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Speaker McPike: "The House will come to order. The Chaplain for today is Reverend Dennis Price of Troy United Methodist Church in Troy, Illinois. Reverend Price is the guest of Representative Ron Stephens. Guests in the balcony may wish to rise and join us for the invocation."

Reverend Price: "Let us pray. Our Father, we acknowledge You as the God of this world and universe. It is in You that we live, move and have our being. We thank You for the blessings of being citizens of this great country and this great state. We pray Your blessings on our elected leaders. And we pray you would grant the gifts of wisdom, vision, creativity and compassion to those gathered here. We also pray for the needs of individuals and their families, and we pray You would meet those needs in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Speaker McPike: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Monroe Flinn."

Flinn - 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. Mr. Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Bernie Pedersen is excused today."

Speaker McPike: "Thank you. Does anyone have the Democratic excused absences? Mr. LeFlore is excused today. Mr. Daniels here? Mr. Clerk, take the record. One hundred and fifteen Members answering the roll call. a quorum is present. House Bills, Third Reading, Children and Family Law. Representative Preston. Mr. Preston here? We're not coming back to this order. Mr. Black, would you like to handle these Bills? Children and Family Law. House Bills,

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Third Reading. Mr. Balanoff, what Bills do you have that you'd like to call today? Representative Cowlshaw, do you have any Bills on Third Reading that you'd like to call? How about your Resolution? What's your Resolution number? Page 61 of the Calendar, House Resolution 177, Representative Cowlshaw."

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

Speaker McPike: "Excuse me, I was just reading that. That was... You were the Sponsor of it, that's all. Mr. Clerk, that's a Consent Calendar. Consent Calendar, fourth day... Page 60 on the House Resolution. Read the Resolutions. Read the Resolution Consent Calendar, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 29, offered by Representative Black; House Resolution 177, offered by Representative Cowlshaw; House Resolution 232, offered by Representative Mike Weaver; and House Joint Resolution 6, offered by Representative Cowlshaw."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Cowlshaw, at 9:09, you have a chance to pass two Resolutions at once on the Resolution Consent Calendar. All those in favor of the Resolution Consent Calendar say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Consent Calendar...Resolution Consent Calendar is adopted. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 455, offered by Representative Balthis; House Resolution 456, offered by Representative Frias; House Resolution 457, offered by Representative Novak; House Resolution 458, offered by Representative Maureen Murphy; House Resolution 459, offered by Representative Saviano."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Dunn. Representative John Dunn. Continue, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 460, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 461, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 462, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 463, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 464, offered by Representative Andrea Moore; House Resolution 465, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 466, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 467, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 468, offered by Representative Roskam; House Resolution 469, offered by Representative Burke; House Resolution 470, offered by Representative Burke."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Dunn, in the Chair."

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 471, offered by Representative Giolitto; House Joint Resolution 19, offered by Representative Balthis."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Giorgi moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Death Resolutions."

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 454, offered by Representative Morrow, with respect to the memory of Bill Holmes."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Giorgi moves for the adoption of the Death Resolutions. Special Order of Business, Local Government, Second Reading page 6 of the Calendar. House Bill 105, Representative Homer. Out of the record. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 165, Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 168, Representative Lang. Out of the record. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 175, Representative Capparelli. Out of the record. House Bill 548, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 550, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 611, Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. Page 11 of the Calendar, House Bill

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630, Representative Wojcik. Representative Wojcik. Out of the record. House Bill 703, Representative Ryder. Representative Ryder. Out of the record. House Bill 1266, Representative Dart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1266, a Bill for an Act to amend the Chicago Park District Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Representative... House Bill 1279, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1280, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1282, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1478, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1524, Representative Black. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1524, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 3, offered by Representative Black."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black, Floor Amendment 3."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 3 attempts to work out a compromise with the Municipal League. I think the Amendment is rather innocuous. I would prefer it in the original form, but sometimes you have to compromise. This says that the...list that has to be available at the public hearing for a special service district must include all the names of those who paid taxes on each parcel of property in the...in the preceding year. That's all the Amendment does. I would ask your consideration of Amendment 3."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 3 to House Bill 1524. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1614, Representative Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1614, a Bill for an Act to amend the Counties Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Hoffman, on Floor Amendment 1."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Floor Amendment 1 is introduced on behalf of the Coroner's Association. Essentially, it indicates that...the way this Bill...deputy coroners will be appointed by the coroners, with the advice and consent of the county board."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 1614. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1728, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1902, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1922, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 1981, Representative Kubik. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1981. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. A fiscal note, a state mandates note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Have the fiscal note and...the other note been filed, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "The notes have not been filed."

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Speaker Dunn: "The Bill will be held on Second Reading. House Bill 2024, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 2195, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. Oh, pardon me. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 2195."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2195, a Bill for an Act concerning the merger of special districts and townships. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Black."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2195."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 1 simply excludes fire protection districts from special districts for purposes of a referendum on the 1994 general election on whether special districts whose boundaries are coterminous with or contained within should merge with the township. All the fire districts are asking is that a fire district not be brought under the control or governments of a township. They think the two governing bodies are totally different in mission and scope and that the fire district should stand alone in its mission of safety...of public safety and not become a part of a township."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I... I don't want to say this is a hostile Amendment, but it does cut down on the possible effectiveness of the piece of legislation. It is the... It is a known fact that the State of Illinois, we have all kinds of units of local government, probably more than any other state in the union. It is my intent with this piece of legislation to offer an opportunity for units of a local government to put more under the auspices of the township government, therefore, eliminating some of the

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possibilities...of...some of the smaller units of local government, and if we put all kinds of exceptions into the Bill, it somewhat...loses its effectiveness in what we're trying to do. Like I said, I am not happy about this Amendment, but I can understand some of their concerns. Let's support the Amendment and then maybe work at it over the next couple of days and maybe we can pull her back from Third to Second later on. Okay?"

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I certainly appreciate the cooperation of Representative Hartke with his remarks. I think we can put Floor Amendment 1 on the Bill, perhaps work something out. But fire districts simply want to make certain that that mission continues. That if, in fact, it's transferred to the township, somebody still has to be responsible for fire service within that township, and perhaps we can get this worked out, and I really appreciate the cooperation of Representative Hartke, and at this time, I would like recommend the adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2195."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman Sponsor moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2195. Representative Hartke, for what purpose do you rise?"

Hartke: "Let's just vote on it."

Speaker Dunn: "Those in favor of the Amendment signify by voting 'aye'; those opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Now, we'll back up to House Bill 2024. Representative Hartke, on House Bill 2024. Representative Hartke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2024, a Bill for an Act to amend the Township Law of 1874. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Hartke, on House Bill 2024. Third Reading. House Bill 2240, Representative Erwin. Representative Erwin. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Education, Second Reading. Page 11 of the Calendar, House Bill 593, Representative Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 730, Representative Steczko. Out of the record. House Bill 754, Representative Cowlshaw. Representative Cowlshaw. Out of the record. House Bill 757, Representative Mautino. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 757, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Mautino."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Mautino, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 757."

Mautino: "Floor Amendment 1 becomes the Bill. This transfers the funding from the educational service centers to the regional superintendent of schools for distance learning centers. A few years back, the...or rather last year, you set into place provisions for schools to set up distance learning centers to...and this is the transfer of the funding. It'll bring it to the superintendents for local control. Those who keep..."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Mautino, the Chair is informed the Amendment is not yet been printed and distributed. Is that... Mr. Clerk, has the Amendment been printed and distributed. Okay."

Mautino: "Would you take this Bill out of the record."

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Speaker Dunn: "We'll take this Bill out of the record. House Bill 903, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 957, Representative Stroger. Representative Stroger. Out of the record. House Bill 1083, Representative Churchill. House Bill 1083, Representative Churchill. Out of the record. House Bill 1087, Representative Churchill. Out of the record. House Bill 1165, Representative Hoffman. Out of the record. House Bill 1308, Representative Younger. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1308."

Speaker Dunn: "Oh, pardon me, Mr. Clerk. She doesn't want the Bill called. House Bill 1308 shall be taken out of the record. House Bill 1696, Representative Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 1619, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1999, Representative Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 2107, Representative Levin. Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 2198, Representative Hawkins. Representative Hawkins. Out of the record. House Bill 2216, Representative Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 2230, Representative Kubik. Out of the record. Mr. Stephens, for what purpose do you rise?"

Stephens: "Well, thank you Mr. Speaker. We have... Being House Members, we have the courtesy of having telephones installed at our desks, and we have speed dialing for those of us who want to use it but usually the red dot is to dial your secretary. As you know, I am also a slightly partisan Republican. But my speed dialing has been tampered with; and so when I hit the red dot, I get the Chairman, the State Chairman of the Democratic Party. Senator LaPaille's office has been programmed into my telephone, and I want to know if they... Is that something that happened at the Chair or was it the electrician or was it our, sometimes,

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partisan Clerk? What's goin' on here, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Dunn: "I...I don't know, but if he tells you anything confidential, please pass it along will 'ya?"

Stephens: "Well I...I might put you on the grapevine, but then again, I might keep you out, too. I..."

Speaker Dunn: "I think if you check with the Clerk, they can help you replace..."

Stephens: "Oh I don't... I'm not saying I want it removed."

Speaker Dunn: "Oh."

Stephens: "I just wanted everybody to know."

Speaker Dunn: "Well."

Stephens: "If you want to talk to Gary LaPaille, just let me know."

Speaker Dunn: "Thank you, Representative Stephens. Now, everyone knows. On the Order of Special Business, Elections and State Government, Second Reading, page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 103, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 109, Representative McAfee. Out of the record. House Bill 140, Representative Schoenberg. Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 147, Representative Giolitto. Representative Giolitto. Out of the record. House Bill 362, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 641, Representative Younge. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 641. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Representative Weaver, for what purpose do you rise?"

Weaver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With the Parliamentarian there... If we could get an opinion, there seems to be a some rampant disregard for House Code of Ethics. We've got

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a dress code violation going on here, and I think we need a ruling from the Parliamentarian or whether or not these folks are correctly dressed for the House floor."

Speaker Dunn: "I don't have my glasses on. It appears they're supporting the Colorado Rockies. I guess that what it says on there. I... Yes, please line up so we can call your Bills. By this time there should be no rookies. House Bill 660, Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 737, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 832, Representative Curran. Out of the record. It looks to me like there's a ringer in the rookie group. How many terms does Skinner get to be a rookie, that's what I want to know? Representative Curran, House Bill 832. Out of the record. House Bill 973, Representative McGuire. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 973. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative McGuire."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative McGuire, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 973."

McGuire: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 973, and the Amendment replaces all the language after the enacting clause; and, therefore, becomes the Bill. And... Briefly, it creates the Career Opportunity Act, and it directs the Department of Employment Security to establish a program under which unemployed workers may purchase up to \$1,200 worth of education or training, and the Department of Employment Security and the state treasurer shall develop and implement a pilot program, under which the state guarantees loans for the retraining of unemployed workers. The state treasurer may require that the proceeds of any guaranteed loan be paid by the

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lender directly to an approved job training program, not to the trainee, and I'd ask for your favorable vote on the Amendment, Sir."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 973; and, on the Amendment the Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Dunn: "He indicates he'll yield."

Wennlund: "Thank you. Representative, can you... The noise level in the House... Could you tell us exactly what this Amendment does? The Amendment becomes the Bill, is that correct?"

McGuire: "Yes Sir."

Wennlund: "And what does it do?"

McGuire: "Well, it creates a career opportunity Act, Representative, for retraining of unemployed workers."

Wennlund: "And, who pays for the training?"

McGuire: "State loan. I have my friend here that'll help me explain the Bill better than I can, but the... It's a program that's involving the... It's a loan guarantee. The Department of Employment Security is involved in it and the state treasurer."

Wennlund: "And...and has the State Department of...of Employment Security taken a position with respect to this Amendment?"

McGuire: "They've taken a neutral position. They're aware of the Bill and the Amendment, which is of course the Bill, but they have taken a neutral position. Which is fine with me."

Wennlund: "So, what you're telling us is that the State of Illinois is going to loan to unemployed workers money to go after training. Is that...?"

McGuire: "It's a loan. It's a guaranteed loan, Sir."

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Wennlund: "A guaranteed..."

McGuire: "Guaranteed loan."

Wennlund: "Oh, a loan that guaranteed by the State of Illinois?"

McGuire: "Guaranteed loan, yes."

Wennlund: "And, if all of the unemployed individuals in Illinois...applied for this loan, how much money would the state be guaranteeing?"

McGuire: "I didn't mention, but the Amendment, of course, is long. But this would be a test program, pilot program, in three different regions of the state, the regions to be determined by the director of Employment Security. It's a pilot program, so it would not affect the whole State of Illinois."

Wennlund: "So the state would... But, according to the fiscal note that's been filed, the state would be guaranteeing \$574,800,000 worth of loans if everybody who was entitled to do it did it?"

McGuire: "The fiscal note that you're addressing was from the original Bill, but we've asked for an amended fiscal note because of the revamping of the Bill to make it a pilot program in three separate regions of the State of Illinois."

Wennlund: "Well, how does the Amendment differ from the original Bill?"

McGuire: "Pardon me? It's a pilot program, Representative."

Wennlund: "And how many individuals will be entitled to apply for this pilot loan guarantee?"

McGuire: "It would be limited by the guaranteed funds."

Wennlund: "Well, how..."

McGuire: "In the three designated regions of the state to be decided by the director or the Department of Employment Security."

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Wennlund: "How many individuals will be entitled to...to apply?"

McGuire: "How many regions did you say?"

Wennlund: "How many individuals in each of these three regions?"

McGuire: "Well, it would be determined by the amount of the loan plus the number of people in the selected regions. I don't think we have a number of how many people may apply."

Wennlund: "Who would be administering the program?"

McGuire: "Pardon me?"

Wennlund: "Who will be administering the program?"

McGuire: "The Department of Employment Security and the state treasurer."

Wennlund: "The... And then how much money will it cost the taxpayers of Illinois?"

McGuire: "We don't have a figure on it. As we say, it's a pilot program. It should be a very small amount of money, but it's to train unemployed workers to become reproductive citizens in the State of Illinois and, hopefully, gainfully employed and pay taxes."

Wennlund: "How much would each individual be entitled to borrow that would be guaranteed by the state?"

McGuire: "Twelve hundred dollars. A \$1200 maximum, it could be less."

Wennlund: "And, in an event this unemployed person doesn't gain employment, the State of Illinois is on the hook for that \$1200 per person?"

McGuire: "No. No, the employer... The trained worker still would have to repay the loan."

Wennlund: "What are the terms of the loan?"

McGuire: "I'm not familiar with the terms, but the state treasurer would work that out, because...that... These loans will be issued by private banks throughout the State of Illinois, also, working with the State Treasurer's

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office."

Wennlund: "Okay, and what are...what are the terms of repayment, and what are the interest rates?"

McGuire: "That's up to the bank. We don't determine that."

Wennlund: "So, whatever the bank charges, the State of Illinois is guaranteeing the repayment of, is that..."

McGuire: "I would think that that would be approved by the state treasurer, State of Illinois."

Wennlund: "And, and this Amendment puts the onus on the Department of Employment of Employment Securities, is that correct?"

McGuire: "I'm sorry, I couldn't hear 'ya."

Wennlund: "I said the Amendment puts the burden on the Department of Employment Security to develop the...and implement these programs?"

McGuire: "Along with the state treasurer."

Wennlund: "I'm informed by the Department of Employment Securities that they are violently opposed to this program. They don't have the funds to implement it or to develop a pilot program; and if the Department of Employment Security is opposed to it and they're not gonna do it, what good is the whole program?"

McGuire: "That's news to me, Representative, that they're violently opposed, if I heard you correctly."

Wennlund: "But they are. I've just been informed by the department that, in fact, that is the case and that they have no desire to implement. They have no funds to implement the pilot program. They don't have the personnel to implement it, and we've cut the budget the last two years in a row, so what good...is the program gonna do if the department is opposed to it and has no desire or no funds to put it into place?"

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McGuire: "Well, as I say, I'm surprised to hear that, because we haven't...we haven't received that kind of reaction at all."

Wennlund: "The State of Illinois over a period of the last few years, and I'm not sure rather you'll recall or not...what we've been trying to do over the last few years is to concentrate and narrow the focus of job training down into one area, so that we don't have several agencies engaged in the business of job training in the State of Illinois. To the Amendment. Thank you very much, Representative. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is another boomdoggle, another burden placed on the Department of Employment Securities that it does not have the funds to operate, it does not have the personnel to operate, it has undergone severe budget cuts over the last two and a half years, another waste of the taxpayers money. To believe that all unemployed people who borrow, on whatever terms they borrow at a bank for, that the State of Illinois is gonna go on the hook for without any reasonable hope of repayment. So, the State of Illinois is putting itself on the line in a program that the Department of Employment Security does not have the funds or people to operate. This is a bad Amendment, and it should be defeated. It's totally fiscally irresponsible, and it's irresponsible to place a burden on a state agency that can't operate the program. The Amendment should be defeated, and I ask for a Roll Call Vote, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative McGuire, to close."

McGuire: "Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker. I'd like to just say that we...we don't have that reaction from the Department of Employment Security, so there seems to be some confusion on

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that. This money does not come out of the department's budget at all. This comes out of the guaranteed loan programs that...we have many loan guarantee programs in the State of Illinois to help business, and this is to help retrain workers. So, I don't know where the information the department is violently opposed to this is coming from. So, I would ask for your favorable response on this attempt to retrain workers in the State of Illinois, and it is not a drain on the state treasury at all."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman Sponsor moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 973. A Roll Call Vote has been requested. ...All those in favor shall vote 'aye'; those 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 Amendment 1 to House Bill 973, 63 voting 'aye', 47 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. The Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments, but a fiscal note, as amended, has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Has the fiscal note been filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "No, it has not."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall be held on the order of Second Reading. House Bill 1108, Representative Ronen. Out of the record. House Bill 1201, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1228, Representative Curran. Representative Curran, House Bill 1228. Out of the record. House Bill 1392, Representative Mulligan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1392, a Bill for an Act relating to economic research, information and development. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor

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Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1460, Representative Edley. Representative Edley. Out of the record. House Bill 1539, Representative Kaszak. Representative Kaszak. Out of the record. House Bill 1704, Representative Hicks. Out of the record. House Bill 1705, Representative Prussing. Representative Prussing. Out of the record. House Bill 1745, Representative Rotello. Out of the record. House Bill 1912, Representative Moseley. Representative Moseley. Out of the record. House Bill 1913, Representative Hicks. Out of the record. House Bill 2101, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 2296, Representative Prussing. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Environment and Energy, Second Reading. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 187, Representative Moseley. Representative Moseley. Out of the record. House Bill 298, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 299, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 300, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 480, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 480. Out of the record. House Bill 497, Representative Hoffman. House Bill 14. Out of the record. House Bill 1450, Representative Dart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1450, the Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. There are no Floor Amendments. A state mandates note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Has the mandates note been filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "A mandates note has not been filed."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall be held on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 1479, Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk,

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please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1479. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Floor Amendment 2."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 2 would add an immediate effective date, and I move adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves adoption of Amendment 2 to House Bill 1479. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Amendment 2 is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Amendment 3 offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Amendment 3."

Lang: "Thank you. As most of you know, this is the Bill that would prohibit leaf burning. There was a need to clarify the problems of nurseries in our state, to determine whether or not they would have an exemption. They should have an exemption, and...and what production nurseries do, their waste should be considered landscape waste; and, therefore, should be exempted and that what's the Amendment would do. It's an agreed Amendment, and I would move adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 3 to House Bill 1479. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 4, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Floor Amendment 4."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 4 was proposed by the Pollution Control Board. It's a technical Amendment and agreed, and I move adoption."

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Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 4 to House Bill 1479; and, on the Amendment, the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

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

Speaker Dunn: "He indicates he will."

Black: "On Amendment 4, Representative, I'm pretty sure we know what it does, but we don't want to get into a liability situation here. Does this Bill also cover forest fires, you know, that are set accidentally, so that nobody's held liable for that?"

Lang: "This relates... Is this my first Bill? This..."

Black: "It's first Amendment, I think."

Lang: "This relates not to the accidental setting of forest fires at all."

Black: "So that's... We're not getting into acts of God here?"

Lang: "That's correct."

Black: "Because that would take a separation of church and state impact note, as I recall."

Lang: "That's correct. And you know I wouldn't be involved in that."

Black: "Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman Sponsor moves for adoption of Amendment 4 to House Bill 1479. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1896, Representative Giglio. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1896, a Bill for an Act to amend the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program Act. Second

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Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2 offered by Representative Giglio."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Giglio, on Amendment 2."

Giglio: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment 2 becomes the Bill. This Amendment clarifies what we did last year with regard to household hazardous waste items, and the Amendment is with the cooperation of the Farm Bureau and EPA, and I would ask for its adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 2 to House Bill 1896. Those in favor signify by saying...by voting 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1965, Representative Deering. Mr. Clerk? Out of the record. House Bill 1967, Representative Deering. Out of the record. House Bill 2183, Representative Moffitt. Representative Moffitt. Do you wish your Bill called, Sir? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2183, a Bill for an Act to amend the Surface Coal Mining Land Conservation and Reclamation Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Moffitt. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Moffitt."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Knox, Representative Moffitt, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2183."

Moffitt: "Mr. Speaker, we're going to have a meeting of all parties interested at 3:00. Perhaps, it should be pulled from the record until that meeting occurs today."

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Speaker Dunn: "We'll take the Bill out of the record. Special Order of Business Health, Care and Human Services, Second Reading. Page 6 of the Calendar, House Bill 152, Representative Giorgi. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 152, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 236, Representative Granberg. Out of the record. Page 10 of the Calendar, House Bill 453, Representative McGuire. Representative McGuire. Out of the record. Page 12 of the Calendar, House Bill 661, Representative Lopez. Representative Lopez. Out of the record. Page 14 of the Calendar, House Bill 928, Representative Davis, Monique Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 1102, Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky. Out of the record. House Bill 1147, Representative Phelps. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1147, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2 offered by Representative Phelps."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Phelps, on Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1147."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. A... This Amendment will really finish off and polish off what we have incorporated in this Committee Bill which is represented in 1147, there are several items. But Amendment 2 actually just a...a...requires the department to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly with recommendations by reducing infant mortality in the

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state, but within the Amendment precedent we have this...that it's a two year project, but we want it to be replaced as a 'pilot'. So the word just from 'two year' scratched and replaced by 'pilot' is all this Amendment does."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 2 to House Bill 1147. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading."

Clerk Rossi: "A..."

Speaker Dunn: "Oh, wait."

Clerk Rossi: "A state mandates note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "All right. We mistakenly indicated Third Reading. There has been a state fiscal notes...mandates note requested. Has it been filed, Mr. Clerk? The note has not been filed. The Bill should be held on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 1459, Representative Edley. Out of the record. House Bill 1657, Representative Younge. Wyvetter Younge. Out of the record. House Bill 2063, Representative Currie. Representative Currie. House Bill 2067, Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 2332, Representative Ryder. Representative Ryder. Out of the record. House Bill 2332 shall be taken out of the record. Special Order of Business, Housing and Economic Development, Second Reading. Page 10 of the Calendar. appears House Bill 528, Representative Turner. Representative Turner. Out of the record. Page 10 of the Calendar, House Bill 539, Representative Pedersen. Representative... House Bill 539. Out of the record.

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House Bill 1060, Representative Turner. Out of the record.

House Bill 1156, Representative Turner. Out of the record.

House Bill 1716, Representative Davis. Out of the record.

House Bill 2061, Representative Black. Representative Black, House Bill 2061. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2061. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Black."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black, on Floor Amendment 1."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. All Amendment 1 does is to make, and this was my intent all along, it makes the Bill permissive rather than mandatory. It deletes the word 'shall' and inserts the word 'may'. I'd be glad to answer any questions, and urge your favorable consideration of Amendment 1 to House Bill 2061."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 2061. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Special Order of Business Professional Regulations, Second Reading. Page 7 of the Calendar, House Bill 210, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 211, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 212, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 213, Representative Lou Jones. Out of the record. House Bill 214, Representative Lou Jones. Out of the record. House Bill 215, Representative Lou Jones. Out of the record. House Bill 412, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 450, Representative McAfee. Out of the record. House Bill 618, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 706, Representative

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Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 715, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1554, Representative Deering. Representative Deering. House Bill 1554. Out of the record. House Bill 2053, Representative McAfee. Out of the record. House Bill 2237, Representative Roskam. Representative Roskam. Out of the record. House Bill 2316, Representative Lou Jones. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Public Utilities, Second Reading. Page 11 of the Calendar, House Bill 572, Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. Page 19 of the Calendar, House Bill 1458, Representative Giorgi. Representative Giorgi, House Bill 1458. Out of the...out of the record. House Bill 1591, Representative Brunsvold. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1591. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Brunsvold."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Brunsvold, on House...on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1591."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment was put together by a number of 911 providers early, and it was pretty much agreed language. There's nothing in here that really is controversial. We make a couple of additional definitions. We address an advertising problem with 911 along with hospital numbers. We address signage by counties adopting 911 systems, and also put in language dealing with Syntrex's and PBX's that are gonna come on line later, so that they will be mandated to provide service to specific locations in that Syntrex situation and would be happy to answer any questions regarding the Amendment and would move for adoption of Amendment 1."

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Speaker Dunn: "The Gentlemen Sponsor moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 1591. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Black."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Vermilion. Representative Black, on Floor Amendment 2."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Representative Brunsvold, is it your desire I withdraw this Amendment?"

Brunsvold: "Yeah. I think if you would do that, I'd like to meet with 'ya and talk about the language and see if it's proper, or if it's not, we can correct it."

Black: "I appreciate your cooperation. Withdraw Amendment 2, Mr. Clerk."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendment 2. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Let's back up to House Bill 572, Representative Schoenberg. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 572, a Bill for an Act to amend the Public Utilities Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1771, Representative Wirsing. Representative Wirsing. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1771. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Motion 1, offered by Representative Wirsing."

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Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Wirsing, on Floor.... For what purpose do you rise, Representative Wirsing?"

Wirsing: "Mr. Speaker, there is a second Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "Do you wish to table Amendment 1?"

Wirsing: "No. No, it is an agreed Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "Mr. Clerk, are there Floor Amendments on House Bill 1771?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Woolard."

Speaker Dunn: "We have Representative Woolard offering Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1771; and, on the Amendment, Representative Woolard."

Woolard: "Thank you Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think this is a totally non-controversial Bill. There was a little confusion yesterday as to what the intent was. I think we are only clarifying or codifying a piece of legislation, House Bill 3368, which passed with a near unanimous support last year. What this does is releases the responsibility from the utility companies on those lines which, in fact, owned...are owned by the homeowner and eliminates the responsibility for maintaining those lines on a regular basis. I believe that there is no opposition to this codification of this legislation."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Woolard, a Motion has been filed to table Amendment 2 to House Bill 1771. The Motion was filed by Representative Wirsing."

Woolard: "I think, if you will check with Representative Wirsing, that this was done in error and should have been removed."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Wirsing."

Woolard: "To his knowledge he's not even aware that he filed this Motion."

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Speaker Dunn: "Representative Wirsing, is it your wish to withdraw the Motion to table?"

Wirsing: "That's my wish, yes."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman withdraws his Motion to table Amendment 2 to House Bill 1771. The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black, on the Amendment."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. With apologies to the Chair for my outburst yesterday, we had a misunderstanding on this Amendment. I thought Representative Wirsing intended to table this Amendment. That, in fact, was not the case and the case is exactly as Representative Woolard has represented it today. It is an agreed Amendment, and I stand in support of that Amendment. My outburst yesterday was simply because I thought one of my Members was not giving...not being given the right to table Amendments that he didn't want on his Bill, and so with apologies to the Chair, this has been worked out."

Speaker Dunn: "Thank you very much. The Gentleman from Madison, Representative Stephens, for what purpose do you rise?"

Stephens: "I think the medicine's working."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Woolard moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1771. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House 1844, Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky. Out of the record. House Bill 2014. Representative Shirley Jones. Representative Shirley Jones. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Revenue, Second Reading. Page 8 of the Calendar, House Bill 293, Representative Flinn. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 293. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Wennlund."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Wennlund, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 293. With leave of the Body, Representative Black will handle Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 293."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I think I've talked with Representative Flinn about this Bill this morning. Is it my understanding that Amendment 1 should be withdrawn to correct a little difficulty?"

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Flinn."

Flinn: "Yes. We've agreed to withdraw this and put it on another more appropriate Bill, and I have an Amendment to follow that, but it does not apply to the same thing."

Black: "Okay. As far as I know, that would be acceptable with Representative Wennlund, and we can proceed with the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Gentleman Sponsor of Floor Amendment 1 withdraws Amendment 1. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Flinn."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Flinn, on Floor Amendment 2."

Flinn: "I also talked briefly with Mr....Representative Black this morning, and I would move for the adoption of this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 2 to House Bill 293. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 429, Representative Balanoff. What is your wish, Sir? Out of the record. House Bill 798, Representative Woolard. Representative

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Woolard. Representative Woolard, House Bill 798. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 798, a Bill for an Act amending the Prevailing Wage Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1294, Representative Woolard. Representative Woolard, House Bill 1294. Out of the record. House Bill 1310, Representative Steczo. Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 1420, Representative Levin. Out of the record. Roads and Transportation. Special Order Business, Roads and Transportation Second Reading. Page 6 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 127, Representative Giorgi. Representative Giorgi. Do you wish your Bill called, Representative Giorgi? Out of the record. Representative... Pardon me. House Bill 457, Representative Hartke. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 458, Representative Hartke. House Bill 458, Representative Hartke. Do you wish your Bill called, Sir? Out of the record. House Bill 460, Representative Woolard. Mr. Clerk, please call the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 460, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Woolard."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Woolard, on Floor Amendment 1."

Woolard: "This Amendment is totally just a correction of a miscalculation on the date. We're changing the date as it is now from 1994 to 1998. A very simple Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1460. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The

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Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 897, Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. House Bill 1057, Representative Gash. Out of the record. Representative... Mr. Clerk, please read the... Oh, out of the record. I'm sorry. Take the Bill out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 1113, Representative Hartke. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 1114, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 2157, Representative Tom Johnson. Representative Tom Johnson. Mr. Clerk, please call the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2157. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Tom Johnson."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Tom Johnson, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2157."

Johnson, Tom: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, this Floor Amendment is a request of the Department of Transportation, which amends the Bill to provide that where somebody is in violation of the Controlled Substance Act of the State of Illinois or the federal government, the Controlled Substance Act, that their drivers license would be suspended for up to six months. This is to bring it into conformity with requirements of the federal government in order to protect our matching funds for roads from the federal government. I don't believe that there is any objection to this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2157. Those in favor of the Amendment vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment

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is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Speaker...
Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 2308, Representative
Deuchler. Out of the record. House Bill 2375,
Representative Ryder. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2375, a Bill for an Act to amend the
Boat Registration and Safety Act. Second Reading of the
Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 457, Representative
Hartke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 457, a Bill for an Act amending the
Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of the Bill.
Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions were
filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative
Hawkins."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Perry, Representative Hawkins."

Hawkins: "Amendment 2, what this does is when overweight trucks
are fined on county highways that the fine money would go
to the counties to help repair the roads that were damaged
by the overweight trucks, instead of to the..."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative, the Clerk informs me that,
unfortunately, the Amendment has not yet been printed and
distributed. Is that correct, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "The Amendment has not been printed and
distributed."

Speaker Dunn: "We'll have to hold the Bill... Take the Bill out
of the record, at the request of the Sponsor. We'll come
back to it. House Bill 2308, Representative Deuchler. The
Lady from Kane, Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House
Amendment 1 to 2308..."

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Speaker Dunn: "Representative, I need to ask the Clerk to read the Bill for the record. Mr. Clerk, will you first read the Bill, please?"

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2308, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Deuchler."

Speaker Dunn: "Now, Representative Deuchler, on Floor Amendment 1."

Deuchler: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Amendment 1 includes all municipalities, those with home rule powers, as being required to provide a photostatic notice requirement on all parking tickets, so that the individuals who receive parking tickets from Chicago, as well as all cities throughout the state, will know that they can obtain a photostatic copy of their parking ticket and determine whether that is, in fact, written to their vehicle or another vehicle and that there has been a mixup in the computer registration."

Speaker Dunn: "On the Amendment, the Gentleman from Clinton, Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Lady yield?"

Speaker Dunn: "She indicates she will."

Granberg: "Representative Deuchler, this affects all home rule powers, home rule units?"

Deuchler: "Yes, it does Representative; and the point being, that there has been so much confusion throughout the state, I understand that other cities as well are sending out mistaken parking tickets. Certainly, it's been a big money raiser for the City of Chicago since they've gone in two years from \$15 million a year to \$60 million a year."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Granberg."

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Granberg: "This is a... The Bill before it was amended, Representative, required that the...the municipality to include a drivers license supervision notice for excessive parking violations to every... I'm sorry, so the violator may obtain a copy of this? So, the Amendment provides that all municipalities must comply."

Deuchler: "Yes it does."

Granberg: "Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Deuchler, to close."

Deuchler: "Just to ask for your cooperation in making this statewide. It really has been an extreme problem for residents in my district to determine whether or not these parking tickets are in fact theirs."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption... Pardon me, Representative Granberg, for what purpose do you rise?"

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative, there should have been a mandates note note...request filed on this. Has that... Mr. Clerk?"

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption..."

Granberg: "Mr. Speaker, I think this mandates note request is being filed in a matter of now. Yes, as amended."

Speaker Dunn: "Yes, As we are in the process of adopting an Amendment, the Lady has moved for adoption of Amendment 1, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2308. Those in favor of the Amendment vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Now, are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Floor Amendments, but a state mandates note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Has the note been filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "The note has not been filed."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall remain on the Order of Second

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Reading. On the Order of Roads and Transportation, Special Order of Business, Roads and Transportation, Third Reading, we will call Representative Capparelli's Bill to bring it back to Second for the purpose of Amendment. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 488. Representative Capparelli."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 488, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "Take House Bill 488 back for Amendment, Second Reading, please. The Amendment for...is requested by IDOT."

Speaker Dunn: "First, I think we better have leave. The Gentleman requests leave to return the Bill to the Order of Second Reading for the purpose of Amendment. Is there leave? Representative Wennlund, for what purpose do you rise?"

Wennlund: "Has the Amendment been printed and distributed? We don't have a copy of it."

Speaker Dunn: "The Clerk indicates the Amendment has been printed and distributed. Well, first, does the Sponsor have leave to return the Bill to Second? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Are there any Floor Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Capparelli."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Capparelli, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 488."

Capparelli: "Floor Amendment 1 was requested by IDOT to limit the 102-inch wide trailers to roads which have 11 feet or more in width. I would ask for adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 488. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The

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Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Special Order of Business, Constitutional Officers, Second Reading. Page 8 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 314. (House Bill) 314, Representative Homer. Out of the record. Page 9 of the Calendar, House Bill 363, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Pugh, for what purpose do you rise, Sir?"

Pugh: "Mr. Speaker, I've been asked to take control of some of Representative LeFlores Bills, so I'd like to have this particular Bill, the Small Business Bond Guarantee Act..."

Speaker Dunn: "House Bill 363, is that the Bill to which you refer, Sir?"

Pugh: "Yes Sir."

Speaker Dunn: "Does the Gentleman have leave to handle House Bill 363 for Representative LeFlore? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 363. Just a minute, Mr. Pugh. Please read House Bill 363."

Clerk Rossi: "House..."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Pugh, would you wish that Bill taken out of the record?"

Pugh: "Yes Sir."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall be taken out of the record. May I have your attention for a moment please. Leaving the podium because he's bashful is a former House Member, former State Senator, and former colleague and classmate of mine from the class of 1975, Representative and Senator, Bill Marovitz. Give Bill a hand. The Chair has been informed that there is a page at the podium with a bagel and Special K, and we don't know who ordered the...and

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milk, and will the person who ordered the bagel, Special K and milk, please tip generously. ...Special Order of Business. Consumer Protection, Second Reading. Page 13 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 793. Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky. You wish your Bill called? Out of the record. House Bill 1355. Representative Schakowsky. Do you wish your Bill called? Out of the record. House Bill 1385. Representative Schakowsky. What is your pleasure? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1385, a Bill for an Act to amend the Fraudulent Sales Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1504, Representative Schakowsky. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1504, a Bill for an Act to amend the Medical Patient Rights Act. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Schakowsky."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Schakowsky, on Floor Amendment 2."

Schakowsky: "Floor... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 increases the help for senior citizens when it comes to...their Medicare claims and asks that the doctor be the one who submit the claim for the beneficiary and that be done within 60 days after providing the service for that beneficiary. It, also, asks that physician not charge or collect from the Medicare beneficiary until Medicare has made a determination on the claim. In other words, it protects the senior from having to lay money out of pocket before Medicare makes a determination, and I urge adoption of this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "On the Amendment, the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

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

Speaker Dunn: "She indicates she will."

Black: "Representative, one or two questions. Number one, the Amendment becomes the Bill, correct?"

Schakowsky: "No, it doesn't."

Black: "That's...that's not correct."

Schakowsky: "It's...it's added on at Section C to the Bill."

Black: "All right. So...so, the Bill would still require constructive notice by a physician if he does not accept Medicare assignment? Is that corr..."

Schakowsky: "That's correct."

Black: "That's still in the Bill. Okay. I guess the second question is, and I don't know that anyone can answer it, maybe it will end up in court; can we, as a state Body, tell a physician what to do on what is essentially a federal program and claim process?"

Schakowsky: "Yes, there is extensive precedent for states regulating in these ways Medicare transactions."

Black: "All right, I thank you for your answers. Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1504. Those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1505. Representative Schakowsky. What is your pleasure? Do you wish your Bill called? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1505, a Bill for an Act to amend the Medical Patient Rights Act. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Schakowsky."

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Speaker Dunn: "Representative Schakowsky."

Schakowsky: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 15... The Amendment to House Bill 1505 clarifies hospital's responsibilities for notifying patients whether or not a physician doing surgery accepts Medicare assignments. This was an attempt to accommodate, to some extent, the concerns of the Hospital Association, and I urge adoption of Amendment 2."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund, on the Amendment."

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

Speaker Dunn: "She indicates she will."

Wennlund: "Now, Floor Amendment 2... What does this require a physician who does not accept Medicaid assignment to do?"

Schakowsky: "No, this...this has to do the hospital's responsibility to let... This has to do with the hospital's responsibility to let a patient know when he's undergoing surgery whether or not that physician does or does not accept Medicare assignment. It doesn't have any obligation on the part of the doctor to accept or not accept."

Wennlund: "So...so, it puts the obligation on the hospital to notify the patient?"

Schakowsky: "That is correct. For that particular surgery, for that particular patient, yes."

Wennlund: "Is it only with respect to elective surgery?"

Schakowsky: "Yes."

Wennlund: "And...and what if the patient is unconscious?"

Schakowsky: "It does not... It does not address that."

Wennlund: "So, how does the hospital notify a patient who might be comatose or unconscious or incapable or the victim of some disease that renders him incapable of being able to make a determination with respect to whether or not he

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wants that doctor to perform the surgery."

Schakowsky: "The requirement would not pertain then."

Wennlund: "I'm sorry."

Schakowsky: "Then...then the requirement in this Bill would not pertain to that situation."

