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Speaker Giglio: "The House will come to order. The Chaplain for today is Elder (sic - Edler) Charles Nash, pastor of New Hope Church of God in Christ in Champaign, Illinois. Elder Nash is the guest of Representative Johnson. Our guests in the gallery may wish to rise for the invocation. Reverend Nash."

Nash: "Heavenly Father, we come at this hour recognizing You as the Creator of the Universe, the Sustainer, the Giver of all good and perfect gifts. We thank You for this day that You have blessed each and everyone of us to see and we come at this hour thanking You for Your many blessings. We ask, oh God, if You would visit this room on today. Guide these men and women whom are sitting down governing Your people. We realize that we can make it with Your help. Bless the Governor. Bless the Speaker of the House. Bless all of these, Your people. Give them the mind and the ability to make sound decisions that would better the quality of life of people all over this state. We thank You. We praise You. Amen."

Speaker Giglio: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Hartke."

Hartke - et: "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 Giglio: "Roll Call for Attendance. Matijevich."

Matijevich: "The only excused absence is Representative Giorgi due to an illness in the family."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Frederick, Harris, McAuliffe and Petka are excused today."

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Speaker Giglio: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 109 answering the quorum call. A quorum is present. This House is ready to do its business...Special Order Calendar, under Concurrences, Government Administration, Local Government, the following Representatives have Bills: Steczo, Brunsvold, Flinn; Homer, Hicks, Curran, Jay Hoffman, Art Turner, Jim Keane, Parcels. Under that Order, appears House Bill 854, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. Representative Brunsvold. Representative Flinn. Representative Monroe Flinn, House Bill 2950. The Gentleman from St. Clair, Representative Flinn."

Flinn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. There are four Amendments to House Bill 2950. The first one covers House Bill 3030 which did not get out of Rules, and it was passed by a substantial majority in the House. The second was 2949 and that was a Bill that someone else wanted to use as a vehicle in the Senate. So the Senate Sponsor and myself agreed to permit them to have the Bill and we put this on 2950. The third and fourth Amendment or fourth and fifth Amendments, rather, deal with a subject matter that the Senate decided - and I think that it considerably improved the Bill - which would...When the tax sales were made, that when you paid for the tax property you had to pay all the local liens. I think the Senate has improved the Bill substantially, and I would move for the adoption of all four Amendments: 1, 3, 4 and 5."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Flinn, there's...there's something wrong with the computer, and the Clerk checked the Bill that came from the Senate, and the Senate Amendments that were adopted were Senate Amendment #1, 4

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and 5. The third one was deleted. The board should be corrected, hopefully, in a minute. Representative Black, do you have questions of the Amendments?"

Black: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, a question of the Chair. Our file indicates that Senate Amendment #2 was also adopted in the Senate."

Flinn: "Why don't we take this out of the record until we get it straightened out?"

Speaker Giglio: "I'll...I'll have the Clerk...take it...All right, we'll take it out. Representative Homer. Is Representative Homer in the chamber? Representative Hicks. Representative Curran. Representative Jay Hoffman. Representative Turner. Art Turner, on 3663. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Turner."

Turner: "First of all, Mr. Speaker, let me say hello to you this morning. It's a beautiful Saturday morning, and I'm glad to see you and so many bright-eyed faces here. I'd like to move to nonconcur on House Bill 3663 and ask that this Bill be sent to Conference."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion to nonconcur. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3663. Representative Keane. Is Representative Keane in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Parcels. Representative Flinn...do you want to call 3495? Representative Flinn?"

Flinn: "Mr. Speaker, we're waiting on the Republican staff person to get here but, in the meantime, I find the record from the Senate is that 1, 4 and 5 were adopted, but I need to check that out so Representative Black and I can get together on it. So..."

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Speaker Giglio: "All right, well you have a number Bill on this Order, 3495. Do you wish to proceed with that Bill?"

Flinn: "No. I wish to nonconcur on those two Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman wishes to nonconcur with Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3495. Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the House concur or nonconcur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3495?' All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3495. Representative Hoffman, on House Bill 3641, Jay Hoffman, the Gentleman from St. Clair."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3641, the only minor change. I move to concur. There's only a minor change that was made in the Senate. It indicates that the Job Training Council will have both state and federal veterans organizations on it, not just federal. I move to concur."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Yeah, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "Indicates he will."

Black: "I remember one day, Representative, somebody got up and said that, as you did, 'That it was only a minor change'. A few years ago somebody said, 'It only changes one word'. I asked, 'what word does it change?' And he said, 'million to billion'. So, if you would, perhaps, enlighten us as to what the 'minor change' is, I'd be most grateful."

Hoffman: "Representative, you know I would never do that to you."

Black: "Absolutely."

Hoffman: "What...What this Bill does, as you know, it says that

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the job...JTPA Board in the State of Illinois will be raised from 50 to 55 members, and there will be five members from veterans' organizations. The original Bill said that 'two members must be members representatives of nationally chartered veterans' organizations'. The Amendment says 'two members must be representatives of nationally or state-chartered veterans' organizations'. That's the only change in the Bill. It allows a state-chartered veterans' organization to also be included. It was an omission...in the original drafting, and we certainly didn't want to keep those organizations out of being possible members of this board."

Black: "Well, absolutely not, I...I certainly agree. I think it's a major change, and it took your...It took a very good Bill that you sponsored, made it even better. So, I...I certainly stand in support of your Motion to concur."

Speaker Giglio: "Question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3641?' And on that question, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open, and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3641, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Flinn, the Gentleman from St. Clair on House Bill 2950."

Flinn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we've got the problem straightened out. The Senate put Amendments 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 on and then tabled Amendments 2 and 3. Amendment 1 puts House Bill 3030 on this Bill and I've already explained the

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reasons. And it puts Amendment #4 puts 2949 on this Bill, and I've already explained that. And the last Amendment, #5, what it does, generally speaking, it causes the tax buyer to pay not only the taxes but for the liens on the property. So...the counties will be collecting money from the municipalities for weed cutting liens or whatever the case may be. This is supported by the Municipal League, and it's supported by the Urban County League and it's supported by everybody except the small group of tax buyers. I would ask for the adoption of Amendments..."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Yeah. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We certainly appreciate Representative Flinn taking the Bill out of the record until we could get straightened out with our various staff people as to what Amendments were on the Bill, and, as the Gentleman says, two of the Senate Amendments were tabled. We stand in agreement with his Motion to concur."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1, 4 and 5 to House Bill 2950?' And on that question, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and the House does concur in Senate Amendments #1, 4 and 5 to House Bill 2950, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Keane, do you wish to call 3673? Out of the record. On the Order of Human Services, appears House Bill 3394, Representative Barbara Flynn Currie. Representative

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Currie, 3394."

