should explain that the purpose of the motion is to take a Bill from the table then to nonconcur with the Senate Amendment and put the Bill in a Conference Committee. But I certainly was under the impression that we would have some cooperation from some Republicans on this motion and since that is not yet forthcoming, I think that perhaps at this time, I would withdraw my motion."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Piel."

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Piel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield for a question, please?"

Speaker McPike: "Oh, I thought you were rising on something else. The Gentleman closed. So, you were a little late on that."

Piel: "I'll explain my vote then..."

Speaker McPike: "Alright, the question... Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "I think at this time I would withdraw the motion."

Speaker McPike: "You are... No, you weren't recognized for that, Mr. Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Well, okay. Well, I tell you what, I would like to advance this motion if you can give me 71 votes."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Cullerton has moved the... that House Bill 981 be taken from the table. All those in favor of the motion vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted? Have all voted? Have all voted? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this motion there are 66 'ayes', 48 'nos' and 1 voting 'present'. The motion fails. The Chair recognizes the Doorkeeper for an announcement."

Doorkeeper: "Mr. Speaker, the Honorable President Rock and Members of the Senate are at the door and seek admission to the chamber."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Doorkeeper, please admit the Honorable Senators. Speaker Madigan in the Chair."

Speaker Madigan: "Ladies and Gentlemen, if we could have your attention, please. The Members could be in their chairs. Would all those not entitled to the floor please retire. Would the Members please be in their chairs. Mr. Giorgi, please take your seat. Mr. Hallock, please take your seat. Representative Collins (sic), nice to see you. Would the Members please take their chairs. Mr. Leverenz, would you take your chair and escort that gentleman off the floor."

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Mr. Novak, would you take your chair, Sir. Could we clear the Republican aisle. Mr. Ryan, Lieutenant Governor Ryan, would you take your chair, Sir. That's a very nice tie, Mr. Ryan. Mr. Washburn, would you please take your chair. As designated in House Joint Resolution #148, the hour of 12 noon having arrived; the Joint Session of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly will now come to order. Will the Members of the House and our esteemed guests from the Senate, please take their seats. Mr. Clerk, is a quorum present?"

Clerk O'Brien: "A quorum of the House is present."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. President, is a quorum of the Senate present in this chamber?"

President Rock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A quorum of the Senate is present."

Speaker Madigan: "There being a quorum of the House and a quorum of the Senate in attendance, this Joint Session is convened. The Chair would like to recognize our distinguished guests for today. And again, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Illinois, former Speaker of the House; Lieutenant Governor George Ryan. And I'm told that Lieutenant Governor Ryan has been joined by his wife, Lura Lynn. Is she in the gallery, George? Lura Lynn Ryan. The Secretary of State, Mr. James Edgar; The Secretary Edgar. The Comptroller, Mr. Roland Burris; Comptroller Burris. From the Supreme Court, Mr. Justice Miller; Justice Miller. We're pleased to have several agency directors with us and the Deputy Governor, Mr. James Riley; Mr. Riley. The Chair recognizes the Majority Leader, Mr. McPike."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Clerk read Joint Session Resolution 47."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Joint Session Resolution, resolved by a committee

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of ten be appointed; five from the House by the Speaker of the House; five from the Senate of the committee on committees of the Senate; to wait upon his Excellency, Governor James R. Thompson and invite him to address the General Assembly."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of the Resolution. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed by saying 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Pursuant to the Resolution the following are appointed as a committee to escort the Chief Executive. The House appointments to the Committee of Escort will be Representative Giorgi, Representative Berrios, Representative O'Connell, Representative Braun and Representative Flowers."

President Rock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Senate Members appointed are Senator Holmberg, Senator Dunn, Senator Hall, Senator Madigan and Senator Davidson."

Speaker Madigan: "Will the Committee of Escort please convene at the rear of the chamber and await his Excellency, the Governor. The Chair recognizes the Doorkeeper for an announcement."

Doorkeeper: "Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Governor of the State of Illinois, James Thompson and his party wish to be admitted to the chamber."

Speaker Madigan: "Admit the Honorable Governor. Before the Governor assumes the podium, the Chair would like to recognize the wife of the Governor, the First Lady of Illinois; Mrs. James Thompson. Jane Thompson."

Governor Thompson: "Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, Leaders and Members of the General Assembly, my fellow constitutional officers and my fellow citizens. The Constitution of our state requires that the Governor, each year, tell you what

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the state of our state is, and that he present a budget which estimates how much money there is to spend next year and how he would spend it. Because the people of Illinois have given me the privilege of serving longer than any other Governor in the history of the state, this is my 12th such opportunity to renew our partnership in government. And, because this year the state of our state is the budget, I have combined the two addresses into one. This budget does not contain any proposed tax increase - not because I do not favor one; I do. I support a modest increase in the fairest tax of all - the Illinois income tax. That tax is the second lowest income tax in the nation while the people of Illinois enjoy the 9th highest income in the nation. We have not permanently increased that tax for 19 years. It is a two and a half percent, flat rate tax. We could increase it by a modest amount; keep our relative tax ranking; keep our good business climate; and get the job done for our citizens in providing the kind of services that they had the right to expect from us when they elected us. But of course, if you believe this budget is adequate, no tax increase is needed. My report to you today is that there are really two States of Illinois - one, a story of pride in accomplishments and the other, a daunting challenge of serious and systemic proportions. First, the good news. When I reported to you last year, unemployment stood at 7.4 percent. Today it stands at 6.7 percent. Last year 5,231,000 Illinoisans were working; today 5,407,000 Illinoisans are working, more than ever before in the history of our state. Agriculture and agribusiness are on the rebound; manufacturing jobs are returning to the economy for the first time in years; the service sector continues to grow; new investment in our state continues to grow; welfare rolls are declining for