Wennlund: "Okay, thank you very much."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1505. On the Amendment, those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. The Gentleman from Vermilion... Let's move the Bill to Third Reading. House Bill 13...1505 shall be moved to the Order of Third Reading. Representative Black, for what purpose do you arise?"

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. An inquiry of the Chair. The previous Bill, 1504, had a fiscal note attached...request some time ago. Is that fiscal note been provided?"

Clerk Rossi: "The fiscal note has not been filed."

Black: "Then... I...I'm sorry I missed it in the confusion. Then is 1504 still held on Second Reading as amended?"

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Schakowsky, the Chair has been informed that with regard to House Bill 1504, a fiscal note has been requested and it has not been filed, so the Bill was inadvertently moved to Third Reading. Do you ask leave of the Body to return the Bill to the Order of Second Reading? The Lady asks leave. Is there objection? Hearing none, leave is granted. House Bill 1504 shall return to the Order of Second Reading."

Black: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Dunn: "Representative Schakowsky, for what purpose to you arise?"

Schakowsky: "Amendment 2 has been adopted but it's held on Second?"

Speaker Dunn: "Yes, the Amendment was adopted. So, House Bill 1504... So we make sure we have our records straight, House Bill 1504 shall remain on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 1505 is moved to the Order of Third Reading. Now, House Bill 1645, Representative Turner. Out of the record. House Bill 1687, Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky? Out of the record. House Bill 1768. Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1768, a Bill for an Act concerning utilization review of health care services. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1768."

Lang: "Withdraw Amendment 1, please."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendment 1. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill deals with utilization review. This is a Agreed Amendment with the HMO's and PPO's to satisfy some problems they had. It's really a technical Amendment dealing with their problems and does not very much affect the substance of the Bill. I move adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1768. Those in favor of the Amendment vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have

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it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Currie, in the Chair. Continuing on Special Orders, Agriculture and Conservation, Second Readings. House Bill 581, Representative Schoenberg. Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. Representative Hicks, on House Bill 602. Representative Hicks. Out of the record. Representative Hartke, House Bill 762. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. Representative Churchill, House Bill 1074. Out of the record. Representative Hartke on House Bill 1259. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. Representative Brunsvold, House Bill 1990. Representative Brunsvold. Out of the record. An entire order out of the record. Let's move along. Insurance, Second Reading. Representative Hicks on House Bill 1067. Representative Hicks. Out of the record. House Bill 1829, Representative Hicks. Are we ready with that one? (House Bill) 1829. Representative Hicks. Out of the record. Representative Daniels, on House Bill 2260. Representative Parcels for Representative Daniels. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2260, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Insurance Code. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Parcels."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Parcels on Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 2260."

Parcels: "Thank you, Speaker. I want... I think before I even start on the Amendment, I should ask because it was just introduced this morning, if it has been printed and

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distributed?"

Speaker Currie: "Printed and distributed? No."

Parcells: "Then I'll wait."

Speaker Currie: "Take the Bill out of the record. Thank you very much."

Parcells: "Please take the Bill out of the record."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dunn, in the Chair."

Speaker Dunn: "House Bill 2353, Representative Granberg. Representative Granberg. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Civil Justice, Second Reading. Page 6 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 92. Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 141, Representative Schoenberg. Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 160, Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 160, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Human Rights Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 160."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 160 is a Bill that would prohibit discrimination in certain, but not all, private country clubs. Amendment 1 is a clean-up Bill (sic-Amendment) to...to make sure that...clubs that are renting out their facilities to charitable organizations do not have a problem relative to actions under this Bill. It's, I believe, an Agreed Amendment, and I would move adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 160; and, on the Amendment, the Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund."

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

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Speaker Dunn: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Does... You said this Amendment is a Agreed Amendment.
Who has agreed to it?"

Lang: "The...the country clubs that I have talked to regarding certain problems they were having sat down with me and drafted this Amendment with me. I wouldn't say all country clubs were in the room, but many of the country clubs that felt the original Bill affected them were in the room, and we drafted this language."

Wennlund: "And how does this remove those country clubs from the provisions of the original Bill? How does this Amendment..."

Lang: "Well, it doesn't remove anyone from...from the original Bill, but there was a concern that if a...a member of a country club allowed a charitable organization to use the club and that charitable organization had...non-members who were otherwise restricted from using the club, that the...the effect of the Bill might kick in, and what this does is exempt charitable events...and events where members invite non-members as their guest, to make sure the Act doesn't kick in."

Wennlund: "Does it address the situation whic...which was one of the biggest objections by country clubs and private clubs throughout the state that...that if I'm a member of the club and I take a guest there to dinner and my employer reimburses me...for either the cost of dinner or the cost of my country club membership or for a round of golf, then you got a third party paying and that country club would be bought within the terms of the original Bill. Does it address that situation?"

Lang: "Yes, it does."

Wennlund: "Can you show me where? Directly or indirectly, is the

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language still there?"

Lang: "Let me find it for you. Lines 15 and 16 discuss the issue of employers and the use of the club by their employees with permission and their guests."

Wennlund: "Okay. So, if...if the employer of an individual happens to be a member of that club is reimbursed by his employer or corporation for either his membership or golf or dinner or whatever, that...it does not bring that club within the provisions of the original Bill?"

Lang: "No, and there was no intent to ever do that. The only intent of the Bill was to make sure that if clubs are allowing people to use their facilities and pay for those facilities that it'd be silly to prohibit them from being members of that club. So, ...these provisions of this Amendment address your problem."

Wennlund: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Thank you. Representative, does this Bill...excuse me, the Amendment address the situation that I have received some correspondence from...from a country club in my district (of which I am not a member, by the way), but they...they make their facilities available for a number of high school athletic events, the women's amateur golf tournament, a fund raiser charity pro-am for various charities in the...in the area, and the concern of the president of that country club was that in order to tighten up and not be affected by this rule, they were going to have to stop all of that. Does...is...is this addressed in your Amendment?"

Lang: "The...the Amendment accepts payments by of or on behalf of entities or organizations that exempt from federal taxes under the Internal Revenue Code. So, payment by any

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organization, such as that, like a high school or like any charitable organization, wouldn't be considered the kind of payment that the Bill supposes; and, therefore, would be exempt."

Black: "All right, thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Amendment 1 to House Bill 160. Those in favor of the Amendment signify by vote...those in favor of the Amendment vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As I indicated to the Sponsor of this Bill and in an inquiry of the Chair, at the appropriate time, pursuant to Rule 10(e), I am joined by seven of my colleagues in asking that this Bill be removed from Short Debate status."

Speaker Dunn: "First, before we get into that, we need to find out if there are further Amendments."

Black: "The Clerk said there were no further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Then we'll move the Bill to Third Reading. Now..."

Black: "Now, would my inquiry of the Chair be...be in order?"

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Mr. Speaker, it would be out of order to a make a Motion on this Bill at this time. It's now on Third Reading. Mr. Black can make the Motion when we get to the Bill on Third Reading."

Speaker Dunn: "The Chair has been advised that the request to move the Bill off the Order of Short Debate is not timely at this time. It would, however, be timely as such time as

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the Bill is called on Third Reading. House Bill 161, Representative Dart. Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 224, Representative Pugh. Out of the record. House Bill 240, Representative Pugh. Out of the record. House Bill 252, Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 360, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 365, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 382, Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman. House Bill 382. Out of the record. House Bill 672, Representative Giorgi. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 672, a Bill for an Act to amend the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 724, Representative Currie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 724, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 3, offered by Representative Currie."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Currie, on Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 724."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is an Amendment that we discussed in the Judiciary Committee on the Bill that would provide key waivers for indi...well, would make statutory key waivers for indigent clients...in...in form of pauperous...hearings, and what the Amendment is intended to do, is to narrow the scope of the Bill by, for example, addressing a situation in which the individual has limited income but does have substantial assets so that the court could determine that...that

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individual would not be permitted to file in form of pauperous and making several other clarifying Amendments, as I say, that were discussed with the Judiciary Committee and have been discussed with some of the other people who have concerns about the Bill. I'd be happy to answer your questions and would appreciate your support for the Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 724. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Brunsvold. For what purpose to you arise?"

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For an announcement. Everyone should remember the Legislative Fit...Fitness Day is going on in (Room) 114 on the first floor. If you haven't been down there, I'd like you to go down there. Ya' gotta about two more hours to go and get tested. And also, in the back of the chamber, we have a basket of goodies for you for fitness day: Apples, oranges, some granola bars, and we'd like you to either to come back and pick up a bag or send a page back to get a bag. So, please come back and get...get your basket for Legislative Fitness Day. Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "House Bill 764, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 935, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1026, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1161, Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 1203, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1235, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1277, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. Representative Homer. House Bill 1319.

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Representen... House Bill 1319, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1332, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1362, Representative Sheehy. Representative Sheehy. Out of the record. House Bill 1386, Representative Pankau. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1386, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1961. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Pankau."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Pankau, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1386."

Pankau: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This was an agreement that was made in Judicial II Committee. This is a Bill that concerns - penalties for big-money arson - arson over a million dollars. What this was agreed to in committee that it would be a Class I instead of a Class X; it's presently a Class II. So my Amendment changes it from a Class X to a Class I. I ask for the approval of this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "On the Amendment, the Gentleman from Fulton, Representative Homer."

Homer: "Representative, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Dunn: "She indicates she will."

Homer: "Representative Pankau, is this the Amendment that we agreed to in committee?"

Pankau: "Yes. It's presently a Class II, and instead of going to Class X, we agreed on Class I, which is one step up."

Homer: "All right, the fire marshals helped draft the Amendment?"

Pankau: "They did."

Homer: "All right. And is it still a million dollar threshold?"

Pankau: "Yes, it is."

Homer: "So all you did was take the penalty from Class X to down Class I."

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Pankau: "That's right, changed the X to a I."

Homer: "That is the agreement in committee. I support the Amendment."

Pankau: "Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady Sponsor moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1386. Those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Weller. Wennlund."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund on Floor Amendment 2. Pardon me, the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black, on Floor Amendment 2."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. With the consent of the Chair, I'd like to handle this Amendment for Representative Weller."

Speaker Dunn: "Does Representative Black have leave of the Body to present Amendment 2 to House Bill 1386. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Please proceed."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment 2 amends the Criminal Code section on capital punishment under Illinois law, and it...as I understand it, it provides that a defendant may be, I emphasize, may be sentenced to death if the murder was intentional and involved the infliction of torture. That's what the Amendment does. I'd be more than happy to answer any questions that you might have and urge your favorable consideration on Amendment 2 to House Bill 1953... I'm sorry, 1386."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Fulton, Representative Homer."

Homer: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Dunn: "She... He indicates he will."

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Homer: "Where is Representative Weller? I saw him here a few minutes ago."

Black: "Yes, Representative Homer, one of the reasons I'm as talking slowly as I can, it's my understanding he's on his way as we speak."

Homer: "Wa...wasn't there a Bill in committee that did exactly that?"

Black: "Well, I'm certainly not going to prevaricate to you. Yes, I believe he did have a Bill that did this."

Homer: "Well, let me make this suggestion. You know, I think I supported this bill. Representative Petka had this Bill, Senator Petka now, had this Bill last year, and I don't remember exactly what happened to that Bill, but Representative Black, the underlying Bill here is a Bill dealing with arson, and the Gentleman wants to put on a death penalty provision that has nothing to do with arson. Now, I don't know whether that's germane or not, nor do I really want to argue against the Amendment, but I think it's much too serious to proceed without the Sponsor of the Amendment when we're talking about expanding the death penalty. I don't think you want to be in a position of simply serving to handle that kind of an Amendment. I think the Sponsor should be here to be able to explain the ramifications of it. So, what my request is is that the Sponsor take the Bill out of the record until Representative Weller can come and explain and answer questions about this Amendment."

Black: "That's a very reasonable request, and we'll certainly see to that. Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "Does the Lady accede to the request? Are you willing to take your Bill out of the record, Representative? House Bill 1386 shall be taken out of the

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record. House Bill 1391, Representative Ryder. Out of the record. House Bill 1466, Representative McAfee. Out of the record. House Bill 1468, Representative Blagojevich. Representative Blagojevich. Out of the record. House Bill 1575, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1631, Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 1660, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1661, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1662, Representative Homer. Out of the record. (House Bill) 1663, Representative Homer. Out of the record. (House Bill) 1664, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1676, Representative Lang. Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1677, Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 1691, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1723, Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 1905, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1917. Out of the record. Representative Mulligan, House Bill 1940, Representative von Bergen-Wessels. Out of the record. House Bill 1951, Representative Rotello. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1951, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Rotello."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Rotello, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1951."

Rotello: "Mr. Chairman... Mr. Speaker, I need to take this Bill out of the record."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall be taken out of the record at the request of the Sponsor. House Bill 2010, Representative Cross. Representative Cross. Out of the record. House Bill 2102, Representative Gash. Representative Gash. Mr. Clerk,

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please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2102, a Bill for an Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Leitch."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Gash requests the Bill be taken out of the record. House Bill 2108, Representative Levin. Representative Levin. Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 2111, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 2112, Representative Jones. Out of the record. Representative Lou Jones, pardon me. Representative Lou Jones. Out of the record. House Bill 2171, Representative Dart. Out of the record. House Bill 2191, Representative Lopez. Representative Lopez. Out of the record. House Bill 2386, Representative Hoffman. Out of the record. House Bill 2425, Representative Gash. Out of the record. House Bill 2427, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 2428, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 2433, Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2433, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Crimin... Code of Civil Procedure. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Lang."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2433."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment... This Amendment would allow quick-take of property by home-rule counties and counties adjacent to Cook County and Chicago for the purpose of acquisition of land and interest in land for highways and road purposes under certain circumstances. I want to point out that the Amendment limits the provisions

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to 20 feet from and contiguous with existing county or municipal right-of-ways. Twenty feet on either side of an existing county or municipal right-of-way. That's all the Bill does, and I move adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "On the Amendment, Representative Black."

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

Speaker Dunn: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, in all the confusion, does the Amendment become the Bill?"

Lang: "Yes."

Black: "Does it provide quick-take powers to all counties or only counties over a certain population?"

Lang: "All home-rule counties and counties adjacent to Cook County and Chicago."

Black: "I...I'm sorry. Only Cook County?"

Lang: "No. If I'm reading what I have in front of me correctly, it allows quick-take by all home-rule counties..."

Black: "By all. Okay."

Lang: "Oh, well, then that would be Cook. So, I guess that's the answer. Counties that... Cook County and counties adjacent thereto."

Black: "Okay. I appreciate your answer. Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Biggert."

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

Speaker Dunn: "He indicates he will."

Biggert: "I'm not sure whether this Bill is germane to House Bill 2433, but it appears that the Amendment is the same Bill that was House Bill 1196, which was brought up in the Judiciary I Committee, which failed on a vote of six, four, and two, and I don't see any difference of this Amendment as there is to...to the present 2433. Could I have an

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inquiry of the Chair whether this Bill is germane? I'm sorry, if the Amendment is germane?"

Speaker Dunn: "There has been a request to the Chair to determine whether Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2433 is germane. The Parliamentarian informs the Chair that the main Bill deals with the Code of Civil Procedure, as does Floor Amendment 1. So, Amendment 1 is germane. Representative Biggert."

Biggert: "Then, Mr. Speaker...I would urge that this Amendment not be approved and would ask for a Roll Call Vote. I really think that this had its day in court, so to speak, at the committee level - and this was heard and was...was defeated at that level - and it's just an attempt to bring it back to the floor without approval from the committee, and I think that the committee process is very important here, and that if we're just going to be able circumvent...what the committee has done and bring it to the floor, when it was not approved is not a good idea."

Speaker Dunn: "On the Amendment, Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this Amendment because it will allow quick-take in all the collar counties surrounding Cook Counties. Quick-take is, basically, an excuse for highway departments who have poor planning to cover up their mistakes. There is absolutely no reason that McHenry County needs quick-take powers if it has competent officials. I would ask everyone in McHenry, Will, Dupage, Kane and Lake to vote against this unless they have a lot of trust in their highway departments. And you've already asked... Someone's already asked for a roll call, right?"

Speaker Dunn: "That is correct."

Skinner: "This looks like a good target vote."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Lang, do you wish to close?"

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Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I haven't heard any major opposition to this Bill, despite the previous two speakers. One was talking about the committee process, and I know we appreciate the lecture on the value of the committees. The other, I don't know what he was talking about. This is 20 feet of...20 feet of right-of-way to...for existing highways. It's an important measure, and I move adoption."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman who sponsored moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 240...2433. A Roll Call Vote has been requested. The question is, 'Shall this Bill...should this Amendment be adopted?' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk shall take the record. On this ques... Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Amendment, 14 voting 'aye', 87 voting 'no', 5 voting 'present'. The Amendment is defeated. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Representative Lang, for what purpose do you arise?"

Lang: "Could you hold that Bill on Second Reading, please?"

Speaker Dunn: "The Sponsor requests that the Bill be returned to the Order of Second Reading. Is there objection? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. House Bill 2433 shall be returned to the Order of Second Reading. On the Order of Business and Job Development, Second Reading, appears House Bill 7, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1120, Representative DeJaegher. Representative DeJaegher. House Bill 1560, Representative Deering. Representative Deering. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1560, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Insurance Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No

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Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1939, Representative Steczo. Out of the record. House Bill 2036, Representative Saviano. Representative Saviano. Out of the record. House Bill 2374, Representative Churchill. Ou... Representative Churchill. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Civil Justice, Second Reading. House Bill 1951, Representative Rotello. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1951. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Rotello."

Speaker Dunn:: "Representative Rotello, on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1951."

Rotello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Floor Amendment 1... First of all, this is a vehicle Bill and the Amendment becomes the Bill. To allow a second grand jury to exist in Winnebago County. We have a situation where a grand jury is severely backlogged, and...we wanted to allow the opportunity for counties of a size of 250,000 although the second Amendment will lower that to 225,000 allow those counties that wish, to have a second grand jury. So, I ask for a favorable consideration on this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1951. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'aye'; opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Amendment 2, offered by Representative Rotello."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Rotello, on Floor Amendment 2."

Rotello: "Amendment 2, as I just mentioned, will change the population from 250,000 lowered to 225,000, so it will be a technical change of Amendment 1."

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Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1951. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Are there further Amendments."

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Special Order of Business, State and Local Government, Second Reading. House Bill 822, Representative Schoenberg. Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 1055, Representative Phelps. Representative Phelps. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1055. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. ...Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1748, Representative Woolard. Representative Woolard. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Seniors, Second Reading. House Bill 431, Representative Woolard. Representative Woolard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 431. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. No Floor Amendments. A fiscal note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Has the fiscal note been filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "A fiscal note has not been filed."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman requests the Bill be taken out of the record. House Bill 431 shall be taken out of the record. House Bill 949, Representative Mary Flowers. Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers. You wish your Bill called? Out of the record. House Bill 2392, Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky. You wish your Bill called? Out

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of the record. Special Order of Business, Local Government, Second Reading, appears House Bill 105, Representative Homer. Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 165, Representative Balanoff. Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. House Bill 168, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 175, Representative Capparelli. Representative Capparelli. Out of the record. House Bill 548, Repre... Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 550, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 611, Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. House Bill 630, Representative Wojcik. Representative Wojcik. Out of the record. House Bill 703, Representative Ryder. Representative Ryder. Out of the record. House Bill 1279, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1280. Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1282, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 1478, Representative Homer. Out of the record. House Bill 1902, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1922, Representative Steczo. Representative Steczo. Me. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1922, a Bill for an Act to amend the Park District Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. A state mandates note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Has the note been filed, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "A mandates note has not been filed."

Speaker Dunn: "The Bill shall remain on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 1981, Representative Kubik. Out of the record. House Bill 2240, Representative Erwin. Representative Erwin. Do you wish your Bill called, Representative Erwin? Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Education, Second Reading. House Bill 593,

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Representative Davis. Representative Monique Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 730, Representative Steczo. House Bill 730, Representative Steczo. Mr. Clerk, please call the Bill. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 730, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 754, Representative Cowlshaw. House Bill 754. Representative Cowlshaw. Out of the record. House Bill 757, Mautino. House Bill... Would you like your Bill called, Sir? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. We'll take House Bill 757 out of the record. There is... On House Bill 757, the Amendment still has not been printed and distributed, according to what I am told. On Education, Second Reading, page 14 of the Calendar, the next Bill is House Bill 903, Representative Hartke. House Bill 903. Out of the record. Page 14 of the Calendar, House Bill 957. House Bill 957, presentative Stroger. Representative Stroger. Out of the record. House Bill 1003, Representative Churchill. Hous... Pardon me, I read the wrong number. House Bill 1083, Representative Churchill. Out of the record. House Bill 1087, Representative Churchill. Out of the record. House Bill 1165, Representative Hoffman. House Bill 1165, Representative Hoffman. Out of the record. House Bill 1308, Representative Young. Out of the record. House Bill 1696, Representative Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 1919, Representative Currie. Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1999, Representative Burke. Representative Burke, House Bill 1999. Out of the record. House Bill 2107. (House Bill) 2107, Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 2198. House Bill 2198, Representative Hawkins. Out of

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the record. House Bill 2216, Representative Davis. Monique Davis. Out of the record. House Bill 2230, Representative Kubik. Representative Kubik. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Elections and State Government, Second Reading, page 6 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 103, Representative Novak. Out of the record. House Bill 109, Representative McAfee. Out of the record. House Bill 140, Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 147, Representative Giolitto. Out of the record. House Bill 362, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 660, Representative Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 737, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 832, Representative Curran. Out of the record. House Bill 973. Representative McGuire. Representative McGuire. Out of the record. House Bill 1108, Representative Ronen. Out of the record. House Bill 1201, Representative Currie. Out of the record. House Bill 1228, Representative Curran. Out of the record. House Bill 1392, Representative Mulligan. Out of the record. You're right. House Bill 1392 has been moved yo...to Third Reading. You're right. House Bill 1460. Representative Edley. House Bill 1460, Representative Edley. Do you wish your Bill called, Representative? Out of the record. House Bill 1539, Representative Kaszak. Representative Kaszak. Out of the record. House Bill 1704, Representative Hicks. Out of the record. House Bill 1705, Representative Prussing. Out of the record. House Bill 1745, Representative Rotello. Out of the record. House Bill 1912, Representative Moseley. Out of the record. House Bill 1913. Representative Hicks. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1913. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No

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Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Hicks."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Hicks, on Floor Amendment 2. The Gentleman requests to take the Bill out of the record. House Bill 2101, Representative LeFlore. Out of the record. House Bill 2296, Representative Prussing. Out of the record. Special Order of Business, Education, Second Reading, House Bill 1308, Representative Youngue. House Bill 1308. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1308, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public College Act. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Representative Youngue."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Youngue, on Floor Amendment 2."

Youngue: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Floor Amendment 2 would make...permit the establishment of an urban studies center by the Illinois Community College Board. When this Bill was heard in the Higher Education Committee, I agreed to work with the Illinois Community College Board to craft an Amendment that would be agreeable with them, and this is the Amendment, and I move for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady moves for adoption of Amendment 2 to House Bill 1308. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'aye'; opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Special Order of Business, Roads and Transportation, Second Reading, page 6 of the Calendar, House Bill 127, Representative Giorgi. Out of the record. House Bill 457, Representative Hartke. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 458, Representative

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Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 460, Representative Woolard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. ... Pardon me, we've passed that. That Bill's been...moved to Third. House Bill 897, Representative Balanoff. Representative Balanoff. House Bill 897. Out of the record. House Bill 1075, Representative Gash. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1075, a Bill for an Act to amend the Road Worker Safety Act. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. House Bill 1113, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 1114, Representative Hartke. Out of the record. House Bill 2308, Representative Deuchler. Out of the record. House Bill 60...no, no, pardon me, wrong number. Consent Calendar, Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bills."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 228. House Bill 275. House Bill 399, a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. House Bill 409, a Bill for an Act to amend the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. House Bill 579, a Bill for an Act to amend the Board of Higher Education Act. House Bill 745, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. House Bill 795, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 844, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Human Rights Act. House Bill 898, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. House Bill 967, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure. House Bill 1013, a Bill for an Act to amend the Voluntary Payroll Deductions Act of 1983. House Bill 1206, a Bill for an Act to amend the Limited Health Service Organization Act. House Bill 1293, a Bill for an Act to amend the Clinical Social Work and Social

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Work Practice Act. House Bill 1324, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Act on Aging. House Bill 1335, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal (Civil) Procedure. House Bill 1343, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Banking Act. House Bill 1387, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 1399, a Bill for an Act to amend the Vital Records Act. House Bill 1406, a Bill for an Act to amend the Military Code of Illinois (sic-Civil Administrative Code of Illinois) House Bill 1451, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. House Bill 1496, a Bill for an Act to amend the Vital Records Act. House Bill 1498, a Bill for an Act to amend the Nursing Home Care Act. House Bill 1507, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code (sic-School Code). House Bill 1513, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. House Bill 1527, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. House Bill 1540, a Bill for an Act to amend the Child Care Act of 1969. House Bill 1549, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Securities Law of 1953. House Bill 1572, a Bill for an Act to amend the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act. House Bill 1609, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. House Bill 1621, a Bill for an Act to amend the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. House Bill 1636, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. House Bill 1642, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois State Police Act. House Bill 1647, a Bill for an Act in relation to the Secretary of State. House Bill 1733, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1961. House Bill 1761, a Bill for an Act in relation to veterinary medicine and surgery. House Bill 1787, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1963. House Bill 18...1803, a Bill for an

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Act in relation to persons with developmental disabilities. House Bill 1806, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1961. House Bill 1852, a Bill for an Act to amend the Alternative Health Care Delivery Act. House Bill 1897, a Bill for an Act in relation...relation to mental health recipients. House Bill 1971, a Bill for an Act in relation to administrative proceedings and judicial review. House Bill 2103, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984. House Bill 2128, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Employee Indemnification Act. House Bill 2168, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Identification Act. House Bill 2170, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act. House Bill 2187, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Controlled Substances Act. House Bill 2292, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1961. House Bill 2333, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. House Bill 2347, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act. House Bill 2377, a Bill for an Act to amend the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act. House Bill 2400, a Bill for an Act to amend the Abused and...Neglected Child Reporting Act. House Bill 2406, a Bill for an Act to amend the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. House Bill 2412, a Bill for an Act in relation to children. House Bill 228, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Human Rights Act. House Bill 275, a Bill for an Act to amend the Nursing Home Care Act."

Speaker Dunn: "Two Bills have been removed from the Consent Calendar. House Bill 2120 and House Bill 2155. Those two Bills have been removed from the Consent Calendar. Consent Calendar, having been read for the third time, we are ready for a vote. The question is, 'Shall these Bills pass?' Mr.

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Clerk. Voting is open. All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no', and voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. One-hundred-thirteen voting 'aye'; 0 voting 'no', and 2 voting 'present', the Bills on the Consent Calendar pass, having received the Constitutional Majority, are hereby declared passed. Special Order of Business, Business and Job Development, Second Reading. House Bill 7, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 1120, Representative DeJaegher. House Bill 1120, Representative DeJaegher. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1120, a Bill for an Act concerning promotion of Illinois exports. Second Reading of this Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative DeJaegher."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative DeJaegher, on...on Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1120."

DeJaegher: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Assembly. The reason for the placement of this particular Amendment... It deals with exports, and what we're doing is basically assigning an agency and that agent would be the Department of Agriculture. It makes sense that most of our exports deal with agriculture and this agency would be the prime agency that would implement the program, and I ask for your support on this legislati...or on this Amendment."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1120. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'aye'; opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Representative Black, for what purpose do you arise?"

Black: "Well, the purpose for which I was seeking recognition is just a little bit too late. But...maybe we'll address this

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on Third Reading."

Speaker Dunn: "I...I apologize. Your light was on. It was just covered by a piece of paper here. I'm sorry, Sir."

Black: "Well, cover up the other side with newspaper. Leave our side clear, will ya'."

Speaker Dunn: "I do."

Black: "Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "Mr. Clerk, are there any further Amendments."

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading. Special Order of... Special Order of Business, Education, Third Reading, page 33 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 77, Representative Santiago. Out of the record. House Bill 78, Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 79, Representative Hoeft. Representative Hoeft. Representative Hoeft. Out of the record. House Bill 98, Representative Lang. Representative Lang. Out of the record. House Bill 125, Representative Levin. Out of the record. House Bill 171, Representative Black. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill..."

Speaker Dunn: "...What purpose do you arise, Mr. Black?"

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Representative Brunsvold and I have met with the Illinois High School Association this morning. We think we can accomplish what we're trying to do by resolution. Would you please put House Bill 171 on Interim Study?"

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman requests leave to place House Bill 171 on the Order of Interim Study and he will... Yes, come up to the well and fill out a slip, and the Bill then shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. House Bill 280, Representative Hicks. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 280, a Bill for an Act to amend the

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School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Did you read the Bill, Mr. Clerk? Representative Hicks."

Hicks: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 280 is the Bill that would increase the school terms here in Illinois for school children. It would ultimately...increase the schools from 176 days currently to 200 days over a number of years. It would deal strictly with the appropriations that we set forth and out. I'd be happy to answer any question.

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund on the Bill."

Wennlund: "...Representative Cowlshaw, please?"

Speaker Dunn: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The intent of this legislation is certainly praise-worthy, and I know that the intent of the Sponsor is always praise-worthy. However, we are in a position currently in Illinois where we do not actually have sufficient funds in order to adequately fund the numbers of school days that we have under current law. Because I...of my concern about the costs involved in increasing the number of days that we require students to be in schools, I have checked with the State Board of Education and I am told that for each day, one day, that we increase the school year, the costs in total is \$25 million. Because there is no accompanying appropriation's Bill, there is no...apparently no intent on the part of the Sponsor of determining where we're going to find that \$25 million a day. I stand in opposition to this Bill, but in addition to the cost factor, I'm not sure that increasing the number of days that we provide mediocrity will

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necessarily make any improvement. Thank you."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman from Effingham, Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "I stand in support of this Bill. You know, the Bill comes out recom...recommendation of the task force on Elementary and Secondary Education, and it only goes into effect if we fund this proposal. If we're gonna... If we're gonna enhance education in Illinois and to keep up with other countries, since we have a world-wide economy, I think we must increase the time that our children spend in school, and this Bill would only go into effect if we appropriate the money. So, I think it's absolutely necessary that we pass this piece of legislation, and I stand in support of it."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Hicks to close."

Hicks: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I...I would simply call note that with Amendment 1 on this Bill, it's of no cost whatsoever to us, unless we appropriate the money; and if we appropriate...(as the Lady suggests) the \$25 million, it's our choice to do that, then it would go into effect, only with the consent of this House would that occur. And I'd ask for passage of House Bill 280."

Speaker Dunn: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 280 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?The Clerk shall take the record on House Bill 280, 69 voting 'aye', 39 voting 'no', 4 voting 'present'. This Bill having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 347, Representative Dunn. Out of the record. House Bill 392, Representative Giglio. Mr. Clerk, Please read

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the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 392, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Giglio."

Giglio: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. What this Bill does, it says that the children have to get their shots before they enter school. The law now says that you have until the 15th of October. The children go to school, some of 'em don't get the shots, they have to take 'em out. This Bill just says that you have to have the shots before 'ya start school. Those that are transferred, the law provides that those that come in on a transfer, it doesn't affect them, and if there's some medical problems, it doesn't affect them. A...it came out of... It came out of committee...with a substantial number, and I would ask for your favorable support."

Speaker Dunn: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 392 pass'? All those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On House Bill 392, 111 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'; this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 418, Representative Weller. Out of the record. House Bill 521, Representative Balanoff. Out of the record. House Bill 532, Representative Helm. Presenting the Bill for Representative Helm will be Representative Cowlshaw. Representative Cowlshaw, on House Bill 532."

Cowlshaw: "I made the same error. One time there was something on the Calendar that said 'HELM' in capital letters and I thought, 'Dear me, we have a freshman I haven't even heard about before. There must be a Representative Helm'. That,

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of course, is the abbreviation for the House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee. Mr. Speaker, House Bill 532, as amended, does one simple thing. It is an initiative of the Illinois Farm Bureau, and it simply gives school districts the option, should they wish to take advantage of that option, of putting on for the public to vote a referendum that would have a limited time span. Just as we put sunset provisions in various things that we adopt here, this would give local school districts the option to limit that tax level to a period of three to ten years. They can, of course, still go ahead and make it indefinite if they choose to."

Speaker Dunn: "While you're drawing a deep breath, Representative, we need to read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 532."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 532. A Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Pardon me, Mr. Speaker, I forgot about a commitment I had made to Representative Monroe Flinn. We need to bring this Bill back to Second Reading long enough to get Representative Flinn's Amendment, which is being carried by Representative Brunsvold, adopted on to this Bill. I...I apologize, Mr. Speaker, I'd simply forgotten about that."

Speaker Dunn: "All right. Does the Lady have leave to return House Bill 532 to the Order of Second Reading? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. The Bill shall be on the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, are there Amendments?"

Clerk McLennand: "Floor Amendment 6, offered by Representative Brunsvold."

Speaker Dunn: "Representative Brunsvold defers to Representative Flinn on Floor Amendment 6. Representative Flinn, on Floor

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Amendment 6."

Flinn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 6 raises the bond debt limit from.....from its present state to \$4.5 million, because of mine subsidence, and the mine subsidence insurance does not cover more than \$100,000, and so the school is shut down now, and in order to rebuild it, we need that upping the bottom debt limit. This will all be done by a referendum, and it...will not happen without a referendum. I would ask for the adoption of Amendment 6."

Speaker Dunn: "The Gentleman moves for adoption of a Floor Amendment 6 to House Bill 532. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Dunn: "Third Reading."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Cowlshaw, for what purpose do you rise?"

Cowlshaw: "Mr. Speaker, I would request immediate consideration of House Bill 532, which we took back to Second Reading only to...in order to adopt an Amendment that was needed by Representative Flinn."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative, I don't think a...timing is very good. I don't think the votes are there. I think we'd better call it tomorrow."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Currie, on House Bill 658. Is the Lady from Cook in the chamber? Representative Currie, do you wish to call House Bill 658 on Third Reading. Out of the record. Representative Brunsvold, you have two Bills; 729 and 783. Representative Brunsvold? House Bill 729. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 729, a Bill for an Act relating to teaching certificates. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Brunsvold."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 729 is a fee increase on teacher's certification. Right now, they pay \$20 for the initial certification and endorsements. This Bill was at the request of the State Certification Board and is agreed to by the teachers who want this to improve the system of certification, update the process, so they can get their certificates faster in a more timely manner and I would ask for the passage of House Bill 729."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is 'Shall House Bill 729 pass?' All 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? Leitch, 'aye'. Martinez, 'aye'. Dunn, Representative Dunn, 'aye'? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there is 72 voting 'yes', 38 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'; and House Bill 729, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 783. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 783, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Brunsvold."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We move this back to Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Does the Gentleman have leave to bring the Bill back to the Order of Second for purpose of an Amendment? The move.... That's leave to remove the Bill back on the

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Order of Second Reading. Does the Gentleman have leave?
Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill's on Second
Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Floor Amendment 3, offered by Representative
Blagojevich."

Speaker Giglio: "Amendment 3, Representative Blagojevich. The
Gentleman from Cook."

Blagojevich: "Hi. Amendment 3 is a an Amendment that previously
was on, I think, it was House Bill 583 yesterday.
Representative Cowlshaw had a problem that it was attached
to a Bill that related to farmers, so we've agreed to
withdraw that Amendment and place this Amendment on House
Bill 783. This is the Special Education Amendment. The
purpose of this Amendment is to say again: inclusion for
handicapped children in schools is a desired goal but that
those situations ought to be determined on a case-by-case
basis."

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

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, I...I have no quarrel with the Amendment,
but you might ask your staff. It would appear to me that
under the federal American with Disabilities Act, that what
you're attempting to do will be preempted by federal law."

Blagojevich: "I can respond to that. It's not being... It's not
preempted by federal law Federal law is...it is the
guideline, and these guidelines were adopted with the mind
toward the federal law. So, this is in...it's consistent
with the federal law; it's not in conflict."

Black: "All right. So... So, you're telling me then that this

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Amendment has been drafted in concert with the new American With Disabilities Act and the whole legal theory of 'inclusion'? All right, fine, that's... I just wanted to make sure. Thank you very much."

Blagojevich: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. House Bill 816, Representative Johnson. Representative Johnson? House Bill 895, Representative Turner. Out of the record. Representative Brunsvold, 916. Representative Brunsvold? Brunsvold? (House Bill) 916? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 916, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Brunsvold."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 916...is being negotiated right now between the State Board and the Scholarship Commission. It's a transfer of responsibility on the number of scholarship programs, which better belong under the Scholarship Commission...than under the State Board of Education. They're working on an agreement now. If they come to no agreement, then this Bill will die. So, to keep the process moving, I ask that we pass this today, and allow them to continue negotiations and if nothing happens, then we'll just...kill the Bill later."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman...the Lady from Sangamon, Representative Moseley."

Moseley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield?"

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Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Moseley: "Mr. Brunsvold, what exactly... What scholarships are included to be moved?"

Brunsvold: "Okay. The list: Gifted Fellowship Programs, Science-Math...Mathematic's Scholarship, Teacher Shortage Scholarships, Equality Opportunity Scholarships, Administrator-Intern Grant Program, Special Education Grant Program, Teacher Training Scholarship Program, Consolidated Scholarship, Fellowship and Trainee Program and the Robert C. Byrd and Christa McAuliffe Scholarship Federal Programs."

Moseley: "Okay. That does not include the General Assembly scholarships?"

Brunsvold: "No."

Moseley: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 916 pass?' Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Saltsman, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; House Bill 916, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Sheehy, 963. Do you wish to have this Bill called? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 963. A Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Sheehy."

Sheehy: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and House Members, Bill 963, what it does is...it directs the State Superintendent of Education to cooperate with the the Board of Higher Education to establish a program of academic credit for secondary school

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students. I'm asking at this time that the House Members vote 'yes' for this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The question is, Shall House Bill 963 pass?' 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? Schoenberg, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 107 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no'; House Bill 963, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Younge, on House Bill 985. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 985, a Bill for an Act to amend the Family Resource Development Act. Third Reading of this Bill. The Lady from Sinclair, Representative Younge."

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 985 would establish the Family Resources Development Center at state community college and would set up a group of programs that would help families presently on Public Aid to move towards private gainful employment and self-sufficiency. I have been able to reach an agreement with the Illinois Department of Public Aid that they will work with me to help fund those areas of training that they would be responsible for and a part of their budget, with the understanding that I will look for money from...in DECCA, and from the Illinois Community College Board for those areas not covered; and with that explanation, I move for the passage of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 985 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting's open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 985, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Churchill, on 1089. Out of the record. Representative Dunn, John Dunn. Out of the record. Representative McAfee on 1218. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1218, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Development Finance Authority Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Gentleman from Cook, Representative McAfee."

McAfee: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1218 amends the Illinois School Code. It authorizes the Illinois Development Finance Authority to administer a low-interest loan program for school districts for educational purposes only, and I know of no opposition, and I would urge your support."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing... Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Giglio: "Indicates he will."

Wennlund: "The... The noise level is a little heavy over here. Heck, I'm sorry. Could you tell us what it's all about?"

McAfee: "Yes, Representative Wennlund, the... House Bill 1218 creates a low-interest loan program. It provides the authorizing or enabling legislation for us to go ahead and have the Illinois Development Finance Authority administer low-interest loans for school districts, for educational purposes only; it does not include capital improvement. This was amended by Representative Hannig, Representative Cowlshaw to provide working capital funds."