Currie: "Not to concur."

Speaker Giglio: "House Bill 3394, Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you. I would move that we not concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3394."

Speaker Giglio: "Lady moves to nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3394. All those in favor...Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Giglio: "She moves to nonconcur."

Wennlund: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question as to why we're nonconcurring?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Currie."

Currie: "Because it was a vehicle Bill when it left here and it's still a vehicle Bill when it came back. Were we to concur, Representative, we would be sending a shell Bill to the Governor's desk. I know it happens from time to time, but hardly ever does it happen on purpose."

Wennlund: "Could you repeat that, please?"

Currie: "What I said is that the Bill as it left here was a shell Bill. It's come back with an Amendment but the Amendment keeps it a shell Bill. Now if we were to concur in this Amendment, then we would be sending a vehicle Bill to the Governor's desk, and while we may occasionally do that we hardly ever do it on purpose. So I would instead move that we nonconcur in the Amendment that retains this as a shell Bill."

Wennlund: "Is this the vehicle for the hospital assessment?"

Currie: "This was a Bill that was introduced by Representative Ryder and myself at the behest of the children's hospitals."

Wennlund: "For what?"

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Currie: "It was...We introduced this at the behest of the children's hospitals."

Wennlund: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Lady's Motion to nonconcur. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3394. Representative Obrzut. Is Representative Obrzut in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Keane, do you wish to call House Bill 3594? Out of the record. Representative Edley. Is Representative Edley in the chamber? Do you wish to call House Bill 3628? The Gentleman from McDonough, Representative Edley."

Edley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. I move to concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3628. Senate Amendment #1 cleans up some of the conflicts and duplication between the Comptroller and the Clerk's Office relative to our district office allotments. And I would move for concurrence."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3628?' And on that question, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? McAfee, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3628, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Obrzut, do you wish to call House Bill 4027? Out of the record. On the Order of Education, appears House Bill 2996, Representative Novak. The Gentleman from

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Kankakee, Representative Novak."

Novak: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move that we concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2996. As you are aware, this Bill is the borrowing plan to put the double school aid payment back the way it was prior to Senate Bill 45. Senate Amendment #1 merely codifies in the statutes the double payment situation for the School District 299 in the City of Chicago that has been done on a casual agreement basis by this Governor and prior Governors prior to the end of their fiscal year. And I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from McLean, Representative Ropp."

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

Speaker Giglio: "Indicates he will."

Ropp: "I'm in support of this idea but I guess the question is, Do we have the money now to do that? Is that to be done here in June, this year?"

Novak: "Well, we'd...we'd like to get this Bill on the Governor's desk before the 30th of this month, Representative. And we..."

Ropp: "Where do you...Where do you propose to secure the dollars to do that?"

Novak: "I've spoken to the Comptroller, and she said we do have the ability to...to borrow this money at a very lower interest rate other than what the school districts would have to pay."

Ropp: "But...But don't we have to give the Comptroller that authority to do that?"

Novak: "Yes."

Ropp: "Have we done that?"

Novak: "Yes."

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Ropp: "He has the authority now to borrow money to pay for this?"

Novak: "No, excuse me, this Bill would give the Governor the authority, but she has the authority to borrow the money, yes."

Ropp: "Okay."

Novak: "Under the Casual Deficit Act."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt...Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2996?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 96 voting 'yes', 9 voting 'no', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2996, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Keane, on House Bill 3594. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Keane."

Keane: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to nonconcur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3594. Oppose my Motion."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of nonconcurring in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3594 signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3594. Representative Granberg. Is Representative Granberg in the chamber? Representative McDonough. Representative McDonough, you have House Bill 3882. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative McDonough."

McDonough: "I move to nonconcur with Senate Amendment #2."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman moves to nonconcur in Senate

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Amendment #2 to House Bill 3882. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 3882. Representative Santiago, House Bill 3746. Representative Ronan. Representative Ronan, on House Bill 3707. Out of the record. On the Order of Civil and Criminal Law, appears House Bill 1181. Representative Stange. Out of the record. Representative Kirkland, 2694. Do you wish to call this Bill? Out of the record. Representative Currie. Representative Currie in the chamber? Representative Williams. Representative Williams? Out of the record. Representative Cowlshaw, the Lady from DuPage, on House Bill 4030. Out of the record. Representative Keane, you have House Bill 4049. Out of the record. Representative Curran, for what purpose do you rise, Sir? Representative Black."

Black: "All right. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. An inquiry of the Chair. We have now gone through the Calendar one complete time. Everyone - in a spirit of bipartisanship - everyone has had an opportunity to call their Bill this morning. I want you to know, Mr. Speaker, we appreciate that fairness. The Republicans stand with you ready to adjourn. We have gone through the Calendar one complete time. Everyone's had a fair chance. We will support your Motion to adjourn, Sir."

Speaker Giglio: "Thank you, Representative Black, at the appropriate time. We're now trying to revive some of the Republicans that are not here because we have some of their Bills on the Calendar, and we want to give them an opportunity to have the House hear their Bills."

Black: "Well, it looks to me like we're all here. I...I don't

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see an empty seat over here."

Speaker Giglio: "All right. There's House Bill 2824, Representative McAuliffe. Is McAuliffe here? McAuliffe's not here. Representative Stange has a Bill also. Is Representative Stange here? Representative Currie, you have three Bills on Civil and Criminal Law. Do you wish to have these Bills heard? You have House Bill 3261. You have 3288. Do you wish to...Do you wish to call any of these Bills?"

Currie: "I'd like to call 3288, please."

Speaker Giglio: "(House Bill) 3288. The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie, on House Bill 3288. Proceed."