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the first time in years; exports are increasing and Lieutenant Governor Ryan has been spearheading plans to build a World Trade Center in Chicago. In the eleven years that I have been privileged to serve as Governor, our state highway system has vastly expanded; our state's roadways are in better shape; general aviation facilities have multiplied in number and quality; essential rail service has consolidated and remained competitive; mass transit has expanded and improved; new suburbs have been carved out of prairie; downtowns have been renewed. Build Illinois will deliver what I promised when I proposed it to you, though I must tell you, as I told you last year, Build Illinois cannot deliver what you promised in addition unless you add the revenue to pay for it. But this state is more than bricks and mortar and concrete and steel and asphalt. This state is people - the people who elected you and me to understand the challenges, find the answers, get them enacted into law and fairly, compassionately and effectively administer and pay for those laws. If we are unwilling or unable to do that, we have no business being here. Since you and I have been here we have been able to accomplish much without raising taxes, and in fact, while reducing state taxes by over 4.2 billion dollars in this administration over the last nine years. Let me tell you what we have every right to be proud of: First, we stared down inherited debt; two recessions; massive technological changes; market dislocations and national and foreign competition to forge last year the best unemployment compensation reform system in the nation. The payoff? Better benefits for workers; lower taxes for business; the elimination of business and state debt; and a radical improvement in the business climate. Two, the welfare rolls are declining in Illinois. That's good news. Part

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of this is because there are more jobs and part of this is because you and I enacted welfare reform in 1987. Project Chance is ahead of its goal of bridging 100,000 people in three years from the welfare rolls to the employment rolls. While other states and the federal government still talk about welfare reform, you and I did something about it. That is leadership - that demonstrates the ability to govern, not just talk. Since we last met, Illinois has made the final list for the SSC, the Superconducting Super Collider. We made the final cut because we started earlier, and worked harder, than any other state. On the merits, no state outranks us. We will not know until later this year whether Congress will authorize the construction of the SSC and, if that occurs, whether we will be chosen. The value of the prize can scarcely be calculated - many thousands of jobs and spin-off industries and unparalleled scientific prestige. We are where we are today because of executive and legislative leadership. Before we meet again in this setting, the first new autos will roll off the line at Diamond-Star. And since we last met in this setting, the first new cars have rolled off the line at Chrysler in Belvidere. Ford continues strong production in Ford City. In a time of fluctuating and uncertain production and demand for autos, we are industry leaders. We are in this position because we dared to invest in ourselves and that investment will be repaid many times over - at Diamond-Star, Chrysler, Ford, Caterpillar, Deere, Navistar, Zenith and a host of other industries. That took executive and legislative leadership. If you look at the history of the last eleven years you will see at once the pride of achievement in creating and sustaining new programs to meet the needs of our people in ways that were not met by those who governed before us. Eleven years ago, the choice for

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many senior citizens who needed help was to close their homes, give up their independence, move to a nursing home or hospital, or die without help. Next year, we will serve more than 35,000 elderly and disabled citizens in their homes at a cost of 112 million dollars. We were able to do that without raising taxes, and in fact while cutting taxes. But we can't continue to do it anymore. Without new resources to match growing needs, this kind of program cannot continue to serve all those entitled to our help. And it's your job to provide those new resources or curtail the program. Eleven years ago, criminal sentencing laws were weak and criminals laughed at the law while free on the streets. No new penitentiary cells had been built in decades and old prisons were crumbling. Today tough sentencing laws and prison expansion have enabled us to make room for more than 11,000 additional criminals from the streets of our communities - where the law-abiding people of Illinois don't want them and where they don't belong. That cost us 315 million dollars in increased operating costs, and we're spending 418 million dollars in construction costs. We were able to do this without raising taxes and, in fact, while cutting taxes. But we can't do it anymore. It's your job to provide new resources to expand and modernize our corrections facilities, keep them safe and restore vitally needed parole services. Three years ago, we began a new pharmaceutical program for 22,000 senior citizens and disabled persons at a cost of 3 million dollars. Next year in that same program, we will help more than 76,000 seniors with heart and blood pressure diseases, diabetes, and arthritis at a total cost of 32 million dollars - from 3 million to 32 million in three years - and the Circuit Breaker will help 360,000 seniors and disabled people with

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their property taxes at an additional cost of 115 million dollars. We were able to do this without raising taxes, and in fact, while cutting taxes. But we can't do it anymore. It is your job to provide new resources to support this fast growing program or curtail it. This year you left this program millions of dollars short. And no senior citizens are getting their Circuit Breaker checks. A measure of our society's compassion can be found in how we provide for the weakest, most helpless members of our community. Eleven years ago our infant mortality rate stood at 16 deaths per thousand, shamefully higher than the average of other states and nations who have fewer resources than we do. Today, that rate stands at 11.5 deaths per thousand - remarkable progress, but not good enough. In the first year, this program cost 1.4 million. Next year it will cost 20.8 million. We were able to do this without raising taxes, and in fact, while cutting taxes. It is your job to provide new resources to support this program. Failure to do so will, without choice, drive the cost of government significantly higher as we pay the price of ignorance, poverty, mental illness, disability, crime and death. Ten years ago, we began to take action to uncover and treat cases of child abuse and neglect. We were extraordinarily successful. The cases uncovered have grown tenfold - from 9200 to 92,000. That took strong executive and legislative leadership. We were able to uncover these cases without raising taxes and in fact, while cutting taxes. But we can't do everything that should be done about many of these cases without new resources. And it's your job to provide them. Think for just a moment of your own precious children and grandchildren - their love, their laughter, their accomplishments, their happy years of life. And now think

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of thousands of children whose daily lives are filled with dread, with fear, with pain - sometimes with a death a merciful release from the worst crimes that can be committed. Failure to deal with this cancer in our community and deal with it now will scar our souls. I do not want that scarring on my soul, and neither do you, but I cannot faithfully execute the noble laws which you have passed without the dollars to pay for more and better caseworkers, foster homes and adoptive services. When we were growing up, the plague - 'Black Death' was a medieval horror story that we read about in our history books and then forgot. Today the AIDS plague stalks the world and Illinois. In seven years we have gone from six cases to 1,457 cases. We responded by raising spending from 600,000 dollars in federal funds in 1986 to 41 million dollars for AIDS in state and federal funds next year. Last year we passed the best, most comprehensive AIDS legislation in the nation. That took strong executive and legislative leadership, and we did it without raising taxes and in fact, while cutting taxes. But as the always fatal AIDS plague spreads in homosexual and heterosexual communities, white, black and Hispanic communities, among rich and poor, among men, women and children, I cannot faithfully execute the good laws you have passed unless you provide new resources for the years ahead. There is much that is good in the first Illinois; there are difficulties and dangers in the second. This state was one of the first in the United States outside the sunbelt to establish a comprehensive and aggressive agency for economic development - the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs. That agency and Lieutenant Governor George Ryan - with your help - launched the battle for jobs on scores of fronts - the retention of existing business (that's one of