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Wennlund: "Does it transfer 'em from the State Board then to IFFA. Yes, that was at the request of the State Board. They are not set up to provide loans; basically, the Illinois Finance Authority is. It was done at their request."

Wennlund: "Who... Does the state guarantee the loan then, or..."

McAfee: "Well."

Wennlund: "Or actually makes the loan."

McAfee: "That's correct."

Wennlund: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1218 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. 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 109 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1218, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lopez, 1305? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1305, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Lopez."

Lopez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of this House. What House Bill 1305 does is provide the pupils in the state approval Bilingual Education program for three years or less are not required to participate in the State Assessment program; but shall participate in a alternative program to be developed by the State Board of Education by the start of the 1994-95 school year. The School Board of Education shall appoint a task force of concerned parents, teachers, administrators and other professionals to assist

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it in developing the Alternative Assessment program for pupils in the state approval...approved Transitional Bilingual Education program. What this Bill does, is give all these students that are in...a bilingual education program the same chance that the regular students get. Presently, what we're doing is givin the students the same test, when they're not really ready to take a test in English, in the English language. I ask for a favorable vote."

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

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, it's my understanding that Committee Amendment 1 becomes the Bill, correct?"

Lopez: "Correct."

Black: "With...with that Amendment in committee, do you know whether or not a...ED-RED and various other education associations stand in opposition to the Bill, or was their opposition to the Bill prior to the Amendment?"

Lopez: "I don't know of any opposition to this Bill, currently."

Black: "All right. I've just heard from staff that you're correct. Thank you very much."

Lopez: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield for a brief question please?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much. Representative, it's my understanding that there are on going meetings about how we can accomplish what this Bill intends to do and...and still

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provide accountability for those bilingual education programs. I know that you want those programs to be accountable just as much as anyone else does."

Lopez: "You're right."

Cowlshaw: "However, my understanding is that Ron Pearleman who is something of a state wide expert on bilingual education programs and what works and all that sort of thing, has been taking part in some of these on-going meetings. My request to you is, I understand that that hasn't reached finality yet, but I would ask of you please that you give your word that as those things move along, if they arrive at any conclusions, especially those that Mr. Pearleman may be working with right now, that you would be willing to amend those things into this Bill in the Senate."

Lopez: "Sure."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much."

Lopez: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Santiago."

Santiago: "Thank you Mr. Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. I am... I have a few comments to address. For the last 25 years, concerned parents and community members have been fighting and lobbying for equal and just educational opportunity for limited english...proficient LEP students. What the IGAP testing does, it just requires students that do not...that are monolingual in the English language to take a test where kids that are in the regular programs are taking, which is very, very unfair. We cannot evaluate a...child that does not speak English, how are we gonna administer a test to them and require them to pass the test? It doesn't make any sense. So, that's why I favor...I favor this Bill."

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Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Williamson, Representative Woolard."

Woolard: "Thank you Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'd like to call the attention to everyone on the floor to look at the board at this time. I understand that this is something that is vitally important to a certain segment of the Legislature. Mr. Lopez is following the dictates of those he represents and does well. Mr. Santiago is joining him for very good reasons. Mr. Frias is there because he believes that they have headed in the right path. Mr. Martinez is there, also, because he believes it's right. What in the world's Brunsvold doing there as a Sponsor on this piece of legislation? Let's hear from Brunsvold."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Frias."

Frias: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. I rise in support of this Bill. Very briefly, this is a good common sense Bill. You cannot expect somebody to take an exam when they are not proficient in that language. We are expected to test 'em and accurately gauge where they are to be placed scholastically, they must first and foremost understand that language, and this isn't just a Spanish-English, this also will serve every other nationality ethnic group that comes to this country and does not speak the language. All this does is allows them, it affords them an opportunity to learn the language before they can accurately be tested. I ask for your favorable support for this Bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Lopez, to close."

Lopez: "Just... Not to take more time, but I think it's very important, not only to the Hispanic community, but to all

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communities involved, whether it be Polish, Italian any country that have come here for the first time...as soon as they come here for the first time, to make sure that they learn the language first and have a fair shot at a testing. Thank you, and I hope for a favorable voting."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1305 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question... Representative Morrow."

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I know that because there are a lot of new people here, some of us old timers have forgotten, but this is this Gentleman's first Bill. I know it's a fine Bill and it might need to be passed, but right now, let's give him a shot. Let's just give him a shot, all right? We're lettin' out to many freshman Bills without giving him a shot. Each of 'em have to learn that there's a place and a time for everything. So, let's see some red votes up there, and maybe next week he can pass it."

Speaker Giglio: "All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Morrow. Morrow, vote Morrow 'aye'. On this question, there are now 110 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1305, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1307, Representative Younge, Wyvetter Younge. Is the Lady in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Moore, Andrea Moore. House Bill 1411. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1411, a Bill for an Act to amend the Minority Female Business Enterprise Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

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Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Lake, Representative Moore."

Moore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I would respectfully request leave to return this Bill to Second Reading for the purposes of an Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Does the Lady have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted, and the Bill is on the Order of Second Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Amendment... Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Andrea Moore."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Moore, on Amendment 1."

Moore: "The Amendment is needed to add a representative of public universities to the Minority and Female Business Enterprise Council."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion on the Amendment? Hearing none, all those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'aye's have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would..."

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments?"

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. Representative Currie, on 1475. Out of the record. Representative von Bergen Wessels, House Bill 1652. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1652, a Bill for an Act relating to general state aid for school districts. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative von Bergen Wessels."

von Bergen-Wessels: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would ask that this Bill be moved to Second for the purposes of Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Does the Lady have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill is on the Order of Second. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1652 has been read a second time previously."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative, the Clerk informs the Chair that there's no Amendment filed. Has the Amendment been filed?"

von Bergen-Wessels: "There should be Committee Amendment 1 that I wish to table."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady asks leave to table Amendment 1. Does the Lady have leave? Leave is granted. Amendment 1 is tabled. Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. An inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Giglio: "Proceed."

Black: "Are you talking about tabling a Committee Amendment or a Floor Amendment?"

Speaker Giglio: "This is Committee Amendment 1. Committee Amendment 1, Representative Black."

Black: "All right. Let me further make an inquiry of the Chair. Pursuant to Rule... Can you table a Committee Amendment? I thought we had to vote it off."

Speaker Giglio: "Well, did... If I recall, the Chair asked leave that the Amendment be tabled."

Black: "Well, there was some confusion as to whether it was a Floor Amendment...or...In all honesty, I thought you had to take a Committee Amendment off a Bill by a vote. Maybe I'm wrong."

Speaker Giglio: "I'll ask the Parliamentarian. All right, Representative Black. All those in favor of tabling Amendment 1 say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment's been tabled. Further Amendments?"

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. The Bill will be heard tomorrow,

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Representative. Okay, all the Members of the Rules Committee will please meet in the Speaker's Conference Room immediately. All Members of the Rules Committee on both sides of the aisle. Representative McPike, in the Chair."

Speaker McPike: "(House Bill) 1695, Mr. Burke. Out of the record. Representative Martinez, 1756. Martinez. Mr. Novak, 1763. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1763, a Bill for an Act relating to school funding. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. With leave of the Body, I would like to table Committee Amendment 1. Let me rephrase my Motion, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House."

Speaker McPike: "Yes, why don't you. The Bill's on Third Reading."

Novak: "With leave of the Body, I would like to take the Bill back to Second Reading."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Black, do you object to him returning this to Second Reading?"

Black: "Mr. Speaker."

Speaker McPike: "Yes?"

Black: "What the Gentleman should do is move to table the previous Bill because these are identical Bills. Now we just...we just tabled a Committee Amendment on a previous Bill; these Bills are identical. Now... Now, I think that Representative Novak, the senior Member, should carry his Bill and the freshman's Bill should probably be put on Interim Study. But it's something you need to work out over there. This is kind of silly. These are identical Bills."

Novak: "Mr. Speaker, I know why... I know why Representative

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Black's saying that cause he don't wanna vote for the Bill twice. Right, Bill?"

Black: "Well, I will if you'll let me."

Novak: "Mr. Speaker, I withdraw...I withdraw my Motion."

Speaker McPike: "I've checked with Parliamentarian, and there is nothing in our rules that says that we can only have one Bill. You could have a thousand Bills identical, and we could vote on 'em a thousand times."

Novak: "Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my Motion, and I'd like to have my Bill heard please."

Speaker McPike: "All right, fine, Okay. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. The Bill's been read. Mr. Novak."

Novak: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House 1763 is the same subject that we dealt with last year in the 1992 Session dealing with delayed school aid payment that this Legislature and the Governor subsequently approved in Senate Bill 45, which occurred in July of 1991. We have all heard the horror stories from our local school districts, from our PTA's, from our teachers, from our citizens back in our districts about what the devastating effects that the delayed school aid payment, so called delayed, and I want to emphasize the word 'delayed'. It wasn't delayed, we all know it was a permanent delay. You've heard it from all your school district people back in your districts. The Bill that we passed last year flew out of the House on an almost unanimous vote; it was over a 100 votes. It passed the Senate by over two-thirds. Below, and behold when the Governor vetoed it, saying that it was just a temporary delay and the school districts didn't lose any money at all, when we went to override the Veto, saw all of a sudden all this support just dissipated. Well, the issue is back. We have to re-emphasize the

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fact... We want to emphasize the fact that we have to convince the Governor that what we did on (sic - in) July of 1991 was wrong. The school districts know it, the State Superintendent of Education knows it, the Governor's office know it, and every Legislator in the State of Illinois knows it. We have to put our school aid payments back on the same schedule prior to Senate Bill 45, which we enacted in July of 1991. The Bill seeks to borrow \$176 million at a much lower interest rate than what individual school districts would have to pay and pay that back under the auspices of the Casual Deficit Act, so we can get our school aid payment back on line as they were prior to June...or July, of 1991. I'd be happy to entertain any questions."

Speaker McPike: "On the Motion, Mr. Black."

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

Speaker McPike: "Yes."

Black: "Representative, if I'd known you were gonna run this on Third, I certainly wouldn't have objected to an attempt to strip Committee Amendment 1 off the Bill. Is it your understanding that you're going to run this Bill with Committee Amendment 1 on it?"

Novak: "Representative Black, could you repeat the question, please?"

Black: "Yes. Is it your intent to run this Bill with Committee Amendment 1 still on the Bill?"

Novak: "Mr. Speaker, would you pull the Bill out of the record."

Speaker McPike: "Take the Bill out of the record. Committee reports."

Clerk Rossi: "Committee reports. Committee on Rules has met, and pursuant to Rule 1486, Bills referred...pursuant to Rule 27

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recommends consideration; and the Bills as referred to Second Reading, House Bill 685 and House Bill 686. Signed Frank Giglio, Chairman."

Speaker McPike: "Supplemental Calendar Announcement."

Clerk Rossi: "Supplemental Calendar 1 is being distributed."

Speaker McPike: "Supplemental Calendar 1, appears House Bill 686, Representative Currie. Read...read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 685."

Speaker McPike: "No, Mr. Clerk. (House Bill) 686."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 686, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act of 1939. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Currie."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Currie, on Amendment 1."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is an Amendment that effects the Property Tax Extension Limitation Act, incorporating some of the provisions that were in House Bill 47. In addition, it expands that program to include other counties in the state than those that are currently involved in that program...as well deletes exemptions for new construction in annexation, provides prior year equalized assessed evaluation for the collar counties, does not include the State Mandates Act and is a preemption of home rule power. I'd be happy to answer your questions and appreciate your support for the Amendment."

Speaker McPike: "All right. The question is, 'Shall Amendment 1 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker McPike: "Third Reading. House Bill 685. Mr. Clerk, read

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the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 685, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act of 1939. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Currie."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is an alternate version of property tax relief, expanding the general homestead exemptions statewide by a \$1000, senior citizens exemption by \$500 and providing in Cook County an increase in the homeowner improvement exemption from \$30,000 to \$45,000, and I'd be happy to answer your questions and appreciate your support."

Speaker McPike: "The question is, 'Shall Amendment 1 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker McPike: "Third Reading. Representative Giglio, in the Chair."

Speaker Giglio: "Supplemental Calendar 1. Supplemental Calendar 1, House Bill 685, Representative Currie. I'm sorry, Senate Bill, Second Reading. Senate Bill 312, Representative Ryder. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 312. A Bill for an Act making supplemental appropriations and/or legislative transfers for various state agencies. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative McPike."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative McPike, on Amendment 1."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill has been read a second time previously. It was read yesterday and held on Second Reading. This is House Amendment 1. It has a

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transfer for the Supreme Court and new appropriations of \$23.7 million federal money to the State Board of Education and \$75,000 GRF to the State Comptroller. I move for the adoption of the Amendment. I move for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "You've heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those in favor... Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Anybody who's watched what has gone on here in the last six minutes should really be a little bit ashamed. Now, I don't mind being in the Minority, but for cryin' out loud, a little inherent fairness. There isn't anything wrong with that. And you weren't in the Chair, Mr. Speaker. But when those Bills came out of Rules Committee and were slam-banged on our desks and passed by a voice vote that didn't have enough votes to carry squat, that's just ridiculous. If you wanna just run a dictatorship here, hell, run it. Run it, and just send us home. I am... I am absolutely amazed at what I've seen in the last five minutes. This isn't even democracy with a little (d), let alone a big (D), and I'm surprised at the Speaker who rammed it through like that. A Gentleman from the Naval Academy, who lived by the Honor Code. Now, he knows that's wrong; you know it's wrong; everybody in this chamber knows its a charade. It's an absolute charade, and I say to you who laugh and holler over there, 'God help you when the shoe fits, when the shoe is on the other foot'. You expect us to act like you do, well you'll get it back in spades. You wonder what happened in the Senate, why would you wonder? For God's sake, you're people of intelligence over there. You should be as outraged as we are about the events of the last ten minutes. You're sent here to represent people not to carry

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out the dictates of the Chair. You violated every rule in the book and every precept of democracy, and I'm not gonna take part in this charade."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Wennlund. Representative Black. Representative Black? Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. You know when we adopted the rules a couple of months ago, we thought that the rules were pretty heavily tilted to do whatever you wanted to do, you got the numbers to do whatever you wanted to do, but to treat us like that is absolutely and totally ridiculous. Not one Member on that side of the aisle out here knows what was in those...either one of those Amendments, and not one Member out here knows what was in either one of those. We didn't have any Bill files on 'em. There are no analyses out, nothing. The least that the rules can do is allow us to see what it is that's being considered, and to slam 'em through without letting anybody address 'em, is pure hypocrisy. And you know, we've got a long time to go in this Session between now and May 28th, and it appears that we're gonna have to do everything we can to slow this entire process down, bring it to a halt if necessary, and remember one thing, that all those Bills that you're gonna cram out of here and run out of here, shove it down our throats, they all go across the rotunda, where they'll meet a quick and easy death."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think it's time for a little reason. I noticed after Representative Black's remarks, there was an outburst of cheers and some applause, and I looked across the aisle and I saw the real Speaker applauding. So, I'm not sure that everybody's on the same page here, because if the real Speaker was applauding

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Representative Black's remarks, that indicates to me some sense of agreement with his...with something he might have said, and maybe he agrees with us that the rules were violated and, having been the author of those rules, I'm wondering if the real Speaker would care to reconsider the last Bill and the way it was handled and the violation of the very rules that he wrote."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Churchill."

Churchill: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise also to discuss this issue, and perhaps I can shed a few more points of light on this, because I serve as the spokesman of the Rules Committee, and I approached you (you're the Chairman of the Rules Committee), and about five or ten minutes before we went into rules, I asked you what the agenda of the day was, and I think you reflected that perhaps you didn't know exactly what the agenda of the day was. We had a notice that had maybe a 100 to 200 Bills on it. We went into the Rules Committee in the back hallway (which we do often), and...in the Rules Committee a little birdie whispered into the Chairman's ear and two Bills that were vehicles were blown out of the Rules Committee; Bills that have not made it out of other committees, but Bills which were assigned to the Rules Committee at the end of our regular committee schedule, and the Rules Committee blew those Bills out, without consideration of the Substantive Committee, directly to the floor here where you put Amendments on that were not printed and not distributed. My light was on to request a question whether those Amendments were printed and distributed, and so was Representative Black's (I could see it from here), and others who were questioning whether the Amendments were printed and distributed, and so here we are. You got two Bills on Third Reading with Amendments on

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'em that nobody on this floor has ever seen, and the point which is raised is absolutely the correct point: Every year we're here Members of the Majority Party stand at some point and talk about how they have been at the wrong end of the stick when it comes to being disadvantaged in this process by the people who are in charge of the Majority Party. And so, if you going to raise objection, this is the time to raise objection when it first occurs. Because if you catch this and stop it and do not allow it to occur at any point in this process, then it will not occur. But if you sit silently by and let this happen, then it will happen to you. Surely, as this Session comes to an end, you will rise and we will say, "Where were you on this date'? Stand up, be accountable, tell the Majority Party that you rise with the Minority to counteract what has been done here and that you will not put up for this, because only if you rise will right be done in this Body."

Speaker Giglio: "All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 312, a Bill for an Act making supplemental appropriations and/or legislative transfers for various state agencies. Third Reading of the Bill. The Gentleman from Madison, Representative McPike."

McPike: "Well, I just want to say that I resent what Representative Black said about Ollie North and Pointdexter and McFarland, all good annapolis graduates and Dan Walker. I think Mr. Ryder's gonna handle this Bill; its his Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ryder."

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Ryder: "This is the appropriation Bill that was requested by the Governor's office, and it contains within in it the changes that were made through the legislative process in the Senate. It also reflects the Amendment that was adopted in the House. It has been the subject of hearings within the House prior to its arrival. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from McDonough, Representative Edley. Representative Edley."

Edley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. I have one question for the Sponsor."

Speaker Giglio: "Proceed."

Edley: "How much will this increase the lapse period of spending that the Governor projects that we'll have this year?"

Ryder: "Representative, in the event that a we see fit to pass this legislation, this will allow us to pay some of what would otherwise be lapse period spending now. I cannot tell you that it will decrease it. It's my impression that it will not...that it will not increase it."

Edley: "Hasn't the Governor said that it would increase it? At last count, it was \$154 million, give or take, you know. That's what the Governor says. Do you agree with what his recent projection was, or is it more than that now since the Senate added additional GRF spending?"

Ryder: "Representative, I tend to agree with the Governor on most issues, as you're well aware. If the Governor's estimate was \$154, (sic-million), I don't disagree, but I don't recall the Governor saying that, Sir."

Edley: "Well, that is your second question."

Ryder: "I think that's what they testified to in some of our hearings that we had previous to the Senate's passage of this. You know... To the Bill."

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Speaker Giglio: "Proceed."

Ryder: "Last year the Governor projected that FY '92 lapse period spending was going to total \$590 million. In fact, he went to New York and told the credit agencies and Wall Street bankers that it was gonna be \$590 million. But when we closed our books on September 30, 1992, FY '92 lapse period spending, and for those new Members that are here, what lapse period spending is a process by which we pay this year, the current year's obligation with next year's revenue. It's like the state's credit card. Instead of being \$590 million, it was \$1 billion, \$18 million dollars, off just a little bit, almost 100%. To some of you new Members and some of the Members that have...have come here in recent years, I'd like for you to reflect back on when you first made the decision to come to Springfield and to serve in the General Assembly, and you brought together your closest friends and some of your family, and you told them that you were going to be a State Legislator, and you were gonna...come down to Springfield and do the people's business, and most of them probably...most of them probably said to you, 'Gee, this is a great career opportunity'. But, there is always one or two people, real close friends of yours that pulled you aside and said, 'Why are you doing this? You're such a nice person. When you get down to Springfield something will happen to you. You will lose your moral compass. Yeah, you'll get down here and 'up' will be 'down' and 'left' will be 'right' and 'more' will be 'less', and before long we won't recognize you. You're a close friend of mine. I hate to see you...see that happen to you.' Well, this is what happens to you. You end up voting for spending authorizations for which we do not have money in the bank to pay for. There are many

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things in here, fund transfers, I'm sure we would all like to vote for, but we don't get that opportunity. We have to vote 'up' or 'down' on this Bill, based on what we think is in the best interest's of our constituents in the State of Illinois. And it would be different if we were just starting this process, this process of authorizing spending for which we have no funding, no ready cash to pay for, but this process has been going on ever since, quite frankly, Governor Edgar's taken over. He claimed when he ran that he was gonna tear up the credit cards, and yet we've been running this state on a giant credit card the last three budgets. I think it's time to finally say enough's enough, we're not gonna take it anymore. We're going to be true to the principles that our constituents sent us here to represent. Let's vote this Bill down; let's pull out those spending authorizations which we don't have money to pay for, and move on. The Governor has to provide us the means; otherwise, we cannot authorize the spending. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Hannig: "Yes, Representative Ryder, now my analysis showed that at least before the Amendment, we were looking at about \$286 million, \$286 plus on the GRF side, and my question is, 'When we check with the Comptroller's Office and we have \$10 and \$15 and \$12 and \$28 million in the bank at any given time, where will we get the cash to actually pay these Bills?'"

Ryder: "Representative as you know, since you're so involved in the appropriation process, that the appropriation that we

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have is the authority to spend money. The Comptroller is the person that has the ability to spend money, and she doesn't spend money that she doesn't have. We have a requirement to spend some money as the result of the monitor's action at the Department of Children and Family Services. We have some additional revenue sources in some cases, although perhaps not in the district that you represent or the district that I represent. In some places, revenue is actually exceeding expectations and we have the ability to do that. There are some...some of the Inheritance Tax funds have been exceptional this year, much better than anticipated and so there are some additional funds there. These are Bills that we have to pay. Either we pay them now or we pay them later. We believe that there's the ability now to try to work down the kind of backlog that is there, and we're asking for your cooperation to do that."

Hannig: "Representative, I agree that...that we do owe this Bills and I agree that particularly in the non-GRF items, for federal funding and other state fundings, that there is cash for that. But in the GRF side, we have \$286 million dollars that we're, in effect, going to be authorizing the Comptroller to pay, but isn't it really kind of a sham to say we're authorizing payment of these Bills when we know good and well that there is simply no money in the bank?"

Ryder: "Representative, I don't consider it a sham. I don't think you'd considered it a sham last year when you helped pass the budget that obviously there isn't money in the bank to pay at this moment. What we're doing is trying to accommodate the needs and the opportunities of the people of the State of Illinois. That's what this does; that's part of the appropriation process, and that's the reason

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that we are looking at this supplemental at this time."

Hannig: "Well, my point that we don't have money in the bank is that we don't have money in the bank because we're already spending too much money. This supplemental, are giving to much authority to spend. The only way we're ever gonna get more money in the bank is if we will cut our expenditures to a point where we can.. we can start paying off the old bills."

Ryder: "Representative, we did that last year. You attempted to do it...We attempted to do it, and we stand ready if you're...if that's your posture to talk about those sorts of things this year; in fact, we've already done that. But the fact of the matter is, that we have current obligations that you as a Legislator and this Body as a House have entered into, and we have to pay our Bills."

Hannig: "Representative, I agree with you that we have to pay our Bills. I agree with you that we can pay some of this in this supplemental (the federal part, the non-GRF part), but I have a difficult time trying to tell state employees, for example, that by passing this Supplemental that in any way shape or form that we're going to accelerate payment for them. Because we know that the Comptroller has to set a priority system to pay those payrolls and those Bills that she feels are necessary to pay first, and we'll probably never get far enough down the list to pay most of these bills that are state employee's insurance benefits. I mean we can give 'em the authority, but we don't have the cash, and I think... You know, I'm gonna vote for this because, like I said, we have some things in here we have to do. We have to pay off our old obligations and there is money to do that, but I just want to make the point that we're goin' through a little bit of a charade on the GRF part of this

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because we simply don't have the cash to pay that."

Ryder: "Representative, if...if you need to say those things in order to vote 'yes', then I accept your 'yes' vote and your statements."

Hannig: "I reluctantly vote 'yes'."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ryder, to close. I'm sorry, Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Well thank you, Mr. Speaker. I... It's just amazing to see the Representatives on the other side of the aisle stand up and invoke the name of the Comptroller as if...you know, she's the solution to all of our problems. I notice in Representative's McPike's Amendment, there was \$75,000 for the Comptroller to transfer funds probably out of press release material and needs to refund that line. It also... I'm impressed by the Gentleman (sic-Gentlemen) who stand and say that we shouldn't authorize spending because we don't have money."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative McPike. Representative McPike."

McPike: "I think the Gentleman mis-spoke. The \$75,000 was for the Regan, Regan-Ostenburg law fees, for their lawyers."

Stephens: "Representative, then I apologize, I thought... I thought you said from the Comptroller, I apologize. The... But you stand and say that we shouldn't authorize...shouldn't pass this Bill because we don't want to give authorization to spending, because we're out of money. If you want to deal with the issue of running out of money, it is programs that you have to talk about. You folks continue to vote for program after program that cost millions and billions of dollars, run back to your districts and say how you've saved the state, and then you come up here and tell us we're out of money. We tell you every time you introduce a new program that you don't have

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the money, but you put the votes in the Majority and send it out of here, and year after year run it through the Governor's office and cram it down their throats, creating hundreds of millions of dollars of indebtedness that we can't afford. And now you're saying that those debts are incurred let's not pay the Bills because of running out of money. If you want to solve the budget problems, look at the spending side, not the side that says, 'Here's the money to pay the bills you've already incurred. So, let's not be dishonest here, let's just talk about the real issue. We've got a spending problem; it's out of control and it is based on the programs that you have passed."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ryder, to close."

Ryder: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We've had a full conversation about what is wrong with the system, but I would suggest that all of us go out and buy a hand mirror because the two Speakers on the Democratic side of the aisle were here when we passed that past budget. It is their responsibility as a Majority; it is their responsibility as the Majority of the House, just as much as it is anyone else's. They wish to make partisan games out of the people of the State of Illinois, the people of the State of Illinois whose children that are abused and neglected cannot be served without the passage of this Bill, the employees of the State of Illinois who will get even further behind in paying their own medical bills without the passage of this Bill, then they may demagogue for all they're worth. But some of us are here to do the business, not the politics, of the State of Illinois. We are here to do the people's business, now let's get on with it."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 312 pass?'

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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? Giorgi, 'aye'. Mr. Clerk, Giorgi 'aye'. Okay, have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 91 voting 'yes', 20 voting 'no'; Senate Bill 312, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Burke, do you want to hear House Bill 1695? Representative Frias."

Frias: "I'd like to be recorded as an 'aye' vote on the last Bill, please."

Speaker, Giglio: "Let the record indicate, Mr. Clerk, that Representative Frias wanted to be voted as 'aye' on Senate Bill 312. Out of the record. Representative Martinez, 1756. Representative Martinez? Do you wanna have the Bill called? Out of the record. Representative Novak, on 1763, Education. Out of the record. Representative Phelan, 1932. Out of the record. Representative Currie, on 1935. Is the Lady in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Turner, Art Turner, on 2027, School Textbook Tax. Out of the record. Representative Bugielski, 2062. Representative Bugielski, 2062. Do we have the... Do you wish to hear this Bill? School, Local School Councils. Out of the record. Representative Phelan, on 2073, Permanent Gun Exclusion. Out of the record. Representative McAfee, 2077. Representative McAfee in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Levin, 2105. The Gentleman in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Levin. Out of the record. Representative Steczko? Excuse me, Persico. Representative Persico, on House Bill 2130. Out of the record. Representative Flowers, on 2249. The Lady from Cook, Representative

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Flowers, do you wish to hear... Out of the record.
Representative Brunsvold, on 2274, Pilot Program, Telecon.
Out of the record. Representative Gash, on House Bill
2282. Out of the record. Representative Currie, on House
Bill 1935. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1935. A Bill for an Act to amend
the Public Aid Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a
Bill that would enable the Department of Public Aid to
collect charitable funds in offering employment and
training programs to its client and may help us keep better
track of federal funds that are available for Public Aid
Department clients who are engaged in education programs.
I know of no opposition. I'd be happy to answer your
questions and would appreciate your support for the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is,
'Shall House Bill 1935 pass?' 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 109 voting 'yes', 1...
Representative Olson wishes to be recorded as voting 'aye'.
On this question, there are now 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting
'no'; and House Bill 1935, having received the required
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.
Representative Giolitto, on Elections and State Government
Third Reading, House Bill 73. Do you wish to have this
Bill called? Giolitto, the Lady from Winnebago. Out of
the record. Representative Lang, on House Bill 99. Read
the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 99. A Bill for an Act relating to

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corporal punishment. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you Mr. Speaker. House Bill 99 addresses a particular situation involving boycotts of foreign countries. There's a current situation called the Arab Boycott of the State of Israel. Federal law prohibits companies who engage in the Arab Boycott from doing business with the United States government. This Bill would do the same for the State of Illinois. It would indicate that any country...any company that does not indicate that they are... Well, let's do it in reverse. It would indicate that any company who is adhering to the Arab Boycott of the State of Israel, which is complete economic blackmail of that country, or any other county, any other boycott of any other country, be prohibited from having a state contract of over \$5000. When this Bill was heard in committee, the only opposition was from the Department of Transportation, and the Amendment that I added to this Bill yesterday or the day before addressed the department's concerns. I do believe it's non-controversial at this point, and I ask your...your help to pass this Bill."

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

Hannig: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a brief question?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Hannig: "Yes Representative, what would be the status of a...of a company who was found to be in violation of this law...this boycott, but then who either subsequently or thereafter spun off part of their company and then came in and had that new subsidiary in effect or this new company that used

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to be part of the old company bid on a state contract? Would... Do you have a protection in here so that that can't happen?"

Lang: "The Bill requires the Comptroller in the case of contracts involving IDOT, the Department of Transportation, to set up whatever rules and regulations are necessary to ensure that those companies doing business with the state are not involved in the boycott. So, if a company was spun off and they were recontracting with the state, the Comptroller or IDOT would have to make a determination as to...they would have to get that company to sign off indicating that they were not being involved in the boycott."

Hannig: "Does this only apply to the Department of Transportation, this Bill?"

Lang: "It involves only... The Department of Transportation contracts that...that their...the Amendment that they suggested covers. So, there are certain contracts that come through the State of Illinois that go through the Comptroller's office; there are others that go through the Department of Transportation under federal law. So, those under federal law, would...then the Department of Transportation would have the rules and regulations regarding those specific contracts. What this Bill does is put the state in the same place the federal law is, under federal law you can't contract with the federal government if you're adhering to this boycott, you can't here either. This is not much different than what we did in the case of South Africa some time ago, and this would also cover the situation currently in...in...Serbia. There's a boycott going on there now, and so this would cover all foreign boycotts."

Hannig: "Okay, thank you. You've answered my question."

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Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Lang, to close."

Lang: "This is an important measure. It would declare by the State of Illinois that we were not going to tolerate in our state the economic blackmail of any other country. We did this, as I said, in the case of South Africa. We had an impact because Illinois business has an impact in that country. This will have an impact, as well, and I urge strongly your 'aye' votes."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 99 pass?' 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 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 99, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Curran. Representative Curran in the chamber? You have two Bills: 218 and 476. (House Bill) 218? Out of the record. (House Bill) 476, out of the record. Representative Sheehy, 494, State Fire Marshal. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 494, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Fire Marshal Act. Third Reading of this Bill.

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Sheehy."

Sheehy: "Speaker and House Members, I'd like to move this Bill back to the Second Reading, if I can, and put some Amendments on it."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman asks leave to move the Bill back to the Order of Second Reading. Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill is on the Order of Second Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 494, a Bill for an Act to amend the

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State Fire Marshal Act. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Sheehy."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Sheehy, on Amendment 1."

Sheehy: "What it says is that the standards shall not... Has it been...passed it out yet? Does everyone have a copy of the Amendment? These standards shall not regulate the provisions of the ambulance service, and we also want to insert 'for profit only'. This clarifies what...who this Bill's for."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion on the Amendment? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Giglio: "Welcome back, Representative."

Black: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, can you tell me where there is a 'for profit' firefighting enterprise in the State of Illinois?"

Sheehy: "Well, there's about...ample of 'em. One right now's up in Lincolnwood."

Black: "Where, I'm sorry?"

Sheehy: "Lincolnwood. Right north..."

Black: "Lincolnwood. Does your Amendment then... Let me make sure I understand this. Your safety standards approved by the State Fire Marshal, are you talking about the NFPA Directive?"

Sheehy: "Not that I'm aware of. This is by the Illinois Fire Association and the..."

Black: "Well, the issue at hand, Representative, what I'm afraid of there's been an on-going struggle for about four years between the Illinois Department of Labor, various fire departments and fire districts on mandating the

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implementation of the National Fire Protection Association standards that are very, very stringent...and I just want to make sure that your Amendment, either by design or accident, doesn't...require anybody to follow those standards who are not now...having to comply with those standards."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black, are you asking a question?"

Black: "Well...if they gave me an answer I didn't hear it. What... We've had Bills like this for the last four years, and I want to make sure that the Gentleman is not attempting, or the Representative is not attempting to put something in the Bill that would make a fire district, a volunteer fire department, who now is not having to comply with the NFPA Standards as mandated by the Illinois Department of Labor and by virtue of this Amendment, all of a sudden we will find them having to comply as well. I want some assurance that that's not the intent nor or is it in there, in any way shape or form."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Black, I can shed some light on this. Mr. Black, I was involved in some of the negotiations on this Bill. The Bill itself, the actual Bill, exempts volunteer fire departments completely. Volunteer fire departments are not covered by this Bill at all. What the Representative's attempting to do with this Amendment, which I wholeheartedly endorse, is to make sure we're only talking about 'for profit' private fire departments when the Bill is finally voted on and that ambulance services are exempted and not involved in the Bill at all. So, I think this is a fair Bill, a Bill you can support."

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Black: "All right, and I appreciate that. Staff just said that perhaps the Representative's staff may want to look at this. Perhaps, Floor Amendment 1 should be withdrawn because it's covered in Floor Amendment 2? Does that..."

Lang: "Repeat that again. Can you repeat that again?"

Black: "Staff is telling me that you may wish to withdraw Amendment 1 because Amendment 2 is...is broader in scope and probably does everything you're attempting to do and more in this Amendment."

Lang: "Mr. Speaker, as long as I still have the floor, has Amendment 2 been printed and distributed?"

Speaker Giglio: "No, it has not."

Lang: "Then I would recommend that you take it out of the record, Representative."

Speaker Giglio: "All right, the Bill's on the Order of Second Reading. We'll leave the Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Take it out of the record. Representative Saltsman, on House Bill 712. Out of the record. Representative Ostenburg, on 820. Out of the record. Woolard, on 821. Do you wish to call this Bill, Sir? House Bill 821. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 821, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administration (sic-Administrative) Code of Illinois. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Williamson, Representative Woolard."

Woolard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think that this is a Bill that probably is way past its time in happening. I think that we in the State of Illinois have a tremendous opportunity to step forward and be the leaders in an industry that not only is vitally important to many of the agri-business industry people in

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the state, but all of us as tax-paying citizens of this state have the chance to not only have something that can be viable and an opportunity for us to proceed forward with great things. I am very pleased to have the opportunity to be the Sponsor of this legislation and look forward to its great bipartisan support and passage."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, do you have any cost impact information on this Bill, as amended?"

Woolard: "We have a fiscal note from Director Schnoof, and I think that there is something like a \$200,000 possible impact for the implementation of the fueling stations."

Black: "Thank you very much, Representative. Let me... Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, let me just...briefly speak to the Bill. Central Management Services would ask that you vote 'no' on this Bill, and I'd like to give you just a few of the reasons: To create, to construct and maintain a separate fueling facility to accommodate special fuels will be very expensive to buy and install; Number two. The Bill implies we can sell this flexible fuel to others outside state government, but that's not clear in this Bill nor is it clear if we can recover costs; thirdly, there is absolutely no guarantee that any U.S. manufacturer will have on the market the flexible fuel vehicle by 1994. and...obviously, anytime we mandate something, the...the...we would anticipate that the costs of flexible fuel vehicles is likely to be much higher than a manufacturer's normal offering. Now, having said that, Mr. Speaker, I'm...I'm a lot like Mr. Hannig. I...I

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see a lot of things in this Bill to be concerned about and a lot of cost factors to be concerned about, but...in my area coal is king and my conscience will be my guide. Corn not coal."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Deering, for what purpose do you rise?"

Deering: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker. I would like to introduce my Congressman, Congressman Durbin, here joining us on the floor."

Speaker Giglio: "Congressman Durbin, welcome to Springfield. Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "I wonder if the Sponsor could again define what a flexible fueled vehicle is?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Woolard. Repeat that, Representative."

Woolard: "I didn't hear your question."

Skinner: "Could you again define what a flexible fueled vehicle is?"

Woolard: "Well, a flexible fueled vehicle, in this instance, would be one that first would be able to accommodate 85% ethanol, would also have the ability to go down to as little as 10% ethanol in the mix but also would have a switch that would allow it to go to 100% gasoline. These are manufactured at no additional costs at this time and would be available to the state to continue purchasing. I think there is several of these vehicles that have been purchased throughout the state at this time. I know that we have, I think, some 12 of these vehicles ourselves."

Skinner: "May I ask why you've ignored compressed natural gas and liquid petroleum?"

Woolard: "I...I'm sorry, I didn't hear the question."

Skinner: "Why have you ignored compressed natural gas and liquid

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petroleum?"

Woolard: "Well, I don't think that we're trying to ignore anything. I think that when we step forward, we step forward with that with which we believe in the most. And my...my belief is that we, in the State of Illinois, where corn is king as Representative Black stated a few minutes ago, that we should be taking the leadership position with that product; and as Chairman of the Agriculture Committee, Representative Black and I are going to proceed forward working for the benefit of our corn agri business in this state."

Skinner: "All right. This is...this is a corn Bill, then?"

Woolard: "Amen."

Skinner: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Woolard, to close. Representative Woolard, do you wish to close? Representative Woolard, do you wish to close?"

Woolard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. You know, I think that it's very fitting that Congressman Durbin has joined us on the floor at this particular time because not only are we here, in Illinois very actively engaged in trying to promote what we believe is a vital part of the industry, but we believe that Congressman Durbin has provided the leadership at the national level on this great product, and we're very excited about the chances that we see for this industry becoming a more dominant part of the economy of the great State of Illinois. I would encourage each and every one of you to support us in stepping forward together for what is right and good for all."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 821 pass?' Representative Stephens, did you wish to speak on this?"

Stephens: "Well we, too, applaud Representative or Congressman

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Dubin's efforts, but we hope that when he goes back to Washington he'll tell the administration, especially President Billery, not to...excuse me...President Clinton to...to not tax it to death once we get these programs started."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 821 pass?' 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? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 89 voting 'yes', 23 voting 'no'; and House Bill 821, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Curran, on House Bill 821...831. Representative Curran? Out of the record. Representative Hannig, on House Bill 915? Do you wish to call this Bill, Representative Hannig, 915? Out of the record. Representative Davis, on 965. The Lady from Cook, Representative Davis. Monique Davis, do you wish to call this Bill, 965? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 965, a Bill for an Act to amend the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Davis."

Davis: "Mr. Speaker, House Bill 960...965 merely establishes...one of the councils as the citizens assembly on minority affairs. We amended it in order that it be agreed, and I will now answer any questions."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative...Representative Black."

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

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Speaker Giglio: "She indicates she will."