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. The underlying Bill was a proposal that tries to encourage faster action in terms of sentencing when an individual has been judged guilty of a sexual crime, and the Senate Amendment had actually been...had been the substance of a different House Bill that didn't get out of Senate Rules. It provides that presentence reports, when there are allegations of sexual misconduct, shall also...there will also be an effort to make sure those are filed not only timely, but quickly. I know of no opposition to the measure, and I would appreciate your support for the concurrence Motion."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion on the Lady's Motion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3288?' And on that question, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the House does

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concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3288. And this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Homer. Representative Homer, you have House Bill 2987. Do you wish to have this Bill called under State and Local Government? The Gentleman from Fulton, Representative Homer."

Homer: "Yeah...apparently they've changed on that. Mr. Speaker, this...this Bill creates an insurable interest in employees for corporations. We've had a Senate Bill that passed out of here that did virtually the same thing. There was an Amendment added in the Senate which...which deals with the modification of the consent in writing provisions, and I would move that we concur in the Senate Amendment #1."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion on the Gentleman's Motion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2987?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2987, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed...Mulcahey, for what purpose do you rise, Sir? Representative Steczo, you have House Bill 854. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Steczo."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move to nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 854. The purpose is to take the Bill to Conference and deal with noncontroversial local government matters."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in

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favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 854. Representative Brunsvold, you have House Bill 2916. Out of the record. Representative Hicks in the chamber? Representative Curran. Representative Granberg. Representative Williams. The Chair would like to make an announcement. We are going to page 8 of the Calendar under Nonconcurrences, and for those Members who wish to refuse to recede from the House Amendments, so that we could get these Bills into a Conference Committee, whereby we could hopefully have proper negotiations and...ultimate come to an agreement where these Bills could be passed. So, those Members who want to refuse to recede to send these Bills to Conference, we will now go through the list of Bills starting on page 8. And on that, appears Senate Bill 216, Representative Steczo - Hartke."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I refuse to recede on...I would move that...the House refuse to recede on House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 216 and would ask for the appointment of a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede to House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 216, and a Conference Committee is requested. Senate Bill 969, Representative Curran. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1508, Representative Matijevich, page 8 of the Calendar. Refuse to...You wish to refuse to recede from House Amendments #1 and 2 and ask for a Conference Committee?"

Matijevich: "Yes, Sir, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of

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the House. I would move that the House refuse to recede from House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1508."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede from House Amendments #1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1508 and requests a Conference Committee. Senate Bill 1516, Representative Kubik. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would move to refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 and request a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to 1516 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative Currie, on Senate Bill 1518. Representative Currie, do you wish to refuse to recede on House Amendment #2?"

Currie: "Yes. Yes, please."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1518. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede from House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1518 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative Satterthwaite, on Senate Bill 1554, the Lady from Champaign."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I move to refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 on Senate Bill 1554 and ask that a Conference Committee be reported."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Lady's Motion. All those in favor

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signify by saying 'aye'...Representative Homer, are you seeking recognition? You heard the Lady's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede on House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1554 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative Weller. Representative Weller, Senate Bill 1622, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse to recede in House Amendment #1? Take it out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Representative Churchill. Out of the record. Representative Wolfe. Representative Sam Wolf, Senate Bill 1650, House Amendments #1 and 3. Do you wish to refuse to recede in these Amendments and ask for a Conference Committee?"

Wolf: "Mr. Speaker, I refuse to recede from House Amendment #1, and I ask that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman moves to refuse to recede in House Amendments #1 and 3 to House Bill 1650 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries. Representative Cowlishaw, Senate Bill 1655. Is the Lady in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Steczo, you have Senate Bill 1662. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Steczo."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The board should read Senate Bill 1662. I would now move, Mr. Speaker, that the House refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1662 and would ask for the appointment of a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Steczo, the Calendar shows House Amendments #1, 2 and 3."

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Steczo: "Then, Mr. Speaker, I would move that the House refuse to recede from House Amendments #1, 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 1662."

Speaker Giglio: "All right, the board is incorrect, but there are House Amendments #1, 2 and 3 on Senate Bill 1662, and the Gentleman refuses to recede in these Amendments and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede from House Amendments #1, 2 and 3 and a Conference Committee be requested. Representative Brunsvold, Senate Bill 1665. The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Brunsvold."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move to refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 and ask a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1665, and a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative LeFlore. Representative LeFlore, on Senate Bill 1717."

LeFlore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I refuse to recede Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1717, and I'd like for a Conference Committee to be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in Senate Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1717 and a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative McAfee, Senate Bill 1736. The Gentleman

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from Cook, Representative McAfee."

McAfee: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to move that the House refuse to recede to Senate Amendment #1 and create a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to 1736 and a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative Steczo, on Senate Bill 1763. Out of the record. Representative Obrzut, on Senate Bill 1768. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Obrzut."

Obrzut: "Thank...Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that we refuse to recede to House Amendments 6 and 7 to Senate Bill 1768 and request that a Conference Committee be formed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #6 and 7 to Senate Bill 1768 and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative Wolf, on Senate Bill 1771. Representative Wolf, the Gentleman from Madison."

Wolf: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to nonrecede from Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1771 and request that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1771 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative Weller, Senate Bill 1783. The Gentleman from Grundy, Representative Weller."

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Weller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to nonconcur with House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1783 and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1783 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative Keane. Out of the record. Representative Homer. Representative Bugielski, Senate Bill 1823. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bugielski."

Bugielski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I refuse to recede on House Amendment #1 and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1823 and requests a Conference Committee...Laurino. Out of the record. Representative...Oh, I'm..."

Laurino: "No. No. No. I'm right here, you nitwit. I've got my light on."

Speaker Giglio: "Better change that light bulb. Representative Laurino, on Senate Bill 1831."

Laurino: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1831. Request a Conference Committee Report or a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1831 and a Conference Committee be appointed."

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Representative Hasara, Senate Bill 1903. Do you refuse to recede from House Amendment #1?"

Hasara: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I refuse to recede from House Amendment #1."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Lady's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1903 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative McGuire, Senate Bill 1904. Do you wish to recede from House Amendments #1, 2, 4 and 5 and ask for a Conference Committee?"