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the reasons why we have a new auto plant instead of a closed auto plant at Belvidere); the winning of new investment (that's why we have a new, state-of-the-art auto plant instead of a corn field at Bloomington-Normal); help for small and medium size businesses; effective partnerships with local governments; a strengthened infrastructure for business including site location services, access roads, and utilities; low-cost loans, small business development centers, technology transfer programs; the corridors of opportunity marketing programs, overseas offices export promotion, and tourism promotion, which goes overseas for the first time next year. We don't always win every battle. Because we are aggressive and compete for projects that others avoid, we win more, but we also lose more. But when too many of our people are unemployed or underemployed, I refuse to entrust economic development to a sleepy, half-hearted bureaucracy. And we have done all of this without raising taxes, and in fact, while cutting taxes. But as we enter the home stretch in the race for the changed jobs of today and the new jobs of tomorrow, we are deliberately shortchanging the efforts of business and labor in this state to bring us home a winner. With neighboring states becoming more fiercely competitive in their efforts to overtake our leadership, we risk becoming a failed partner. This budget is inadequate to keep Illinois in the race for new jobs. I have allocated as much as I dare from existing resources - it is your job to provide new resources or you must just say no to thousands of Illinois workers like Tony Rousonelos of Joliet, Illinois. Tony is my guest in this chamber today. He works at Caterpillar, he has for 22 years. Last year he was laid off because he didn't possess marketable skills. After in-house training - thanks in part to state job

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training funds - he became a shop laborer and is now a machine specialist. Because Caterpillar and Tony cared about their future, he's not just another unemployed, unemployable statistic. He's a hardworking, skilled, productive taxpayer. But for Caterpillar to survive - and for Tony and thousands like him to stay employed into the next century - his, and their skills must be continually upgraded. That is primarily the obligation of Caterpillar, and they are spending millions of dollars to do so. But we have an obligation to help. What began as a 30,000 dollar program ten years ago has grown to a 30 million dollar program today. Yet this budget for next year can spend only 22.5 million for the Industrial Training Program for the whole state. We are going backwards - not forwards. Total job training funds are 65 million below where they were two years ago; international office efforts will fall sharply in the wake of the weak dollar; the Large Business Loan Program is down, not up, from two years ago; the Incubator Development Program is down, not up, from two years ago; high technology efforts are down, not up, from two years ago; the Infrastructure Development Program is down, not up, from two years ago; and Economic Development grants are half of what they were two years ago. In short, while other states are doing more, we are doing less. The jobs we have now, and the jobs we hope to have, become easy pickings for aggressive neighbors who have not been afraid to match tax resources with needs. Every person I've ever seen stand on a platform and 'Just Say No To Taxes' has a job. But more than a million of our people don't, or could have a better one. I refuse to say no to them. Austin Randolph was born in Chicago and attended SIU at Carbondale. He is my guest in this chamber today. He worked as a corrections officer at Menard and has been

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promoted to sergeant and now lieutenant. He performs a tough, important job under dangerous conditions. Menard, like other institutions has too few officers and too many violent inmates. You and I wouldn't spend a night there, in or out of a cell. And yet Austin Randolph and thousands of decent, hardworking corrections employees like him, risk their lives daily so that ours may be a little safer. I never saw anyone stand on a platform and 'Just Say No To Taxes' who risked his life daily, and I refuse to say no to Austin Randolph and his brave co-workers. We provide services through 21 state institutions and 425 community based agencies to people who are mentally ill or developmentally disabled. This budget does not increase the staffing ratio at the institutions which now house the most severely ill and developmentally disabled. We are 300 million dollars short of what the Governor's Task Force on the Future of Mental Health in Illinois said last year was urgently needed, and needed now. We risk permanent federal de-certification of our facilities and the loss of federal reimbursement funds under the Medicaid program. We risk federal lawsuits to force compliance with constitutional standards. We invite censure and shame from a compassionate people who sent us here. A few weeks ago, President Rock and I visited a state-supported school in Glen Ellyn for the deaf-blind. It was an occasion of joy - the school was renamed in honor of Senator Rock for his leadership efforts on behalf of the children. They were all blind - some could see a little. They were all deaf - some could hear a little. They were all disabled - some profoundly. Deaf and blind and disabled. And yet, they're the lucky ones. All that can be done for them is being done for them. That took strong and executive and legislative leadership. But there are hundreds more who

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are not being cared for, nurtured and taught in this way. I never saw a person stand on a platform and 'Just Say No To Taxes' whose life was dark, but for a glimmer, whose life was dim, but for a whisper or a note of music, or who could not feed or dress himself. I refuse to say no to those children. Two-hundred and twenty-six communities across this state cannot meet federally mandated wastewater treatment standards which will bring coercive penalties after July 1st of this year. Not a very exciting issue - sewers - until it means that a town like Jacksonville loses opportunity for economic growth, citizens lose the chance for jobs through no fault of theirs, and mayors like Helen Foreman - who is my guest in this chamber today - are caught between no state assistance and unyielding federal law. For failure to provide assistance to Jacksonville and 225 other communities Illinois will pay a terrible price. For the lack of a 70 million dollar match, 350 million dollars in federal revolving loan funds will be taken from Illinois and given to other, smarter states. I hear complaints in this and other chambers about the low return of federal dollars to Illinois. Small wonder - when by inaction - we're kicking them out the front door. Last year, I identified a simple and relatively painless way to help those communities and bring that 350 million dollars to Illinois. You refused to act. Those who stand on platforms and 'Just Say No To Taxes' must live in towns that already have all they need. I thought we were all one State. Mrs. Lyn Sprik of Quincy - who is my guest in this chamber today - believes that school dropouts and truants are a blight on the educational achievements of this state and so do I. Some of the companies we assist in Illinois are expected to deliver products with defect tolerances of less than 1 percent. And yet, we expect them to hire