Black: "Representative, I...I simply am not clear as to why in the Amendment you changed and went to the...words 'minority concerns' because then that doesn't tend to define the...the target group that you're...you wish to address. Is that your intent? I thought African-Americans made the Bill... You know, it was obvious what we should be doing."

Davis: "Well, in order to satisfy some of the Members in committee, we changed it to 'African Amer...', I'm sorry, from 'African-American' to 'Minority', which would include many other say smaller groups, which was perfectly acceptable."

Black: "All right. So, that's acceptable to you?"

Davis: "Yes, Sir."

Black: "All right."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 965 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Turner, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes' and 1 voting 'no'; and House Bill 965, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Curran. Out of the record. ...House Bill, Representative Curran, House Bill 1016. Out of the record. Representative Woolard, 1068. Woolard. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1068, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administration (sic-Administrative) Code of Illinois. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Williamson, Representative Woolard."

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Woolard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. What 1068 actually does is gives the ability in the law to allow the state police to act as the radio operators for local communities on a contractual basis. At the present time they do not have that ability or authority. It's a very simple Bill. I would appreciate your consideration."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1068 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I had a question of the Sponsor, but maybe he could just nod his head. I understand that the Bill is permissive, but it has an interesting concept. Would this allow the state police to perhaps charge and enter into an agreement with East St. Louis to be reimbursed for services they're providing there?"

Woolard: "To my knowledge, there would be nothing that would prevent that. It would be up to the jurisdiction of the state police to make those decisions."

Black: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Have all voted who wish? Representative... Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1068, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Currie, do you wish to call 1092, Comp Payment Deductions? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1092, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Comptroller Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a Bill that represents some discussion with the Comptrollers office and what it deals with is the area in the law that permits the Comptroller to withhold funds from individual checks of various kinds for particular purposes. The point of this Amendment would be to say that when...when someone is involved in...an...adoption program that that individual shall not be...for payment of other debt...debt have...have money taken from it. So, that for example: If you are a foster parent or an adopted parent working with the Department of Children and Family Services, in order to make sure that you go on providing care to this ward of ours, the idea is that if there is some other obligation due and owing, you will not have that amount deducted from your check. So, it's a fairly simple straight-forward proposition. I'd be happy to answer your questions and would appreciate your support."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1092 pass?' 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 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1092, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ryder, on House Bill 1191. Representative Ryder. Out of the record. Representative Currie. Representative Currie, you have another Bill, 1202, Human Rights Punitive Damage? Out of the record. Santiago, 1222. Out of the record. Representative Deuchler, on 1409. Representative Deuchler. Do you wish to have this Bill called? Read the Bill, Mr.

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Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1409, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administration (sic-Administrative) Code of Illinois. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Kane, Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Committee Amendment 1 becomes the Bill and it transfers the administrative duties of the old revenue center on 11th and Ash to the Department of Central Management Services, and this is removed from the Secretary of State to CMS."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Would the Lady yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "She indicates she will."

Granberg: "Representative, who's the tenant of that building right now?"

Deuchler: "The building is used for storage and the other half is used by the State Museum."

Granberg: "It's...the State Museum, and are they technically...they're technically in the Secretary of State's office, aren't they? No."

Deuchler: "Energy and Nat...Natural Resources."

Granberg: "Who... So, should we not transfer the building to them?"

Deuchler: "Well, CMS is the administrative function for facilities around the state."

Granberg: "Is this a request by CMS, or is it from the library?"

Deuchler: "Yes, it is."

Granberg: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1409 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1409, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Novak, on 1624. Out of the record. Representative von Bergen-Wessels, on 1650. Is the Lady in the chamber? (House Bill) 1650. Do you wish to call this Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1650, a Bill for an Act in relation to redistricting modification. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Whiteside, Representative von Bergen-Wessels."

von Bergen-Wessels: "Yes, this is, once again, this is the vote to give back Lydia Thorpe her secret ballot, ...something that we all enjoy, that everyone in the country enjoys, except for 87-year-old, Lydia Thorpe, North of Kewanee. So, I would urge you, if you believe in Democracy and everything that we stand for in this country, to vote 'yes' on this Bill, so that we may give this lady back her secret ballot."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much,...Mr. Speaker. To the Bill, and Representative, you...you correct me if I...if I don't recount our conversation correctly, it's my understanding and I appreciate the cooperation of the Sponsor that as this Bill goes to the Senate what we will attempt to do is to have the Senate hold action on this Bill until a time certain in May after which the 18-month deadline for any Legislator having to move to their new district expires, and the Representative indicated to me yesterday that she would not necessarily oppose that idea, that it's certainly not her intent, nor anyone's intent, in this chamber to

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allow this Bill to be amended in the Senate, so that someone would not have to move to comply with the...Reapportionment Act. So, based on her understanding and her cooperation, I now stand in support of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1650 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Walsh, are you seeking recognition? On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. On this question there are now 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1650, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hicks, 1710, state police appointee age. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1710, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Police Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Mr. Clerk, let the record show that Representative Ronen wished to be voted 'yes' on that previous Bill, House Bill 1650. Representative Hicks, on House Bill 1710."

Hicks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1710 addresses the problem that the J Car Committee had dealing with the age that was in the...maximum age level for state police in Illinois. This creat...this addresses that problem. I believe it's the right approach at taking the age requirements out. It addresses the problem that we have, and I'd be happy to answer any questions if you have any."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black."

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

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yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Could we have a little order in the chamber? That's about as little as I'm going to get, I guess. Can we have a little order in the chamber? I need to hear his answer. Representative, so there's no misunderstanding on our side of the aisle. This is a JCAR Bill putting into statute what has been a long time practice. Correct?"

Hicks: "Correct, Sir."

Black: "That's all I want to know. Thank you. It's a good Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1710 pass?' 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, 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1710, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ronen, on 1717. Do you wish to call this Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1717, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ronen asks leave to re...bring the Bill back to the Order of Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment. Does the Lady have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Order...of Bill's on the Order of Second. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1717, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Representative Ronen."

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Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ronen."

Ronen: "Yes, Speaker. This Amendment now becomes the Bill. The Bill would require the Illinois Department of Public Aid to collect and publish information about its employment programs and then report back to this General Assembly as to their effectiveness. The first date of reporting would be January, 1977, and every year thereafter. This Bill has been agreed to by the Illinois Department of Public Aid and there is no opposition to it. I urge a 'do pass'."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. An inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Giglio: "Proceed."

Black: "I believe this Bill was moved to Third Reading in error. I don't believe the fiscal note on the original Bill was ever supplied and I have now filed a fiscal note on the Bill, as amended, and I would like that fiscal note addressed before this Bill moves to Third Reading."

Ronen: "Yes, Representative, my understanding is that this Bill is fiscal...fiscally neutral. It... The Illinois Department of Public Aid is currently collecting this type of information. They have agreed to provide it in the yearly report."

Black: "Representative, I've been here seven years and I've heard that fiscally neutral song before. That's why we're \$850 million in debt. I want to see a fiscal note. If the Chair can run roughshod over me, I can certainly run roughshod over you on certain rules. I want the fiscal note filed."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative...Representative Black? Representative Black."

Black: "What?"

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Speaker Giglio: "We're on the question of whether to adopt the Amendment? Do you want to adopt the Amendment? Yes or no, and then you can...file the fiscal note...or we can leave the Bill."

Black: "The Bill was placed on Third Reading in error."

Speaker Giglio: "No."

Black: "The fiscal note was never filed."

Ronen: "I ask leave to remove..."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ronen."

Ronen: "Remove it to Second Reading."

Speaker Giglio: "We did. It's on Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment. We had leave. So, is the Amendment adopted? All those in favor signify by..."

Ronen: "Let me just remind my fellow Representatives, this Bill has been, is a consensus Bill that has been agreed to by the Illinois Department of Public Aid. The first report will not be due until January 1977 (sic-1997). It includes information that is already being collected there. The Illinois Department of Public Aid indicates there will not be any additional costs."

Speaker Giglio: "All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk McLennand: "No further Amendments. A fiscal note has been requested for the Bill, as amended."

Speaker Giglio: "Represent... Mr. Clerk, has the fiscal note request been filed?"

Clerk McLennand: "Yes, it has. A request has been filed. No note has been filed."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Inquiry of the Chair. Does the fiscal note rule apply

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since the Bill does not take effect until 1997?"

Speaker Giglio: "The fiscal note, Representative, has been requested. Now, the request that the fiscal note has to be filed or whether or not the House wants to implicate that the request is inapplicable."

Granberg: "So moved."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman moves that the fiscal note is not, does not apply. All those in favor...Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Slam dunk me once, shame on you; slam dunk me twice in one day, shame on me. Uh, uh, no, no. I want a Roll Call Vote on this. When you...when you require an agency of state government to do something and for somebody to stand up and say, 'Oh, it doesn't cost any money', now that is the height of ridiculousness. We're almost reaching the pinnacle of asininity that we saw an hour ago. I want a Roll Call Vote on this; and if you want to vote 'yes' that you can require a state agency to do something that doesn't cost any money, then you shouldn't be here. I want a Roll Call Vote, and I'll request a verification should it get the requisite number, and I'm going to do it from every Bill now on. If the Lady says it doesn't cost anything, then get Public Aid over there and file the note. It can be filed in five minutes."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Ronen."

Ronen: "The Department of Public Aid tells me they thought they did. They will file the fiscal note immediately. They support the notion that this is fiscally neutral."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Is this note Act inapplicable...inapplicable? All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open."

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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 67 voting 'yes' and 49 voting...9, Representative Black, do you persist in your...in your verification? Representative Black? Mr. Clerk, poll those not voting."

Clerk McLennand: "There are none not voting."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black, does Saltsman have leave to be verified? Mr. Clerk, call the Affirmative."

Clerk McLennand: "Those voting in the Affirmative. Balanoff. Blagojevich. Brunsvold. Bugielski. Burke. Capparelli. Curran. Currie. Dart. Davis. Deering. DeJaegher. Dunn. Edley. Erwin. Flinn. Flowers. Frias. Gash. Giglio. Giolitto. Giorgi. Granberg. Hannig. Hartke. Hawkins. Hicks."

Speaker Giglio: "Excuse me, Represen...Mr. Clerk. Representative Black, Representative Hartke wants to go some place. He's excused. Continue."

Clerk McLennand: "Hoffman. Homer. Jones, Lou. Jones, Shirley. Kaszak. Kotlarz."

Speaker Giglio: "Excuse me. Representative Black, does Representative Schoenberg have leave? Schoenberg. He's over here. Does he have leave to be verified? Schoenberg. Schoenberg."

Black: "I thought Representative Schoenberg was excused."

Speaker Giglio: "No, that was...that...that...was yesterday, yes. He's back today."

Clerk McLennand: "Lang. Laurino. Levin. Lopez. Martinez. Mautino. McAfee. McGuire. McPike. Moore, Andrea. Moore, Eugene."

Speaker Giglio: "Hold it. Representative Black, Representative Schakowsky and Representative Levin have to go to a

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conference today. Have leave to be excused? Schoen...
Levin and...Schakowsky. Do they have leave?
Representative.. Representative Black."

Black: "I'm sorry, you said Representative Levin and Schakowsky?"

Speaker Giglio: "Yes."

Black: "Where are they going, to one of Ellis's condominiums or
what?"

Speaker Giglio: "No. I think...I think there's a...a meeting
amongst the Jewish Federation, and I think they have to go
over there."

Black: "Far be it from me. Absolutely."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Deering. Does he have leave?
Leave to be verif..."

Black: "I see no reason why Representative Deering should leave.
He can't be going to get something to eat."

Speaker Giglio: "Continue, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Moore. Eugene. Morrow. Moseley. Murphy, H.
Novak. Ostenburg. Phelan. Phelps. Prussing. Pugh.
Ronen. Rotello. Saltsman. Santiago. Schakowsky.
Schoenberg. Sheehy. Steczko. Stroger. Turner. von
Bergen-Wessels. Woolard. Younge and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Giglio: "Any questions, Representative Black?"

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Representative Novak."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Novak? House... He's in
the...he's in the back."

Black: "He's back home where he belongs. Following in
Representative Pangle's footsteps."

Speaker Giglio: "Is that all, Representative Black?"

Black: "Oh, no, no. Representative Bugielski?"

Speaker Giglio: "Bugielski?"

Black: "Well...tell them to get on their own side of the aisle.
I can't see them over here on my side. Representative

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Homer?"

Speaker Giglio: "Homer? Representative Homer? How is the Gentleman recorded, Mr. Clerk? Mr. Clerk, how is Representative Homer recorded?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Homer is voted in the affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Remove the Gentleman from the roll call."

Black: "Representative Brunsvold?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Brunsvold? How's the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Brunsvold is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Representative Brunsvold? Is... Representative Brunsvold's in the back, Representative Black."

Black: "Representative Woolard?"

Speaker Giglio: "Woolard. Representative Woolard in the chamber? How's he recorded, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Woolard is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Remove the Gentleman from the roll call. Representative Black, Representative McGuire and Representative Moseley, do they have leave to be verified? Moseley."

Black: "I see Representative Moseley. Who is the other one?"

Speaker Giglio: "McGuire."

Black: "Okay. Yeah."

Speaker Giglio: "Okay. Restore Representative Woolard back to the roll call. He's...the Gentleman's in the chamber, Representative...Mr. Clerk."

Black: "Representative Shirley Jones?"

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Speaker Giglio: "Is Representative Shirley Jones in the chamber?
Hows...how's the Lady recorded?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Shirley Jones is voting in the
affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Remove the Lady from the roll call."

Black: "Thank you. Representative Mautino?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Mautino? He's in the back of the
chamber."

Black: "Representative Flowers?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Flowers? Representative Flowers
in the chamber? How's the Lady recorded?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Flowers is voting in the
affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Remove the Lady from the roll call."

Black: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Ostenburg?"

Speaker Giglio: "Ostenburg is in his chair."

Black: "All right. Representative Balanoff?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Balanoff? Is Representative
Balanoff in the chamber? He's in the back, Representative.
He's by the head Doorkeeper."

Black: "Representative Hoffman?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative J. Hoffman is in the well here
filing an Amendment."

Black: "Representative Morrow?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Morrow? Representative Morrow?
Morrow in the chamber? How's the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Morrow is voting in the
affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Remove the Gentleman from the roll call.
Representative Black, does Representative Curran have leave
to be verified? Go ahead. Restore Representative Flowers
to the roll call, Mr. Clerk. The Lady has returned."

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Black: "Representative Edley?"

Speaker Giglio: "Edley is in his chair."

Black: "Could we have Representative McAuliffe move back? Where is Representative Edley?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative who? McAuliffe?"

Black: "Tell McAuliffe to move back. I can't see."

Speaker Giglio: "Oh."

Black: "Representative Hicks?"

Speaker Giglio: "Hicks? Representative Hicks is in the back of the chamber."

Black: "Well, I think I see him, but I've waited all Session to say this name, so let me make sure. Is it Representative Blagojevich?"

Speaker Giglio: "Blagojevich."

Black: "Blagojevich."

Speaker Giglio: "Blago..."

Black: "Well, I was close."

Speaker Giglio: "That's a..."

Black: "I knew he was there. I just wanted to see how close I could come to pronouncing it."

Speaker Giglio: "That's fine, Representative Black. You're doing good. He's here."

Black: "Representative Rotello or Representative Saltsman?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative...Rotello's here."

Black: "All right."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Saltsman is here...is also here."

Black: "Representative Morrow?"

Speaker Giglio: "Morrow. I believe you...we removed him."

Black: "That's right. That's right. Representative Turner?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Art Turner? Is Representative Art Turner in the chamber? Art Turner? How's this Gentleman recorded, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk McLennand: "Representative Turner is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Giglio: "Remove the Gentleman from the roll call."

Black: "Representative Gash?"

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Gash is in her seat."

Black: "Speaker Madigan? Oh, I'm sorry, excuse me. I don't know what got into me. Un...unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, I have no others to challenge."

Speaker Giglio: "Is...is that all, Representative Black? On this question, there is 63 voting 'yes' and 49 'no' and the Motion is adopted. Third Reading. Representative McAfee, on House Bill 1750. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk, 1750."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 1750, a Bill for an Act to amend the Whistleblower Reward and Protection Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative McAfee."

McAfee: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1750 amends the Whistleblower Reward and Protection Act. It merely expands the definition of state for purposes of the Act to include other units of government. This is a Bill that passed out of the House, 113 to zero two years ago and passed out of the committee, 27 to zero. I know of no opposition, and I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, has the Municipal League talked to you about this Bill?"

McAfee: "Yes, Representative. I may point out that two years ago, we did not have the permissive language in there and,

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of course, that's why we added it so that any units of local government could choose to participate or not. It would be at their discretion and they'd have to adopt an ordinance or resolution."

Black: "And so...it's your opinion then that this Bill is strictly permissive now?"

McAfee: "That is correct."

Black: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1750 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Sheehy, are you seeking recognition? Your light's on. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1750, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lopez. Lopez, 1927. Out of the record. Representative Dart, 2004. Representative Dart? Out of the record. Representative Deuchler, on 2046. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 2046, a Bill for an Act concerning facilities operated by the Department of Central Management Services. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Kane, Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the Bill, as passed the committee, amends the Civil Administrative Code to allow the facilities management revolving fund to be used for buildings acquired before May 31, 1989, which are managed by the Department of Central Management Services."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Granberg."

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Representative..."

Granberg: "Will the Lady yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "Indicates she will. Representative Currie, in the Chair."

Granberg: "Representative...is this the companion Bill to your other Bill that transferred the authority from Secretary of State?"

Deuchler: "No, there's no relation of the two Bills."

Granberg: "Then, what does...what does this Bill do? I'm sorry. We thought it was the companion Bill."

Deuchler: "It's not. Agencies...agencies pay into this fund to cover the costs CMS incurs for maintenance of the building."

Granberg: "So, this would...this is with the CMS revolving fund and this is CMS's proposal? Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Have you finished, Representative Granberg? Is there further discussion? Seeing none, Representative Deuchler has moved for passage of House Bill 2046; and, on that Motion, voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On House Bill 2046, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and the...and the Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Third Reading on the same order of call, House Bill 2383, Representative Curran. Representative Curran. Out of the record. We're going to go back to the Education Order and pick up a couple of Bills. The Sponsor was out of the chamber. House Bill 99. Representative Lang. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 99."

Speaker Currie: "Oh, I'm sorry, sorry, sorry. I'm told, we did this one. I...Education, just a minute. On Third Reading,

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House Bill 78, Representative Lang. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 78, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 78 embodies an agreement with the State Board of Education. It involves the following issue: Over the last several years, we have mandated that schools teach the holocaust, teach black history and teach the history of women in America. There has, however, been no mechanism to make sure that schools around the State of Illinois are teaching that. The original Bill would have required that schools report once a year to the state board what they're teaching; however, many felt that was a mandate. So, in discussions with the State Board of Education, it was agreed that rather than doing that the state board on their own for the next two years, and the next two years only, would do a statistical random sampling of all...of schools around the State of Illinois to make sure that these courses are being taught, what kind of time is being devoted to them and what their curriculum would be. It's only for the next two years and then it sunsets, and the state board agrees with me that we should be making sure that these courses are being taught. I'll be happy to answer your questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang has moved passage of House Bill 78; and, on that Motion, for discussion, Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Representative Lang, does this place a mandate on either local school districts or the state board to spend

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time and money to make a determination of whether or not the intent was being complied with?"

Lang: "The original Bill had...had what some called a mandate on the schools. With the Amendment there is no mandate on the schools to do any new thing. The State Board of Education has taken it upon themselves to do a random sampling around the State of Illinois for two years to determine what the...what percentage of schools are doing what they're supposed to be doing in these areas. They have assumed this duty. It's now pretty much their Bill."

Wennlund: "They have assumed? Well, the Bill as I...(sic-Education) Amendment 2 doesn't require the State Board of Elections to file a report and to do...to do a study of what schools are complying and what schools aren't."

Lang: "It does not require them to do every school. It's a statistical random sampling in every educational service region. So, they'll only be doing..."

Wennlund: "And they could be..."

Lang: "So, they'll only be doing a handful of schools, Representative."

Wennlund: "And they've agreed to this?"

Lang: "They have agreed to it, and they drafted the Amendment that is now the Bill."

Wennlund: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion for the questions. If not, Representative Lang, do you wish to close?"

Lang: "I just ask for a favorable roll call?"

Speaker Currie: "Wait a minute. I'm sorry, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. There was a very similar Bill which we debated

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yesterday and I, at that time, mentioned that my concerns about this are: We apparently we assume that the assessment and the view of whether or not children in our public schools are learning English, mathematics and science is just fine, but we need to, in fact, go ahead and make sure that the students are...that's there a different evaluation system that should be established for these particular mandates. Apparently, what this Bill would suggest to us is that the current evaluation system is acceptable insofar as determining whether districts are meeting the requirements of the state in teaching English, math and science but that all other subject matters, and in particular these three, we need a special evaluation process to make sure that the curriculum mandates are being met. I would submit to you, Madam Speaker, that we are not doing as well as we ought to do with English, mathematics and science and that, although this is something that the State Board of Education is willing to take on, it simply dilutes their efforts in those things that are the absolute essentials of learning: English, mathematics and science, and it is for that reason that I stand in opposition to this legislation."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang, to close a second time."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. It might dilute the state boards' efforts if this was a full study of every school district in the state. It is not; it is a random sampling that they and I have agreed to. Some schools in each educational service region will be studied to put some facts and figures together, so that we can make sure that the holocaust and black history and the history of women in America, which we felt should be taught in the schools, are actually being taught in the schools. This will not be a

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burden on the State Board of Education, nor will it be a burden on local school districts. We must make sure the schools are teaching what we ask them to teach. Please vote 'aye'."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 78 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 63 voting 'aye', 46 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on the same order, Representative Hoeft, on House Bill 79. Is Representative Hoeft in the chamber? Are you ready to go with that Bill, Sir? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 79, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hoeft."

Hoeft: "This is a very simple Bill that takes away the \$1,000 bond that once was put on truant officers. It is a Bill that came out of committee unanimously. It takes an old, old provision of law and it demandates it. It will take one more provision away from the requirements that we have for the schools in the county. I would ask that you vote 'yes'."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hoeft has moved passage of House Bill 79; and, on the Motion, is there any discussion? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Representative. Would the Gentleman yield?"

Hoeft: "Absolutely."

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

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Granberg: "Representative, very quickly. Who came to you with this...with this legislation? Is this...requested by the...truant officers?"

Hoeft: "No. This was done by myself."

Granberg: "So, do you know of any opposition? Was there any opposition to this in committee?"

Hoeft: "There is no opposition. The bonding companies; it's a bother to them also."

Granberg: "Okay. Do you know what purpose the bonding served in the first place?"

Hoeft: "I have no idea. They don't handle money. Why would you have a \$1,000 bond on those people?"

Granberg: "That's why I was asking. Okay, thank you."

Hoeft: "You're welcome."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Black."

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

Currie: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, is the Illinois Association of Truant Officers support this Bill?"

Speaker Currie: "That was a question to you, Representative Hoeft."

Hoeft: "I didn't hear him."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black, repeat your question please."

Black: "Yes. Is the Illinois Association of Trua...Truant Officers support this Bill?"

Hoeft: "Absolutely."

Black: "I... Could you tell me what the genesis of this Bill is?"

Hoeft: "I think it was an exodus actually. ...The genesis of this Bill is that in fact every year the counties and

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school districts have to pay a \$58, \$60 bond and there is no purpose for it, so let's try and get some type of a demandate here and let the...let the truant officers go about their business."

Black: "Well...now...now...you have me confused.... This effects both county truant officers and school district truant officers?"

Hoeft: "Correct. Absolutely."

Black: "...The various education...groups, have they had a chance to look your Bill over?"

Hoeft: "...You'd have to ask them."

Black: "All right. ...Thank you very much, Representative. Madam Speaker."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill, Representative."

Black: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. In looking through this Calendar, I don't recall when we've had as many Bills on the Calendar as we have now. We are, and I'm glad. I'm...I'm pleased that we are joined this Session by a number of freshman Legislators, who mean well and who come down here with preconceived notions of changing the world in what will be an abbreviated Session. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill tears at the very fabric of the...of the American family. Who do you turn to when you send your children off to school and they don't show up? You turn to the truant officer. Now, if the truant officer is going to take your child to school or back to a police station or do a station adjudication, he has or she has in her possession your children's worldly goods: their lunch box, their star trek watch, anything and everything. And then to say they aren't to be bonded. What guarantee then do I have that the lunch box will return? The...the watch will return? Their homework and

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books will return that I put out good money for? I expect that bond to be there to reimburse me for lost property, if my child is truant. I think we've done enough damage to the American family. I think if you can't trust your truant officer, Ladies and Gentlemen, we've gone too far. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. ...I must say, to this freshman Representative that I didn't hear or understand your explanation of the Bill; in fact, you mumbled and those of us on this side of the aisle are a little concerned that maybe there is someone over there that can out-mumble the Dean of the House, Mr. Giorgi, and we have some great concern about that and I think just on that basis, we should vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Well, Madam Speaker, I have to apologize. As the unofficial staff pharmacist, on this side of the aisle, we've tried everything with Representative Black. We've tried blood pressure medicine and that seemed to work for a while. I think we're going to have to shift to anti-depressants and anti psychotic at this point, because I'm not sure that any of us know what he's talking about."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Hoeft, you've come here with something unusual and that is you've come here with a Bill that is your own idea. You see what trouble you're in. To close on House Bill 79, Representative Hoeft."

Hoeft: "I would ask for a positive vote on this very simplistic Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 79 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting

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is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record; and, on this Bill, 109 voting 'aye', 6 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority...Representative Pugh voting 'aye'. Representative Novak voting 'aye'. Representative Homer voting 'aye'. Any other changes? Representative Weaver voting 'aye'. Saviano voting 'aye'. Maybe you want to change Representative Younge? On this Bill, 114 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On House Bill 98, Representative Lang. Clerk, read the Bill. Third Reading."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 98, a Bill for an Act relating to education funding. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. We go from the ridiculous to the sublime. This...this Bill...is rela...relates to the very important issue of education funding, and the last election cycle, 58% of the voters in the State of Illinois told us that we ought to do a better job of funding education in our state. They told...they told us it was their number one priority. This Bill will take care of that. This is a Bill that is...will over a period of time get us the 50% state funding for public education without a tax increase. Now, many of us have been concerned. Some are opposed to that Constitutional Amendment because you were worried about a tax increase. This Bill will get us the 50% funding for public education without a tax increase and here's what the Bill does. It takes this year's base for education and says, 'All new revenue the State of Illinois brings in in succeeding years, one-third of that

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at a minimum is devoted to public education'. So, this years money, plus a third of next years new money, plus a third of the following years new money eventually over a period of years (without a tax increase) will get to the 50% state funding that our current Constitution requires and that our constituents demand. We must do a better job of funding public education. All of us want to do it without a tax increase. This is the vehicle for that. I'll answer your questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang moves for passage of House Bill 98; and, on that question, is there any discussion? Representative Parke."

Parke: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Would the...Sponsor of this Bill yield for a question?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Parke: "Then Representative Lang, I understand then from what you are saying is that you are going to take away the appropriation process from the Legislature and just simply says that we'll have a flat amount that will go, one-third of all new moneys, will go to public education after that?"

Lang: "It doesn't take away the appropriation process. It takes all new money and takes one-third and puts it into education. All other moneys and the other two-thirds of all new moneys can go wherever the Legislature decides."

Parke: "Gee, you know I don't even think we're...we're...it's a matter of semantics, I think you're taking away the appropriation process on 1/3 of that new money. Am I right?"

Lang: "Is that a question or a statement, Representative?"

Parke: "Well, I asked you the question. I didn't... The answer was not clear, so I guess I'm making a statement that your

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answer is unclear, and the real answer is that it is taking away from the people, the elected Legislators who have the responsibility of making that decision, and now you're saying that it's okay that... I have nothing wrong with funding public education, and I think it's a grand idea that we do fund public education, but I'm very nervous about taking away the legislative responsibility meets Legislator to make those decisions and, as well-intended as this Bill may be, I am...think it is a bad precedent, and I would ask the Body to look at this very closely. It is a dangerous precedent, and I would think that we should defeat this...Bill even though it's well-intended and see if we can find some kind of compromise."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, can you tell me what the genesis of this Bill might be?"

Lang: "The genesis, as Representative Hoeft had on the previous Bill, this genesis is for me. This is my...my plan, my authorship of a way to fund public education in this state, to satisfy the desires of your constituents and mine and all of our constituents to fund public education better without a tax increase, without fooling around with the school aid formula, without doing anything with property taxes; just simply saying, let's take aside a few extra dollars every year and force it into public education."

Black: "I...I just can't help but as I read through this Bill, I get a feeling that I've seen this before."

Lang: "You have seen it before. It was my proposal before."

Black: "No, even before that."

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Lang: "But, in the previous...in the previous year, when I proposed it, I wanted 50% of all new revenue to go to education. I've reduced it so that we could resolve the some of the other critical issues of the State of Illinois."

Black: "Okay. I'll accept that. Thank you very much. Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Black: "To the Bill. I have no doubt that the Speaker has given a great deal of time to this Bill, but as I read through it, I really do think I remember some of this Bill before; in fact, I know I do. This Bill, when I was one of the Sponsors of the Bill and the House Republican Caucus sponsored this Bill, we called it the Priority One Program, but we couldn't get the Bill out of committee. ...I wasn't the lead Sponsor, so I would just simply say to the good Sponsor of this Bill, A lot of what happens down here. (and I don't mean to be proprietary about the Bill), but a lot of what happens to the Bill simply is determined by on what side of the aisle the Bill is introduced. So, I'm not going to stand in opposition of the Bill. I'm going to congratulate the Sponsor of the Bill. I'm going to congratulate him for, perhaps, at least remembering a smidgeon of Priority One, and I congratulate him on taking a Republican idea and because he's in the Majority, he can bring this to fruition and I simply will join him because it was the House Republicans about three-and-a half years ago who advanced a Priority One Education Funding Bill and because of that, and just to show in the spirit of bipartisanship, Representative, I hope you'll allow me to be a Co-Sponsor on this Bill, and I intend to vote for it."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Cowlshaw."

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Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As the Sponsor of what we called the Priority One Plan, several years ago, which of course is very...is a parallel to what this...this initiative would propose to do. I have had ample time to review what we're planned to do with that and what we might have done to improve it and, Madam Speaker, my principal conclusion from all that was that it would be, not only unwise but a terrible disservice to the children of Illinois to simply keep pouring more and more money into the public school system, without any assurance of what we will get for our investment. It...it does no good to continually finance mediocrity and that, I regret to admit, is what we get in our public school classrooms today and that's not just in urban areas, that's throughout this state. If we are going to do this, this Bill ought to have teeth and it ought to say. What we are going to do with these additional funds this will, in fact, produce better schools for our children. Since this is simply a continued investment in mediocrity, I think we should oppose it."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Novak."

Novak: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know I'm listening to this debate and I'm thinking a few years back when the General Assembly passed a surcharge and the Republican response to the surcharge for the schools and local governments was the Priority One Program. POP, remember? That much touted, greatly forecasted program and how it's gonna help education. You know, I think everyone on the other side of the aisle should jump on the band wagon and vote for this Bill because it's very, very similar to Priority One. That was all as the big alternative to the surcharge that we enacted in 1989; so,

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in that respect, I think every Republican Legislator should be an 'aye' vote on this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill... Why is this Bill good and why is it important to our...the children of the State of Illinois. This Bill simply says one thing. It says of new revenue, of new revenue in this state, one-third of it will go to education. Education will be the top priority of the Legislature in the State of Illinois. The time has come for us to really make a difference. This Bill can make a difference. When new revenue comes to the state, it's not going to go to bureaucratic fat, it's not going to go to state agencies and build up in Springfield, Illinois; it's going to go directly to our children. The time has come for us to put our children first. This Bill does that."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang, to close."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I couldn't agree more with the previous speaker and there was a speaker before him, a couple before him, that talked about wasting money on public education. What silliness. There isn't a sane person here who believes that money will solve all the problems of the schools in our state, but there can't be a sane person here who thinks that all the schools in the State of Illinois have enough money. Fifty-eight percent of our constituents in the last election told us, 'Do more for public education'. Now, we don't have the guts to pass a tax increase for public education. Let's at least take the money we have and help the kids. Vote 'aye'."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 98 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Representative Frias? How would you like

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to vote, Representative Frias? Representative Lopez? How would you like to vote, Representative Lopez? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, 100 voting 'aye', 11 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next order of call is Special Order, Energy...Environment and Energy, Third Readings. The first Bill is House Bill 296, Representative Woolard. Representative Woolard. Out of the record. House Bill 332, Representative Rotello. Representative Rotello. Out of the record. Representative McGuire, on House Bill 350. House Bill 35... Out of the record. Representative Steczo, House Bill 404. Representative Steczo. Representative Novak, on House Bill 436. House Bill 436, Third Reading. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 436, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Madam Speaker, could you take this Bill out of the record temporarily, please?"

Speaker Currie: "Take the Bill out of the record, please. How about 473, Representative Novak? Are you ready to go on that one? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 473, a Bill for an Act to amend the Insect Pest and Plant Disease Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak "

Novak: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. Madam Speaker, the...House Bill 473 and the Committee Amendment amends the Insect Pest and Plant Disease Act. It includes Christmas tree...Christmas trees, within the definition of nursery

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stock for purpose of inspection and certification by the Department of Agriculture to insure that the trees are free from insects pests and plant diseases. The Amendment made it clear that this legislation does not regulate Christmas trees originating outside the State of Illinois, unless the trees come from a state or federally guaranteed area. The Illinois Nurserymen's Association proposed this Bill and the Amendment. The Illinois Christmas Tree Association supports this Bill. It concerns the pine beetles that...have been found on some Christmas trees, that have been coming in the State of Illinois, and the Department of Agriculture is in...in agreement on the regulation of this industry, and I ask you for your support of this measure."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak moves passage of House Bill 473; and, on that question, Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Representative Novak, for the edification of the entire House, will you please explain and tell us, do the Christmas tree growers really have a Christmas Tree Association?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Well, yes, they do, but it's not headed by Santa Claus."

Wennlund: "Well, that was the next question by..."

Novak: "Well, I cut you off."

Wennlund: "I appreciate the advanced answer. Well, I'm glad to know there's a association for everything in this state. This is gotta be a fine Bill. I mean, who could oppose Christmas."

Novak: "Very good."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Olson."

Olson: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

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Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Olson: "...Representative Novak, after Representative Wennlund's Christmas remarks, I'm rather hesitant to ask a question, but is this permissive or required?"

Novak: "This legislation requires the inspection and certification by the Department of Agriculture to insure that the trees are free of insects, pests and plant disease. It is...it is a requirement that the Department of Agriculture and the industry has agreed to with the Amendment that was adopted in committee."

Olson: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Ryder: "Representative, I think that I had the pleasure of serving in committee when this Bill was heard. Is that right?"

Novak: "I believe you are correct, Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "And, in fact, I supported you at that time, did I not?"

Novak: "I believe you are correct."

Ryder: "Well, I don't have very much experience in this legislative process and somebody told me that once upon a time there was a Bill called the Christmas Tree Bill, and I was wondering if this is one of those Bills?"

Novak: "Well, this..."

Ryder: "Because they said never to vote for those kinds of Bills."

Novak: "This...this could be it. I can always bring it back to Second Reading and load it up, but I think I'd prefer not to."

Ryder: "Well, I'm going to trust your honorable intentions that

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the Bill is truly for what it says and it's not one of those Christmas Tree Bills that I heard about before."

Novak: "Well, we have plenty of room for ornaments to go on this Christmas Tree Bill, so if you let us know what kind of pork you're interested in."

Ryder: "Actually, you can come see me in appropriations. Okay?"

Novak: "Thank you, Representative Ryder."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Kubik: "Representative, do we... I really want to know, do we have... Will this require us to actually send people from the Department of Agriculture to inspect Christmas trees on lots all over the State of Illinois?"

Novak: "It is a concern growing, stemming from the situation where Christmas trees that have been imported into the state from other states have a small beetle that's been causing...disease to pine trees, certain pine trees. In the industry, as you well know, hundreds of thousands of Christmas trees are sold every year. We certainly don't want to take away anything from the Christmas spirit and Santa Claus and Ho, Ho, Ho and all that other stuff, so we need to pass this legislation."

Kubik: "Well, I don't want to bahumbug this Bill, but...do we...do we actually...are we actually have people going out to lots and inspecting these trees?"

Novak: "Representative Kubik, you're laughing so much. Can you rephrase that question, I can't hear you. Can you regain your composure?"

Kubik: "I really can't believe it. Are we going to have Christmas tree inspec... I can't even..."

Novak: "To answer your question Representative Kubik. The answer

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is 'yes'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative..."

Novak: "It is for the safety and to promote the welfare of a healthy and joyous and insect-free Christmas season."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "I would like to know if this Bill has a religious connotations?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative."

Novak: "Oh...okay, Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Is the ACLU against this Bill?"

Novak: "No, I...I don't believe the ACLU is against this Bill."

Skinner: "Then why...I believe the extreme libertarians..."

Novak: "I believe the pro-life people are for this Bill though."

Skinner: "Would only extreme civil libertarians vote against this Bill?"

Novak: "I...I really couldn't answer that question, Representative Skinner. I really doubt it."

Skinner: "I'm happy to see you sponsoring a Bill about a religious celebration."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? If not, Representative Novak, to close if you feel you must."

Novak: "Madam Speaker and Members of the General Assembly, I wish...appreciate your...permanent support on this Bill. House Bill 473."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 473 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. Representative Pugh, 'aye'. On this question...on this question, 10...Representative Meyer. Meyer, 'aye'. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having achieved the...received the...required

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.
Representative Gash."

Gash: "On House Bill 98, my switch wasn't working properly. I'd like to be recorded as I would have voted 'yes'."

Speaker Currie: "On House Bill 98?"

Gash: "House Bill 98."

Speaker Currie: "Thank you, that will... Clerk, you will make a note of that. Representative Lang, on House Bill 510. Out of the record. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 510, a Bill for an Act concerning the Keep Illinois Beautiful Program. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. House Bill 510 is a Bill dealing with the Illinois Clean and Beautiful Program. We took this program away from DECCA and gave it to Lt. Governor a couple of years ago, and the Lt. Governor has many changes he wants to make in the program. That's what this Bill does. The Sponsorship is Lang-Churchill, so everyone will know it's a bipartisan Bill. There was no dispute as to this in committee. It seems to be a non-controversial Bill, and I would move passage."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang moves passage of House Bill 510; and, on that Motion, is there any discussion? If not, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 510 pass? All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk...have all voted? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, 112 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. And the next Bill is House Bill

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639, Representative Novak. Representative Novak in the chamber? Says he's out hanging Christmas tree lights...ornamenting that tree. Representative Novak, House Bill 639. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 639, a Bill for an Act to amend the Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Yes, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 639 was very similar to the Bill that was passed last Session; but, unfortunately, was vetoed by the Governor. It's probably one of the most innovative ways that we can reduce trash and garbage in our communities. It simply seeks to establish a pilot project in the City of Chicago to determine the best way to reduce garbage that we put out in front of our homes for our...to go to the landfills and that method is volume based fees. The premise is very simple and the logic is very simple, and it's well thought out. It simply says that the more garbage you put out, the more you're gonna pay. The less garbage you put out in front of your home, the less you will pay. This is probably one of the most best, most efficient and most logical incentives for people to reduce the amount of trash that they generate at their homes, and I'll be more than happy to answer some questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak moves passage of House Bill 639; and, on that Motion, the Representative from Vermilion, Representative Black."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, there's some confusion as to who, who

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does this Bill apply to? I mean, what city? Is it just one city or several cities, one county or several counties?"