McGuire: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm not aware of the Amendment right at this moment. Could I have time to look at it and come back to this issue?"

Speaker Giglio: "Sure. They're House Amendments #1, 2, 4 and 5. Take the Bill out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Representative Wolf, the Gentleman from Madison, on Senate Bill 1923."

Wolf: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to not recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1923 and request that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries. Representative Novak, on Senate Bill 1931. The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative Novak, on Senate Bill 1931."

Novak: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move that we refuse to recede from House Amendments #2 and request a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "(House Amendments) 3, 4 and 6. You heard the Gentleman's Motion. The House refuses to recede from House Amendments #2, 3, 4 and 6 to Senate Bill 1931 and a

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Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and a Conference Committee is requested. Representative Cowlshaw, Senate Bill 1988. The Lady in the chamber? We're on Nonconcurrences, refusing to recede and ask for Conference Committees. You have House Amendment 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9 and 11. If you wish to refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee...The Lady moves that the House refuse to recede on House Amendments #1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11 to Senate Bill 1988 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative Wennlund, on Senate Bill 2048. The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that the House refuse to recede from House Amendments 1 and 2."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede on House Amendments #1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2048 and a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative Barnes, on Senate Bill 2049. The Lady from Cook, Representative Barnes."

Barnes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move to nonconcur to House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 2049."

Speaker Giglio: "You request...You refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee?"

Barnes: "That is correct."

Speaker Giglio: "All right. The Lady moves to refuse to recede in House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 2049 and a Conference

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Committee be appointed. And on that Motion, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative DeJaegher. Representative DeJaegher in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Schakowsky. Out of the record. Representative McGann, Andrew McGann, on Senate Bill 2093, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee? Representative McGann moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2093. On that Motion, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede on House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2093 and asks that a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative McGann, you also have Senate Bill 2097, House Amendment #1."

McGann: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Assembly. I wish to refuse to recede to House Amendment #1 on Senate Bill 2097 and request a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the House refuses to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2097 and requests a Conference Committee. Representative White, on Senate Bill 2138."

White: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I ask the House to refuse to recede on House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2138 and ask for a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the

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opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Gentleman's Motion carries and a Conference Committee will be appointed. Representative Preston, on Senate Bill 2159, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee? The Gentleman moves to refuse to recede on House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2159 and that a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries. Representative Brunsvold, Senate Bill 2176."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move to not to recede from the House Amendment and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2176 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative Steczko, on Senate Bill 216, moves to suspend Rule 79(d) and place it on the Order of Nonconurrence. Does the Gentleman have leave by the Attendance Roll Call? Hearing none, leave is granted. And with that Senate Bill 216 and Amendment #1, the Gentleman refuses to recede on Amendment #1 to House Bill or to Senate Bill 216 and asks for a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and a Conference Committee be appointed to Senate Bill 216. Supplemental Calendar announcements."

Clerk McLennand: "Supplemental Calendar #1 is being distributed."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hartke, on Senate Bill 1606. Do you wish to nonconcur or refuse to recede and set up a

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Conference Committee?"

Hartke: "Move to nonconcur."

Speaker Giglio: "Mr...Representative Hartke, let's take this out of the record for a minute. Representative Hultgren, for what purpose do you rise, Sir?"

Hultgren: "Thank you. I understood you to say you were working off of a Supplemental Calendar, is that right?"

Speaker Giglio: "No, the Supplemental Calendar is being distributed now."

Hultgren: "It's being distributed?"

Speaker Giglio: "Yes."

Hultgren: "So, you're not working off of that Calendar at this point?"

Speaker Giglio: "No, not at this time, Representative."

Hultgren: "I don't have the Calendar. I'm just trying to follow what's going on, that's all."

Speaker Giglio: "Will the Page on the Republican side of the aisle make sure that the Members on the Republican side get the Supplemental Calendar? Representative McGuire on Senate Bill 1904."

McGuire: "Yes, Sir, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I refuse to recede on Amendments 1, 2, 4 and 5 on Senate Bill 1904."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendments #1, 2, 4 and 5 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries...Curran, you have Senate Bill 969, and you have House Amendments #1, 4, 6 and 7. Do you wish to refuse to

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recede and ask for a Conference Committee? Representative Curran moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendments #1, 4, 6 and 7 to Senate Bill 969 and requests a Conference Committee. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative Weller in the chamber? Representative Weller on Senate Bill 1622, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee?"

Weller: "No. I wish to recede from...move to recede from House Amendment #1, Representative."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Weller."

Weller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that the House recede from House Amendment #1."

Speaker Giglio: "All right. We're not on that Order right now. We're on the Order of Refusing to Recede and ask that Conference Committee is to be appointed. Representative Steczo...Supplemental Calendar #1, appears Senate Bill 1606, Representative Hartke. The Gentleman from Effingham, Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "Mr. Speaker, I refuse to recede from House Amendments 1, 2, 4 and 5, I believe, and call for a Conference Committee Report."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede in House Amendments #1, 2, 4 and 5 to Senate Bill 1606 and asks for a Conference Committee. Representative Hultgren, are you seeking recognition? Representative Regan. Representative Regan. Out of the record. Representative Turner. Representative Art Turner on Senate Bill 1889, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to

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refuse to recede and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed? The Gentleman moves that the House refuse to recede in House Amendment #1, Senate Bill 1889 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Motion carries. Representative Regan."

Regan: "Thank you. I'm ready with 1615 now."

Speaker Giglio: "Senate Bill 1615. The Gentleman from Will, Representative Regan."

Regan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I refuse to recede from Amendment #2 on Senate Bill 1615 and send to a Conference Committee Report."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and a Conference Committee be appointed to Senate Bill 1615. Representative DeJaegher, you have Senate Bill 2068, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse...Representative DeJaegher. DeJaegher. DeJaegher. You have Senate Bill 2068. Do you refuse to recede and ask that a Conference Committee be appointed? Representative DeJaegher moves that the House refuse to recede on House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2068 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries. Representative Keane, you have Senate Bill 1796. Do you wish to refuse...Out of the record. Representative Weller or Churchill. Churchill in the chamber? Representative Cowlshaw. Representative Cowlshaw, you have Senate Bill 1655, House Amendment #1. Do you wish to refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee on this

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Bill? The Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is the Bill that was originated by Senator Jeremiah Joyce and then picked up by Senator Dart. The Amendment #1 to this Bill, which was added here in the House, is identical to an Amendment that was added to House Bill 3385 and that Bill has already gone to the Governor's desk. Consequently, there is no longer any need for this Amendment and therefore I would like to agree to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1655."