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students from schools with drop-out rates that range from more than 25 percent statewide to 50 percent in our inner-city schools. Not to mention low test scores. Not to mention illiteracy. Not to mention poor work habits. Mrs. Sprik could use 'a little help from her friends' - you and me - and hundreds and thousands of teachers across the state like her are forced to work in a system which is not delivering the kind of education that this state needs to move it ahead. Mrs. Nancy Moore, the head teacher in Springfield's Early Start Project, is my guest in this chamber today. She knows that if you lose the child, you lose the adult. She knows that the earlier we reach young children at risk, the more lives we save; the fewer dollars we pay for ignorance and crime and hospitals and prisons and welfare. Last year, 6,500 children at risk were helped in Illinois - I'm proud of that, but 15 times as many - more than 100,000 - are being shut out and left out. That's not only wrong and shortsighted, it is immoral and we will pay a heavy price for that. Let's go to the bottom line of education in Illinois. The good news is that there will be no cut in state aid to education this year. The bad news is that we cannot afford any increase in state aid to education this year under the tax resources you have given me to work with. If you can find any significant new money for education next year without raising taxes - please do it. But please don't pretend to spend money we don't have. In elementary and secondary education we are abandoning thousands of children at risk and warehousing thousands more. Schools are supposed to be places of learning, not day care centers. Yes, I know we have too many teachers who aren't first rate, but we have many more who are. We're tolerating the bad and punishing the good. Yes, I know that school reform must come to Chicago and

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other inner-city schools before taxes increase. Yes, I know that parents must assume their responsibility as ours did. Yes, I know that we must demand more from the students themselves. Yes, I know that school districts where taxpayers get little state aid and are overburdened by property taxes must get a larger share with tax increases. Yes, I know that it is unfair to ask business to pay more if we do not turn out employable students or hobble the business climate in other areas. I know all this. But I also know that other states are doing more than us with fewer resources and the future will belong to them. At the level of higher education, we are encouraging low faculty morale, driving exceptional teachers away, strangling program development, choking the link between higher education and economic development, and tolerating pockets of campus neglect and disrepair. I never saw a person who stood on a platform to 'Just Say No To Taxes' who wasn't well enough educated to hold the job he had, but I know of hundreds of thousands who are not, or who have no job because they have no skills, and I refuse to just say no to them. The needs are real. Many are urgent. The time is now. But I believe that raising taxes should always be the last resort, not the first. Some people have said that we can spend more on services that people need by writing a different kind of budget than this book. They are entitled to an answer. There are those who acknowledge that our fiscal needs are pressing but say that we should not attempt to cure them all in one year - they want a multi-year solution. But this budget - like last year's budget - is part of a multi-year solution. We didn't get out of the woods last year, even with nearly three-quarters of a billion dollars of vetoes which you sustained. We still owe millions of dollars to doctors and

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hospitals and others who have given medical care to the poor. Their reward is to see the payment cycle go to 76 days and beyond because this Assembly underfunded the Medicaid line item this year. The Circuit Breaker program was underfunded by you this year. And even this budget does not address the 139 million dollars in corporate income tax refunds we owe to thousands of businesses across the state. We're spending money that isn't ours and that's wrong. Some have said that we can increase spending by collecting old debts. But many of these debts - while carried on the books - are uncollectable. Some of these debts are in litigation. Some of these debts are in audit. Some of these debts are intergovernmental disputes. I am for collecting every dollar we are owed and doing it as quickly as possible. And if you want to collect debts faster and are willing to increase the budget of the Department of Revenue, to do it - I will agree. But there will be a lag time beyond this year's budget. Some have said that we can spend more by cutting waste and reorganizing government. But the waste is never specified. And it will not save money, as some suggested last Sunday, to put the Lottery Department back into the Revenue Department, to put the Department of Employment Security back into the Department of Labor. No cost savings would be found; but direct and responsive authority would be diminished. Others suggest that revenue estimates are too low. But our revenue forecasts are in sync with national economic forecasts; they are identical to the forecasts of the Federal Reserve Board (two days old) and to the assumptions of former Chairman Paul Volker (two days old). They are square on the money with your own revenue forecasts from the Economic and Fiscal Commission. They work for you - not me - and function under bipartisan

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leadership. The Commission and the Bureau of the Budget are in 99.84 percent agreement over the two years of Fiscal '88 and '89. Or, to put it another way, there is a difference of 1/6th of 1 percent in their forecast on a 22 billion dollar base. Still others contend that 'natural growth' - ahh, the old natural growth - in existing revenues can support higher increases with at least some new allocation for education. But the plain fact is that natural growth is not limitless. And once we pay our old bills, fund increases that you mandate by law, and you refuse to change the mandates - pay the interest on our debt and provide really minimal increases for the most vital of human services, natural growth is used up. Moreover, this budget cannot predict new calamities which may befall us. The Supreme Court of the United States has agreed just two days ago to hear an appeal of the messages tax. We passed that tax three years ago to help fund education. I believe we will win the case. But if the court rules against us, there will be a 90 million dollar hole in this budget before you turn the cover of the book, and we will have to repay, with interest, more than 323 million dollars of money already spent. And we may not know that until next year! I can hear the ticking of that bomb. This budget is not designed to punish anyone. It was not written to hold education or any other area hostage for a tax increase. I have allocated all the money I think we will receive next year. None is hidden or held back. I have not heard a single responsible person in education or in human services say that we can make any kind of gains with current revenues, and they are right. This is now, under our Constitution, your budget. You may change it. You will change it. You always do. But you cannot say, I think, in good conscience that it adequately serves the

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real needs of the people of Illinois - now or for the future. It does not. And you cannot responsibly spend more than the bottom line of this book without providing new revenues. I will sign no such appropriations. What you can do is join with me in seeking to persuade the people of Illinois to invest more in themselves and in their families' future. That is what leadership is all about. But we elected leaders are entitled to leadership from the people as well. It's their state, after all. It's their lives and livelihoods at stake. It's the American Dream for their children at stake. We must tell them plainly and tell them now - 'It's your future, folks - It's your choice.' Thank you very much."