Novak: "I believe it applies to the City of Chicago as far as the pilot project is concerned, but it does require all municipalities to look, in...and I just want to underline...underline the words that I am about to say. They are not mandates, it is to consider. It's to consider volume-based garbage fees within municipalities to determine whether they may be economically feasible to implement as a means to reduce waste within communities and subsequently reduce wastes to our land...to our landfills. But in order for I think this program to become effective, we do need to have a pilot project to determine the...usefulness and utility of the program."

Black: "Thank you very much. I appreciate the Gentleman's answer. Just one other question I might ask is... What's the genesis of this Bill?"

Novak: "The genesis of this Bill is the Illinois Environmental Council. Good government? Good common sense."

Black: "You know I..."

Novak: "And good and effective ways to reduce trash in our neighborhoods and in our landfills."

Black: "And I agree with you, Sir, and also the reason I agree with you is that this identical Bill..."

Novak: "Oh, you mean Representative Currie's Bill last year?"

Black: "Well, no...but there's an identical Bill to this one, but it's a lower number, House Bill 44, and guess what? That was...that came out of the House Republican Caucus on our Environmental Package Bill. That's how good a Bill this is."

Novak: "Oh, Representative Black, can I ask you the question

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Black: "Absolutely."

Novak: "What was the genesis for House Bill 44 then?"

Black: "Good government."

Novak: "See the Lady in the Speaker's Of...in the Speaker's
Chair."

Black: "Good government. The reduc...the reduction of...of solid
waste going to landfills, plus I notice in this Bill we
skirted the late Representative Hultgren's issue of taxing
disposable diapers. So, all in all, I think it's a pretty
good package."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Rep..."

Novak: "Representative Black, thank you for those kind comments."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Novak to
close."

Novak: "I simply ask, Ladies and Gentlemen, that we pass this
legislation over to the Senate. I think it's...it's time
many, many communities in other states across the nation
are considering adopting volume-based garbage fees. It's
logical, it makes good common sense, and it only promotes
what we try to do to continue the life of our current
landfills because none of us anywhere in the State of
Illinois want anymore landfills in our communities. Thank
you."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 639 pass?'
Sorry, Representative Tom Johnson."

Johnson, Tom: "I...I commend the intent of this Bill and I know
we discussed this in committee, but are not the municipal
leagues and so on in opposition to this in...on the basis
that they consider this a mandate? An unfunded mandate?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Representative, as I indicated before, the text of the

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Bill requires that each municipality consider, and please let me emphasize that word, 'consider' the utilization of volume-based garbage fees. Only if it would prove to be economically feasible for the municipality to conduct this type of garbage collection on this fee basis. There is a pilot project that is required in the City of Chicago. Unfortunately, the Illinois Municipal League sometimes seems to be reticent about new ideas about getting rid of trash, other than throwing it in the landfill or burning it, so we're trying to find new ideas to reduce trash at the source that we generate so many pounds per day at our homes and at our businesses. That is the intent of the Bill."

Johnson, Tom: "Who...who checks..."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Johnson."

Johnson, Tom: "May I pose one more question to the Sponsor here? Who..."

Speaker Currie: "You may."

Johnson, Tom: "Who oversees or checks to make sure that each municipality has come up with this plan and what happens if they don't?"

Novak: "Who over...who oversees...would you repeat that please?"

Johnson, Tom: "Right. Who would oversee that? Who...who would oversee it?"

Novak: "Right. Well, I'm sure the EPA would promulgate rules and regulations that would enable the municipalities to use as a guideline or framework from which to use to establish a garbage to volume-based fee program. That would...you know, some basic framework and some basic guideline, but the key language in the Bill as I indicated, and not to be redundant, was to consider the program and to determine whether it's economically feasible. It's not really a

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mandate. We do pilot projects that are required in many pieces of legislation that go before this Body that subsequently sometimes turn out to be statewide requirements because they've worked out well."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak, do you want to close one more time, or should we just say the question is?"

Novak: "Madam Speaker, the former Sponsor of this fine Bill, I ask for my colleagues and Members on the Republican side of the aisle for your support of House Bill 639."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 639 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 106 voting 'aye', 4 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Phelps, are you ready on House Bill 771? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 771, a Bill for an Act concerning alternative fuels. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 771 recognizes clean alternative fuels that present both an opportunity and reduce the air pollution that was mandated for us, each state, to do under the Clean Air Act, while simultaneously helping to reduce the nation's dependence on foreign oil. This Bill is about the State of Illinois being an example for industry and the private sector to follow to establish ways in which we can use alternative fuels. It's my strong belief that we can demonstrate that leadership by having the state fleets in a phase-in type of approach adopt various alternative fuels

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to be burned in state vehicles. So, I proposed in this Bill that by Fiscal Year 2000, 75% of all new cars, light duty trucks and vans leased or purchased by the State of Illinois shall be capable of operating on a clean alternative fuel and that is not limited to ethanol, although we think that that's one of the best ones, but it also encompasses other alternative fuels which many of you have posed questions in the previous Bills like Representative Woolard's, so appreciate your support, and be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps moves passage of House Bill 771; and, on that question, is there any discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will." Black: "Representative, in your Bill, what do you define as alternative fuels? Are we covering the entire spectrum?"

Phelps: "Yes, we do. We have ethanol, which is that fine product you have in your hand. We have compressed gas, electricity, what else. Several others that I can't find in my notes, but..."

Black: "Methane."

Phelps: "Yes. Methane, gasohol..."

Black: "Hot air generated by the General Assembly?"

Phelps: "Well, that would work if we could harness it."

Black: "Liquefied petroleum gas, LP?"

Phelps: "Yes."

Black: "Okay. I...as long as we are being fair and we have ethanol and others in here, I join you in putting corn in the tank. Good idea. Vote 'aye'."

Phelps: "Thank you very much."

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Speaker Curran: "Further discussion? Representative Persico."

Persico: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Persico: "Representative, I just have one quick question.

Initially, CMS has some reservation about this particular Bill on how quickly they could implement it. Do you know what their positions are...is right now?"

Phelps: "At the present time, I believe they are neutral; however, even after knowing that, we had put a provision in...if you'll look on page 2 line 4 where we say, 'The director shall ensure whenever economically and practically feasible' they were concerned about the costs, so if the vehicles that we're talking about, the new vehicles that are purchased is not within what's practically feasible, then you just make the decision that it's too expensive, but we think they're going to be in line for purchasing in...a reasonable purchase."

Persico: "Thank you, Representative, and I also agree with Representative Phelps and Representative Black, and this is a good Bill, and I urge passage of it."

Speaker Currie: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 771 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, 110 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Next Bill is Representative Woolard, on House Bill 775. Are you ready to go? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 775, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Coal Technology Development Assistance Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Woolard."

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Woolard: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think that we're talking about another issue here of vital importance to the economy of the State of Illinois. The coal mining industry has sustained many blows in the last few years. We have to continue to provide leadership and the planning and development of alternative ways to utilize a great resource in the State of Illinois. We passed a law a few years ago that allowed us to take one sixty-four of 1% of those moneys coming into three various taxing authorities: The Public Utilities Revenue Act, the Message Tax Act and the Gas Revenue Tax Act, and utilize these for the purpose of expanding the development of technology. By doing so, we gave ourselves the authority to generate more revenues than we had the authority to place in the fund. The first thing would be to expand the authority to a \$10 million limit rather than the \$5 million limit that we have now, based on those taxes as they are in place today. The second purpose would be to increase the number from 11 to 13 members on the board who governs this. The two additional members would be appointed by the Governor as seven of the members are now, and we would also extend the phase-in of this authority and also establish a three and ten year goals assessment that would be generated on a regular basis to accommodate a sense of direction as to what we were hoping and successfully accomplishing with these funds. I would encourage the passage of this piece of legislation."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Woolard moves passage of House Bill 775; and, on that question, Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. First I have an inquiry of the Chair and then I have a question for the Sponsor. Was there a fiscal note requested?"

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Speaker Currie: "Clerk, was there a fiscal note request?"

Wennlund: "With respect to 775."

Speaker Currie: "There was a fiscal note request, Representative, but the request was untimely as the Bill was on Third Reading by the time that fiscal note request was filed."

Wennlund: "All right. Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield, Madam Speaker?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Representative Woolard, I understand what you're trying to do, and I can certainly appreciate the shape of the coal industry in Illinois. The question is, 'What impact will this have on General Revenue funds of the state, in the event this is passed?'"

Woolard: "As I have stated, as I stated earlier, there will be no new additional revenue sources, but the only thing that will be accomplished is those sources that are in place now which generate more than we have the ability to place into this fund will allow us to phase in over a three year period of time the additional revenues up to \$10 million dollars. It is now \$5 million dollars."

Wennlund: "So, what we are saying is that it will double the amount coming out of GRF or we are not talking about GRF funds?"

Woolard: "Actually, these moneys are...A part of the original Bill allowed these moneys to be placed into the general GRF fund and taken out as needed. What we're saying now that we will just accelerate the ability to take them out up to after the third year of the phase-in plan, up to \$10 million dollars."

Wennlund: "Where do the moneys come from, Representative?"

Woolard: "It's one sixty-fourth of 1% from these three taxes: the Public Utilities Revenues Act, the Message Act, and the Gas

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Revenue Tax Act."

Wennlund: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? If not, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 775 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Black, to explain his vote."

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I generally vote for most every coal Bill that comes before this chamber, and I have the greatest respect for the Sponsor of this Bill and our coal mining industry is in very, very dire trouble in this state, but I cannot in good conscience vote for this Bill, when LIS shows clearly that we requested the fiscal note on this Bill, March 29 and the Bill was moved to Third Reading on April 12th. I will not vote for this Bill because it, again...what I told you and told you and told you on more occasions than I would like to today, if we aren't going to follow the rules, then we might as well just go home and vote by proxy. I vote 'present' on this Bill simply because, once again, we have chosen to ignore the rules. Our fiscal note was filed in a timely fashion, and then we were just told in a presumptuous manner that it wasn't. That's not according to the rules, and so for the first time since I've been here, I will not vote for a coal Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative, will check into that question. Clearly, if you have filed such a request, and the Bill then moved to Third, I would have expected you to be quick enough to notice to notice that the fiscal note request had not been acted upon and to request that the Bill remain on Second, but we are looking to see whether we can verify the timing; and again on the question. Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 71 voting 'aye', 35 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative McAfee, on House Bill 797. Out of the record. Representative Dart, on House Bill 815. Representative Dart. Out of the record. Representative Giglio, House Bill 1145. Are you ready, Representative? Representative Giglio? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1145, a Bill for an Act to amend the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Giglio."

Giglio: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill was given to me by the people of the Metropolitan Sanitary District, and what they want to do is they want to clarify the statute which provides that the district may regulate both the new and existing connections. The change conforms to the statute to the actual practice, and that's what it is. It's just a cleanup piece of legislation. They found that they had no authority to...to regulate on the existing connections and that's what they're trying to do with this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Giglio moves passage of House Bill 1145; and, on that Motion, is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1145 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, 113 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill, House Bill 1146, Representative

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Phelps. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1146, a Bill for an Act to amend the General Obligation Bond Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'll be brief. I know that...we've been on this order of call for a while, but this Bill simply just increases the state's authority to issue bonds for the coal purposes, so it's a coal bond increase, \$35 million, which doesn't affect the General Revenue Fund. We're talking about focusing on demonstration projects that even the federal government gives money to...to the state for grant projects to match that hopefully, get the technology out there to get the sulfur out of our coal, and we got the largest deposit in the world right here; \$35 million extension."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps moves passage of House Bill 1146; and, on that Motion, Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Inquiry of the Chair first. Because of the increase in bonding authority from \$120 million to \$155 million of the state's bond authorization, can you inform the Body what the vote requirement is?"

Speaker Currie: "Check with the Parliamentarian."

Wennlund: "Okay."

Speaker Currie: "This will require a Three-fifths vote, 71 votes for passage. Representative Wennlund, do you wish to speak to the Bill?"

Wennlund: "Thank you. Yes. Inquiry of the... Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Thank you. Representative Phelps, what's the source of the revenue for the payback of the additional \$35

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million in bonds to be issued under this Bill?

Phelps: "I would assume it's part of the...over here, Larry. I would assume it's part of the Public Utilities Tax that we collect that goes into the General Revenue Fund."

Wennlund: "Part of the Public Utilities Tax?"

Phelps: "All those sources that we talked about. The Coal Tech Fund, you know, goes into the General Revenue and they're used as needed, so that would be...I would say. the source."

Wennlund: "Is...is there an adequate amount coming into that fund, because...issuing an additional \$35 million is going to cause another \$3.5 million a year coming from some source to repay these bonds?"

Phelps: "Representative Wennlund, the last time I checked that source, there was more money coming in than being used for this purpose, and that's one of the ideas of increasing...if we're tapping the source for the purpose of trying to get an energy source that we can create jobs or at least maintain the jobs that we've suffered from the Clean Air Act, then that's the source from which we want to tap, and I don't think we are maximizing the revenue that's generated."

Wennlund: "Okay. Thank you very much. To the Amendment."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Wennlund, to the Amendment. To the Bill."

Wennlund: "The unanswered question here, and I'm sure many of you will recall recently the Governor made a trip to both bond rating agencies in the City of New York to determine what effect the issuance of additional bonds will have on the state's bond rating which just recently decreased. We really ought to take a real hard look at the issuance of any additional bonds, particularly \$35 million in bonds,

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unless we're certain that the revenue source that is adequate to make sure that the principle and interest on these bonds that would run out for the next 20 to 25 years will be paid. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion?"

Phelps: "Madam Speaker, I might just...in maybe one part of not answer his question correctly is that I assume that the Governor is in support of this because the Energy Natural Resource Department is very supportive and UMWA and the Coal Association, so that was part of the answer I should have given him."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Well, first of all I might have a conflict of interest in here. My wife's cousin is the President of the Illinois United Mine Workers. Representative, I didn't know if you were aware of that, but ENR announced this week that a possibility of 20,000 additional jobs lost in coal and coal-related industries in Illinois by the end of the decade if we don't do something. So, for anyone on this side of the aisle that even suspects that they might rise in opposition to this Bill, I hope you'll think twice about that. Twenty thousand jobs, 20,000 taxpaying families who might... This is a step in the direction in trying to...to try and save those jobs. Representative, I salute your efforts. I hope the Governor is supportive. I know the department is. The mine workers are, and we have to do something to help save this industry that is so vital, especially, to southern Illinois."

Representative Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to try to get through to the folks that are in the Chicago metropolitan area and people who

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might have competing interest for bond money. We're talking about \$35 million worth of bond money here which could if not spent for this purpose be used, to build new schools in Chicago, for example, or even in the suburbs. There is an incredible amount of outstanding unissued bonds at this point, and obviously people who want to spend money for some capital projects are competing against people who want to spend money for other capital projects. I am not suggesting that the goal that the Representative has for this money is not worthy, but some of us may decide that our goals are at least as worthy and they're certainly closer to home. Thank you very much."

Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "I would just like to address a point just made by the previous speaker. Why is this important, and what does this mean to southern Illinois; what does this mean to the State of Illinois, and I think that that attitude that was just addressed by the previous speaker is what many times is wrong with this General Assembly. We're talking about interest for the entire State of Illinois. We're talking about the dismantling of small towns throughout all of Illinois. We're talking about the loss of jobs, the loss of employment, the closing down of schools, the closing down of businesses, the turning of ghost towns into all of southern Illinois, if we don't do something about what is happening in the coal industry in Illinois and elsewhere. If you don't do something about it, Representative, if you don't vote in favor of this, that's what you're doing. You're giving a death sentence to southern Illinois, and I find it atrocious, atrocious that anybody would indicate on the floor of this General Assembly that it is not important and that we should look at parochial interests. We should

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look at what is good for all of Illinois, not what is good for southern Illinois, not what is good for Chicago, not what is good for DuPage County, because it's offensive to me that anybody would stand on the floor of this House and suggest that we should look with blinders on and not make these types of distinctions. What this would do to all of Illinois, if we don't pass this piece of legislation, is that it would further bankrupt our coffers, it would put more people on public aid, it would kill small towns all across Illinois, and that's why we should vote in favor of it."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Hicks.
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Hicks: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know, it's amazing when I hear people say that different parts of the state are not affected by some of this legislation. You know, in Chicago, if you have your energy costs come from Commonwealth Edison, you pay the highest costs in the country. You know, you also pay the highest cost (more than double) for the coal that's burned at Commonwealth Edison than the coal that's burnt from the coal fields in southern Illinois. The coal that's sold out of southern Illinois. You pay double the cost, and what that translates into is your electricity costs in the City of Chicago and those of you that have Commonwealth Edison, that translates into dollar cost to you. So, when you say you're not affected, you are affected because you're burning Wyoming coal, not Illinois coal. You're not burning coal that is reasonable in cost, so this really does affect you. It affects you a lot more than you know. It affects you in your pocketbook. Right at home, every day, and your constituents that you support. That's where

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it affects you. You ought to look at this coal stuff. It's not just good for southern Illinois Legislators. It's good for all of us."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Persico."

Persico: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just wanted to comment on what Representative Hoffman said in that we should not be so parochial down there, and I'm glad to hear that coming from his side of the aisle and when we begin to talk about the school aid formula and how many school districts in my area are only getting 6% and 7% of the money that we put into the school aid formula, maybe we can have that same kind of congenial feelings on both sides. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes, thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. Just very briefly, all this Bill does is increase the authority to sell these bonds. No bonds will be sold unless the Governor feels that...that there's a project that's worthwhile that he'll use the money for, so I don't think there's any problem that we're going to see \$35 million worth of bonds sold for frivolous projects. It's going to be something that the Governor feels is important and needs the money for. So, let's not be concerned about that, and let's also understand that the repayment mechanisms are already in place. This simply gives us the authority to do it, to pay it off the way we have always paid it off through these funds, and I think that some of the folks on the other side of the aisle I don't think really understand the Bill, but I would hope that they would reconsider and vote 'yes'."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps, to close."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, and I can appreciate the concern of, in days in which our budget's been facing the

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last few years, but the authorization increase here is...comes at a very timely...in Illinois because of the Clean Air Act. Right now there's a struggle to maintain and save what we have in Illinois coal; and if not successful, we can further agitate the problems and just increase the welfare rolls, and just to address Representative Skinner's concern, I would be more than happy to Co-Sponsor some type of bonding Bill to build schools that have needs to do so, but right now if we don't find a problem to make Illinois coal work, we transfer all the money to the western states where they can prosper and build schools and what we're giving them out of the loss of using Illinois coal and supporting the families here, so I would appreciate your vote on this. It's very important."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1146 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 89 voting 'aye', 21 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The required Three-fifths Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Novak, House Bill 1249. Out of the record. Representative Deering, on House Bill 1290. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1290, a Bill for an Act in relation to the disposal of fly ash. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Deering "

Deering: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. What House Bill 1290 does basically it says that power generating public utility cannot operate a landfill and dispose of fly ash from out-of-state coal.

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The residue left from burning out of state coal, unless they apply for a permit and pay a dollar per ton disposal fee. There's been a mandates fiscal note filed in the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs says that it does not apply to this Bill. I would like to answer any questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Deering moves passage of House Bill 1290; and on that, is there any discussion? The Representative from DuPage, Representative Persico."

Persico: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Persico: "Representative, I have a few questions here. What is the genesis of this Bill?"

Deering: "This Bill is aimed at requiring or working with our public utilities to comply with the Clean Air Act in order to keep as many tons of Illinois coal mined as possible. We want to keep Illinois coal burnt in our public utilities. We do not want to go and have to switch to out-of-state coal. Here's the facts. The argument is, switching to western coal is cheaper. That's a perception. Reality is, when western coal is a demanded commodity, the transportation costs are going to increase and the price of that coal will increase. A case in point is the gas crunch of the '70's. Gas was cheap till that point in time when they got a hold of as much gas as they could and drive the price up. The same thing will happen to the coal. We're just wanting to keep our people working, to keep a negative impact from happening here and the revenues here in this state."

Persico: "I can understand your concerns for, you know, helping the downstate coal miners and the coal owners, but my question would be, 'By imposing a \$1 per ton on the fly ash

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generated by only out- of- state coal, wouldn't that be interfering with interstate commerce?'"

Deering: "To my knowledge, no."

Persico: "So, to your knowledge you think this Bill would not be declared unconstitutional. It has nothing to do with...by taxing out-of-state coal only rather than as well as Illinois coal that this would not interfere with interstate commerce."

Deering: "Not to my knowledge."

Persico: "Thank you, Representative. To the Bill. I happen to disagree. I think that by taxing only out-of-state coal, and I can understand the concern that the Representative has for his area, but I do believe that this Bill would be declared unconstitutional and it does interfere with interstate commerce, and I urge a 'no' vote on this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Deering, do you wish to close? Wait just a minute. Representative Novak. Representative Novak."

Novak: "Yes, Madam Speaker. As the Chairman of the Energy and Environment Committee, I know this Bill is sort of controversial, but I think the subject matter we're dealing with and the conditions...the economic conditions of southern Illinois. You know, southern Illinois doesn't have that much to work with other than tourism, coal and maybe if you're lucky to work for the state, and those are about the three major industries that provide jobs to its citizens in southern Illinois, and what Representative Deering is doing is trying to enhance the coal industry by making sure that he's doing all he can under the auspices of this Bill to protect jobs and to keep jobs in the State of Illinois, and I would ask all my colleagues, at least on the Democratic side of the aisle, to support Representative

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Deering."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Deering, do you consider that an adequate close, or would you like to add your own?"

Deering: "Well, Madam Speaker, I would just like to ask for a favorable roll vote."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1290 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 74 voting 'aye', 37 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Steczo on House Bill 1315. Representative Steczo. Out of the record. Representative Levin, House Bill 1374. Representative Ellis Levin. House Bill 13...474. Representative Ellis Levin, 1374. Are you ready to call the Bill? Out of the record. Representative Giglio, on House Bill 1526. Representative Giglio. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1526, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Giglio."

Giglio: "Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is one of the Bills that...there's two Bills like this. What we're trying to do is that we're trying to manifest the people that have grease and cauley somebody that comes in and gets the grease and then they're supposed to take it to a treatment plant, treat it so it's depositable back into a landfill where it's safe, and what's happening now is so many of these people are getting away with it and they don't know whether they're dumping it

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in the sewers, dumping it in the river. With this Bill and the next Bill we're going to try to put some notification, and they're going to have to keep records as to who they call and where they dump it, and that's what it's all about."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Giglio moves 'do pass' on House Bill 1526. This Bill is on Short Debate. Does anyone stand in opposition? Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To the Bill. And it is reluctant opposition, but you know, this is another regulation, and it may work...may work very well and be necessary in the Sponsor's area. He has a much higher population density than in my area, but there are some problems with this Bill. For example: As I understand the Bill, the enforcement is left completely up to the local counties State's Attorney. In most downstate counties, our State's Attorney's offices are so woefully understaffed that they do a good job just to get to criminal law. We don't have special waste haulers running all over the bulk of this state, and we have small mom pop type restaurants, many of whom have been recently opened by people laid off from the coal mines and other industry that have left because of excessive regulation. I certainly have no quarrel with this Bill on the merits, but I simply am here to tell you that in some parts of the state if we don't stop overregulating and micromanaging the affairs of every ma-and-pa business in the State of Illinois, we aren't going to have any of them left, and I don't think the Diamond Stars and the General Motors and anybody else is going to come into this state and bail us out. We are stifling free enterprise, we are stifling the ability of

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people to try and go into business and make a living, which is what I thought we were all about. Again, I don't quarrel with the intent of the Bill, I just am telling you that in some parts of the state we simply can't afford to follow an ever-increasing regulatory climate in this state, and that is the only reason I intend to vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Even though it's Short Debate, for further discussion, Representative Persico."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Persico: "As Representative Black says, I do think it is a good Bill in the sense of what you're trying to accomplish; however, I do want to point out or ask you the question, where is it defined in the Bill what grease traps sludge is? Is it...what is grease trap sludge? I don't see it defined in the Bill itself."

Giglio: "Grease trap sludge is the grease that comes from... from cooking and these big restaurants and these places that have perhaps some of these...I don't know if you have them, slaughterhouses; we have. Wherever they collect the grease, it's usually a separate grease pit, like the Sanitary District has a separate basin where the kitchen goes into a separate basin where the grease is; and if there's a tremendous amount I know some of them what they do they'll freeze it and then they'll pack it and have it out or ship it out, but this really is aimed for these people that have these people come in and suck it out and take it to a treatment plant. That's who we're after. I can understand Representative Black's concern, but it really doesn't pertain to places downstate. Most of those places take it and some of them dump it on the farm where they're allowed to do that, but it's really not aimed at

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the smaller communities."

Persico: "Well, I thank you for the explanation. Now I know what grease trap sludge is. I guess...if you would be able to pull this back to Second Reading and really define in the Bill itself what you mean by grease trap sludge the way that you explained it to the General Assembly, I think this would help clarify this Bill. The other thing is, Representative Black says maybe the IEPA should be the one that enforces rather than the local county State's Attorney, and the only other question I have or the only other concern I have is these transporters are ...might be required to fill out hundreds of different types of forms for this treatment for the treatment plants they serve. Could you not maybe provide for a standardized form to be developed by an impartial source such as the IEPA? I mean, I think your idea is great; I think these ideas can be incorporated in the Bill and make it a much better and stronger Bill when it goes to the Senate."

Giglio: "Well, the form, I don't believe the form's going to be that big. It'll be just to know who's picking it up and where they're taking it. That's the intent of this legislation simply because they're doing it now and there's no record. They're dumping it in our sewers; they're putting it anywhere they can get rid of it, and we're just trying to keep track is what we're doing. We want these people to go to these treatment plants."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Persico: "As I said, I think this is a good Bill that is much needed, but if some of these problems and concerns that we brought up, Representative Black and myself would be addressed, I think it would be, I would be able to support that Bill, this Bill, but at this time I cannot. Thank

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you."

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Speaker Currie: "This Bill is on Short Debate. We've already stretched that rule to let the Minority Spokesman on the committee where the Bill was heard speak. Representative Olson, could we ask you to speak explaining your vote since this Bill is on Short Debate? Or is it an urgent issue?"

Olson: "I would just want to offer Representative Giglio a point of information about grease trap sludge."

Speaker Currie: "This is an educational experience, an educational chamber, go for it."

Olson: "Grease trap sludge...one of the places it moves is it goes through the processing system...it goes to hog feeding confinement operations. I've seen railroad tank cars with the wheels off up on concrete piers and they get in tanker loads of grease trap sludge. That is blended into the hog's feed ration. As it goes through the hog and comes out as manure and is dropped upon the floor, the concrete floor of these facilities, the grease trap sludge keeps the dust levels down in hog feeding operations. That's just a point of interest; I knew that you were dying to hear something like that."

Speaker Currie: "Learn something every day. Thank you, Representative Olson. Representative Giglio, to close."

Giglio: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and thank you, Representative Olson. I didn't realize that. We contend with the grease up in our area mostly through restaurants and that. I didn't realize they had that much down on the farm, but if there is something wrong with this Bill, I'd like to get it out and perhaps we can work on it in the Senate and maybe the EPA can come in and we'll do something else with it because I'm sure if we got this much controversy in the House, we sure in the hell aren't going to get it through

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the Senate, so I would ask you to pass it."

Speaker Currie: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 1526 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 72 voting 'aye', 39 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Next Bill having something to do with surfing, Representative Black, are you ready on 1595? Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1595, a Bill for an Act to amend the Surface Coal Mining Land Conservation and Reclamation Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black."

Black: "Yes. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a Department of Mines and Minerals Bill, and we hope it will lead to tourism and surfing in downstate Illinois."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black moves for passage of House Bill 1595; and, on that Motion, is there any discussion? Representative Deering. This Bill is on Short Debate."

Deering: "Real quick question, I'm sorry. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Deering: "Representative, I didn't get to hear your explanation of the Bill, but is this a review process on the permitting and operating of surface coal mines?"

Black: "Yes."

Deering: "Does this lengthen the process?"

Black: "Oh, absolutely not."

Deering: "Okay. This is a good concept then."

Speaker Currie: "Again, we are on Short Debate. Representative

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Phelps, are you rising in opposition or do you have a very quick question?"

Phelps: "Just a comment."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Just a comment. Representative Black, I'm puzzled. When you question us on other Bills, you're very loud and articulate, and on this Bill I thought it was Zeke Giorgi that was presenting. You were real quiet. I know you have an outstanding baritone voice, so...but it's a good Bill."

Black: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1595 pass? All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'aye', 2 voting 'no'; and this...wait a minute...2 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hughes, on House Bill 1719. Representative Hughes. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1719, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hughes."

Hughes: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm here to present House Bill 1719 which amends the Environmental Protection Act to provide that the Pollution Control Board or a court may abate monetary penalties for violations of the Act up to 80% if the amount of the abatement is used exclusively for the correction of the violation for which the penalty was assessed. I would like to point out that this Bill is permissive, that this Bill would apply only in those instances where the violator

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demonstrates reasonable...demonstrates that it is not economically reasonable or technically feasible to prevent the violation; and number three: the dollars that would be abated would go directly to cleaning up the problem, which is really what we're after, cleaning up violations."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hughes moves 'do pass' on House Bill 1719; and, on the question, is there any discussion? Representative Balanoff."

Balanoff: "Yes. Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think it's important that we listen, because this is a bad Bill. This Bill would create an unfair competitive advantage to polluting companies that showed total disrespect for our state's environmental laws by authorizing the state to give rebates of up to 80% on penalties that are imposed on non-complying companies. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency only imposes penalties on those companies that are chronic violators, and I really do mean chronic violators, that operate in a particularly dangerous manner or are unwilling to make a good faith effort to come into compliance. This Bill would reward bad behavior and hurt those companies that have invested in cleaning up their facilities to meet pollution standards, and I would urge everybody on both sides of the aisle to vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Currie: "She indicates she will."

Black: "Yes. Representative, as I understand your Bill, what you are attempting to do is to try to stop the punitive aspect of environmental law, use the fine, if indeed one has been levied, to resolve the problem first, to clean up the site

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rather than just use the fine as punishment. Is that your intent?"

Hughes: "That is correct."

Black: "Thank you very much. Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. As the previous Representative said, there's some controversy to this Bill, there's no question about that, but as I said on an earlier Bill, if we don't start bringing some common sense into the environmental process, we won't have anything to worry about in this state. We will have clean air and we will have clean water, because there won't be anybody here to do anything to it nor will there be anybody here to enjoy it because we won't be able to make a living. Now just let me give you one example that occurs in district after district: The underground tank law. We fined people. Why not use the fine to clean up the site? In my district, it's not uncommon for somebody to spend in excess of \$100,000 to clean up a leaking underground storage tank to wait 18 months or more for their reimbursement and when they get all done do you know what they have? They have a vacant lot worth \$3000. It would be more economically feasible in downstate and rural communities for the owner of an abandoned gas station just to walk away. Just to take the keys with him and walk away from it. I'm telling you, you cannot legislate every conceivable horror imaginable, and if we don't bring some common sense to environmental regulation, the business climate in this state will begin to decline even more drastically than we've seen in the last few years. You think it can't happen? Look at California. The Golden State. People leaving by droves. You can't even get a moving van in California. The Lady's Bill is well-intentioned,

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well-drafted, it's a pro-jobs Bill. Without jobs, there won't be anybody to work or care or worry about the environment. Vote 'aye'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you. Would the Lady yield?"

Speaker Currie: "Indicates she will."

Granberg: "Representative Hughes, I'm not necessarily against your Bill. I just want to ask you a couple questions. First of all, it says the...where do the proceeds from the fines go currently?"

Hughes: "The proceeds currently would go to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency."

Granberg: "So, this would take those funds potentially away..."

Hughes: "Trust funds."

Granberg: "...that would take money potentially away from that trust fund..."

Hughes: "That's correct."

Granberg: "...and go towards reclaiming the site or the work on the site. Correct? Okay. In your provision on page 4, it says, 'the board may abate the penalty by an amount not to exceed 80% of the penalty'. Okay?"

Hughes: "That's correct."

Granberg: "In the beginning of the Bill, there are different types of violations. There is a 12 (f) violation up to \$10,000 per day, 12 (g) violation a different amount, and so on and so on, but the Bill does not provide how the penalty would be abated for different types of violations, it just says up to 80%. There's no standard that says if it's a certain type of violation, you're allowed to get a certain percentage back, if there's a 12 (g) violation you get a certain percentage back. There's no standard for the abatements."

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Hughes: "The amount to be abated would be up to 80% of the total fine determined by the Pollution Control Board or the judge within the parameters you've just referenced."

Granberg: "Okay, but there's no...Representative, there's really no standard for different types of violations...that was our concern 'cause it seems like there would be a different standard for each type of violation because there are different types of violations with different fees and different penalties, so we also thought then if the abatement took place, that should be based on that different type of penalty or different fine, and right now that's not currently in your Bill."

Hughes: "It...that is all factored into the determination of the violation by the Pollution Control Board. It could be anywhere from 1 to 80%, so there really isn't a good way of doing what you're suggesting. All of these cases are individual, and each one has got to be heard and considered on its own merits."

Granberg: "We were trying to...our concern was trying to tighten it up a little bit, Representative Hughes, because when you have all the penalties and different fines broken out, previously or earlier in the Act, it was our concern that the abatement should parallel the same type of penalties and the same break out of the violations, instead of leaving it up to the Pollution Control Board without any standard."

Hughes: "I still would believe that in arriving at that final total violation...penalty all of those concerns would be addressed. This is something that could be worked out between the Senate and the House."

Granberg: "We'd really like to tighten it up, Representative, so it actually tracks with the seriousness of the penalty so

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there'd be some standard."

Hughes: "I'd be happy to discuss that with you."

Granberg: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like the Members to listen, particularly those who think they're targets. This is a very, very bad Bill for targets. This is a very bad environmental Bill. With all due respect to the Sponsor, and I understand the argument that says, 'Let's use the money to help the people fix the problem'; however, the only people who are getting fined now by the EPA, the only penalties, as Representative Balanoff said, listen to who gets fined now. These are the only folks that get fined. People who are chronic violators, not people who are...we're not talking about people who have done this accidentally one time, people who are operating in a particularly dangerous manner or people who are unwilling to make a good faith effort to come into compliance, so what you say to polluters is, 'Go ahead and pollute; don't fix the problem. You pollute, we're going to fine you, but by the way, it's okay because we're going to give you 80% of the money back that you're going to pay us in the fine to fix the problem'. What sense does that make? What common sense approach is that? Are we going to say to people who are violating our laws, 'Go ahead and violate them because after we take the penalty from you we'll give it back'. We're going to have a Bill on another order that's going to exponentially increase penalties because we have repeat violators in this state who refuse to fix the environmental problems that they're causing. They pollute today, and they don't clean it up because they don't want to, because they're either not penalized or we have Bills

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like this that say, 'Go ahead, do it; we'll give you the money back'. What we ought to be doing is tripling and quadrupling and multiplying by tenfold the fines on repeat offenders so that they won't be repeat offenders. This will encourage people to be repeat offenders. It will encourage them to fail purposely to clean up the environmental mess that they have made. I applaud the Sponsor for her effort to help business, but if in the efforts to help business we're going to create more pollution problems in the state, if we're going to create a situation where we're going to encourage people to be polluters, then this is not the kind of law we want to pass, and I would suggest strongly to those of you who have had good environmental records take a very close look at this very bad Bill. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hughes, to close."

Hughes: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to point out that, although what has been said about violators is in general true, what needs to be remembered here is this is to take care of those instances where the violator can show, in the opinion of the Pollution Control Board and/or a judge, that there is an economic or technical problem with being able to have prevented that violation. It allows, in those instances, discretion to apply dollars directly to a cleanup as opposed to going into a fund where they may go to prolonged hearings, attorney's fees and litigation. There is a House Bill 43 to address the concern about funding which would provide increased funding to the IEPA that would address the concern that this might diminish funds in the rare instances where it would be applied. Again, it's discretionary for those few instances where there is a genuine problem for a business in

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compliance. I would urge you to consider favorably House Bill 1719. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1719 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye, opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 84 voting 'aye', 25 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Kaszak, are you ready on House Bill 1838? Out of the record. Representative Morrow, on House Bill 2065. Representative Morrow. Out of the record. Representative Levin, House Bill 2133. Representative Levin? Representative Levin? (House Bill) 2133? Out of the record. We'll now move to the Special Order of Call, Health Care and Human Services, Third Reading. Representative Gash, for what reason do you rise? Representative Gash?"

Gash: "I would like the record to reflect that on House Bill 719 I would have liked to vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "The record will so reflect. Representative Dunn. John Dunn, on House Bill 32 on Third Reading. Representative Dunn. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 32, a Bill for an Act concerning health care. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 32 is known as the Healthy Kids Act. House Bill 32 is legislation which would provide for preventive care for children ages zero through nine who otherwise would not have coverage. There are some things we can do in the health care area, and there are some things that we probably cannot do. If we're going to take

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first steps, what better place to commence than with the children. We have a chance to make an investment in those children to enable them to grow into healthy, productive adults. From a crash standpoint, the economics of that are sound. We invest a few dollars now and what happens is they grow into healthy adults who cost us much, much less for health care during their adult life. The thing you cannot measure, however, is the quality of life that these youngsters would have. This legislation is a plan which will involve a phase-in so there will be no fiscal impact for the balance of this fiscal year, and there will be no fiscal impact for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1993."

Speaker Currie: "Representative, there's an Amendment...you have filed an Amendment to this Bill. Had you wished to have that Amendment adopted before Third Reading?"

Dunn: "Well, yes let's take it back and put it on there."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dunn asks leave to return this Bill to Second Reading for purposes of Amendment. Does the Representative have leave? Leave is granted. The Bill is now on Second Reading. Are there Amendments filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Dunn."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "House Amendment 3 is a routine Amendment that includes the Department of Alcohol and Substance Abuse in the study group which will study the implementation of this plan. I would ask for adoption of Amendment #3."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dunn moves adoption of Amendment 3 to House Bill 32. Is there any discussion on that Motion? Representative Black."

Black: "I'm sorry, Madam Speaker. I thought you said Amendment #2 and I thought he was on 3, and I just...I didn't hear

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you."

Speaker Currie: "Amendment 3 is the Amendment that he has offered us. Shall we just check with the Clerk and find out the fates of Amendments 1 and 2?"

Black: "I think Amendment #2 is already on the Bill, correct?"

Clerk Rossi: "Amendments 1 and 2 have been adopted to the Bill."

Black: "One and 2 adopted? Was 1 a Committee Amendment, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "I think that's right." Amendment 1 was a Committee Amendment and..."

Black: "Two was a Floor Amendment, and it's on the Bill. All right, so it's Amendment #3. Thank you."

Dunn: "Amendment #3 is offered at the suggestion of the Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association. I would ask for its adoption."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black, is your file in order? Be organized over there. Representative Dunn moves adoption of Amendment 3 to House Bill 32. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Currie: "Any notes? Any note requests?"

Clerk Rossi: "No note requests."

Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Representative Balthis, are you ready on House Bill 134? Representative Balthis. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 134, a Bill for an Act to amend the Partnership for Long Term Care Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Balthis."

Balthis: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 134 amends the Long Term Partnership

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for Care Act, deletes the provision that the Department on Aging shall not implement the Act unless a private grant is received to pay the administrative costs of the pilot program. The Department of Aging indicates that this will cost no additional money outside of their budget in FY '94, and I would move its adoption."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 134 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, 110 voting 'aye'...112 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Parcels."

Parcels: "Thank you, Speaker. My light did not...I pressed and my green light didn't go on. Could you please record me as would have had voted 'yes' on that last Bill?"

Speaker Currie: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 282, Representative Woolard. Representative Woolard. Out of the record. Representative Phelps, on House Bill 552. (House Bill) 552, Representative Phelps? Representative Phelps? Clerk, read the Bill.

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 552, a Bill for an Act to amend the Alternative Health Care Delivery Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps. Representative, I'm informed that you, yourself have filed an Amendment to this Bill. Do you wish to bring this Bill back so that Amendment can be adopted?"

Phelps: "Yes, Madam Speaker. I request...come back to Second Reading."

Speaker Currie: "Does the Representative have leave to bring this

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Bill back to the Order of Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment? Leave is granted. The Bill is now on Second Reading."

Phelps: "Madam Speaker, I need to just take it out of the record. We've got another Amendment we are preparing. I'm sorry."

Speaker Currie: "Okay. All rightly, we'll move right on. Representative Ronen on House Bill 553. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 553, a Bill for an Act concerning nutrition outreach. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ronen."

Ronen: "...Members of the House. House Bill 553 creates the Nutrition Outreach and Public Education Act. It directs the Department of Public Health to establish a nutrition outreach and public education program that would be administered by that department in cooperation with other state agencies. The purpose of these efforts is to ensure maximum participation in federal and state food assistance programs. This effort must give particular attention to high-risk areas. This program was modeled after New York law and was developed in cooperation with the Illinois Hunger Coalition. This Bill is identical to Senate Bill 1393 of the 87th General Assembly that passed both Houses. I urge a favorable vote on this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ronen moves passage of House Bill 553; and, on that Motion, is there any discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Currie: "Indicates she will."

Black: "Representative, exactly how many departments are included in the provisions of your Bill?"

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Ronen: "I didn't hear the question, I'm sorry."

Black: "How many departments are covered under the provisions of your Bill?"

Ronen: "Well, the...it really relates to the Department of Health and asks for them to coordinate other activities that may be occurring in other departments."

Black: "It's my understanding in looking through the Bill that there are six state departments that will be impacted by this Bill. Public Health, Public Aid, Children and Family Services, Aging, Mental Health and DD and the State Board of Education. Under the current system, where does the funding come from that pays for these various programs that are run by all of the above departments?"

Ronen: "That would be through the Department of Public Health."

Black: "I believe the funding you'll find is mostly...mostly federal funding sources."

Ronen: "Excuse me, Representative. These are...the idea of this effort is really to maximize federal dollars coming in. Right now we are not receiving all of the federal dollars that we could. The net effect of this would be to bring more federal dollars into the state. For example..."

Black: "Does the Bill target a specific population?"

Ronen: "It targets high-risks populations."

Black: "Where does it so state in the Bill?"

Ronen: "Pardon me?"

Black: "Where does it so state that it targets that particular population group?"

Ronen: "High-risk populations? It's high-risk areas wherein we would presume that high-risk populations live. I will give you..."

Black: "Can you define a high-risk area?"

Ronen: "Yes, Representative. High-risk area means 'any county or

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urban area in which a significant percentage or number of those potentially eligible for food assistance programs are not participating in those programs'. A high-risk population would be..."

Black: "It would be fair to say that this Bill would address probably most every county in the state, correct?"

Ronen: "Yes, it would."

Black: "All right. Would it be fair to say that the target population in this group really isn't targeted at all? You have a whole spectrum in here of age, Medicaid eligibility, sex, I don't see that it's targeted at all. I mean, there are literally...I can't imagine anybody that is not targeted."

Ronen: "What we are targeting, Representative, are those defined by federal laws or programs as being in need. At risk populations would be...children receiving aid under Article 4 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, households receiving federal supplemental security income payments, households with incomes at or below 185% of poverty income guidelines, all established by the federal government."

Black: "The fiscal note that has been filed that we requested shows a 325,000 initial cost impact to administer and set up this program. Does your Bill address any funding source?"

Ronen: "That was the Department of Public Health's initial estimate as to what it would cost. We don't have anything specific so specified in this Bill."

Black: "All right, what I asked you is, 'Do you specify how this money will be raised?'"

Ronen: "Yes, Representative. We don't believe that it would have to cost that much, and we think the benefits would outweigh the minimal cost that would have to go on the front end in

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bringing in additional federal dollars."

Black: "Well, thank you very much, Representative. Madam Speaker and Members of the House, one of the reasons we have fiscal notes is that we try to find out what the particular cost impact might be, and we're certainly always free to disagree, but this carries a \$325,000 initial fiscal impact. To the Bill. This is simply another new mandate. There is no funding source, which is generally the case when we do a mandate. The department simply cannot carry out this task without additional appropriations, and we're not even sure that the consolidation of these programs will really do what the Sponsor intends the Bill to do. Now, the intent of her Bill is laudable, we're not opposed to her intent in any way, shape or form, but I think the Bill perhaps is a little premature given the fact that a nutrition services staff has formed an advisory committee to coordinate the proposed activities that the Sponsor is suggesting. I would respectfully ask you to vote 'no' on this Bill because of the mandated cost and no funding source and Madam Speaker, should the Bill pass, I would request a verification."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ronen to close."

Ronen: "Thank you, Speaker. I would just point out to the Members of this General Assembly that in his Veto message in 1991, the Governor said that this program was laudable and that he would instruct his departments to carry out the intent of this Bill. To date, no activity has occurred of this nature. For a very minimal amount of money, this program will bring in additional federal dollars that can address serious, serious problems in this state to residents who are in need. I urge a positive vote on this Bill."

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Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 553 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 63 voting 'aye', 49 voting 'no', and the Gentleman has requested a verification. Mr. Clerk, poll the people who are not voting."

Clerk Rossi: "Representative Shirley Jones."

Speaker Currie: "And now a Poll of the Affirmative, Clerk please."

Clerk Rossi: "Balanoff. Blagojevich. Brunsvold. Bugielski. Burke. Capparelli. Curran. Currie. Dart. Davis. Deering. DeJaegher. Dunn. Erwin. Flinn. Flowers. Frias. Gash. Giglio. Giolitto. Giorgi. Granberg. Hannig. Hartke. Hawkins. Hicks. Hoffman. Jones, Lou. Kaszak. Kotlarz. Krause. Lang. Laurino. Levin. Lopez. Martinez. Mautino. McAfee. McGuire. McPike. Moore, Eugene. Morrow. Moseley. Murphy, Harold. Novak. Ostenburg. Phelan. Phelps. Prussing. Pugh. Ronen. Rotello. Saltsman. Santiago. Schakowsky. Schoenberg. Sheehy. Steczo. Stroger. Turner. Woolard. Young and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black, Representative Schoenberg asks leave to be verified. Does he have leave? Leave is granted. Representative Morrow asks leave to be verified and Representative Turner and Representative McAfee and Representative Young and Representative Lang."

Black: "That's all. You're going so fast, I can't even write them down."

Speaker Currie: "We had Morrow, we had Turner, we have Young, Lang, McAfee, Schoenberg."

Black: "All right. Can we stop it at that? I think everybody

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that wants to be verified has been verified."

Speaker Currie: "In fact, Representative, there are a large number of lights flashing and hands raised."

Black: "Well, it's...it's getting close to supper time. If they'll just stay in their seats, we could get through this a heck of a lot quicker."

Speaker Currie: "So, you are going to reject requests for verification?"

Black: "I think at this point."

Speaker Currie: "Then let's quickly go...do you have any questions of the affirmative?"

Black: "Yes. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Representative Saltsman?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Saltsman? Representative Saltsman? Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Representative Saltsman? Remove him from the roll call. Representative Homer? Representative Homer wishes to be recorded as voting 'aye'. Are there further questions? Representative Deering? Representative Deering asks leave to be verified. Representative Black. Yes. Further..."

Black: "Representative Novak?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Novak? Representative Novak with us? Representative Novak, the Representative from Kankakee. Representative Novak? Remove him from the roll call. Further questions?"

Black: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Representative Blagojevich?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Blagojevich, right here. Right at his post. Way to go."

Black: "He had his back to me. Representative Capparelli?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Capparelli? Representative Capparelli? Representative Capparelli? Is the Representative in the chamber? Yes he is, there he is."

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Leave him on the roll call. Further questions?"

Black: "Yes, thank you, Madam Speaker. Representative Laurino?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Laurino? Representative Laurino?
Is Representative Laurino in the chamber? Remove him."

Black: "Representative Prussing?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Prussing is right up here next to
the podium."

Black: "Representative John Dunn?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative John Dunn is in his chair."

Black: "What? That's...that's very unusual."

Speaker Currie: "Tippish. Representative Saltsman's come back
restore him to the roll call voting 'aye'."

Black: "Representative Woolard?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Woolard?"

Black: "He's right here beside me."

Speaker Currie: "Oh, there he is. All right. Further
questions?"

Black: "Representative Giorgi?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Giorgi is right where he
belongs."

Black: "Where's that?"

Speaker Currie: "In his chair."

Black: "Oh no."

Speaker Currie: "Dilatory perhaps, Representative Black. Do you
have any further questions?"

Black: "Never dilatory, Mr. Speaker. Never. Representative
Levin? Is it Ellis or Alice? You confused me."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Levin? Representative Levin?
Representative Levin in the chamber? Remove him from the
roll call. Further questions?"

Black: "Representative Pugh?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Pugh? Representative Pugh is

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right here at the door."

Black: "Representative Gash?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Gash is in her chair."

Black: "Okay. Representative Cullerton. Oh, I'm sorry, I had an old list. I'm sorry."

Speaker Currie: "Pardon mr? Dilatory. Any further questions? Further questions?"

Black: "I think you've managed..."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Levin has returned. Restore him to the roll call voting 'yes'."

Black: "Yes. I think you've managed to pull one out, Madam Speaker. I congratulate you."

Speaker Currie: "Are you finished, Representative Black? On this question, there are 62 voting 'aye', 49 voting 'no', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Andrea Moore, on House Bill 554. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 554, a Bill for an Act to amend the Counties Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Moore."

Moore, A: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. I bring before you today House Bill 554 which amends the Counties Code. It provides that in all counties except Cook, that the county board may name...change the name of any road or trail that is within its jurisdiction or highway system. Currently, the county boards have the authority to change the name of any street, lane or road in the unincorporated area of the county, but Lake County has constructed a bike trail that goes through several municipalities, and the county would like to ensure that the trail has the name from one end of the county to the other. One municipality may rename the county trail, and

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consistency really is the rule of the day, so I would respectfully respect...ask for support for this Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Moore moves passage of House Bill 554. This Bill is on Short Debate. Does anyone rise in opposition or with an important question? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank... Representative...Representative Moore, just a quick question. Are the township officials... They're not opposed to this legislation, are they?"

Moore, A.: "Actually, I'm not aware of any opposition to this Bill. It passed out of the committee 27 to zero."

Granberg: "And the counties can't currently do this, that's why you had this problem in your district?"

Moore, A.: "Yes, that's correct."

Granberg: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 554 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, 115 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. For the record, we earlier dealt with House Bill 775 and the question of a fiscal note. The Chair wishes to alert the Members that the fiscal note on that Bill was filed on March 18, 1993. The Bill properly moved to Third Reading after the filing of the fiscal note, and anyone who wants to find out what's in the fiscal note is welcome to check with the Clerk and have a look. Representative Black, for what reason do you rise?"

Black: "I'm sorry. What Bill were you referring to? (House Bill) 775?"

Speaker Currie: "The Bill that you were fussing about, Sir."

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House Bill 775. Yes."

Black: "The Sponsor was kind enough to come over and tell us the Bill was dated in a timely fashion. It just obviously, did not appear on the Bill, and that's just all we were doing. We wanted to make sure it had been filed."

Speaker Currie: "Exactly."

Black: "Okay."

Speaker Currie: "And you were right to raise the question and Representative Woolard was right to show us that, in fact, the note had been filed. Thank you."

Black: "Thank you. I appreciate that. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ostenburg, on House Bill 948. Out of the record. Representative Gash, House Bill 961. Out of the record. Representative DeJaegher, House Bill 978. Are you ready, Representative DeJaegher? Representative DeJaegher, are you ready with this Bill? Yes? Clerk, read the Bill. House Bill 978 on Third Reading."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 978, a Bill for an Act to amend the Nursing Home Care Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative DeJaegher."

DeJaegher: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the General Assembly. This is a series of Bills pertaining to senior citizens. I think basically what it does and the importance of it is that without a doubt there are many repeat offenders that basically abuse senior citizens, and what this does is enlarge the penalty for repeat offenses upon senior citizens, and that's the intent of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative DeJaegher moves passage of House Bill 978, and, on that Motion, is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is 'Shall... Excuse me, Representative Ryder."

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Ryder: "Thank you. Would the Sponsor yield please?"

Speaker Currie: "Indicates he will."

Ryder: "Representative, I think you said a repeat Class A violation?"

DeJaegher: "Yes."

Ryder: "All right. What is a Class A violation? What is a Class A violation?"

DeJaegher: "Well, it's a repeat offense."

Ryder: "No, I understand that you're raising the fine on a repeat offense of a Class A violation within a nursing home. I'm asking what is a Class A violation?"

DeJaegher: "A type A violation as a condition of our occurrence relating to the operation and maintenance of the facility, presenting a substantial probability that death or serious mental or physical harm to a resident will result. That's under the Class A provision."

Ryder: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black."

Black: "Inquiry of the Chair, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Currie: "State your inquiry."

Black: "Yes. Thank you. One of my Members indicated that she had filed a request for a fiscal note on this Bill prior to its moving to Third Reading. Would you ask the Clerk to check on that?"

Speaker Currie: "We would be happy to, Representative."

Black: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Clerk, let us know. And in the meantime, on the Bill itself, Representative DeJaegher, to close. The request came in today. This Bill has already been on Third Reading, so your request is not only untimely but out of order. Representative DeJaegher, to close."

DeJaegher: "Thank you. Regarding Representative Black, there

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would be no fiscal impact on this legislation, and also I would like to have an affirmative vote on 978."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 978 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, there are 94 voting 'aye', 12 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill is Representative Leitch, on House Bill 1005. Representative Leitch. Out of the record. Representative Meyer, on House Bill 1009. Representative Meyer. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1009, a Bill for Act concerning the Department of Rehabilitation Services. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Meyer."

Meyer: "Can you turn me on? Thank you. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill amends the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act in the Civil Administrative Code by changing the membership of...composition of the Rehabilitation Services Advisory Council and increasing its membership from 13 to 23. This legislation is necessary to bring Illinois into compliance with the Federal Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992. The Amendments required the advisory councils be consumer controlled with membership expanded to include a large cross section of individuals and institutions, including consumers, professionals, businesses, industry and labor. Without this legislation, the Department of Rehabilitation Services stands to lose its federal vocational rehabilitation grant of about \$85 million. These councils must be appointed and in place by July, 1993. I know of no

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opposition to this Bill, and I ask for an 'aye' vote.
Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Meyer moves passage of House Bill 1009; and, on that question, Representative Black. Let me remind you this Bill is on Short Debate. Perhaps I should inquire is anyone rising in opposition?"

Black: "Absolutely."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Black."

Speaker Currie: "In opposition."

Black: "Absolutely. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. First of all, will the Gentleman yield for a question?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Thank you. Representative, I heard you throw out something that said \$85 million?"

Meyer: "That's correct. That's what the state stands to lose if this isn't passed."

Black: "You were going to spend \$85 million or get back \$85 million or go on a riverboat cruise and break even."

Meyer: "That's money that's coming back from the federal government to the state, and we will lose it if this..."

Black: "But the federal government... It's still our tax money, isn't it?"

Meyer: "That's a fair share that should come back to Illinois. You know, for too long we allow all our money to go out of this state."

Black: "All right. I can understand that. Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. Here we go again. Eighty-five million dollars, and as long as it comes Uncle Sam the federal government it's free. You know, as long as it comes from them it's free money. You know, \$85 million here and \$85 million there and pretty soon you're talking some serious money. I think it's time

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we just put a stop to these so called Bills. If we get it from the federal government it's free, vis-a-vis the state government, which isn't so free. You know, maybe we need land-based bicycle gambling to raise more money or something, but I...I have to stand in opposition to this \$85 million Bill coming from Washington, D.C.; and as far as I know, President Clinton may not send it to us. So...you know, these freshmen, I don't know what we're going to do, but I'm voting 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Granberg. Representative Meyer, feeling brave enough to close?"

Meyer: "Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. You know, before...before this Bill was brought up to Third Reading well...I made the rounds of my colleagues on this side of the aisle, and I asked for their support on it. I may not have gotten to Representative Black; I'm not sure. But you know, when you charge up the hill and you're leading the charge and you turn around and you find out that there's nobody but the Democrats behind you, you know you're in trouble. So, I would appeal to this side of the aisle to support me on this issue and bring \$85 dollars of federal money back to the state. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "All right. The question is 'Shall House Bill 1009 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, 112 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Turner, are you ready on House Bill 1037? Representative Turner. Out of the record. Representative Balanoff, House Bill 1116. Representative Balanoff.

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Representative Balanoff? Out of the record.
Representative Pugh, House Bill 1213. Representative Pugh.
Representative Lou Jones, how about 1271? Clerk, read the
Bill. No, out of the record. Representative Krause, on
House Bill 1489. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1489, a Bill for an Act to amend the
Illinois Public Aid Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Krause."

Krause: "Thank you, Madam President. The House Bill 1489 is a
omnibus Committee Bill that came out of the Health Care
Committee by a unanimous vote. It does provide for a
number of changes to the Department of Public Aid, and very
briefly, it provides that it repeals provisions concerning
a state lien on a mobile home occupied by a recipient of
aid to the aged, blind or disabled. Further, it provides
provisions that persons receiving medical assistance from
the department may receive emergency financial assistance
as well from a local government unit. Further, it provides
that a local government unit can use general assistance
moneys to provide emergency financial assistant. The
Committee Bill goes on and provides other provisions,
including requiring the department to ensure continuous
child care services as a parent moves from program to
program within the department. It is, as I said, a Bill
that came out unanimously from the committee, with
non-partisan support and would answer any questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Krause moves 'do pass' on House
Bill 1489; and, on that question... This Bill is on Short
Debate. Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Will the Representative yield?"

Speaker Currie: "Indicates she will."

Granberg: "Representative, it's our understanding the department

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currently does this now...is doing this now. Is that correct?"

Krause: "As to which provision?"

Granberg: "All the provisions."

Krause: "The Bill, as compiled, comes together sincerely with about ten Bills that were put into here to make these Amendments to the current public code."

Granberg: "I'm sorry, Representative. Thank you, that's fine."

Krause: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Briefly, just to stand in support of this. It was a pleasure working with Representative Krause as Minority Spokesperson in the Health Care and Human Services Committee, and this is a Committee Bill and the agreements are in place, and I commend her on her leadership in these particular issues."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 489 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Bill, 114 voting 'aye', 0 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Congratulations, Representative Krause. Representative Balanoff, on House Bill 1116. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1116, a Bill for an Act in relation to occupational health clinics. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Balanoff."

Balanoff: "House Bill 1116, the Occupation and Health Clinics Act, would... Illinois currently has a work force which is in excess of six million people, including nearly one million workers in manufacturing and 375,000 agricultural

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workers. Each year, more than 400,000 Illinois workers suffer an occupational injury or illness. Although many of these cases are relatively minor, approximately 1000 Illinois workers die each and every year as a result of occupational disease or trauma, while many thousands require hospitalization. This adds up to an enormous cost in human and family suffering, medical expenditures and lost productivity, in addition to Illinois Worker's Compensation insurance rates, which are among the highest in the nation, making it very difficult to attract and retain industrial jobs in the State of Illinois. House Bill 1116 addresses this very serious problem by ensuring that comprehensive occupational health clinic services are available and accessible to all Illinois workers and employers. What we're proposing are two grant-in-aid programs to be administrated by the Department of Public...Department of Labor for Cook County and the University of Illinois to encourage the development of new public and non-profit occupational health clinics and for auxiliary occupational and health clinics at existing hospitals downstate. The proposed source of funding for these programs is the Privilege Tax paid for by foreign insurance companies to worker's compensation premiums collected in Illinois. I think it would present a cost saving by catching little problems before they become major problem...worker's compensation problems, and I'd certainly be happy to answer questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Balanoff moves adoption...moves passage of House Bill 1116; and, on that Motion, on that question, is there any discussion? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Will the Gentleman yield?"

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Speaker Currie: "Indicates he will."

Granberg: "Representative Balanoff, I just want to clarify. You said the funding for this program is caused by imposing a 2% Privilege Tax on premiums of out-of-state insurance companies that do business in this state?"

Balanoff: "It's on...on taxes paid by foreign or alien companies."

Granberg: "So it...I couldn't hear you very well."

Balanoff: "That is correct."

Granberg: "That do business in this state?"

Balanoff: "Yes."

Granberg: "Ladies and Gentlemen, you ought to be aware that there is a 2% privilege tax in this Bill on out-of-state insurance companies, so for the Members, please be advised that you might want to look at this Bill and look at the possible ramifications."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. Again, this is a very laudable intent; however, as the Gentleman on your side of the aisle just stated, just take a careful look at this Bill. Now, I...I expect the current administration in Washington will be releasing their report in May, and I think we will see a substantial change in how health services are...are delivered in this country. Now, I'm not questioning the Sponsor's explanation of this, but all I see in the Bill is authorizing the use of the foreign insurance premium tax subject to appropriation; so if I've misinterpreted the Gentleman's Bill, I certainly would apologize to him, but what you get down to, I mean the nitty-gritty of this Bill, as laudable as the intent might be, number one: I think we should wait on these kinds of

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Bills until we see what the federal government will be mandating; and number 2: The unfunded mandates referendum on last November's budget passed with what, 86% of the vote? Ladies and Gentlemen, this is contrary, I think, to what the Sponsor has said, 'an unfunded mandate', and I would suggest a 'no' or a 'present' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Weller."

Weller: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. May I ask a question of the Sponsor?"

Speaker Currie: "Sponsor indicates he'll yield."

Weller: "Is Committee Amendment #1 still on the Bill, Representative?"

Balanoff: "Yes, it is, and just for point of clarification. This is not a new tax. This fund already exists."

Weller: "So, you're saying you've confirmed that Committee Amendment #1, which uses taxes paid by foreign or alien insurance companies finance your Bill?"

Balanoff: "That is correct, but it is a tax that is already in place. It is what we are using as the funding source."

Weller: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in opposition to this Bill and urge a 'no' vote. It has fiscal impact on the state. There's no Appropriations Bill; and as the Sponsor has pointed out, he wants to use a tax on insurance companies to finance it. If you're sensitive to taxes, I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Granberg for a second...second bite of the apple. Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Madam Speaker, to Representative Balanoff. My Amendment analysis indicated this is a new tax. This is not a new tax, Representative Balanoff?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Balanoff."

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Granberg: "It's a change in where the proceeds go?"

Balanoff: "That is absolutely correct. It's something that we are already collecting in the State of Illinois and that it's called the..."

Granberg: "Okay. So I just want the Members to know that this is not a new tax: It just changes where the current tax goes."

Balanoff: "Right. It just directs it in the direction for the occupational health and safety."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Well, if it's not a new tax, and you're taking money away from where it goes, who's getting shafted by not getting the money?"

Balanoff: "Well, I don't think anybody's getting shafted. I think it's going to actually present a cost savings by catching little problems...occupational health and safety problems before they become major problems and they become a major expense for the taxpayers in Illinois."

Ryder: "So, we're taking tax money from out of state companies, is that right?"

Balanoff: "It's a tax that's already in place."

Ryder: "Right. Where does the money go now?"

Balanoff: "Into the foreign."

Ryder: "The answer is General Revenue Fund."

Balanoff: "It eventually goes to GRF, right."

Ryder: "Right."

Balanoff: "But it is a tax that there's nothing new, it is helping direct a certain amount of state money into a very needed program."

Ryder: "But you're changing where this money is being spent, right? Old tax but new purpose."

Balanoff: "It's a purpose that we think is laudable."

Ryder: "I think that was a 'yes', which means, you're taking

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money from the General Revenue Fund for a new program. That doesn't sound to me like the kinds of comments that I was hearing from your side of the aisle about three hours ago when they were suggesting that we don't have enough money to operate the state. Now, what you're doing is taking money from current programs and trying to spend it someplace else, not to mention the fact that by using this tax you're encouraging other states to place a reciprocal tax on our companies to do business in the State of Illinois. Doesn't sound like a good idea to me."

Speaker Currie: "I think we just have Representative Balanoff left to close."

Balanoff: "Well, I just would certainly point out one more time, it's not a new tax. It's just...the long run it's going to present tremendous tax savings and cost savings to the taxpayers in Illinois. I think it addresses a very serious problem, that being occupational injury and disease, and I would really urge everybody to understand that the amount that we're talking about as I understand it is relatively small, less than \$100,000, and certainly would be a wise use of our tax dollar, and I'd vote...I'd urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1116 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 35 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no'; and this Bill, having failed to receive the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared lost."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Leitch, on House Bill 1497. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1497, a Bill for an Act in relation to alcoholism and other drug abuse and dependency. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Leitch, and Representative Giglio in the Chair."

Leitch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1497 is simply the rewrite of the Department of Alcohol Substance Abuse Act which reflects the now ten years of experience in modifications needed with the department. I believe that it has been amended now to a place where it has no opponents, and I would ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1497 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 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, 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 1497, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative von Bergen-Wessels, 1651. Lady want to call that Bill? Out of the record. Representative Burke, 1957. Out of the record. Representative Flowers, 2043. The Lady from Cook, Representative Flowers, 2043. Do you want to call that Bill? Child Care Community Homes. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2043, a Bill for an Act to amend the Child Care Act of 1969. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 2043 would merely have child care placed in senior citizens' buildings. It's not a mandate. It's only

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permissible, and I would be more than happy to address any questions you may have in regards to House Bill 2043."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Giglio: "She indicates she will."

Black: "Representative, the only part of this Bill, and I appreciate the fact that you've been helpful to me on home day care programs, but there is a part of your Bill I don't understand. If I...if I read this correctly, you are deleting, deleting current language that says day care programs operated by churches or religious institutions are exempt. Do you mean to do that?"

Flowers: "I don't know what your analysis or either your Bill is saying, but I'm adding a new section to the Bill. I'm not deleting anything. I'm adding a new section."

Black: "Could you..."

Flowers: "(Section) 2.22. Section..."

Black: "Could you have your staff or...could we just pull this out of the record for a few minutes and have your staff come over and talk to our staff?"

Flowers: "Sure. No problem."

Black: "I'd appreciate that. Thank you."

Giglio: "Take the Bill out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Representative Ronen, on 2048. Out of the record. Representative Blagojevich, on 2057. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2057, a Bill for an Act in relation to adequate ventilation of public buildings. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Blagojevich."

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Blagojevich: "House Bill 2057 would be...would set guidelines for the state. It would be the first time that the state would provide guidelines for indoor air quality. The guidelines don't go, frankly, as far as I would like them to go, but there's nothing mandatory about this Bill. They are only one step in the direction, in my view towards doing something about what the EPA has described as the number one environmental threat to the country and that is indoor air quality, so I am urging a... I want to keep this on Second Reading, if I can, Mr. Chairman, to put an Amendment on it."

Speaker Giglio: "You want to put the Bill on Second Reading?"

Blagojevich: "Yes, and can I have immediate consideration on that, Mr. Chairman?"

Speaker Giglio: "The Bill's on the Order of Third Reading. The Gentleman wants to move it back for the purpose of an Amendment. Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill is on the Order of Second. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2057. The Bill's been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Salvi."

Speaker Giglio: "Has the Amendment been printed? Has it been printed? Take the Bill out of the record and leave it on Second Reading. The Amendment hasn't been printed, Representative Blagojevich. Okay. Take the Bill out of the record. The Bill will remain on Second Reading. And now we will go back to Representative Flowers' Bill on 2043. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2043, a Bill for an Act amending the Child Care Act of 1969. Third Reading of the Bill."

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Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think we've clarified the problem, and again I would just urge for the passage of House Bill 2043."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 2043 pass?' 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? On this question... Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. House Bill 2043, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Erwin, on House Bill 2194. Out of the record. Representative Homer on 2234. Representative Homer, in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Kotlarz, on 2287. Out of the record. Representative Phelps, on 2290. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2290, a Bill for an Act amending the Alternative Health Care Delivery Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Saline, Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This proposal is just another alternative care proposal to take up the slack and fill the void where medically underserved areas suffering from lack of access to basic primary health care. So, what this Bill does is exempts... So, what we passed last year in legislation. this particular provision is just a clarification of that law; the sub acute care."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor

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yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, it's my understanding that there should be an Amendment on this Bill. I guess it could be construed as a vehicle; but, even if not, it's...the definition in here of sub-acute is so broad that almost anybody anything with a license could be...could so qualify, and I...it was staff's understanding that there was going to be an Amendment put on this Bill to narrow that definition."

Phelps: "Representative Black, to my knowledge there wasn't any Amendment discussed or planned and this does not attempt to change the definition...the existing definition of sub-acute care center."

Black: "Well, doesn't it say beginning on line 13 of the Bill, 'any licensed hospital or skilled nursing facility may operate in whole or in part as a sub acute care hospital as defined in Section 35'? I mean, I just didn't think that that was your intent."

Phelps: "Right. The intent is not to change. Correct. But I didn't know about an Amendment that...if we need to qualify..."

Black: "Well, I certainly, and I don't rise in opposition to your Bill, and I certainly don't want to do anything that would defeat your Bill, but I...truly, staff thought there should be an Amendment filed to this. If you...if you don't have that understanding, then that's fine. It's your Bill, and...but I think the definition was rather broad."

Phelps: "The Department of Public Health doesn't oppose it, so I had no intent of trying to change the definition."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative, my notes

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indicate that there...that there was some agreement concerning an Amendment. I know that you and Mr. Black discussed that; and as a result, I also don't stand in opposition, but I think that there was some conversation on that. I would have to oppose your Bill at this time, but if you want to give me a chance to double check, we might not be in opposition in a few minutes."

Phelps: "Representative Ryder, as far as conversations with Public Health, there was...there is an agreement to try to let them take care of the problems through rule making, but as far as anything to do with the Bill to clarify it, there wasn't anything attempted."

Ryder: "Representative, I'm just relying on my memory. I certainly don't doubt your word, but I'd like an opportunity to check to see that my memory is not as faulty as it usually is; and for that reason, I'm making the request. You make your own decision, Sir."

Phelps: "No problem."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Phelps, to close."

Phelps: "Mr. Speaker, I believe in...Representative Ryder was just asking...perhaps to check with the department, and I guess we could take it out of the record and come back to it."

Speaker Giglio: "Do I take it out?"

Phelps: "Yeah."

Speaker Giglio: "Take the Bill out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 2360, Representative Mautino. (House Bill) 2360. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2360, a Bill for an Act to create the Sex Offender Treatment Board. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Mautino."

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Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. The Amendment which became the Bill takes and codifies the practice on the Department...Code of Corrections, requires them to make available treatment to sex offenders to the extent necessary and appropriate, subject to appropriations for that purpose. The Department of Corrections has put this Amendment forward and are in support of it, and it's my understanding that they will also be using this codification to seek federal funds to expand treatment programs, not only within the correctional facilities, but once they get out into the general public, there are funds available and at the request of the Department of Corrections, I'd ask for the 'aye' votes as well and stand ready to answer any questions."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Has either the Department of Corrections or the Department of Mental Health indicated their lack of support, or do they support it or where do they stand on it?"

Mautino: "The Amendments took this out of the Department of Mental Health, out of...corrections has given their support to the Bill."

Wennlund: "Okay. Thank you very much. The Department of Corrections has indeed indicated they support the Bill. I appreciate that. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 2360 pass?' 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

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the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no'. House Bill 2360, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. All right. The Chair is going to go back to Bills on Second Reading for the purpose of Amendment, and the first one is 2102, no, 706. (House Bill) 706, Representative Davis. Is this Bill on Second? Mr. Clerk, read...Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Excuse me. Representative Morrow, for what purpose do you arise?"

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise to let all of the Members know that we have a former colleague, an ex-Representative, past Senator and funeral home director, Howard Brook. He's on the floor here."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Davis, proceed. Wait a minute. Excuse me. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 706, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Dental Practice Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Davis, on Amendment #1."

Davis: "Thank you very much. Amendment #1 provides that any person who practices dentistry without being licensed would be liable for civil penalties of up to \$5000. The penalty would not be...it would be assessed after a hearing, as provided for by the...a discipline of a licensee. In addition, the change would allow for the Department of Professional Regulations to investigate any and all unlicensed activity."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the Amendment. As many of you currently now, the only penalty

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for unlicensed practice currently is revocation of a license. While you can't revoke a license that he didn't have to begin with, so this Bill is necessary to put in place some form of penalty for the unlicensed practice of dentistry, and it's a good Amendment. It needs to be done, and I support the Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. House Bill 2102, Representative Gash. What's the status of Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2102 has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Leitch."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Leitch, on Amendment #1."

Leitch: "As important as this issue is, I'd like to request that we table this Amendment, please."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman asks to withdraw Amendment #1. Gentleman have leave? Leave is granted. Amendment # 1 has been withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. Second Reading, Election and State Government, appears House Bill 1705, Representative Prussing. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1705, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Prompt Payment Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Hicks."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hicks, Amendment #1. You have an Amendment on this? Withdraw Amendment #1. Amendment #1 is

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withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Prussing."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Prussing, on Amendment #2."

Prussing: "This Amendment becomes the Bill, and allows state agency directors to issue a notification of approval of payment to vendors who have \$5,000 worth of unpaid bills from the state, so it allows them to get short-term loans based on this verification from the state that we owe them money. And I think with the vendors that have gone out of business waiting for payment from the state that this is probably the least that we can do to help these people out, and I would move adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Any...representative Black, you want to discuss the Amendment, Sir. Proceed."

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

Speaker Giglio: "She indicates she will."

Black: "Representative, I...I simply have no idea what you're attempting to do with this Amendment. I grew up in a small business, and when we wanted to borrow or had to borrow money on accounts receivable, we simply took our books down to the bank and if the accounts receivable looked solid, we could borrow money, and that's not an unusual occurrence in a small business. I would assume that a vendor could do the same thing even though the state might owe that vendor money, and it appears to me that your Amendment's totally permissive right?"

Prussing: "Yes. It has to be on written request of the vendor."

Black: "All right, well let's...let's just say...and you've been in the auditing business. I wouldn't blame a vendor for being upset about the rather slow payment system that we

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have found the state budget to be in the last two years. So, if your Amendment becomes law, perhaps directors of various departments could get maybe 5,000 letters in a month just simply to let the director know that they're very unhappy about the slow pay and then that's going to exacerbate the cost to that agency to answer all those responses and or send them a notification. Do you really want to do that?"

Prussing: "Well, this Bill has been...this Amendment has been requested by the Retail Merchants Association of Illinois, and I believe the State Chamber of Commerce, so I think the small business people are really behind this."

Black: "Well, I tell you. My family's been in a small business for 65 years, and I don't even have to call my brother. I know what he'd say to this Amendment. Thank you very much, Representative. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill...to the Amendment, I'm sorry. You know this is...this is just a redundant paperwork Bill. That's all it is. If that vendor is owed money, all that vendor has to do is to call the agency, get...this can already be done, and the bank can do it. The financial institution can do it. This is simply a redundant paperwork Bill that I think has a heck of a lot more to do about an election campaign than it does to help small business, and I vote 'no'."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. On the Order of Civil Law, appears House Bill 1386, Representative Pankau. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1386, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Weller."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Weller. Representative Weller."

Weller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment is similar to House Bill 2167 which was heard in Judiciary II Committee. After discussion by the committee, there were suggestions in modifying the Bill to improve it. I discussed this language with the Chairman and the Minority Spokesman and we believe it addresses those concerns and ask for it's adoption."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments. A fiscal note, a state mandates note, a balanced budget note, a correctional budget and impact note, and a judicial note is requested on the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Bill will remain on the Order of Second Reading. Will somebody escort Representative...Senator DeLeo off the floor, please? On the Order of Insurance, appears House Bill 2060, Representative Parcels. (House Bill) 2060, Mr. Clerk. Read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2060, a Bill for an Act to amend the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Parcels, I might have made a mistake. What's the Bill number?"

Parcels: "(House Bill) 2260."

Speaker Giglio: "(House Bill) 2260. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Is that the money Bill?"

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Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2260, the Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Parcels."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Parcels."

Parcels: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment corrects a few things that were a problem with the insurance industry. It basically changes a provision that would have forced them to rewrite their policies which was not necessary and furthermore clarifies some language and makes a correction to delete duplicative language. The Amendment has been approved by the Association of Retired Citizens..."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Parcels, the Clerk informs the Chair that it hasn't been printed or distributed."

Parcels: "Well, we received it. All right."

Speaker Giglio: "Take it out of the record. House Bill 360. Mr. Clerk, read House Bill 360."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 360, a Bill for an Act in relation to the offense of criminal damage to property. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Homer."

Speaker Giglio: "Amendment #2, Representative Homer. House Bill 360."

Homer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This was an Amendment agreed to in House Judiciary II Committee. It simply...makes a mandatory provision permissive, and I would move its adoption."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. On the Order of Local Government

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appears House Bill 1981. What's the status of the Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1981 has been read a second time previously. The fiscal note and state's mandates note have been filed on the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Any Amendments filed?"

Clerk Rossi: "No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. Special Order Calendar, appears Housing and Economic Development, Third Reading. House Bill 419, Representative Capparelli. Representative Capparelli in the chamber? Out of the record. Representative Turner. Representative Turner in the chamber? House Bill 527, housing authority discrimination. You want that called? Out of the record. Representative Wyvetter Younge, you have four Bills. Out of the record. Representative Novak. Novak. House Bill 1124. Assisted Exports Development Financial Authority. You want to call that Bill? Read House Bill 1124, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1124, a Bill for an Act amending the Illinois Development Finance Authority Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative Novak.

Novak: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1124 amends the Illinois Development Finance Authority Act and authorizes the authority to establish a program of financial assistance for Illinois exporters. The Bill gives the IDFA power to establish an export financial assistance program. The new program will do the following: Provide insurance, co-insurance and guarantees against commercial free export and post-export credit risk; establish a program of loans for small and

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medium sized businesses engaged in exporting. One of the most important aspects of this Bill is just what I indicated: Loans for small and medium sized businesses."

Speaker Giglio: "Excuse me, excuse me, Representative Novak. There's been an Amendment filed."

Novak: "Oh, there has?"

Speaker Giglio: "Pardon?"

Novak: "There has been an Amendment filed? It's not mine."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Granberg's, I believe. Representative Granberg, you have an Amendment filing on this Bill?"

Novak: "I don't wish to take the Bill back to Second Reading. Representative Granberg is one of the Sponsors of the Bill so I have not seen the Amendment, so I would consider this Amendment hostile to my legislation."