Speaker Giglio: "All right. We're...We're not doing those right now. We're asking that those who refuse to recede and ask for a Conference Committee. We'll come back if you just want to refuse to recede and take it off. Okay? We'll just take it out right now. Representative Davis, are you seeking recognition?"

Davis: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to know, is this the proper...improper time to ask what this Bill says now that we're not going to have this Amendment on it? What does it do?"

Speaker Giglio: "We're not on that Order. The Lady will under...refusing...to remove the Amendment and refuse to...or to recede from the Amendment and leave the Bill as is. But we'll come to that when we get to that Order of Business."

Davis: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "In the meantime, if you care to discuss it with the Lady, I'm sure she'll be happy to explain it."

Davis: "We'll do that."

Speaker Giglio: "On the Order of Concurrences, under State and Local Government. Excuse me. Representative Keane, Senate

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Bill 1796."

Keane: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 and request a Conference Committee be appointed."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Motion carries. The House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1796 and a Conference Committee be appointed. Representative Homer on Senate Bill 1803. The Gentleman from Fulton, Representative Homer."

Homer: "Thank you. I move...move that the House refuse to recede from House Amendment #1 and would ask for the appointment of a Conference Committee."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The House refuses to recede in House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1803 and a Conference Committee be appointed. All right. Representative Curran, State and Local Government, on Concurrences, appears Senate Bill 3587. The Gentleman from Springfield, Representative Curran."

Curran: "I move to concur with Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3587. It expands the prompt payment Bill to include automatic payment for Senator Davidson's Amendment to interest penalties, optometrists, physical therapists, physicians, medical doctors and podiatrists. This is Senator Davidson's Amendment, and then Senate Amendment #2, Senator Cullerton's Amendment, adds new language to the Prompt Payment Act. It requires that bills not paid within 30 days will be subject to a 1.5% interest penalty, rather than a 2% interest penalty, which I think is more generous

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to the administration. I'd be glad to answer any questions and I move for concurrence."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

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

Speaker Giglio: "Indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, what's the fiscal impact of this Bill as amended?"

Curran: "Two answers. First of all, considerably less than when it went to...when it went to the Senate...when we voted it out of here...out of the House. Second, zero if we pay our bills on time."

Black: "Well, let me follow that up with another question. I certainly agree with you. I don't think we have any disagreement about paying our bills on time, but isn't it a fact that the current group insurance, for example, for state employees, is underfunded by approximately \$55 million?"

Curran: "I think you realize that we...we just passed a supplemental. Representative, when this Bill left the House, it had a 2% interest on it. It's coming back to us with 1.5% interest. Arguing against accepting this Amendment argues in favor (as I don't think you intend to do), for higher interest penalties against this administration when they make late payments on bills to vendors."

Black: "Well, you know...and we're...we're certainly not rising to...to dispute that with you at all, but when we know, for a fact, that we've underfunded, because of the fiscal crisis, certain line items in the budget, then obviously the interest expense becomes a significant cost because we

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know those bills won't be paid on time because there aren't sufficient dollars appropriated to pay them. So it looks to me like we're in a Catch-22 here. We're kind of darned if we do, darned if we don't. I just don't know how you can impose an interest penalty that, even under the revised estimates, would cost in excess...in the millions of dollars for Public Aid and close to \$4 million for the Central Management Services program. It isn't going to guarantee that anybody gets paid on time when the money isn't there - hasn't been appropriated - to...to pay the bills."

Speaker Giglio: "Any further discussion?"

Black: "Well, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To the Gentleman's Motion. This is...this is not (and in all due respect to the Sponsor), this is not a philosophical difference. In fact, Representative Curran and I probably agree on 'most every issue that would come before this House. I simply stand in opposition to his Motion, for the fact that our latest fiscal impact shows that this would cost the Department of Public Aid some \$50 million at some point in the process. Not because they don't want to pay their bills on time. Not because they aren't willing to pay their bills on time, but because we have not appropriated sufficient dollars to pay those bills on time. So we're compounding an error that I think we make, not the department. We appropriate the dollars. We know, both of us know, all of us know, that the dollars appropriated, in fact the dollars that are available, are not sufficient to pay their bills in a timely fashion. That's wrong. We...we all know it's wrong, but I see no...I see no other course in the next few months until we get our fiscal house in order, and I don't think it helps to put our fiscal

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house in order to add millions of dollars in interest costs that will eventually have to be paid. We're simply compounding our debt. Now, given that, what I consider to be a fact, I cannot support this Bill. I would urge Members on my side of the aisle to vote 'present' or 'no'. We'll continue to work on this and, Mr. Speaker, should this Motion get the requisite numbers to pass, I feel I have no choice but to ask for a verification."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Macoupin, Representative Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I would rise in support of the Gentleman's Motion. The prior speaker said that maybe it's our fault sometimes that we don't appropriate this money. Well, maybe that is true, but I don't think that two wrongs make a right. It's not right for the State of Illinois to say that simply because we didn't appropriate enough money to pay that bill, then now we don't have to pay any penalties or interest to the vendor after 30, or 60, or 90, or 120 days. You know, if a small businessman tells the State of Illinois that he doesn't quite have enough money in the bank to make his sales tax payment or his income tax payments, we don't give them any kind of special situations and say, 'Well, if you don't have the money we'll just let it ride for 90 days interest free.' The first thing that we do is we assess a penalty and an interest charge to that vendor, and he has to pay that in addition to whatever he owes us. So, this Bill is really only fair, and, as Representative Curran said, if we would get our financial house in order and quit overspending here in the State of Illinois, we could pay these bills on time and there'd be no fiscal impact. It's a very simple Bill, a simple concept. It's just asking for

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fairness. What is fair for the goose is fair for the gander. We assess a penalty and interest when they don't pay. We ought to pay interest when we don't pay. Sounds like it's a fair thing to me, and I'd ask for a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative McCracken."