Speaker Madigan: "Will the Committee of Escort please come forward to escort the Governor from the chamber. President of the Senate is recognized for a motion."

President Rock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I do now move that the Joint Session now arise."

Speaker Madigan: "The President of the Senate has moved that the Joint Session do now arise. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed signify by saying 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Joint Session will now arise. Mr. Clerk, do you have an Adjournment Resolution? Mr. Clerk, do you have an Adjournment Resolution?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution, resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein; that when both Houses adjourn on Thursday, February 25, 1988, they stand adjourned until Wednesday, March 23, 1988 at 12 o'clock noon."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. McPike moves for the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution. Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, what is the next date in the Adjournment Resolution?"

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Clerk O'Brien: "Both Houses adjourn until Wednesday, March 23, 1988."

Speaker Madigan: "At what hour?"

Clerk O'Brien: "At 12 o'clock noon."

Speaker Madigan: "You've all heard the Resolution. Mr. McPike has moved for the adoption of the Resolution. Those in favor say 'aye', those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, do you have any other business? Agreed Resolutions. Agreed Resolutions. Mr. Curran in the Chair. Is Mr. McPike available? Mr. McPike."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Curran. Is Representative Curran in the chamber? Would he come to the podium, please. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1092, offered by Representative Curran. Whereas, the seventh grade basketball team of Franklin Middle School in Springfield, Illinois captured the 1987 State Championship and; whereas finishing the season with a seventeen to nothing record, the team won the championship game 47 to 46. Therefor, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we congratulate the seventh grade basketball team of Franklin Middle School on winning the state championship and that we wish them all - all the players and their coaches and managers - happiness and success in the future. And be it further resolved that a suitable copy of this preamble and Resolution be presented to the team members and to Coach Crum, with our esteemed and best wishes."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Curran in the Chair."

Curran: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I'd like to draw your attention to the young gentlemen in the well. We've just heard a speech which indicates the difficulty of our educational system

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throughout the state. I would like to draw your attention to some of the state champions who have... who are reigning within that system and they are from my district. They are from Franklin. They are the seventh graders and they are the best basketball players, their age, in the entire State of Illinois. Ladies and Gentlemen, I wish you'd give these young gentlemen a hand because they really deserve it. Thank you very much."

Speaker Breslin: "Congratulations team. Representative Farley, for what reason do you rise?"

Farley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to at this time move to suspend the appropriate posting rules for the following Bills: House Bill 2032, House Bill 277, House Bill 279, House Bill 1296, House Bill 1993 and House Bill 2614 to be heard with our Labor and Commerce Committee meeting immediately after Session. I talked to the Minority Spokesman and we agree and I would so move."

Speaker Breslin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, you have heard the Gentleman's motion. The question is, 'Shall the Posting Rules be suspended so that House Bill 2032, 277, 229, 1296, 1993 and 2614 can be heard immediately in the Labor and Commerce Committee?' Is there any objection? Hearing none, the rule is waived. Representative Farley, do you have 229 or 279 listed?"

Farley: "Madam Speaker, I think it's 279."

Speaker Breslin: "It's 279. Correct that record. Representative McCracken, for what reason do you rise?"

McCracken: "Just... just to ask the maker of the motion, have you spoken to someone over here, Representative Farley?"

Speaker Breslin: "He indicated, Representative McCracken, initially that he had and that he had approval..."

McCracken: "He had? Okay, thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Correct. So all of those Bills, Ladies and

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Gentlemen, will be heard immediately following adjournment of this session in the Labor and Commerce Commiss... They have not been posted but the rule has been waived for them. Approval of the Journals, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Journals #74 through 83."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Giorgi. Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Madam Speaker, I move that we dispense with the reading of the Journal and that the following Journals be approved. Journal 74 of October the 8th; 75 of October the 20th; 76 of October 21st; 77 of the 22nd; 78th of November 2nd; 79th of November 3rd; 80th of November 4th; 81st of November 5th; 82nd of November 6th and 83rd of November... January 13th. I blew... I move that we dispense with the reading of Journal."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of the Journal, without reading them. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall those Journals be approved without reading?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, Introductions - First Readings."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3018, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3019, Anthony Young; a Bill for an Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Retail Installment Sales Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3020, Dunn; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3021, Slater - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3022, Slater - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3023, Tuerk - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House

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Bill 3024, Steczo - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Regulatory Sunset Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3025, Black; a Bill for an Act to amend the minimum wage law. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3026, Stern; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3027, O'Connell; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3028, Black; a Bill for an Act to amend the State Employees' Group Insurance Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3029, Klemm - et al; a Bill for an Act relating to the liability of certain charitable organizations and their volunteers. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3030, Frederick; a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3031, Barger - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3032, Barger; a Bill for an Act in relation to the taxation of gas. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3033, Olson... Robert Olson; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Low-level Radioactive Waste Management Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3034, Preston; a Bill for an Act to amend the Intergovernmental Missing Child Recovery Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3035, Shaw; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3036, Black; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Municipal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3037, Daley; a Bill for an Act to amend the Liquor Control Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3038, Mulcahey; a Bill for an Act making certain appropriations. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3039, W. Preston (sic - Peterson); a Bill for an Act to exempt units of local government and school districts

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from municipal utility taxes. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3040, Leverenz; a Bill for an Act making appropriations to State Board of Education. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3041, Leverenz; a Bill for an Act making appropriations to State Board of Education. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3042, Mulcahey; a Bill for an Act making certain appropriations. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3043, Monique Davis; a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3044..."