Speaker Giglio: "You two Gentlemen want to discuss the Amendment to bring it back or leave it on Third? What would you like, Representative Novak?"

Novak: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. May I have leave of the Body to take the Bill back to Second Reading and to adopt a technical Amendment to correct a very minute error?"

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Does he have leave? Representative Black."

Black: "Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Giglio: "Proceed, Sir."

Black: "Has this Amendment been printed and distributed? I always hear a 'oh, yeah', if it's your Amendment it's always printed and distributed, and if it's our Amendment it's never printed and distributed. I'm sorry, I'll...I'll calm down, but I need an answer to the question. Has it been printed and distributed?"

Speaker Giglio: "Yes, it has. Now, earlier you know, when I was

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in the Chair you got mad and you left. I don't want you to leave anymore. Just relax."

Black: "Thank you. I can't leave anymore."

Speaker Giglio: "It's been printed and distributed, Representative Black. Do you have a copy?"

Black: "Yes. We have a copy, and I just want to congratulate Representative Granberg for filing an Amendment on a Democrat Bill to which he is a Co-Sponsor and not saying anything to the Sponsor of the Bill. I don't blame Representative Novak for being mad."

Speaker Giglio: "Gentleman has leave. It's on the Order of Second Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1124. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Granberg."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Once again, Members such as myself are faced with trying to cleanup of Representative Novak's Bills to make sure they're correct. Amendment #1 corrects a typographical error on line 19. I would move for its adoption."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Representative Novak."

Novak: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, as I indicated, I have not seen the text of this Amendment, and I want a roll call vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "All those in favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. On Housing and Economic

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Development, House Bill 1238, Representative Morrow. Out of the record. Out of the record. How 'bout 1239? Read 1239, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1239, a Bill for an Act amending the Housing Authorities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Gentleman from Cook, Representative Morrow."

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Do I have leave to return this to Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment?"

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion. Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill's on the Order of Second. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1239. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Morrow."

Speaker Giglio: "Amendment #2, Representative Morrow."

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What Amendment #2 does, it changes the number of commissioners required for a quorum. If five commissioners are present..."

Speaker Giglio: "Excuse me, Representative Morrow. The Clerk informs the Chair that it hasn't been printed or distributed."

Morrow: "Do I have the Amendment yet? All right. Well, can we leave it on Third Reading as it..."

Speaker Giglio: "It's on Second right now. We'll leave it on Second."

Morrow: "Okay. All right. Alright. We'll leave it on Second."

Speaker Giglio: "We will leave it on Second, put the Amendment on and move it to Third tomorrow."

Morrow: "All right."

Speaker Giglio: "Later today if it comes...comes through. All

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right. On this Order, appears House Bill 1855, Representative Pugh. Representative Pugh in the chamber? Out of the record. On the Order of Professional Regulations, Third Reading appears House Bill 208, Representative Hicks. Gentleman from Mount Vernon, Representative Hicks. Out of the record. How 'bout Representative Hannig on 435? Hannig? Do you wish to call this Bill? (House Bill) 435? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 435, a Bill for an Act amending the Tanning Facilities Permit Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

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

Hannig: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd ask leave to bring this Bill back for the purposes of an agreed Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing none, leave is granted. The Bill's on Second. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 435. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Hannig."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. This Amendment is an agreement between myself and the Department of Public Health as to how we should proceed with these fees, and I move for the adoption of the Amendment."

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

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Representative, if I understand this correctly, then the Amendment becomes the Bill."

Hannig: "Yes. That's correct, Representative, and basically what

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the Department has said is that they would try to put the information together that they're now beginning to get as they start this program and come back by the beginning of January of '94 with a fee schedule that would be staggered, which is what I'm trying to do initially with this Bill, so, in other words, the bigger ones would pay a greater fee than the smaller ones, the tanning facilities."

Black: "All right. So, in other words, it looks like any attempt to change that fee structure is going to have to wait, right?"

Hannig: "Well, Representative, part of the problem that the department indicates that they have is that they simply don't have enough data to really know what an appropriate fee would be in order to run their programs, so I guess in an effort to try to work with them, I have said let them gather some of that information and we will try to address that and change the fees next year, but I think that's probably the best we can do this year."

Black: "Well, I...I would tend to agree with you. I think you're a very reasonable man. If the department would come to my district office, I'll give 'em a file full of data about this Act, but I join with you in this Amendment. It looks like it's all we can get."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Novak."

Novak: "Thanks, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I just rise in support of this legislation. Representative Hannig and I did get an agreement with the Department of Public Health for them to conduct this study so that we can come back after a due amount of time and try to adopt some more reasonable fees for the people that run tanning facilities, and I ask for your support of 435."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Hearing none, all those in

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favor of the Amendment signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Giglio: "Third Reading. Representative Prussing, on House Bill 467. Do you want that Bill heard? Geologist registration? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 467, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Champaign, Representative Prussing."

Prussing: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 467 is requested by the geologists in Illinois, and we've had some bad experiences. I think the siting of a nuclear waste site in Martinsville was fouled up by people who were not qualified in geology, and they are willing to pay the registration fee which will bring in \$400,000 more than the Bill costs, and this is the estimates by the state for over a four-year period, so I would recommend the approval of this Bill."

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

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To the Bill. In all due respect to the Sponsor, I can think of no more pressing issue facing this state today than the registration of geologists. We can't pay our bills, our highways are crumbling, our bridges are falling down, our unemployment rate's too high, but by golly, we can register geologists. Those of you that have lived in this state all your life, do you realize that this is the only profession that we allow to sunset, when years ago this Body said, 'We need to get rid of some of the

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licensing in this state?' This is the only one that this Body agreed many years ago should be allowed to sunset. Go away and here they come again. They're back. The geologists. Do you...want to go if you want to go home and tell your constituents that while the world is collapsing and the state is awash in red ink, but by God, you found time to register geologists, you do so. In the meantime, I vote 'no'."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Coles, Representative Weaver."

Weaver: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have had some limited experience with the Martinsville low-level siting process and facility, and I don't know that the main problem that it got screwed up so bad was that there were not licensed geologists there. As a matter of fact, we had a whole lot of Illinois Department of Water Survey people there. We had IDNS people there; we had all kinds of geologists there with all kinds of degrees. I don't think that was the problem at all, and I think, to reiterate what the previous speaker just indicated, licensure at any, any profession or any degree is going to cost this state around \$50,000 to \$75,000. It's just money we don't have to spend for something that we don't really need to do. I think we need to take a hard look at how we are spending money these days. I think a 'no' vote is the only vote on this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Mr. Speaker. this is really tough to believe. This state has more licensed individuals and registered individuals than any other state in the entire country. What's the next Bill going to be? Are we going to register leaf rakers? Or how 'bout mothers? But let's get...yeah,

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I mean, that gets over half the people. How 'bout dog groomers or cat walkers? This is indeed a problem which does not need a solution. There is no problem. If we can't count on academic to decide what a geologist is and what a geologist isn't...to think that we in the General Assembly can make that decision is just preposterous and to think that R and E can do almost anything is preposterous. I certainly urge a 'no' vote on this, and since Representative McPike is on the floor, I can have a verification safely, and I ask for..."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The Lady from Champaign, to close. Representative Prussing."

Prussing: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think there is a good reason why geologists are held in very high esteem by the public; and, in fact, much higher esteem than any elected officials. We spend a great deal of money on the infrastructure of this state on the roads and highways and bridges, and I think that we have to know what the underlying soil and geology is. We are faced with the potential of a very big earthquake - the New Madrid Fault - and I think the geologists that requested this are on the right track, and I would point out to those who are saying this would cost the state money that the official analysis of the finances of this Bill is that it will bring in \$400,000 more than it will take in the first four years of its operation. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 467 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Hit your own switch. Have all voted who wish? 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 61

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voting 'yes', 51 voting 'no', and House Bill 467, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 577. Representative Novak. Representative Novak, 577. Do you wish to call this Bill, Sir? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 577, a Bill for an Act amending the Tanning Facility Permit Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative Novak."

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

Speaker Giglio: "All right. Representative Black. Representative Black. Excuse me, Representative Novak. The Chair recognizes Representative Black."

Black: "Now, Mr. Speaker, in all due respect to the Chair, you were very close, very close to being awarded the Golden Ear of Corn, but that's out the window right now. In all due respect to the Chair, you clearly heard Representative Skinner ask for a verification on the Representative's geologist or whatever it was Bill. I know you heard it, I know you heard it. Everybody in this chamber heard it. That Member has a right, to do that. You must respect that Member's right and let that Member proceed with the verification. That is an inherent right that any Member on this floor has, and you just can't ignore that like it didn't happen. That's not the way you do business, it's not the way we have to do business in this Chair. If your Members are here, it'll pass. Just let him have his verification. I mean, that's the least you can do. You're a man of integrity. We went over this last year. You clearly heard him say that. I beseech you to honor the Gentleman's request, just as you would honor a request from

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your side of the aisle. Please. That is only the right thing to do. Besides that, Mr. Speaker, I don't know if I have the energy to really go ballistic again today. Will you just please, please... The Gentleman made a request and he has the right to do that whether we like it or whether you like it or not, he has that right. And he should be granted that privilege."

Speaker Giglio: "Well, truthfully, Representative Black, he mentioned something about another Member, and I really didn't hear it, and I just proceeded with the Bill. I really didn't hear. Representative McPike."

McPike: "Mr. Speaker, I did not hear him use my name in debate, nor did I hear him ask for a verification. I never heard him at all. I agree with you."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Novak, 577."

Black: "Oh, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Giglio: "Out of the record."

Novak: "Out of the record now."

Speaker Giglio: "All right. Public Utilities, Third Reading. Representative Hicks, 184. Do you wish to hear this Bill? Call this Bill? Do you want to call this Bill? (House Bill) 184? Out of the record. Representative Woolard, 479. Out of the record. Lou Jones, 496. Out of the record. Mulligan, 506. Representative Mulligan? Do you wish to call 506? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 506, a Bill for an Act amending the Emergency Telephone System Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Mulligan."

Mulligan: "Thank you Mr. Speaker. You caught me off guard. This is simply a Bill to help my home municipalities of Des Plaines and Park Ridge because they have a combined system

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and they'd like to add their city manager to the board, and all it does is it amends the 911 Emergency Telephone Systems Act to allow municipal managers of municipalities imposing a surcharge to sit on the board of the 911."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 506 pass?' 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? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. Excuse me. Representative Bugielski, are you seeking recognition? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. House Bill 506, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Woolard, on 479. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 479, a Bill for an Act amending the Public Utilities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Williamson, Representative Woolard."

Woolard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Actually, this was Representative Saltsman's Amendment that became the Bill, and if I may, I'd like to call on him to answer any questions or explain the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Saltsman."

Saltsman: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We heard the debate on this at quite length yesterday, and I just want the people to know that this Bill's endorsed by the Governor's...by Governor Edgar's small business utility advocate, of the Federation of Independent Business, Sheetmetal Contractor's Association, Plumbers and Steamfitters Association, and the Sheetmetal Workers Union, Plumbers Union and all the organized small businesses in the construction field. This

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puts them on a ground level playing field and it keeps the big, large public utility systems out of the ball game with the contractors in the State of Illinois. I ask for its passage."

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

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, you listed several professions that are in favor of this Bill. How 'bout the geologists? Do you know where they are on the Bill? The licensed geologists. Well, all right. I think it's a pretty good Amendment."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Walsh."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 479, with the Amendment, used to be House Bill 2018. This Bill was heard in the Public Utilities Committee. It had a very fair hearing, and there was spirited debate on this Bill, and it was defeated twice, and I would urge the Members of the General Assembly to vote against House Bill 479."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, my concern about this legislation, and I serve on the Public Utilities Committee and I reviewed this Bill twice because this Bill was heard in the committee twice and was voted down by the committee twice, and both of those times I studied these provisions very carefully, and the reason that I oppose this is because it more or less prohibits the NICOR company from engaging in certain kinds of repair activities in regard to heating and air conditioning systems. The NICOR company has established some pretty fine standards for how they want to

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go about that kind of business which is to me a wonderful protection for the consumer. Right now, consumers have to just go through the yellow pages and pick out someone that's listed under heating and air conditioning, and who knows who they'll get, and who knows how they'll be able to get anybody if it's 2:00 in the morning. One of my colleagues from your side of the aisle who serves on the Public Utilities Committee brought that up as a very serious, and I think a relevant issue to this Bill, and that is, if we permit a really reliable company like NICOR to engage in providing for people to have their air conditioning and heating systems checked annually and then taken care of and given repairs when they need it, they'll be there no matter what time of the day or night it is. You cannot necessarily get that quality of service if you get...just pick one out of the yellow pages. This is not, I think, our function here to involve ourselves in trying to limit the play of the free marketplace. That's what this would attempt to do, but even that is not the main reason for opposing this. Mr. Speaker, the main reason for opposing this is that this is good for consumers, and all of our constituents are consumers. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am speaking on behalf of the Chairperson of Public Utilities, Shirley Jones, who is not here today. However, in speaking for Shirley, I will say to you that this Bill did receive, I think it was 2018, and it did receive a fair hearing twice, and each time the Bill did not pass. I agree with Representative Cowlshaw, and I am the colleague that asked what happens at 2:00 in the morning when you call someone and there is a terrible problem with the utility, this company should be allowed to

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fix it, and I urge a 'no' vote on this legislation. I think that the committee process gave them ample time to show the benefits for what they had to offer, and I don't think it's in the best interest of consumers, and I would say this vote should be 'no'.

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Morrow.

Morrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Morrow: "Representative Woolard, would your Bill prohibit a public utility that a customer, let's say, calls in to a public utility and says he has a leak at his furnace or at his range...would this Bill prohibit that public utility from making a service call on a leak?"

Woolard: "Positively not, Charlie. That would still be in the jurisdiction, in fact, the responsibility of the utility company to accommodate that need. And I think that's a great service that they provide, and we don't want to interfere with that in any way."

Morrow: "Okay. Well then the second part of my question would be, 'cause a lot of times when a customer calls in an emergency call like a leak, it turns out after the serviceman gets there that it's not necessarily a leak but a...but just some minor service work needs to be done. Would this Bill prohibit that serviceman from making that minor repair or would he have to shut the service off until that customer makes that repair?"

Woolard: "In order to accommodate a safety issue, he would be able to accomplish the task at hand if it was something that was reasonable and responsible, but for him to go in and to actively replace or do general maintenance work on that furnace or hot water heater or whatever it might be,

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this would be prohibited under this legislation."

Morrow: "Okay. Would...would a public utility be prohibited, because a lot of customers don't have a lot of good faith and private heating companies, a lot of the time customers, if they think they need a new furnace or a new stove or a new water heater, they'll have that serviceman from the gas company come out and look at the appliance just to say, 'Yes, we do think you need a new furnace, or no, what you have been told by a private heating firm, you don't necessarily need to replace the furnace. You might need some parts replaced, and that's it'. Would this Bill prohibit them from making that type of service call?"

Woolard: "To the best of my knowledge, it would not affect that kind of confidence that could be instilled or built in between the person who worked for the utility company and the client or the customer. That service would still be there if they chose to give them advice on a friendly basis."

Morrow: "Thank you very much."

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

Roskam: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the Representatives' Bill. I have a tremendous number of constituents who are direct beneficiaries of the initiative that NICOR has come up with. I think that this is an aggressive plan that they've taken on; it's a plan that is trying to respond to the marketplace; it's a plan that has tried to include in a very positive sense the small businessmen...small business-people, the repair people who are repairing facilities, and I rise and ask for a 'no' vote on 479. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Saltsman, to

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close. Or Woolard. Both close."

Woolard" "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, when I took this Bill to the Utility Committee, I was told to amend it and bring it back. It was a very stringent Bill when we started out. When I did bring it back, all the Members of the committee were not there, including one of the speakers who's on that committee. She didn't vote on this Bill. She's a 'present'; and, therefore, the full committee wasn't even there. This is why we brought it to the floor to make it fair. Now, we can't let these utility companies monopolize. They do the billings through their utility bills. They do the billings. They do the advertising. They get free...free access to postage, free access to advertising. They got free access to the marketing of their people. This is nothing but a monopoly takeover by a very large utility. Now, you go home and ask your contractors that this is a fair program for them, and they're going to be very disappointed if you don't vote for this legislation. I got about 200 letters of support and about 20 letters opposing. All 20 letters were from non-union contractors. They don't want to compete on a fair game. They can't go out for \$41. This utility company cuts 40% off of the top. They get this money put on their utility bill. This is unfair to your contractors who don't have the opportunity for a monopoly for the business and the profession they're in...that...they don't have that monopoly working for them, and to put them on a level playing field. None of your sheetmetal, plumbing shops, steamfitters or anyone that's organized in the State of Illinois has opposed this legislation. They are the ones that have asked me to put this in for them. I know I've got support on both sides of the aisle because many of

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you have friends that are small contractors, and what this is going to do, this is going to wipe these small contractors out that have been in the business for years. The utility companies themselves can still go out and do maintenance. They still are on a 24-hour call. This does not limit them. So, the utility companies, whether it's CILCO, whether it's CIPS, any of the other large ten utility companies, there's only one company I know that is opposed to this Bill, and that's NORGAS because they're running a monopoly, and they're going to rake off about \$7,500,000 off the top, if they take 40% of just 20% of their customers. If they get 20% of their customers to sign up for this and they rake 40% off the top, they're going to rip you for \$7.5 million dollars, so figure if they get 30%, just figure another \$4 million they're going to rip the people off of. This is a sham. This is why we need this legislation. I ask for your support."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 479 pass?'. All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Wirsing. Gentleman from DeKalb."

Wirsing: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To explain my vote. One thing that was not brought out in the discussion was the fact that NICOR will bring local contractors in. NICOR is not going to get in the furnace or air conditioning repair business, and I just wanted to make that point that that was going to be local business-people who are in that sort of business who will be contracted through NICOR. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Rutherford."

Rutherford: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker, the reason I'm supporting

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this Bill is an understanding that I have that NICOR, contrary to any of the contractor issues, that NICOR has an undue advantage, in my belief, in regards to data base availability from NIGAS. The opportunity for another company that may be in the same service type of business may not have the same access to the data base as what NIGAS would; and for that reason, I think it helps to discriminate in a free market system, and I would encourage a 'yes' vote for this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Black, are you seeking recognition?"

Black: "I just wanted to explain my vote."

Giglio: "Proceed."

Black: "Thank you very much. I'm not in conflict of interest because I have no financial interest in the family business that we have run since my grandfather started it some 65 years ago, and it is a heating and air conditioning business. But I'll tell you enough about that business to know that if you let the utility companies get into that business, they not only have an unfair advantage because they can go to their billing information and find out how your equipment, whether it's cost-effective and come sell you something where none of us would know that, they could use their meter readers to go out and do service calls and the bottom line is: If they get into this business, don't you believe for one second that they won't subsidize it on the backs of the rate payers. We have enough heating and air conditioning and appliance contractors and businessmen who put jobs into this state, we don't need electric companies to do this business gas companies. Why do you think they stopped selling light bulbs 50 years ago?"

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Because they could undercut the price of everybody in the State of Illinois. When you went in to pay your electric bill, they'd say here, you want to buy some light bulbs for a quarter a piece or a dime a piece? Let the utility companies generate the electricity and pipe the natural gas, and let those people that have invested their lives and their fortunes in appliance businesses and heating and air conditioning businesses do their business. This is strictly an attempt by utility companies to branch out and make the rate-payer pay for something they have no business getting into in the first place."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Woolard."

Woolard: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I was just checking; how am I recorded? I can't..."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Woolard. How's the Gentleman recorded, Mr. Clerk?"

Woolard: "You know, I'm reasonably sure that there are some people that would like to see us at least get 47 votes for some reason."

Clerk Rossi: "Representative Woolard is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Woolard: "Speaker, if you would please, I'd like to put this on Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Giglio: "Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there is 47 voting 'yes', 54 voting 'no'. The Gentleman asks leave to put the Bill on Postponed Consideration."

Woolard: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Phelps, on 772. Do you wish to call that Bill, Sir, Public Utility Mission? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk, 772."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 772, a Bill for an Act amending the Public Utilities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

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Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Saline, Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill simply does one thing. It asks, requests, requires that the ICC does tracking and monitoring of non-affiliate for allowances in the trading of co-emission allowances...not co-emission allowances but utility allowances that is so defined under the Clean Air Act, and it only affects the non-affiliate utility company. I ask for your support."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 772 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Parcels, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On this question, 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. House Bill 772, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Balanoff, on 991. Read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 991, a Bill for an Act amending the Public Utilities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Balanoff."

Balanoff: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 991 would require public utilities that serve at least 50,000 customers to furnish bills in braille, when requested by a customer. The genesis of this Bill is a friend who is blind who brought to my attention that with billing many utilities do offer them in braille, but some do not, and he just thinks it's important for privacy that they offer them in braille."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 991 pass?' All those in favor vote

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'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. 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', 2 voting 'no'. House Bill 991, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Leitch, 1352. Read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1352, a Bill for an Act amending the Public Utilities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill is designed to help utilities take advantage of the emission allowance systems created by the Federal Clean Air Act to help achieve our national goal of eliminating sulphur dioxide emissions in half by the year 2000. The Bill allows utilities to pass through the cost of purchasing emission allowances through the fuel adjustment clause and it allows...and it requires utilities to pass through the financial gains from the sale of emission allowances back to the customers. At this point, I don't know of any opposition, and I would ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Clinton, Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "I would be...would Representative yield, please?"

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Granberg: "Representative Leitch, do you know if the...the Coal Association has any position on this Bill?"

Leitch: "I couldn't hear you."

Granberg: "The Coal Association?"

Leitch: "...The Coal Association is very much in favor of this, because it would help use Illinois coal and really,

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frankly, without this, we're gonna even be more difficultly challenged to try and use Illinois coal. It's important to Illinois coal."

Granberg: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1352 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and, House Bill 1352, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Erwin. The Lady from Cook."

Erwin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to be recorded as voting 'aye' on House Bill 991."

Speaker Giglio: "You heard the Lady's request. Mr. Clerk let the record so indicate that the Lady would like to have voted 'yes' on House Bill 991."

Erwin: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hughes, for what purpose do you rise?"

Hughes: "I would also request to be recorded as an 'aye' vote on 991."

Speaker Giglio: "Let the record so indicate, Rep...Mr. Clerk."

Hughes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Hughes also would like to be recorded as voting 'aye' on 991. Representative Ackerman, 1354. Representative Ackerman. Is the Gentleman in the cham...? Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1354, a Bill for an Act to amend the Public Utilities Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "You moved, Representative Ackerman. That's why

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I had a hard time finding you. You used to set up in front. Sorry about that. Proceed."

Ackerman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill provides that organizations serving the needs of the hearing and voice impaired will be eligible to obtain a text telephone. The Bill also applies to mutual telephone companies, so their customers can be included in the provisions to obtain the text telephone. I would appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1354 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. Representative Weaver, are you seeking recognition?"

Weaver: "I...I just want to inquire of the Sponsor, if this was his first Bill?"

Speaker Giglio: "...He nods...he nodded 'yes', it's his first Bill in his new chair. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting; 'no' and House Bill 1354, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Davis. Monique Davis, on House Bill 1938. Do you wish to call that Bill? Out of the record. Out of the record. On the Order of Special Calendar, under Revenue, Third Reading. Representative Saltsman, House Bill 113, Revenue, Occupation Use Tax Exemptions. Do you want to call that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 113, a Bill for an Act in relation to taxation. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Peoria, Representative Saltsman."

Saltsman: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What this Bill does, it

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helps our Share Food Program which was started in Peoria, Springfield, Rockford and Chicago, are the bases for the Share Food Programs. These programs were in operation before we changed the Sales Tax Act four years ago and allowed municipal home rule municipalities to put a one cent tax in place. What this does, if they were not in a home rule city, where these...agencies are located, they wouldn't have to pay the tax anyhow, and a lot of their sales go into the outskirts and go into municipalities that are not home rule cities, and 40% of the people that receive this food is on Public Aid. What we are doing... I've got bipartisan support in this Bill, from both sides of the aisle, and what we're doing is waiving that one cent and it has a ba...what it does, it also...the cities have to prove it. So,...it's a permissive piece of legislation. It does not cost the State of Illinois one dime, and if the cities do not want to waive it, then they will have to pay it plus they owe penalties on previous...on previous taxes that were accumulated in the...past four years. So at that, I would ask support of this Bill."

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

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

Speaker Giglio: "He indicates he will."

Black: "Representative, is...looking at the file, Committee Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Kubik, becomes the Bill. Right?"

Saltsman: "No."

Black: "No?"

Saltsman: "It makes it permissive. Kubik's Amendment makes it permissive."

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Black: "Okay, in other words, the municipality will then make the decision whether it wants to participate in the program?"

Saltsman: "We're non-man...we're not mandating anything on that."

Black: "All right, thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Sponsor of this legislation worked very hard to put this Bill in good shape and the reason why it was approved by the Revenue Committee overwhelmingly. The Gentleman indicated it is permissive,...there, my understanding is there are about four food depositories around the state that are affected, one of them is right here in Springfield, there's one in Peoria, there's one in Chicago, and I don't remember what the fourth one is. Rockford. So,...this is a good Bill, and I encourage your support for House Bill 113."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I, too, would like to add my word of support for this important Bill. This is a very good Bill, and it cures the problem that was never intended in the first place. No one intended that this charitable organization should be taxed in the way that it is. It makes no sense that they are taxed in the way that it is and by making this legislation permissive, there's really no reason why anyone, I don't think, could...could fail to support this legislation. So, I would appeal to Members on our side to support the Gentleman and his Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Would one of the Sponsor's yield to a question? I wonder if you could tell me if this would allow a...a spec...a not-for-profit group to sort of cozy up to the

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local powers that be and in return get this exemption? I mean, is there any objective criteria in..."

Saltsman: "It would have to be a non-profit organization in the food services only. In the distribution of food only. They don't sell anything else, they just..."

Skinner: "Okay, well that...that's pretty...that narrows it pretty down...pretty far. Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Saltsman, to close."

Saltsman: "Yes, I think it's been pretty well explained; and, at that, I'd like to appreciate your vote for House Bill 113."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 113 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; and House Bill 113, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lang, on 169. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 169, a Bill for an Act concerning the validation of appropriation and tax levy ordinances. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is the Bill we recently amended to take care of the problems we have been having continually with the Forest Preserve District appropriation and levy ordinance. This takes care of Cook County and downstate forest preserve districts and will eliminate the need for us to continue to do this year after year, and I move passage."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Lady...Lady from Dupage, Representative Cowlshaw."

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

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Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Giglio: "He says he will."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you. Lou, does this apply only to Cook County?"

Lang: "No. The Amendment we added the other day adds downstate forest preserves as well. That was the Amendment, you may recall, I explained was written by Representative or ex-Representative Gene Hoffman."

Cowlshaw: "...In that event, then I need to ask, 'Does this Bill, as amended, have anything to do with exempting forest preserve and any other kinds of publicly owned properties from taxes?'"

Lang: "No."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I really think everyone on the House floor ought to listen to this, because this is one that can come back to bite you. If you approve this and you pass this Bill, what you're doing is you're cutting off the rights of property tax payers to appeal the validity of the levy. Now, if the forest preserve district screwed up and levied more than they should have or didn't properly levy for property taxes, you're cutting off all of your constituents' rights to appeal that property tax levy and to seek relief from excessive property taxes. So, if you validate the levy of every forest preserve district, what you're doing is you're cutting off the rights of your constituents to challenge the validity of that levy. That's what this is all about, and you really ought stop and ...take a look at this and think about how you vote on this issue because your

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opponent, a year from now, can come back and say, 'This guy voted to cut off the rights of property tax payers to appeal and to challenge the levy of a taxing Body like a forest preserve district'. Just so you're aware of just what this Bill does."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Lang, to close."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The previous Speaker, although well-intentioned, is completely wrong. This...this Bill only deals with non-substantive procedural objections to the levy. Not serious objections to the levy, only non-substantive objections: Like it wasn't signed or it was misdated. That's the only thing this is talking about. It now includes all forest preserve districts, statewide. If we pass this, we won't have to continue to do this year after year. It's a good Bill; vote 'aye'."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 169 pass?' All those in favor vote '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? Schoenberg, 'aye'. Representative Lang."

Lang: "After...when you declare the vote total, Mr. Speaker, I'd appreciate if you'd poll the absentees."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Murphy."

Murphy, M.: "I wanted to...I rise to speak...regarding my vote. If all was this did to take away what the Sponsor had mentioned, why wouldn't we want this throughout the state? I'm very low to Cook County only Bills; and if there is merit on this, it should have been a statewide mandate, so again I caution all of the folks from Cook County and those outside to watch this Cook County only Amendment to existing statutes. Thank you."

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Speaker Giglio: "Representative Black, one minute to explain your vote."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It's my understanding that this affects more than just Cook County. ...As it goes downstate, but...I...I must inform the Chair that some Members have asked that I seek a verification. I'm joined by the appropriate number, by the appropriate rule; at the appropriate time should this get the requisite number, I would ask the Chair to give me the right to seek a verification of the Affirmative Roll."

Speaker Giglio: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Lang."

Lang: "...I'll wait until you declare the vote and then come back to me."

Speaker Giglio: "On this question, there are 57 voting 'yes' and 54 voting 'no'. Representative Lang."

Lang: "Would you... Can we put this on Postponed Consideration, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Giglio: "Put the Bill on Postponed Consideration, Mr. Clerk. Representative Giorgi, 265. The Gentleman from Winnebago. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 265, a Bill for an Act to amend the Bingo License and Tax Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Rockford, Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, this has to do with amending the Bingo License Law. This Bill.. establishes a felony statute of limitations of ten years on those ineligible to receive a license. A lot of the...not-for-profit charitable groups throughout the State of Illinois are having problems because some of their people have had felonies in the past,

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but this Bill allows that any felony committed...past ten years is still in effect, but within the ten year period they're ineligible for a license. Now, we've done this for the pull 'tab jars' and we've done it for the Charitable Games Act so that these people can receive licenses. This is for the benefit of the not-for-profit group and their volunteers. I'll answer any questions."

Speaker Giglio: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Will, Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. With all due respect to the Sponsor, what we're saying here, if you vote for this Bill and this Bill passes, is that a convicted felon sentenced to prison for felony fraud, fraud I'm talking about, and ten years after he gets out of the slammer he can come in and get a bingo license and continue to perpetrate fraud upon those who play at bingo. This sends the wrong message to all the charitable organizations that are playing bingo and are licensed to play bingo in Illinois. We have very strict reporting requirements on all of the charitable organizations, but yet there is still room for fraud. If you allow this person who was a convicted felon, rather it be murder, rape, for felony fraud or whatever, ten years after his conviction, maybe he serves ten years, so as soon as he gets out, he could be a bingo licensee? I think that sends the wrong message to people of Illinois."

Speaker Giglio: "Further discussion? Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thanks, Speaker and Members of the House. I think the previous Speaker is making too much of this really technical change in the bingo statute. Under current Illinois law, the operator of charitable games, the operator of...pull...pull tab jars and lottery and chances

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and all those other activities would be eligible for a license ten years following the finish of a sentence for a felony conviction. I don't think there's any reason why we ought to apply a different standard to people who are asking for bingo licenses. Ten years is a long time. I think this is a reasonable Bill, and it came out of the Revenue Committee without any negative votes. So, I would urge the Members to calm your fears. This is a straight forward proposition; not...not some kind of scam. Not..."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Giorgi."

Currie: "Not a game of bingo or whatever..."

Speaker Giglio: "To close."

Currie: "And vote 'yes'."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, this was at the request of a number of not-for-profit charitable organizations throughout the State of Illinois in DuPage County, in Will County, Kane County and the rest of them. ...Attorney...Weller's...having a little fun with this."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 265 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. This is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Saltsman, one minute to explain your vote."

Saltsman: "Yes. Approximately eight years ago, we changed the lottery licensing law that if a person that had been convicted and after ten years had a clean record that he could also apply for a lottery license. We did this for a person in my district, and it's currently law with the lottery; so, therefore, after a person has been...had ten clean years of health, there's no reason to hold him back and I'm sure in this Bill, Representative Giorgi, that if it's the same thing it's up to the director of charitable

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games to issue that. He would have the authority to either knock it down or to put it back up, so...after ten years this man has suffered enough, and I don't know who this one is for, but we did pass similar legislation for the lottery about eight, nine years ago."

Speaker Giglio: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Black."

Black: "Yes. An inquiry of the Chair, Mr. Speaker. How am I recorded?"

Speaker Giglio: "You're recorded as voting...'red'."

Black: "I...I didn't get a chance to ask the Sponsor where the money goes from the Bingo Breakage Tax. If we could put some of that in...in the Professional Regulation Fund for continuing education geologists, I might vote 'aye'."

Speaker Giglio: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 22 voting 'yes' and 78 voting 'no'; House Bill 20...House Bill 265, is hereby declared lost. Representative Currie, 317. Read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 317, a Bill for an Act to amend the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Deferral Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. We've had in the State of Illinois a program under which we help people pay their property taxes when they are senior citizens with family incomes of \$14,000 or under. We have had this program for about the last 20 or more years. The problem is that we have not expanded the income limits for participation in this program even though the fact is that inflation means that people whose family incomes were worth \$14,000 in 1969 are likely to be worth quite a lot more today. This is a program that's self-funded. At the point

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of which the senior leaves the home, the taxes are returned to the Department of Revenue with 6% interest, better interest than you can get out in the open market for large numbers of investments today, so in the long run the state is held harmless at the current income limitation of \$14,000, very few seniors participate in the program. If we were to expand the program to include those with incomes up to \$30,000 a year, we would, I think, increase participation not prohibitively, but to the point that many seniors who today are forced to leave their homes because they can't afford the property tax bill will be able to hold onto their homes until they are...moving to a nursing home or what have you. So, I would appreciate your support for this Bill that I think provides real and meaningful property tax relief to large numbers of lower income senior citizens. I would be happy to answer your questions."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would join Representative Currie in her Bill. I think that this is a good Bill. The current Act is not being utilized to a great extent. Hopefully, this will increase participation. I think we need to do more education on this Bill, unfortunately, to get seniors to take advantage of it. I think this is an excellent piece of legislation and for some people who are...are in suburban areas of this state, I think this kind of legislation is excellent in terms of helping senior citizens pay for property taxes and remain in their homes and I would urge support of House Bill 317."

Speaker Giglio: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative Novak."

Novak: "Mr...Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

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I, too, rise in support of this good Bill. As a former county treasurer, I can tell you that this, the senior citizens property tax deferral program does work well, because under the law the administration of the program is charged to the county treasurers. The only problem is, as Representative Kubik and Representative Currie indicated, we don't have enough people that participate and by raising the in qualifying income limits would, hopefully, bring more people into the population. Maybe, if we can cajole the Department of Revenue into providing some better education to our senior citizens maybe they can add something on the circuit breaker form when they send it out or something like that; but to make a long story short, this is a good Bill. It does help people that are destitute and it really down and out and really doesn't hurt anyone at all, so I'd wish everyone support the Bill."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. If you have a district like I do where there has been a huge increase in assessments and you have senior citizens who want to stay in their houses despite a 50 or 75 or 100% increase in assessments, this is a good Bill for you. It's a modest approach. It doesn't break the bank, and I think it was reported out of the Revenue Committee...unanimously, and I'd like to join with the others who have urged your support for House Bill 317."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Ditto. And that won't happen very often."

Speaker Giglio: "Representative Currie, to close."

Currie: "I can appreciate your support for...senior citizens who need our help to pay their property tax bills."

Speaker Giglio: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 317 pass?'"

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All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. Excuse me. Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. House Bill 317, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Flowers in the Chair."

Speaker Flowers: "House Bill 331, Representative Edley. Representative Edley, on House Bill 331. Out of the record. Representative Hoffman, on House Bill 380. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 380, a Bill for an Act in relation to disclosure of foreign business interests. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hoffman, House Bill 380."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 380 does two things. The first thing that it would do is it would require a disclosure of income tax paid by foreign business enterprises and would require the Department of Revenue to compile information provided to individuals of state government so that it could be used to de...to make a determin...as to whether business as a whole, foreign business as a whole, are paying the proper amount of state taxes. The second thing it would do, it would require that foreign ownerships of individuals of corporations who have ownership and they are a foreign entity in Illinois businesses or own property would disclose that to the director of DCCA and provide other information that can be useful in analyzing the foreign holdings in the State of Illinois. I ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Kubik, on House Bill 380."

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Kubik: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know, I realized that it's in vogue to pick on foreign companies these days, and we ran a presidential election which said that foreign companies aren't paying enough taxes and then the President gets elected and backs off that promise, but this Bill really is one of those Bills that does nothing more than create paperwork. It doesn't collect taxes, doesn't do anything about...about bringing more money to the State of Illinois. What it does is it says to the Department of Revenue, 'You guys track all these foreign corporations and you make sure that they're paying enough taxes and create all these reports, so that we can hand it to DCCA so that we can do another study' and on and on and on. You know, what I just don't understand is that are these companies coming into Illinois, they provide jobs, so what we decide to do at this General Assembly or this government is to say to those companies, 'Because you're a foreign corporation, we don't trust you. You're a bad person. We don't trust you just because you happen to have headquarters in some place other than Illinois and perhaps some place other than the United States', but these people aren't just coming in here and doing bad things, they're creating jobs. They're creating revenue. They're creating business for our state, but yet we feel the need because it's politically popular and we have a populist treasurer, who seems to...to decide that every issue which cracks down on everybody is a good idea, that we should go after these people, that we should con...get volumes and volumes of information on these people so that we can determine whether they are paying enough taxes. Well folks, they are paying taxes and they're play...paying plen...plenty of taxes. We ought to

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let them pay taxes. We shouldn't discriminate against a company simply because they're not from Illinois. We're not...we don't...we don't pick on Illinois companies. We don't say we ought to do all this paperwork for Illinois companies, but we shouldn't just pick on the companies simply because it's got an address or home office in some place other than Illinois. Really and truly this is nothing more than a make work paper Bill, it just...I guess another...shingle in a candidacy for two years from now, but we really ought to be against this. We ought to be encouraging foreign businesses to come into this state and to invest in this state and, you know, this is the kind of Bill that is going to make them think twice before coming into Illinois and participating in our economy. I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Rutherford. Representative Rutherford, on House Bill 380."

Rutherford: "Bill...will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Rutherford: "Representative, how many...what percentage ownership would...would for an entity would be considered to have to be filed?"

Hoffman "...There's a couple of...it depends which...you're talking about the filing with DCCA, not the income tax checkoff. Is that right?"

Rutherford: "That's correct."

Hoffman: "Okay. ...There are two...two types of ownership. A controlling interest means that equity or ownership interest exceeds 25% of the total equity or ownership interest in either of an Illinois business enterprise with assets having a market value exceeding \$20 million or a business enterprise with gross sales for the United States

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in excess of \$20 million in the most recent fiscal year. An then also there is a filing equity or ownership interest or excludes equity or ownership interest and...acquire and hold is defined to mean the acquisition or holding of that interest by the ultimate beneficiary or beneficial owner whether directly or through a nominee or financial intermediary."

Rutherford: "Do you have an estimate of how many staff people or how much time this would take from the state agencies to fulfill this?"

Hoffman: "No, because we have no idea of how many entities we're talking about. Presently, in Illinois...in Illinois we have number one, one nothing on the income tax form that would indicate that they're...they're a foreign corporation, but number two, we have no requirements, that would indicate that they...that their foreign held...or own property in Illinois. So, there's absolutely no way to estimate because there's no absolutely no way to guess how many individuals...how many individual entities we're talking about."