McCracken: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to this Concurrence Motion, and I've had occasion to debate this with the Sponsor and with other Members of the House on previous occasions. But, you know, a new thought has occurred to me in how to illustrate the point I wish to make about this, and what this is, is the Springfield version of deficit spending. Our Constitution, unlike Congress, does not allow us to spill red ink on the chamber of this floor like the blood of so many taxpayers. So, instead, we promise benefits that we can't afford to pay. We pass the substantive legislation; we stand up; we take credit from the press; we send out a newsletter; we send out a press release saying that we've solved the problem. But we haven't addressed the problem, because this problem has nothing to do with any substantive issue. This problem has only to do with money. Only money. The reason we don't pay our bills now is because we don't have money, and if you think, at least in the short, term if that situation is going to change, you are mistaken. And if you think, in the short term at least, that that situation is going to improve, you are doubly mistaken. All you do is pile benefit on top of benefit on top of benefit. Now, I understand why this sells because there is a superficial appeal to it. If I had all the money in the world, I'd be willing to pay interest on late payments. Don't get me

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wrong. No one denies the issue of fundamental fairness that this raises, but that's a false issue. The only issue is money, and the only issue is being responsible to the taxpayer and avoid the temptation to engage in the Springfield version of deficit spending."

Speaker Keane: "Representative McNamara. Representative Keane, in the Chair."

McNamara: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. When we had money in the State of Illinois, we didn't pay our bills on time. Let's face it. The State of Illinois suffers from poor management principles. If we paid our bills on time, even when we had the money, what we would have done would be to lower the cost of the products, because, let's face it, every vendor raises the price of those products to us as a state because we cannot pay our bills on time, or we don't want to. We need management in this state that reflects what our businesses are expected to do. Let's look at another point on this. We are closing businesses in this state because we don't pay our bills on time. Ask your small pharmaceutical companies, ask many of the small businesses that cannot get the money from us that are closing. What happens then? We not only lose the tax revenue, we lose the employees; we increase the joblessness rate in this state; we destroy our economy. We are driving people out of work. We're closing businesses. If Illinois pays its bills on time, it generates more money. It's a simple, business practice. Voting against this says that you're for a higher interest rate. This lowers it to 1.5% per month. That's logical; that's realistic; that's the way to go. I urge your 'aye' vote. There's no excuse for any other vote."

Speaker Keane: "Representative...Representative Wennlund."

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Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. For one thing, the prior speaker has forgotten that it has been a long, long time since there was a Republican Comptroller or Republican Treasurer, because, in fact, it's been a Democratic Comptroller and a Democratic Treasurer who hasn't been paying their bills on time. If that's what the problem is, you better look to within, but the real...the real story here is the contradiction, the big contradiction. Representative Hannig, not more than three weeks ago, told us why. Not only did he propose cutting by \$45 million services to the developmentally disabled and the mentally ill in Illinois - those that cannot take care of themselves - he wants to cut \$45 million out of their budget - and now comes back and says that really what we ought to do is...we're still gonna cut that \$45 million to the developmentally disabled and the mentally ill, but now were gonna come back and spend \$56.7 million this year in interest charges because we're unable to pay our bills on time. Think about the contradiction. Think about how that's gonna look next November. Think about how that's gonna look on the campaign trail. It is totally contradictory; it is absolutely ridiculous to propose spending a another \$56.7 million in interest charges, but yet we refuse to help those who cannot help themselves - the mentally ill and the developmentally disabled in Illinois. It is totally contradictory and ridiculous."

Speaker Keane: "Representative Klemm."

Klemm: "Oh, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I've been so involved in the prompt payment Bill that, obviously, I maybe have a self-interest, because I probably represent the business community more than anyone else in the General Assembly, and as much as I

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support the Bill, I really don't think that this Amendment is something that is gonna work with the Governor, to make it livable. And I think perhaps we should maybe go back to a Conference and try to make it more reasonable. And let me give you a suggestion to the Sponsor. I think the interest rates are a little bit excessive under today's conditions, and I think probably a 1% penalty would be more in keeping with what we're doing. Secondly, I understand...and the business community - who has talked to me and has sponsored and supported the prompt payment Bill that I have on the calendar now - have supported the concept that let's wait, maybe one or two years, and maybe make it effective January 1st, 19...say '94 when the state does get in a better financial condition, and then allow it to be made automatically so the businesses aren't cheated again. But what we're trying to do is have a reasonableness between the real life of our financial and fiscal problems of today, with our genuine, honest concern of trying to be fair with our businesses around Illinois. So, I would (almost and I have to almost reluctantly) concur that we should not agree with the Senate Amendment, so that we would have a chance, maybe, to reach that compromise between the Central Management and the Governor's Office, that could be real and honest and something that we would finally promise our business community, once and for all: that we will pay our bills promptly. The state has a chance to get out of its financial dilemma what we know we'll do. Because very honestly, Ladies and Gentlemen, the Governor would be forced to veto this Bill. I know it, and you know it, and I don't want that to happen. We've fought the battle too long. I think today we should send it back, not to...not

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to scuttle this concept (because I would not want to do that), but to make it honest and reasonable because that's what we're here to try to do. And then allow it to be automatically paid, and perhaps two years from now we won't have to fight it. We'll have the funds to do it, and we can move on to the other problems of Illinois. So I think we should not concur in Senate Amendments 1 and 2."

Speaker Keane: "Representative Curran. Representative Curran."

Curran: "Want me to close?"

Speaker Keane: "Before you close, Representative Edley."

Edley: "...Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. I want to make this very brief because I know we would all like to get out of here, and we've talked about this time and time again. But let me clear up a couple of what I think were misstatements by some of those who, on the other side of the aisle quite frankly, rose to oppose this Bill. There's a difference between authorizing spending and having money in the bank to pay the bill. Here, about three weeks ago, many of the same people who are rising opposing this legislation supported spending about \$125 million in additional GRF spending - supplemental - for this year. There was no increased taxes, no increased revenue to pay for that, and it was a very easy vote because what they did was just simply increase the lapse period spending - spend out of next year's revenue. Now that is...fiscally irresponsible. What we're saying, with this Amendment, is if the Legislature, in conjunction with the Governor, want to continually...continue to act in a fiscally irresponsible manner, there will be a penalty. As bad as the Federal Government is, at least when they deficit spend, they pay interest. When we deficit spend, we simply stiff-arm

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hospitals, nursing homes, pharmacies hundreds of millions of dollars of bills and are so irresponsible we are unwilling to even compensate them with interest. That's wrong. That's even worse than what the Federal Government is doing, and I would encourage all of my Members to do the right thing and vote and support the Amendments."