Speaker Breslin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we have a couple of more items of business to do. We would like your cooperation in finishing with that business and then we will adjourn with the reading of the Death Resolution for a former Member. First, Ladies and Gentlemen, House Bill 981. We had discussion earlier today on a motion on this Bill. There appears to have been some confusion. We ask that you give Representative Cullerton your attention on the motion to try to eliminate that confusion. Representative Cullerton is recognized on... on a motion - on House Bill 981."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I too hope that I can clear up any confusion that may have existed on my previous motion. My motion is to, with respect to House Bill 981, to take from the table pursuant to Rule 79(e). After that motion is successful, I will move to nonconcur with a Senate Amendment and put this Bill into a Conference Committee. I expect that from that Conference Committee, we will have a six million dollar bond authorization for the Chicago Botanical Garden... Botanic Garden, which is located in the suburbs of Cook County near Glencoe. And th... this will be necessary for some emergency work to be done this summer. So the motion is simply to take from the table, to put this Bill in a

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Conference Committee fashion so that this objective can be reached dealing with the Chicago Botanic Garden. I'd be happy to answer any questions and I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Cullerton, the Clerk notifies me that the proper rule to suspend is 79(d) as opposed to 79(e). The Gentleman's motion is to take House Bill 981 from the table and suspend Rule 79(d) for further consideration. On that question, the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative McCracken."

McCracken: "Before I address the merits, parliamentary inquiry. Is it the Chair's position that 79(d) is being suspended? This Bill is tabled - 79(d) refers to Conference Committee Reports and requirements for distribution."

Speaker Breslin: "The motion is to take from the table and suspend Rule 79(d)."

McCracken: "Okay. Okay, very good. Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, this... it is contemplated, I think that this Bill would be amended in Conference Committee to authorize the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to issue bonds for the purpose of rehabilitation of the Botanical Gardens. This would result in necessarily taxes being imposed to retire this indebtedness. Now, I'm not saying that we are opposed for all purposes but there is no agreement yet on this Bill. There's no agreement on the merits. We've already been approached by the other side that's interested in our considering this Bill. We have already told them we will consider it in due course, but not today. If we want to come to an agreement on this Bill, the tabling motion ultimately presents no problem. It can be done at a moments notice. But if you take it from the table now, those of you who want to participate in a decision about this issue, you will lose that leverage as soon as it

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comes off the table. Do not vote for this motion, please. Vote 'no'. Save the day. We'll talk about this in its due course. There is no confusion."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Cullerton to close."

Cullerton: "Yes, I agree with Representative McCracken that there is no confusion. I don't understand why this bipartisan effort should get wrapped up in some type of partisan roll calls. This is something which benefits not just the suburban area of Cook County where this is located, but rather they have visitors from throughout the world. The money from this bond issue will be used for site improvements including: public toilets, water lines for fire protection, roadway improvements, stabilization of shoreline erosion and increased maintenance facilities. So, I don't know what... what there is to negotiate on."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall the House take House Bill 981 from the table and suspend Rule 79(d)?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk, would you vote me 'aye', please. Seventy-one votes are required for the adoption of this motion. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 15... 58 voting 'aye', 46 voting 'no' and 4 voting 'present'. And the motion fails. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1105, Johnson; 1108, Davis; 1109, Tate; 1110, Stephens; 1111, Kubik; 1112, Kubik; 1113, Krska; 1114, Hultgren; 1116, Hultgren; 1117, Panayotovich; 1118, Shaw; 1120, Wennlund; 1121, Wennlund; 1122, Wennlund; 1123, Novak; 1124, Novak; 1125, Novak; 1126, Novak; 1127, Hasara; 1128, Pullen; 1129, Hartke; 1133, Sieben; 1134, Giglio; 1135, Tuerk; 1136, Tuerk; 1138, Farley; 1139, W. Peterson; 1140, Currie; 1141, Breslin; 1142, Stange; Senate Joint Resolution 92, Brunsvold and DeJaegher; House Joint

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Resolutions 147, Ryder; 149, Stange; 150, Hensel; 151, Parke; 152, Kubik."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Matijevich on the Agreed Resolutions."

Matijevich: "Madam Speaker, we have examined the Resolutions. They are all of the agreed type and we... I move the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Matijevich moves the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Representative Leverenz is recognized."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. The Appropriations I Committee will meet immediately after adjournment for about three or four minutes. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I hope you heard that announcement. Approp. I will meet immediately after adjournment for a very short time. Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1104, Johnson; 1106, Johnson; 1107, Johnson; 1115, Hultgren; 1119, Shaw; 1131, Matijevich; 1132, Matijevich and 1137, Tuerk."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Matijevich moves the adoption of the Death Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Death Resolutions are adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are preparing to adjourn. We intend to adjourn on the adoption of a Death Resolution of a former Member. We ask for your respectful silence. Mr. Clerk, read the Resolution."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1068, offered by Representative Capparelli. Whereas, the House learned with sorrow the death of Harry H. Semrow, a familiar figure in Chicago politics, a former State Legislator and Cook County Board

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Commissioner; and whereas, born on the Northwest side of Chicago, August 19, 1915, Harry attended Our Lady of Victory Elementary School, Carl Schurz High School, Metropolitan Business College, and American Conservatory of Music; and whereas, after serving as a chief petty officer in the Navy during World War II, Harry Semrow and his brother, Bud, formed Semrow Products, a metal manufacturing company in Des Plaines; and whereas, elected to the State Legislature in 1956, Mr. Semrow quickly made his mark by introducing a Bill requiring all hospitals to have resuscitators and by promoting it with a demonstration on the House floor; and whereas, Mr. Semrow resigned from the Illinois House of Representatives in 1961 when President John F. Kennedy appointed him Chicago's Postmaster General; and whereas, his first year as Postmaster, he reported that the Chicago Post Office had reduced costs by almost 3 million dollars while handling 4.7 percent more mail; and whereas, elected to the County Board in 1966, Mr. Semrow left it in 1970 to run for the Board of Appeals, to which he was re-elected in 1974, '78, '82 and '86; and whereas, Mr. Semrow, who once owned WNMP radio station in Evanston, acquired the Quad City Angels of Davenport, Iowa, last year; and whereas, Harry Semrow leaves to cherish his memory; his brother, Bud; son, Harry, Jr.; daughter, Quandee; three grandchildren; two sisters; and a host of friends; therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we express our deep sorrow at the death of Harry H. Semrow; that we offer our sincere condolences to his family; and that we join his many friends in honoring his memory; and be it further resolved, that a suitable copy of this preamble and Resolution be presented to the family of Harry H. Semrow with our deepest