Rutherford: "Madam Chairman, to the Bill. Today we live in a global economy. The international circulation of currency is so important to us here in the United States. If we did not have foreign investment in our country, the trade deficit that we're having today and the debt that is being fueled because of this, we'd be in a sorry shape here in the United States. In my district and my neighboring district is some of these foreign investment companies that employ 3,000 people. As we look around the state, the scare of having to have everyone of these businesses file, I think we're sending a strong message from the State of Illinois to Canadian, British, Japanese investors to not

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come here because we're suspect of you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I strongly encourage you to not vote for this piece of legislation."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black, on House Bill 380."

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

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Black: "Representative is it...is it your intent? I'll tell you what, I...I'll tell you what I...where I think the error is in this Bill primarily is. Are...are you making the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs become a regulatory agency? ...That's as I understand it in Amendment 1."

Hoffman: "No, it is...it is our intention that the...the filings will be done with the department. The department will then...I wouldn't call it regulating...regulating anything, but they shall issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly and they shall compile and keep current a registry of the interest registered or reported under the Act. It's only to generate information, Representative."

Black: "I...let me just quote from you...quote to you from a report that I have from...from the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, and I think if this is correct, no wonder they're upset about it. It says that DCCA would...their duties, under this Bill, would include: assessing penalties, conducting investigations and...producing reports and providing a registry, and I think DCCA's concern is, they were not created to be a regulatory agency, and on Monday they may go out and try to bring business into this state or help us do that, help you, help me, and on Tuesday they may be beating somebody up along side the heads for a \$10,000 fine."

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Hoffman: "Well, the only thing that they would do is if an entity does not file, they could be subject to a civil penalties. Like every entity or problem in the State of Illinois, the Attorney General would take on the legal action, not the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs. I don't think the intent of the Bill is not to make them ride roughshod over foreign entities. The only intent of the Bill is for DCCA to take some reasonable actions to get most of the information that can be done by a phone call and compile the information and keep it so that we, in the State of Illinois, know...know this information regarding foreign ownership and foreign businesses."

Black: "I...I...you know if the material I have from the department is incorrect, I would certainly apologize, but I...this Bill has been amended so many times and I have so many pieces of paper on my desk...I...and it's your Bill, you do what you want, but I feel compelled to tell you that if it should get the requisite number, I have to seek a verification. You may want to call this Bill another time. Madam Speaker, to the Bill. ...This file is probably one of the biggest files I have over here. There's been all kinds of Amendments and in all due respect to the Sponsor, if indeed it makes DCCA become a regulatory agency, I don't think that's what the Sponsor or anybody else wants to do. It's certainly his right to proceed with his Bill, but Madam Speaker, pursuant to the applicable rule, joined by the applicable number of people, with your permission, with your knowledge, I'm seeking a verification should this Bill get the requisite number of votes."

Speaker Flowers: "Thank you very much. Representative Ellis Levin, on House Bill 380."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr....Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of

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the House. The underlined derivation for this legislation comes from recent testimony in the U.S. Congress by the Internal Revenue Service with regard to massive US tax avoidance by foreign business enterprises. This is a modest first step in terms of being able to deal at the state level with that particular problem. Yet, we've got Japanese investments in this country and in this state that we'd like to know about. In the past...the petro dollars that we paid went to the Arabs, who turned around and invested heavily and took control of many corporations in this country. This is a modest approach. It's not regulatory in any sense. It doesn't say they can invest, we certainly want their investment, but we want to know who is controlling the major corporations in this state, and we want to make sure that they're paying their taxes. That's all this Bill does. It's modest. It doesn't take that much in terms of filling out the papers. You know, it's good to invest in Illinois. They're going to make money by investing in Illinois, and the fact they gotta fill out one additional piece of paper to disclose that they're foreign-owned...ownership or foreign-controlled is not going to deter them. I urge support for House Bill 380."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Murphy, Maureen Murphy, on House Bill 380."

Murphy, Maureen: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Once again, if the real object is to penalize foreigners who aren't paying enough taxes, and on...on the eve of all taxdom. we sit here today, we certainly want everyone paying as much taxes as they possibly can to run all of our government. We already have the IRS, we have the Department of Revenue, and for all the lawyers in this Body, I wonder what they think about the

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confidentiality of any businesses having to disclose, particularly when they are in compliance. If we could target this legislation to find people who aren't paying taxes - no matter if they're foreigners or native Amer...Illinoisians, then...then we would be doing something productive. We are adding another bureaucratic layer where we have stripped various state departments of employees, and we are asking them to once again to go to businesses, telling businesses how to run their business, and we already have the IRS, we have the Department of Revenue and it's their job to find out who isn't paying enough taxes. We could also start looking at how many foreigners own condominiums; how many foreigners do this; and, as far as I can see, they are already paying Illinois taxes. What makes somebody an Illinoisian? Just how much foreign do they have to be to be foreign? I urge you to consider having DCCA or any other department enforce revenue laws. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hoffman, to close."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Let's just...we've heard a bunch of...testimony and individual speaking to this Bill, but I think maybe they misunderstood or were just incorrectly advised. There's two things to this Bill. The first one says that if you're a foreign corporation that you have to indicate that on your income tax, and then we will be able to compile information to make a determination whether foreign corporations are paying the requisite amount of taxes in the State of Illinois. Is this foreign bashing? No, it's not. We may wanna reduce the taxes on foreign corporations but we don't know. There's no way of knowing. We can't tell in the State of Illinois what foreign corporations pay

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to the Department of Revenue. We have to indicate on our tax forms if you are a corporation, you indicate if you are a partnership, indicate if you're a sole proprietorship. We're just asking you, also, indicate if you're a foreign corporation, so we can compile data and make determinations about the fairness of the tax law in the State of Illinois. The second portion, and I think it's the key, that the second portion has, on previous occasions, passed both Houses. It has been put on the Governor's desk, and what that would do is it would...would indicate to our citizens in the State of Illinois that we are going to get information. We are not going to penalize. We are only to compile information on foreign ownership in Illinois. The same information that we are asking for now must be given to the federal government. The problem is we have no way of knowing what ownership is owned by foreign corporations in Illinois. We don't know if they're buying up all the farm land. We don't know what percentage of ownership in the downtown area of Chicago is owned by foreign corporations. Why do we wanna know that? We want to know, number one, if our...our tax code is fair; and we wanna know, number two, if our tax code is allowing or is encouraging foreign businesses to come in and take their profits home with 'em; and we wanna know, number three, if they're operating on a level playing field with Illinois businesses. If they're not operating on a level playing field with Illinois businesses, something should be done about it. The steel workers of Illinois proposed this legislation. The steel workers have worked hard fighting for this legislation, and many...many of those individuals work for foreign corporations. We're just asking for the information. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 380 pass?'

The voting is now open. All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Representative Biggins, to explain his vote."

Biggins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I wanted to explain my vote sooner because it was a very easy 'no' vote for me. We have a President of the United States that keeps running around this country talking about a stimulus for something, and now we have a person, a Bill being introduced in our state house that'll be a de-stimulus for every economic possible development that we can get from outside of United States currency. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Olson, you have one minute to explain your vote."

Olson: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I've seen my light on at least before two others come on. I thank you for giving me this opportunity. This is strictly a bureaucratic program to create more reports, reports to the Governor, reports to the General Assembly that will come and not...they will be laid aside. It's another bureaucratic. The modest intent here was to learn information. What is the real intent? What is the real intent? I don't think it's positive to promoting good relationships for foreign corporations who come in and provide jobs. I seen on tv the other day, the largest selling car in Japan at this time is the Honda made in the United States. That's jobs for us. Let's not take and crowd these people over back to...put their plants in homelands, other lands, South America. We need the jobs here. Vote 'no' on this vote...Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Weaver, you have one minute to explain your vote."

Weaver: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Ladies and

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Gentlemen of the House, if you've been watching the media lately, you know that Mercedes Benz is looking for a new location in the United States to build automobiles. They want to employ 5,000 people. If we pass this Bill out of here, it's gonna send them a message. Not that we want 'em to come here, but that we're gonna get 'em. We're gonna get 'em once they get here and we're gonna fleece 'em. I think it's gonna send the wrong message to the international companies that we've been trying so very hard to encourage to come here to create jobs. I think a 'no' vote is the only way to go."

Speaker Flowers: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 63 voting 'aye', 49 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Con... Representative Black?"

Black: "I'm sure you have every intention of honoring my request for a verification."

Speaker Flowers: "I have every...every intention."

Black: "There was no doubt in my mind."

Speaker Flowers: "No doubt. No doubt. The Gentleman has asked for verification. Mr. Clerk, will you please those not voting."

Clerk McLennand: "Those not voting: Representative Shirley Jones and Representative Pugh."

Speaker Flowers: "Mr. Clerk, would you please poll the affirmative."

Clerk McLennand: "Those voting in the affirmative. Representative Balanoff. Blagojevich. Brunsvold. Bugielski. Burke. Capparelli. Curran. Currie. Dart. Davis. Deering. DeJaegher. Dunn. Edley. Erwin. Flinn. Flowers. Frias. Gash. Giglio. Giolitto. Giorgi. Hannig. Hartke. Hawkins. Hoffman. Homer. Jones, Lou.

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Ostenburg. Phelan. Phelps. Prussing. Ronen. Rotello.
Saltsman. Santiago. Schakowsky. Schoenberg. Sheehy.
Steczo. Stephens. Stroger. Turner. von Bergen-Wessels.
Woolard. Younge and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Flowers: "Are there any...are there any questions of the Affirmative Roll?"

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Representative Flinn?"

Speaker Flowers: "Excuse me, Representative Black. Representative Steczo would like to be verified. Does he have leave? Representative Younge, Wyvetter Younge would like to be verified."

Black: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Representative Flinn?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Flinn? Representative Monroe Flinn? Mr. Clerk, how's the Gentleman voting?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Flinn is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Flowers: "Would you please remove him from the roll."

Black: "Thank you very much. Representative Homer?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Homer? Representative Homer? Mr. Clerk, how is the Gentleman voting?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Homer is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Flowers: "Please remove him."

Black: "Representative Murphy? Harold Murphy?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Harold Murphy? Representative Harold Murphy? Mr. Clerk, how is the Gentleman voting?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Harold Murphy is voting in the affirmative."

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Speaker Flowers: "Would you please remove him."

Black: "Representative Edley?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Edley is at his seat."

Black: "Representative Hartke?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hartke? Representative Hartke?"

Black: "He's over on our side, as usual."

Speaker Flowers: "Okay. Representative Coy Pugh would like to be recorded as voting 'aye'. Would you please record Representative Coy Pugh as voting 'aye'? Mr. Clerk, Representative Murphy has returned. Would you please vote him 'aye'?"

Black: "Representative Laurino?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Laurino? Representative Laurino? Mr. Clerk, how is the Gentleman voted?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Laurino is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Flowers: "Would you please remove him?"

Black: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Representative Blagojevich?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Blagojevich? Representative Blagojevich is in the rear of the chambers."

Black: "All right. Representative DeJaegher?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative DeJaegher? Representative DeJaegher? The Gentleman's in the rear. Representative Giolitto would like...would like to be verified. Representative Dan Burke would like to be verified. Thank you very much."

Black: "All right. Representative Morrow?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Charles Morrow? He's in his chair."

Black: "While you were sitting down so low, I couldn't see you. Representative Lou Jones?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Lou Jones? Representative

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Lavona Jones? Mr. Clerk, how is the Lady voting?"

Clerk McLennand: "Voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Flowers: "Would you please remove her?"

Black: "Representative Sheehy?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Sheehy? Representative Sheehy?
He's in the rear of the chamber."

Black: "Madam Speaker, before I continue, can I have an inquiry
of the Chair. Those people in the back room smoking on a
verification, aren't they in violation of the Clean Air
Indoor Act? Where's John Dunn? Representative Dunn, would
you check on that?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black, are you gonna continue on
with your verification?"

Black: "I'm so close. I'm so close. Representative Kaszak?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Kaszak? She is standing at her
chair."

Black: "Well, my glasses aren't what they used to be.
Representative Frias?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Frias? He is sitting in his
chair or in someone's chair."

Black: "Representative... No, I'm not gonna verify him. You
don't verify the Dean. Representative Lopez?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Lopez is in the rear of the
chambers."

Black: "How many people smoke in this Body, anyway?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Lavona Jones has just returned
to the chambers. Please return her to the roll."

Black: "I should have known. I surrender."

Speaker Flowers: "This Bill, having received 61 'ayes', 49
'noes', is hereby, having received the required
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House
Bill 444, Representative Kubik. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 444, a Bill for an Act to amend the Bingo License and Tax Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 444 is a very simple Bill. What it does is many, as you know, many bingo licensees have a particular day in which they are scheduled during a week. Sometimes those days those days fall on holidays. This Bill would allow them to reschedule a day of bingo because of a holiday and allow them to reschedule it another day in the week. I'd be happy to respond to any questions, and I would appreciate your support of House Bill 444."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 444 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. On House Bill 444, this Bill there's 115 voting 'yes', oh... Okay. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On House Bill 444, 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Next Bill is House Bill 454, Representative McGuire. House Bill 454, Representative McGuire. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 454, a Bill for an Act in relation to revenue sharing. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative McGuire."

McGuire: "Madam Speaker, it's good to see you up there."

Speaker Flowers: "Thank you. Good to be here."

McGuire: "I have House Bill 454, and I'll try to be as brief as my friend, Jack Kubik. This Bill's a repeat of a Bill of last year that some of you may remember; it's a local government distributive fund. By that I mean, the one-twelfth of the income tax that goes to the cities and municipalities has not been going directly to those cities

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and municipalities as it should be doing. So by legislation, we're trying to correct that. It's a bipartisan Bill. We have the former Mayor, Representative Clayton, as a Sponsor, and it's a Bill that passed the House last year with something like 118 to nothing and passed the Senate; but, unfortunately, was vetoed. But I think this year the economic climate is different, and I think the Bill will probably pass the House (hopefully), hopefully pass the Senate and hopefully be signed into law. And I'd try to entertain any questions that you may have."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 454 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On House Bill 454, there's 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill is House Bill 471, Representative Currie, on House Bill 471. Out of the record. Representative Giglio, on House Bill 650. Representative Giglio, on House Bill 650. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 650, a Bill for an Act to amend named Acts in relation to vocational instruction. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Giglio, on House Bill 650."

Giglio: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 650 is a Bill that says that anybody that wants to run a school in Illinois by private enterprise, you or I or anybody wants to set up a school, to teach people how to be dealers and how to be...gamblers as far as running the games, not per say gambling, but people who want to...learn how to deal could do that. We

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don't have a school in Illinois. Last year when we did the riverboats, we talked about running it through the community colleges and some other way. It never matured, but we have...we have a school right now right across the street from me in the State of Indiana. Indiana doesn't have no gambling. There's people from Illinois that pay \$600 and \$700 for this course. There's private schools in Las Vegas. They have 'em in New Jersey. They have 'em in Louisiana, and here we have 'em right in the State of Indiana. So, what I'm asking this Bill is that anybody that wants to open up a school could get the equipment and provide a school to teach people how to be dealers and how to run the...the dice game. We put an Amendment with the request from the Gaming Board; and, as far as I'm concerned or that I know, the Gaming Board is now in favor of the Bill, and if there's any question, I'd be happy to answer it."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Wennlund, on House Bill 650."

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

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Wennlund: "Does this...does this Bill permit community colleges and junior colleges..."

Giglio: "No. This is just for... If you or I or anybody else wants to open up a school, we get a license from the Gaming Board and we're permitted to have a school and we get the equipment and we set up a tuition fee or schedule and that's it. Right now, the boats, I understand, have their own school and each one has different ways of teaching people how to run the games. This would be a private individual, private enterprise, any one person or group of people as long as they comply and as long as they do what the Gaming Board wants them to do to be...a owner of a

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private school, they can do it."

Wennlund: "And would this Bill also permit them, this private school, to possess gaming equipment?"

Giglio: "Yes, it would. Yes, it would. Yes, they have to have the gaming equipment to show these people how to...how to run the games and that has to be gotten from a license now with the Amendment from the Gaming Board. And that license now in this Bill says \$5,000 per year."

Wennlund: "Is there any monitoring by the Gaming Board of the activities of these private schools?"

Giglio: "Well, I...I...truthfully, I don't know, but I imagine if you ran a school and you say we're gonna run this school from 9:00 in the morning to 5:00 at night, just like going to class at college or community college or whatever, that would be it. How they would run the school, I don't know, but they have to comply with whatever the Gaming Board's set up."

Wennlund: "So, the Gaming Board has signed off? So the Gaming Board has signed off? Thank you very much."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Ellis Levin."

Levin: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Levin: "Would the Gentleman yield? Representative, Amendment #1, that was developed with the Gaming Board?"

Giglio: "That's correct. They...that's their Amendment."

Levin: "It's the Gaming Boards' Amendment?"

Giglio: "That's correct."

Levin: "And so, under this, somebody who wants to open a school...would have to go through all of the security and applications that somebody has to go through now to get a riverboat license. Correct?"

Giglio: "That's my understanding. Yes."

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Levin: "So that...their security is checked, I believe, and the form is about 50 pages long?"

Giglio: "Well, truthfully, I don't know how...how big the form is. The only thing I know is...is the two Gentlemen that testified against the Bill and we worked out an Amendment and the subcommittee heard the Bill in Revenue and then it was approved by the full Revenue Committee, with the understanding that the Gaming Board was satisfied with the Amendment."

Levin: "So that...you know...they are...we're protected under this because anybody who's gonna have the school is gonna go through the same kind of scrutiny...that somebody has to go through now in terms of getting a license for riverboats."

Giglio: "That's correct."

Levin: "Okay. Based on that, the committee supported this Bill and recommended it to the floor and I would encourage your support as well for House Bill 650."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hawkins, on House Bill 650."

Hawkins: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. I just have one question if the Sponsor would yield for a question. Does this allow junior colleges to offer these courses?"

Giglio: "No. This Bill says that a private individual, a private individual, can open up a school. That's it. This has nothing to do with the community colleges, the colleges, the high schools or anything. An individual can open up a private school to...to do this and teach people how to be dealers on the...on the games."

Hawkins: "Do the...community colleges have a position on this Bill?"

Giglio: "No. They didn't testify. The only one that had a position on it was the Gaming Board 'cause they were

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worried about...about the individual, whether or not he had to have the security check and whether or not he was gonna have the gambling equipment, et cetera. But the schools did not come in and testify...in committee, and I haven't heard from 'em."

Hawkins: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative DeJaegher, on House Bill 650. Representative DeJaegher?"

DeJaegher: "Frank, ...last year we tried to pass similar legislation in behalf of a junior college in my district which is Black Hawk. Now, are you saying that basically this junior college could not make application to teach these courses?"

Giglio: "I would assume that... I'm only assuming now, Representative. I would assume that if a college wanted to do it, they'd have to...they'd have to file as an individual...according to the Bill, and the individual now has to go through the whole scrutiny of being investigated. It's a 50-page operation or application and they'd have to spend \$5,000 a year for the license. My intention in this Bill is to have a private person or a group of people run a private school, and...and the reason for it is that...Munster, Indiana, right across the street from Illinois in my district, Indiana does not have any gambling at all. One individual opened up a school right there in Munster, Indiana, and all our people from Illinois are going over to that school and paying \$700 and \$800 for this course. I mean that's kinda ridiculous. They don't have no gambling in Indiana, yet they're running a school to teach people how to deal and how to work all the gambling equipment, and here in Illinois we don't have a school. That just doesn't sound right."

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DeJaegher: "Frank, I can understand your intent. I think something like this is needed, but would this Bill...this Bill then would exclude junior colleges from and making application to teach this course. Is that what you're saying?"

Giglio: "...I...I really can't answer that because I don't know. If somebody from the junior college or the board or the president or the individual wanted to do the same thing, I...I don't know that. But it's not the intent to not to have any of the schools run this...run this particular school. This, in my judgment, in my eyes, are for private people that want to set up a school like a beautician school or barber school or whatever kind of school they want to set up and be licensed and be legal in this state."

DeJaegher: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Biggins, on House Bill 650."

Biggins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield? Well currently, we have a lot of people working on riverboats in Illinois, and I'd like to know where they got their training?"

Giglio: "Madam Speaker, could I have a little order? Madam Speaker, could I have a little order, please? I can't hear the Gentleman."

Speaker Flowers: "Can we have some order, please? Excuse me everyone. May we please have some order in this House? Thank you."

Biggins: "Thank you again, Madam Speaker. Representative, currently the people that work on riverboats in Illinois have learned their gambling technique, or craft rather, somewhere. Where have they learned their gambling?"

Giglio: "Some of them have learned...and show that they went to school in Las Vegas; they have schools. They have schools

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in New Jersey. They have schools in Louisiana, and...the boats, I understand, teach the people, also. Each boat has their own technique, it's my understanding, of...of having people learn how to use the equipment on the boat."

Biggins: "Well, isn't it likely then that a person goes to a school somewhere they'll have to be trained by the riverboat anyway when they go to where they will be working?"

Giglio: "No, see my intention of this...with this legislation if you go to a school here and you get a license or a certificate that you learned from a school, a legitimate school in Illinois, you can go anywhere in the country who has gambling. You can go to Wisconsin, you go to Las Vegas. It's just like myself. I've got a plumbers license. I can go any place in the state in the country and do plumbing because I've got a license in Illinois, and that's my intention here with this. You get a license to learn how to deal and you can go anywhere in the country where they have legal gambling."

Biggins: "Okay, well then...would geologists need this license. Would they be able to use this as well? If we have a place now where people can learn how to do gaming, why are we bothering to create through this legislation more government to permit schools to open when part of the enterprise is already supplying the workers needed?"

Giglio: "Why is because we wanna have private enterprise flow in the State of Illinois, and it's an opportunity to have an individual open up a school, pay his taxes, take...people from Illinois, pay the license fee (whatever it is) and it's another way for the State of Illinois to bring money into Illinois and have people that know what they're doing and graduate from a school that was trained properly."

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Biggins: "Okay, would there be certification then for all of these people? Would the state then certify everybody that has to work on a riverboat that they pass the qualifications required by the State of Illinois?"

Giglio: "Well, my answer understanding..."

Biggins: "Are we going to keep a list to DCCA so that they can have a copy someday, too?"

Giglio: "No, my understanding, the individual that talked to me about this they're wanting to set up a school, has a certificate saying that they would graduate or went through many hours of training at this particular school."

Biggins: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Black: "Representative, do you know how they...do the community colleges in Iowa, it seems to me that I read somewhere that the community colleges in Iowa did crank up some programs to help train people for the jobs when they...when Iowa went to riverboats. I don't know if that's a fact or not..., but it's just in my head."

Giglio: "Representative Black, I...I really don't know, but I know there was a lot of objections, and, I think if my memory serves me correctly, I think that you were one that didn't want it wanna go through the community colleges. And that's where the hang-up was, and we never did set anything up for schools. You know, we argued for months, and we never come up with a school through the community colleges."

Black: "Son of a gun. I don't remember that. Is all we have to do is teach them how to deal? 'Cause if we could do that,

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they could just come watch the General Assembly, and they'd be all right in a day."

Giglio: "I didn't hear you, Representative."

Black: "Are you sure I was opposed to community colleges getting into this?"

Giglio: "Yes, I believe I remember listening very distinctly to the debate, and...you were pretty good that day about not having...not having a gambling school run by community colleges."

Black: "Okay, if your memory's that good, I'm just gonna sit down."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Younge, on House Bill 650. Wyvetter Younge."

Younge: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I just wanted to quickly say, I think this is a very good Bill. I think that Representative Giglio has a good idea. I have noticed that many of the people who are hired on the boats come from some other state because probably some of the ownership of the boats are in another state, and so I think that and I've noticed, the other thing, I think is the training that is going on is ju...because the riverboat owners are training people. They are just training enough for that boat, and if we had more training, there would be more of a possibility of hiring more people (particularly Illinoisians) and that should be our most important point. So, I think you have an excellent Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Deering, on House Bill 6..."

Deering: "Madam Speaker, I move the previous question."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House... Representative Giglio, to close.'"

Giglio: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. ...As was brought out, my intention here is to have

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private enterprise run a school, and it's just in my eyes, it's really a shame that...right across the street from us in Illinois, in Indiana, they don't have any gambling at all. They're running school...a school legitimately. People from Illinois are spending \$700, \$800 for the course. We have all our riverboats and everything else here. Other states have private schools that give a license and teach people how to...how to run these games. I see no reason why we can't do it in Illinois, and I would ask for your favorable support."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 650 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. This is final passage. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk... Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, would you please? Would you please? Representative Coy Pugh. The voting is still open. The voting is still open. Vote Edley 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, would you please take the record? This Bill having... There's 61 voting 'aye', 48 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Next Bill. Representative Wojcik, for what reason do you rise?"

Wojcik: "Yes, Madam Speaker. I would like to announce to the Republicans that not to forget the GOP dinner tonight, at the Brinkerhoff Home, immediately after Session...Session. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Thank you very much. The next Bill is House Bill 699. Representative McGuire, on House Bill 699. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 699, a Bill for an Act concerning civic centers. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative McGuire. Mr. Clerk.

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Representative McGuire."

McGuire: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I have House Bill 699, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, and once again, this is a Bill that we passed out of the House last year with bipartisan support, and I'd like to ask you to give it the same support this year. It's a civic center Bill. All it does is it's primarily the same Bill as last year. It allows the civic centers to use their money for repairs and maintenance that they have not been allowed to do up to this point. It is not any new money, no new revenue strain or any thing of that sort, and I'd certainly try to answer any questions, and I appreciate your vote."

Speaker Flowers: "On that...the question is, 'Shall House Bill 6...?'"

McGuire: "Take it out of the record, Madam Chairman."

Speaker Flowers: "Mr. Clerk, would you please take this Bill out of the record? Representative Fed...Frederick, on House Bill 732. Mr. Clerk, would you please read the Bill?"

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 732, a Bill for an Act to amend the North Shore Sanitary District Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Frederick."

Frederick: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 732 allows the North Shore Sanitary District to increase from 40,000 up to 100,000 the amount of a no bid contract, which can be less in an emergency only. In addition to that, it allows...it allows the establishment of special service areas in order to apportion the cost of improvements to those who benefit directly from those improvements. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 732?' All

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those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? McGuire? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there is 72 voting 'aye', 20 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill is Representative Stecz, on House Bill 808. Re...Representative Steczo, on House Bill 808. Out of the record. Representative Hartke, 904. Mr. Clerk, would you please read the Bill?"

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 904, a Bill for an Act in relation to state occupation and use tax. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 904 extends some of the tax exemptions now that we give to...farmers in the State of Illinois, and I think everybody knows what this Bill is about, so I'd be happy to answer any questions if they have any."

Speaker Flowers: "On the question, Representative Lawfer, on House Bill 904. Representative Lawfer."

Lawfer: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. I... If the Sponsor will yield, I rise in support of this Bill. I think this is a very basic product that is used for the production of agriculture products, both dairy and beef. So, if you drink milk or if you have hamburgers, why, you should support this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black, on the question, House Bill 904."

Black: "Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it was only four or five hours ago, seriously, only four or five hours ago that we passed some Bill out of here about

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'prurient interest' and 'pornography'. Be careful you say about this Bill. I think we just oughta shut up and vote on it."

Speaker Flowers: "The ques... Representative Hartke to close."

Hartke: "Thank you very much. I...I really don't know where to start or to close on this thing. I would just appreciate your support on this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 904 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all those... This is final passage. Have all those who voted? Mr. Clerk, take the record. This Bill, having received, 110 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received a required Constitutional Majority, is hereabout declared passed. Representative Hoffman, on House Bill 930. Representative Hoffman, on 9...House Bill 930. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 930, a Bill for an Act to amend the Local Mass Transit District Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 930, as amended, would amend the Local Mass Transit District Act. Specifically, only the Metro-East Transit District, St. Clair-Madison County and provide needed funding for a light rail system to the expanded...to Scott Air Force Base. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 930 pass?'. All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Representative Kubik, to explain his vote."

Kubik: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Just to point out, that this is a front-door referendum. For those of you who might be a

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little concerned, this is not a back-door referendum; it's a front-door referendum. It does allow the voters of that mass transit district to decide whether they wish to tax themselves. I think this is a laudable concept."

Speaker Flowers: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. One hundred-and-one voting 'yes'; 11 voting 'no'; this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative McGuire, on House Bill 1059. Out of the record. Representative Levin, on House Bill 1122. Representative Ellis Levin, on House Bill... Out of the record. Representative Maureen Murphy, House Bill 1125. Out of the record. Representative Currie on House Bill 1166. Out of the record. Representative Novak...Novak, House Bill 1212. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1212, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act of 1939. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Novak."

Novak: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill is an initiative of the Illinois County Treasurers' Association. Simply increases the fee on tax sales that are paid by the tax buyers. The taxpayer doesn't pay these, the tax buyer pays it, from five to ten dollars, and I know of no opposition, and I ask for your support."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black, on House Bill 1212."

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

Speaker Flowers: "He says he will."

Black: "Representative, is this a fee increase?"

Novak: "Correct. On tax sales, Representative Black."

Black: "A tax fee increase?"

Novak: "No, no, no."

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Black: "It's a fee increase for a tax. All right...what is it?
One or the other."

Novak: "Representative Black, I think you're quite cognizant of
the operations of county government and tax sales. It's an
increase from \$5 to \$10 on...tax sales."

Black: "And you realize, Sir..."

Novak: "When...when a person doesn't pay their taxes, those taxes
are subsequently sold to tax buyers. The tax buyer pays the
certificate. It's an increase from \$5 to \$10."

Black: "Well, I...I am, and as you well know being a county
official...ex-county official, that whole matter of
delinquent tax sales in this state should be addressed. You
talk about a rip-off and people having to redeem their
property at usurious interest rates, but I digress. That's
not your Bill. But there is an opponent listed to your
Bill, and I...in all honesty, I don't know whether you've
heard from them, but according to our staff, the downstate
Tax Purchasers Association is opposed to your Bill, and I
don't know...I don't know who their lobbyist is or
anything."

Novak: "That's unfortunate that the Tax Purchasers' Association
would be against the Bill. They're making almost 18%
interest when they buy taxes. You'd think they could cough
up an extra \$5."

Black: "As I said earlier... Now...now, at some point, you and I
need to address that problem."

Novak: "That's true."

Black: "Okay...this is a fee increase Now this isn't one of the
Governor's fee increases, is it?"

Novak: "No, the Governor's fee increases are not tax increases.
They're just fee increases."

Black: "Well, that's what you said a while ago... A fee increase

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is a fee increase, right?"

Novak: "If it's a duck, it's a duck."

Black: "All right, I agree. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative... Representative Levin, on House Bill 1212."

Levin: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. This is a fee increase, but look at who is gonna pay the fee. You know, if you like the tax buyers, vote against them; if you're one of the overwhelming majority of the people that doesn't think a whole lot of tax buyers, vote for it. It's for automation only. I believe it only applies downstate. You say what. So I urge your support."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Wennlund, on House Bill 1212."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Now, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Flowers: "Yes."

Wennlund: "Thank you. So, what we're doing is is we're increasing this tax to this fee on tax buyers. We just got done exempting bulls, and now are they a lesser category of... Are tax buyers are a lesser category of...of human life than a bull? Or...or a horns of a dilemma here..."

Novak: "I wouldn't answer that question with a ten-foot pole. No...I don't know how you can compare tax buyers to bulls, Representative Wennlund, but this goes for automation in the County Treasurers' office. It's an important initiative that they'd like, and as I indicated, the tax buyers pay the fee increase, not the taxpayers."

Wennlund: "Oh...I see. Okay. they're lower than... Tax buyers are lower than bulls."

Novak: "And, if you've ever been to a tax sale, some of these tax buyers are..."

Wennlund: "Lower than bulls."

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Novak: "...pretty independently wealthy."

Wennlund: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Novak, to close."

Novak: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I simply ask for your support on House Bill 1212."

Speaker Flowers: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 1212 pass?' The voting is now open. All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? This is final passage. This is final passage. Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Homer. Would you like to explain your vote?"

Homer: "Well, I'd...I don't understand what I don't know that everybody else seems to know here, that as I understood this Bill, it would impose an additional \$5 fee on tax buyers to help automate the collector's office. And... Well...Maybe there...there are a lot of tax buyers here, but I can't for the life of me, understand why anyone would want to oppose this Bill. The tax buyers are making pretty good profits at the expense of beleaguered taxpayers, who have to pay high penalties and interest. It's a very lucrative business, and I don't think that they would go broke by coughing up \$5 to help fund county operations through which they're earning substantial incomes. So, I would urge Members to vote 'yes' on the Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hartke, to explain his vote."

Hartke: "Madam Speaker, is the board closed? Would you...would you open the board? I think people are really making a mistake here."

Speaker Flowers: "You can change your vote."

Hartke: "You want me to change my vote? Absolutely not. I'm voting for this piece of legislation. And I think many more should...should change their vote."

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Speaker Flowers: "Representative Hicks."

Hicks: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would you change me from 'no' to 'aye'? My switch... I cannot do it right here. I think the board is closed."

Speaker Flowers: "Thank you. Representative Deering."

Deering: "Madam Speaker, also change me from 'no' to 'aye'."

Speaker Flower: "Okay, would you please change Representative Deering's vote? Representative Martinez. Would you please change Representative Martinez? Representative McPike."

McPike: "Mr. Hartke was right. This board should not be locked. People are explaining their vote and the board's locked. The Clerk made an error, and this should be dumped."

Speaker Flowers: "Mr. Clerk, would you please dump the roll call? All those in favor of voting 'aye', to House Bill 1212 vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The roll (sic-board) is now open. Have all voted who wish? Representative Biggins, to explain his vote."

Biggins: "Speaker, Madam Speaker, thank you. I see something very disturbing here, where there seems to be an attack on a legitimate industry in this state and not a focus on what the Bill is all about. Tax buying is a very tedious time-consuming difficult thing to do, which is why many of us in this room don't know any. But 100% fee increase is what this Bill is about, for vague intentions, and I don't think this Body should into attacking a legitimate organized business operation in the State of Illinois. That's a whole separate topic, not what this legislation is about. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Novak, to explain his vote."

Novak: "You know, I just couldn't believe what I heard in that last speech. I was a county treasurer for six years, and I...and I...speaking of Representative Black, I've seen

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some of these unsavory characters come over to tax sales. They...they come out of the woodwork sometimes and they prey on people that, unfortunately, just for...by some reason, through no fault of their own, couldn't pay their taxes and their taxes had to go to sale. And they get 18% taxes, 18%, on the return. Now, all we're asking is a lousy \$5 increase. You could call it a 100% increase. It may be a legitimate business. They do help put the...taxes...or property back on the rolls. Representative Edley just gave me five bucks. And there's one aspect of being helped. But a \$5 increase on an industry that certainly is not going to impair their ability to function. I certainly ask for your support. Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black, for what purpose to you rise?"

Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. The Gentleman used my name in his summation..."

Speaker Flowers: "He's sorry. He's very sorry."

Black: "Well, but I heard him say my name."

Speaker Flowers: "That's okay, he's very sorry."

Black: "But wait a minute. I heard him say my name and then say 'unsavory character'."

Speaker Flowers: "He's sorry...he's very sorry. Take my word for it."

Black: "As well as he should be, because when he said that, the light went off up there in the galleries."

Speaker Flowers: "You're absolutely right. Representative Coy Pugh. for what reason do you rise?"

Pugh: "Madam Chairman, it's...it's my understanding that the tax buyers usually purchase these taxes and while their money...while their money is...is lying up there, that the moneys that they use to pay for the property is gaining 38%

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interest. I would like to know, first of all, where does the extra \$5 go? Madam Speaker?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Pugh, this is merely for explanation of votes. This is not for questioning. Representative Novak, for what purpose do you rise?"

Novak: "I move to put the Bill on Postponed Consideration, please."

Speaker Flowers: "This... There's 50... Mr. Clerk, will you please take the record?"

Novak: "You can't take the record. No. Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Flowers: "This Bill, having re... There's 51 voting 'yes', 55 voting 'no'. The Gentleman has asked for Postponed Consideration. The Bill will be... Excuse me, Representative, what is the problem? Representative Olson. Oh, Representative Olson. Excuse me..."

Olson: "You can't take Postponed Consideration after you've closed the board."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Olson. Representative Olson."

Olson: "I'm here."

Speaker Flowers: "The record has been taken."

Olson: "No, he asked. You never made a decision. He asked. You never made a decision."

Speaker Flowers: "I did make the decision."

Olson: "No, you didn't."

Speaker Flowers: "Yes, I did. The Bill is on Postponed Consideration. Representative Sheehy. Moving right along, we're going to move to Civil Justice, Second Reading. Representative Sheehy, on House Bill 1362. Mr... Mr. Clerk, would you please read the Bill. Second Reading. Excuse me. Representative Parke, for what reason do you rise?"

Parke: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. An inquiry of of the Chair. I have a schedule that said that we were gonna adjourn at

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8:00 tonight, and I was wondering...I... Well, thank you for your courtesy of explaining it so nicely to me, Representative. Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Mr. Clerk, would you please read the record...the Bill, House Bill 1362. Representative Sheehy."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 1362, a Bill for an Act in relation to motor vehicle ignition interlock devices. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Motions filed."

Speaker Flowers: "Are there any Floor Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Flowers: "Third Reading. Representative... Representative Davis, for what reason do you rise?"

Davis: "Thank you Madam Speaker. First of all, I'd like to commend you on the wonderful job you are doing today. I think you're handling these Gentlemen in a splendid fashion. And we'd like to know, on this side of the aisle, where is that Republican party tonight?"

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Davis, I don't believe you were invited."

Davis: "We... Well, we're coming."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative McPike, for what reason do you rise?"

McPike: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move that the House stands adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 9:00 a.m."

Speaker Flowers: "Allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Representative...Mr. McPike moves the House stand adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it. Representative Wojcik, for what reason do you rise?"

Wojcik: "Representative Davis, it's called the Brinkerhoff Home. Write it down. Take Sixth Street right around the corner

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and you're there."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Biggins, for what reason... Oh, Out of the record. You're leaving. Bye."

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bills, First Reading. Introduction - First Reading of Bills. Senate Bill 6, offered by Representative Salvi, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure. Senate Bill 44, offered by Representative Giorgi, a Bill for an Act to amend the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Senate Bill 48, offered by Representative Moffitt, a Bill for an Act to transfer territory between Representative Districts. Senate Bill 90, offered by Representative McAfee, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Library District Act. Senate Bill 110, offered by Representative Sheehy, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act of 1939. Senate Bill 137, offered by Representative Hawkins, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Senate Bill 138, offered by Representative Hannig, a Bill for an Act to amend the River Conservancy Districts Act. Senate Bill 147, offered by Representative McAfee, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Highway Code. Senate Bill 155, offered by Representative Kubik, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act of 1939. Senate Bill 197, offered by Representative Hughes, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Senate Bill 161, offered by Representative Edley, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Senate Bill 185, offered by Representative Kubik, a Bill for an Act to amend Section 1-35 of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Act. Senate Bill 192, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act to amend the Counties Code. Senate Bill 200, offered by Representative Harold Murphy, a Bill for an Act to amend the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Senate

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