Speaker Keane: "Representative Jay Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know, it's amazing to me that every time we get here and the television cameras get on and people start turning on the television cameras and taking pictures, we have to find someone to blame. We have the Republican side of the aisle now is saying that it's the Comptroller and the Treasurer's fault. Give me a break. Do you really believe that? Give me a break. For 14 years, we had a Governor who used sleight-of-hand budgeting. We had a Governor who didn't care what they spent. We had a Governor who carried balances over from one year to the next. And you're going to blame a Comptroller and a Treasurer who refuse to spend money that we don't have? I think it's time that we quit blaming each other. I think it's time we work together for a solution. What we're doing now is, we're borrowing. What we're doing now is we're borrowing from our small businessmen. What we're doing now is we're saying to each other, 'It's okay. Mom and Dad Pharmacy can close. We don't care. We don't want to pay interest.' And we're gonna turn and we're gonna blame somebody else - the Comptroller and the Treasurer - instead of who's really at fault. Let's grow up. Give me a break."

Speaker Keane: "Representative Curran, to close."

Curran: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the

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House. A little history. When this Bill passed the House with 70 votes, it had a 2% interest penalty payment on it. Another like Bill, with an interest penalty payment at, I think, was it 2%, passed the Senate in the last couple days with 55 votes. Every Republican Senator voting for it. Every single Member on the other side of the aisle who spoke against this voted yesterday to build the largest, the most expensive airport in the history of the planet. You guys are dreaming. One of the Members said that this is about money, and I agree this is about money. It's about who pays the interest rates. When the State of Illinois borrows, the State borrows for about 3 or 4%, but when your local businessman borrows, he borrows for 8, or 10, or 12% or more. We are mindlessly cheating our business people when the state becomes a deadbeat and doesn't pay its bills. I move to concur with this Amendment, 1 and 2, a Democrat and a Republican Amendment, because it is a good philosophical policy to follow, to pay your bills. That's what Illinois needs to do. Illinois needs to be stopped paying...stop being a deadbeat and pay its citizens, pay its taxpayers, who we owe. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Keane: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3587?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Representative Daniels, to explain your vote."

Daniels: "I'm voting 'no', but it's interesting to listen to the Gentleman who just spoke in front of his TV cameras, cite the fact that we can go ahead and spend all this money and then turn our backs on the handicapped, the disabled, the people's safety and their welfare, and cut their budgets by \$373 million. He doesn't have any trouble doing that, but

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he's going to try to spend another \$80 million dollars.
This is a crazy vote."

Speaker Keane: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 73 voting 'aye', 23 voting 'no', 7 voting 'present'. Representative Black requests a verification. Representative Black."

Black: "Yeah, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. We had requested a verification, but I think with 73 votes that would be dilatory. We'll probably visit this again. I'll withdraw the request."

Speaker Keane: "All right. On this question, there are 73 voting 'aye', 23 voting 'no', 7 voting 'present', and the House concurs in Senate Amendment #1 and 2 to House Bill 3587, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2916, Representative Brunsvold. Representative Brunsvold."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would move to concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2. Senate Amendment #1 became the Bill. It was the municipal rewrite of the third article dealing with officers. It also included the original...original provisions of 2176 which was simply a transfer of property and who's responsible for any demolition. Senate Amendment #2 clarifies...If you're eligible to run for office, if you still owe the...owe any money to the municipal government then you would not be eligible; indicates you must live one year in a municipality to be eligible to run for...alderman, and the last provision in #2 deals with appointments of clerks and finishing that term. I would ask for concurrence in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 2916."

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Speaker Keane: "On that question is Representative Black."

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

Speaker Keane: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, as this Bill started out, it repealed a liability factor that the municipal governments wanted out, and it's a little noisy in here, but it appears to me that the Senate Amendment deleted that."

Brunsvold: "We...I took that out before it left the House..."

Black: "Okay."

Brunsvold: "...and it was not something that a few of the organizations could live with. We took it out and left just the one provision in."

Black: "So, basically, this Bill is one that you had to pass out of here without any 'nay' votes."

Brunsvold: "Yeah, the rewrite on the article went out of here on the Consent Calendar."

Black: "Okay, thank you."

Speaker Keane: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 2916?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 100 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no' and 0 voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 2916, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3188, Representative Hicks. Out of the record. House Bill 3650, Representative Curran. Out of the record. House...House Bill 4163, Representative Parcells. Out of the record. House Bill...On Agriculture and Environment is House Bill 3843.

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Representative Curran. Out of the record. House Bill 4027, Representative Obrzut. Out of the record. On Concurrence, Education, is House Bill 3252. Representative Granberg. Out of the record. On the Order of Concurrence, Transportation, is House Bill 3707. Representative Ronan. Out of the record. On the Order of Concurrence, Civil and Criminal Law is House Bill 1181. Representative Stange. Out of the record. On House Bill 2694, Representative Kirkland. Out of the record. House Bill 3261, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 3284, Representative Giorgi. Out of the record. House Bill 3315, Representative Giorgi. Out of the record. House Bill 3986, Representative Williams. Out of the record. House Bill 4030, Representative Cowlshaw. Out of the record. On House Bill 4049, Representative McGann will handle this Bill for Representative Keane, and Representative McGann moves to nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1. The question is, 'Shall the House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1?' All those in favor say 'aye', all opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the House does not concur in Senate Amendment #1. The Clerk has an announcement."

Clerk O'Brien: "There is a form at the Clerk's well that Members should sign if they intend to travel to their district today and return to Springfield tomorrow. Anyone that wants to travel to their district office, please indicate on this form. Thank you."