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Speaker Breslin: "Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm deeply saddened over the death of our friend and former Member, Harry Semrow. Harry was a good friend to all and a very personal friend to me. He repre... I represent the district that he represented, in those days it was the 14th district and today it's the 13th district. He served his fellow man to the best of his abilities. Harry was not a passive man but he always threw his hat... and threw his hat into the arena... political arena. He took an interest in social causes and willingly accepted responsibility for many of his endeavors. He greeted tragedy with a smile and always managed to find something good in everyone. He would have wanted us to do the same. Harry left an indelible mark on society, for his friendship, we are grateful. Harry will never be forgotten. It is inevitable that we will meet again, may God bless his soul."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I also knew Harry very well. He was a man who didn't limit his friendship just to Democrats, he was a friend to the Republicans and the Democrats. He often attended my political affairs with Representative Capparelli. And he certainly was a friend to everyone on the Northwest side of Chicago - who knew him. And I know that I'll miss him. I used to see him downtown, he'd always have a cheerful word and he'd always stop and talk to you. And I'll always have a soft spot in my heart for Harry and my condolences also to his family."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Berrios."

Berrios: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I got the opportunity to meet Harry Semrow seven years ago. He was one of those

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individuals that was willing to give people a chance and was willing to let people prove themselves. At the height of everything at the Board of Tax Appeals, people try to say many things about Harry Semrow. I was brought in there to help him make sure that nothing ever occurred in that office, and he was one man who was always there, with the integrity that he showed. He wouldn't stand for anything less than what the best that you could do. When I decided to run for the House, he was one of those individuals that said, 'You know, go for it, you know, the people in your community deserve and need representation'. He was one of those individuals that reached out and helped me with my election. The people at the Board will miss Harry. And I know that I personally will miss Harry Semrow. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative McCracken."

McCracken: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I had occasion to meet Mr. Semrow a few times, and although I did not know him well, I was... I was always impressed by his capacity for friendship and comradery. And I would like to echo Representative Berrios' remarks. Mr. Semrow had occasion to be a Commissioner with the Board at a time of great unrest, a time of trial and tribulation for him personally. And his... his actions at the Board, his leadership of the Board, were beyond reproach and I just want to honor his memory as well."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Terzich."

Terzich: "Yes, Madam Speaker, Members of the House, I've known Harry Semrow for a good number of years and during that time, I've always known Harry as a... a very dedicated public servant. Harry was financially well-set in his own right. As a matter of fact, very financially well-set in his own right. But he was always there to give the public service, he dedicated an entire lifetime to public service;

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whether it was through the Board of Appeals or the Commissioner of the Mail... U.S. Mail saw him. But Harry was one hell of a nice guy. He was a dedicated servant, a Member of the Illinois General Assembly and everything he did he did with honor and integrity. And I'm sure that the State of Illinois should mourn the loss of Harry Semrow."

Speaker Breslin: "Speaker Madigan to close."

Madigan: "Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, the Resolution accurately recounts governmental accomplishments of Mr. Semrow. Beginning here in the House of Representatives and moving on to be the Postmaster in the City of Chicago, then to the County Board, then to the Board of Appeals in Cook County. His governmental record was a record of accomplishment, a record of distinction and a record of honesty. And he and his family and all of us can take great pride in that governmental record. But beyond the governmental record, I would like to speak to Harry Semrow as a person, because it was as a person that he enjoyed his greatest accomplishments. He was a good father. He was a good person. And he was the type of person who would always greet people with a smile, with a friendly hello; despite the level of travail that he was suffering at the time. So the man did experience a great deal of anxiety for a short period before his death and through all of that he always maintained his equilibrium and his very pleasant personality. In short, he was just a very good person and those of us who knew him like Representative Capparelli, in particular, can be very proud for simply having enjoyed his friendship over the years."

Speaker Breslin: "With leave to add all Members as Sponsors, the question is, 'Shall the Resolution be adopted?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the

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Resolution is adopted. Representative McPike now moves that in recognition of Representative Semrow's death, this House should allow Perfunctory time before adjournment; and that we will stand adjourned until 12 noon on the date of March 23rd. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the Adjournment Resolution be adopted?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. This House stands adjourned until noon on March 23rd. Representative Van Duyne, for what reason do you rise?"

Van Duyne: "Yes, thank you, Madam Speaker. Counties and Townships is having a meeting immediately upon adjournment. So we need enough people for a quorum. So please, it'll just take us a few minutes in D-1."

Speaker Breslin: "Thank you."

Clerk O'Brien: "General Resolutions. House Joint Resolution 1130 (sic), Hartke; House Joint Resolution 145, Black; House Joint Resolution 146, Martinez; House Joint Resolution 153, McNamara - to Committee on Assignment. Introduction and First Reading of Bills. House Bill 2993, Brunsvold; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Aledo Civic Center Law. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2994, Shaw; a Bill for an Act in relation to the mayor and vice mayor of the City of Chicago. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2995, Kubik; a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2996, Preston; a Bill for an Act to amend the Open Meetings Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2997, Preston; a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2998, Preston; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2999, Panayotovitch - et al; a Bill

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for an Act to create the Lake Calumet Environmental Enhancement Authority. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3000, offered by Representative Tuerk - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3001, Martinez; a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3002, Martinez; a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3003, Martinez; a Bill for an Act in relation to the employment of interpreters at State Health Care Facilities. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3004, offered by Representative Tate; a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3005, Tate; a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3006, Matijevich; a Bill for an Act to amend the Township Open Space Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3007, Curran - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3008, Martinez; a Bill for an Act to amend the Business Corporation Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3009, Martinez; a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Capital Development Board. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3010, Flinn - et al; a Bill for an Act in relation to fees. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3011, Preston - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3012, Frederick; a Bill for an Act in relation to income tax refunds. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3013, Flinn; a Bill for an Act to amend the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3014, Flinn; a Bill for an Act to amend the Emergency Medical Services System Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3015, Flinn; a Bill for an

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Act in relation to certain prepayments of occupational and use tax liability. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3016, Daley; a Bill for an Act in relation to the offense of aggravated battery of a senior citizen. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3017, Curran; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act. First Reading of the Bill. Further introduction of House Bills. House Bill 3044, offered by Representative Homer; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Municipal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3045, Klemm; a Bill for an Act to amend the Mortgage Escrow Account Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3046, Novak; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3047, Wolf; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3048, Wolf; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3049, Daniels; a Bill for an Act in relation to construction of the Superconducting Super Collider. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3050, Daniels; a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3051, offered by Representative Rice; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3052, offered by Representative Novak; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to fire protection districts. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3053, Novak; a Bill for an Act to add Sections to the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3054, offered by Representative Van Dwyne; a Bill for an Act in relation to the selection of members of the Illinois Commerce Commission and its powers and duties. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3055, Rea; a Bill for an

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Act in relation to civic centers. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3056, O'Connell; a Bill for an Act to create the Illinois Energy Conservation Finance Authority and to foster cost effective energy conservation projects. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3057, O'Connell and Kubik; a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3058, Ropp; a Bill for an Act creating the Illinois Summer School for Agriculture. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3059, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3060, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to add Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3061, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3052...62, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to amend the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3063, Hartke; a Bill for an Act to add Sections of the River Conservancy Districts Act. First Reading of the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 3064, offered by Representative Homer; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Environmental Protection Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3065, offered by Representatives Harris - Satterthwaite; a Bill for an Act to amend the State Occupation and Use Act... Tax Acts to include computer software as a taxable item. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3066, offered by Representative Didrickson; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Truth in Taxation Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3067, offered by Representative Didrickson; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3068,

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offered by Representative Curran - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3069, offered by Representatives Tate - Stephens and Mays; a Bill for an Act to create Firearm Shooting Range Development Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3070, offered by Representative Satterthwaite; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Income Tax Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3071, offered by Representative Hensel; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to authorize county boards and counties under township organization to organize certain territory situated therein as a town. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3072, offered by Representative Hensel; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Act to revise the law in relationship to the clerks of the court. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3073, offered by Representative Hensel; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the creation of management of forest preserve districts and counties having population of less than 3 million. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3074, offered by Representative Hensel; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to revise the law in relationship to clerks of the court. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3075, offered by Representative Curran; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 307... House Bill 3076, offered by Representative Deuchler - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3077, offered by Representative Homer; a Bill for an Act in relationship to payments in lieu of property taxes for state acquired real estate held for conservation purposes. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3079, offered by Representative O'Connell and

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Kubik; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3080, offered by Representative O'Connell and Kubik; a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the State Board of Education for supplementary state aid payments to school districts. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3081, offered by Representative Giorgi and Olson; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3082, a Bill for an Act... offered by Representative Giorgi; a Bill for an Act in relationship to the compensation of regional superintendents of school. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3083, offered by Representative Brunsvold; a Bill for an Act in relationship to farm debt mediation. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3084, offered by Representative Cullerton; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Code of Civil Procedure. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3085, offered by Representative Cullerton; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relationship to the creation, maintenance, operation, improvement of Chicago Park District. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3086, offered by Representative Berrios - et al; a Bill for an Act in relationship to real estate tax deferral for low-income persons. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3087, offered by Representative Terzich - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Act to create sanitary districts and remove obstructions in the Des Plaines and Illinois rivers. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3088, offered by Representative Myron Olson; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3089, offered by Representative Hensel; a Bill for an Act in relationship to State Services and Occupation Taxes. First Reading of the Bill. House

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Bill 3090, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act to add Sections to the Illinois Income Tax Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3091, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3092, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act relating to local regulation of the transfer possession, transportation of firearms and firearm ammunition in Illinois. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3093, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act to add Sections to the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3094, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3095, offered by Representative Hicks; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relationship to criminal identification and investigation. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3096, offered by Representative Matijevich; a Bill for an Act in relationship to the practice of clinical social work and amending certain Acts herein named. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3097, offered by Representative O'Connell - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3098, offered Representative Currie - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3099, offered by Representative Regan; a Bill for an Act in relationship to certain offenses committed against institutionalized and profoundly mentally retarded adults. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3100, offered by Representative Breslin and McPike; a Bill for an Act to amend certain Acts in relationship to environmental

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protection. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3101, offered by Representative Currie - et al; a Bill for an Act concerning comparable worth and amending certain Acts herein named. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3102, offered by Representative McNamara; a Bill for an Act to provide for the recall of elected officials. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3103, offered by Representative DeJaegher; a Bill for an Act in relationship to the abused and neglected of elderly persons. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3104, offered by Representative Breslin; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act for state collection of certain locally imposed taxes. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3105, offered by Representative Breslin; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3106, offered by Representative Currie; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3107, offered by Representative Doederlein; a Bill for an Act requiring immunization screening in post-secondary educational institutions. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3108, offered by Representative Turner; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3109, offered by Representative Giglio; a Bill for an Act in relationship to training of county officials... county sheriffs. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3110, offered by Representative Terzich; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relationship to prisoners and jails amending and repealing certain Acts herein named. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3111, offered by Representative Levin - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. First Reading of the

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Bill. House Bill 3112, offered by Representative White and Brunsvold; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3113, offered by Representative Currie; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3114, offered by Representative Hartke and Breslin; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Criminal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3115, offered by Representative Granberg; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the All-terrain Vehicle Safety Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3116, offered by Representative Leverenz and Myron Olson; a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the State Board of Elections. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3117, offered by Representative Granberg; a Bill for an Act to amend the Weights and Measures Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3118, offered by Representative Saltsman - et al; a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Public Utilities Act. First Reading of the Bill. No further business, the House will now stand adjourned until noon on Wednesday February 23rd. March 23rd."

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