Speaker Keane: "Can we have your attention? Can we have your attention? We don't want anyone being embarrassed. The Clerk has announced that if you are going home tonight and returning tomorrow, there is a form for you to sign up at the well. So if you are going home, back to your district

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this evening, returning tomorrow, be sure to sign the form, one of these forms. All right. Representative Curran, Concurrence. You have House Bill 3650. Representative Curran."

Curran: "This Bill has been a vehicle Bill for the Intergovernmental Cooperation Commission on the way in which we deal with the way federal funds come into the state. The arrangements haven't quite been worked out. We need to nonconcur in this Amendment so that we can get a Conference Committee and work out the final details. There is absolutely no controversy on this Bill, so I move to nonconcur in the Senate Amendments to House Bill 3650."

Speaker Keane: "The Gentleman's Motion is nonconcur in Senate Amendment 1 to 3650. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the House nonconcur in Senate Amendment #1. Representative Curran, on House Bill 3843. Mr. Clerk..."

Curran: "I move to..."

Speaker Keane: "Mr. Clerk, one moment...3843. Representative Curran."

Curran: "I move to concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3843. It simply deals with the detail of local waste fee road clean-up. I believe there is no controversy. Ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Keane: "Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no' and 0 voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3843, and this

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Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Under the Order of Motions is Senate Bill 837, Representative Matijevich. The Motion to move to suspend the Rule 79(e) and place on the Order of Nonconcurrency. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Motion passes. Now...With the use of the Attendance Roll Call..."

Unknown: "Can we nonconcur now?"

Speaker Keane: "Representative Matijevich now moves to recede from...refuse to recede and requests a Conference Committee Report. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the House refuses to recede. Representative Currie, for what purpose do you rise?"

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I think this is the Special Order of Call- 'Parties'. I wish to announce two parties to which all the Members are invited. One is an end-of-Session party tomorrow afternoon from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., sponsored by Bob and Carol and Ted and Alice. That would be Bob Churchill, Carol Frederick, Ted and Alice Phillips. It's at Carol Frederick's House, 404 West Jackson Parkway. There's parking in the Visitors Center parking lot which is immediately east of the house. And for those of you who wonder what you'll do if ever this Session ends, what it is you'll do to celebrate, Joey and Chris and Gary LaPaille have invited us all to celebrate at their house. So, if this Spring Session should ever come to a close, we'll all have a wonderful time celebrating at 801 Williams, and you'll get invitations in your mail boxes, but I wanted you to mark your calendars (if you can find the right day), mark your calendars now. Joey, Chris and Gary LaPaille want to celebrate the end of Session with you."

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Speaker Keane: "Well, it's always nice to hear from the Perle Mesta of Springfield. Thank you, Representative Currie. Representative Matijeovich."

Matijeovich: "Well, Mr. Speaker, as long as they're on the 'Order of the Social Calendar'..."

Speaker Keane: "We do have a few more things, so don't leave."

Matijeovich: "All right. Don't leave. But...I've been asked to announce that Play It Again, Sam's has a fan appreciation afternoon, Sunday, tomorrow between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. 'Free food and drinks,' it says here, and it's their annual end-of-Session party in appreciation to their clientele, I guess you'd call it."

Speaker Keane: "Who would like to give equal time to Boone's or some other...Representative Black."

Black: "Well, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As long as we're on announcements, I'd like to invite all of you, Sunday at noon, to visit beautiful Danville, Illinois, where the 25th Annual Arts in the Park Festival will be held, rain or shine. I certainly intend to be there. It is the cultural event of the area of this state south of I-80, and you're certainly all invited. Thank you very much."

Speaker Keane: "We could use the culture, Representative. All right, on page 2 of the Regular...on page 8 of the Regular Calendar is Senate Bill 1622, Representative Weller. He wishes to recede. Representative Weller in the chambers? Okay, we'll go to Senate Bill 1622, Representative Churchill. I'm sorry, 1625. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1655, Representative Cowlshaw. Do you wish to recede? No? Oh, yes. Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As I explained previously, this Amendment is already contained in a Bill that's gone to the

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Governor and, therefore, I move to recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1655."

Speaker Keane: "The Lady has...The question is, 'Shall the House recede from Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1655?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', and the House does recede from Senate Amendment #...or House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1655, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 16...I'm sorry. Senate Bill 1763, Representative Steczo. Representative Steczo."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I would move that the House recede from Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1763. This was the language on consolidation, the Governor's consolidation report that we discussed the other day. The Senate decided they did not want to address that issue this year. So I, at this point, would move that the House recede from that Amendment."

Speaker Keane: "The question is...Any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House recede from House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1763?' All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Recision. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'aye', 2 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', and the House does recede from House Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1763. House Amendment #2. I'm sorry. Correction. House Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1763, and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr.

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Clerk, House Bill...Does anyone have a concurrence on Special Orders that they wish to call? Any nonconcurrences? Anyone wishes to recede from House Amendments on the Calendar? Are there any further announcements? Any further advertisements? We're just going to stand at ease for a few seconds. Let's pay a little bit of attention here. What...We're going to be adjourning in a...very shortly, but what we want to do is we want to be sure that if you put a Bill into Conference that you let your staff, your appropriate staffs, know that the Bill is in Conference. Give them whatever kind of information you can so that they can work on the Conference Committee Reports while we're not in Session. So, it's important that the work, as much work be done now, today and tomorrow, as we can so that we can proceed in a timely fashion. So, anyone who has had a Conference Committee...a Bill put into Conference Committee, be sure to talk to the staff. Give them whatever information you can so they can proceed with the Conference Committee Reports. Is that about it? Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 2261, offered by Representative Jay Hoffman; House Resolution 2262, offered by Representative Kubik; House Resolution 2263, offered by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2264, offered by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2265, offered by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2266, offered by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2267, offered by Representative DeJaegher; Senate Joint Resolution 176, offered by Representative Matijevich; and Senate Joint Resolution 178, offered by Representative Novak."

Speaker Keane: "Representative Matijevich moves the House stand adjourned...the adoption of...moves the adoption of the

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Adjournment Resolution. All those in favor...I'm sorry...moves the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Now, Representative Matijevich moves the House stands adjourned 'til tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. All those in favor say 'aye'...the 'ayes'...all those 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The House stands adjourned."

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