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Speaker McPike: "The House will come to order. The Chaplain for today is Reverend Greg Carlson of the Faith Wesleyan Church in Rockford, Illinois and Chaplain for the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department. Reverend Carlson is the guest of Representative Raschke-Lind and Representative Giolitto. Guests in the balcony may wish to rise and join us for the invocation. We will pause while a...while a...the family of Representative Giorgi comes in. The Doorman may wish to open the front door in case of some more Legislators are standing there. We will have the invocation by Reverend Carlson."

Reverend Greg Carlson: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, thank you for your very kind invitation. indeed my honor as one who is a friend of 'Zeke' and the Giorgi family and also to represent Zeke's dear friend and Sheriff Donald Gasparini of Winnebago County, Shall we pray? Lord, as we come together this afternoon, especially, once again, want to thank You for the life and the influence of Representative 'Zeke' Giorgi. fondly remember 'Zeke', not only as husband, grandfather, brother, family man, we will remember him as fellow Legislator and friend. We will remember him as a man of deep religious faith, whose faith quided his life and his principles. We will remember him as loved and helped all people, whose door was always open to all, the rich and the poor, the great and the small. strong and the weak. We will remember 'Zeke' as a man who loved his community, a man who was always concerned about what was best, not only for his district, but for the community and the state as a whole. We will also remember man who brightened everybody's life with his him as a delightful and remarkable sense of humor. While we

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continue to mourn and feel deeply his loss, this afternoon we thank You for the years that we had him with us and for his influence in all of our lives. May Your Spirit help and guide each and every one of us to emulate all of those Christian characteristics that he strived so hard to emulate and live by. We ask this in Your name and for Your sake, Amen."

- Speaker McPike: "We will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Barbara Flynn Currie."
- Currie 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. Representative Kubik."
- Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that all Republican Members are present today."
- Speaker McPike: "Thank you. And the same is true for the Democratic side of the aisle. Mr. Clerk, take the roll.

 One Hundred and Eighteen Members answering the roll roll call, a quorum is present. Representative Turner."
- Turner: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I know it is a violation of the rules but I'd like to recognize the Hughes School in the upper gallery, a school from my district. Could we give them a round of applause?"
- Speaker McPike: "The House will come to order. Members would please be in their seats. And that the staff could either find an empty seat or retire to the rear. House Resolution 2781. Mr. Clerk, read the Resolution."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 2781, offered by Speaker Madigan.

 WHEREAS, On October 24, 1993, this House of
 Representatives lost one of its truly legendary members --

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the "Dean of the House" -- Assistant Majority Leader Edolo Joseph "Zeke" Giorgi; and WHEREAS, While his career in the Illinois House covered nearly thirty years, six governors, and hundreds of legislative colleagues, Zeke always counted his election in 1955 to the Rockford City Council as Alderman of the Fifth Ward as his proudest accomplishment because nothing could match a vote of confidence from the people of your neighborhood; and WHEREAS, While words like "legendary", "champion of the underprivileged", "mentor", "pillar of strength", and "dynamic" have been used to describe the man and his career, all seem less than adequate; and WHEREAS, Whether it was episodes like his personal description of his training as a "spy" in World War II or his early days in the Legislature, there was never a story Zeke told that did not leave listeners both amazed and amused; and WHEREAS, Zeke -- a name coined his lifelong friend Jake Cason -- became an institution that the U. S. Postal Service once delivered a letter bearing only his picture and the words "Rockford, Illinois"; and WHEREAS, While he was known as the "Father of the Lottery", a driving force behind riverboat gambling, and a spark plug for charitable raffles, chances, and bingos, Zeke was not a person who liked to gamble; and WHEREAS, Much like his aldermanic election, Zeke was a most persistent advocate for and proudest of the accomplishment that benefited "The Second Largest City in Illinois" --Rockford; and WHEREAS, Those accomplishments included the Metro Centre, the University of Illinois College Medicine, the Riverfront Museum Park, a thriving Chrysler assembly plant, toll roads, freeways, and a State office building that now bears his name; and WHEREAS, Residency or even a prolonged visit to Rockford always granted any

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Illinoisan a special place in Zeke's eye as countless reporters, lobbyists, agency officials, and others can attest; and WHEREAS, This resolution might best be ended with two thoughts expressed by colleagues who said, "Zeke Giorgi belonged to the world, but his first focus was his Josephine, Barbara, Beverly, and Betty", and, finally, "this place won't be the same because there will never be another Zeke"; therefore, be it RESOLVED. BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that our love, prayers. and thanks go out to his family for sharing Zeke with us and all of the people of this State because we will all the better for having known and worked with this truly unique person; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to Zeke's family."

Speaker McPike: "Speaker Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, we're very pleased today to have with us several members of the Giorgi family: Zeke's wife, Jo, has joined us; his children, Barbara and her husband, Frank; Beverly and her husband, Angelo; Betty and her husband, Tom; numerous grandsons and granddaughters; his sisters Joyce and Judy; and his brother Zeke's achievements in life were two-fold. Number one, they related to his political life; number two, Zeke as а person. Politically governmentally he devoted the majority of his adult life to advancing the interests of the people of the City of There are numerous accomplishments in and around Rockford. the city, such as the Metro Centre, University of Illinois College of Medicine, State of Illinois building, Riverfront Museum Park, the Law School at Northern Illinois University, and the completion of Route 51. All of which

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were due in large part or completely, to the work of a Member of the General Assembly. Going beyond Rockford, he was the Father of the Lottery. He was driving force behind the legislation that resulted in the riverboat gambling which exists in part of Illinois generally, and this is the area that consumed him at all times, he was an advocate for working people. viewed himself as a working person. He had not gone so far in school. He could be described as a person who more or less simply lived on his wits, drew upon his native intelligence, and his ability to work with people, especially people in government and politics, to bring about all of these wondrous achievements. On a personal level, he was a wonderful husband and father. He courage to tackle tough issues. All of us are involved in government are revolved in the politics of Illinois. we're honest with ourselves, we admit that we don't always do so well in having the courage to take on tough issues, and to adopt the position which momentarily may not be so popular. But Zeke excelled in just that kind of activity. He always had an excellent perception of what motivated people, and this is what bore him well through life and through his work in the Legislature. And so as we would work with legislation or as we would simply talk about a pending Bill and the Bill's Sponsor, Zeke had this uncanny ability to get right to the reason why a particular individual was attempting to advance the Bill through the Legislature or why a person had adopted a position relative to a Bill or a Resolution. He had the intelligence to understand people's problems. Given our role in government, invariably people come to us with their problems, whatever they may be. Some people have problems

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with legislation. Some people have problems with the way state agencies are structured. Some people have problems with obtaining from the state bureaucracy what they're entitled to under the law, and Zeke had the quick wit and intelligence to understand, that and to be able to work his way through whatever the problem may be, whether it would be a lobbyist, or a person who had traveled to Springfield just someone who would call his office in Rockford or come to visit to ask Zeke for help. And that was a driving element of his life simply to help people. He had a sense of humor that kept government in prospective, and so when things get hot and heavy around here and people are exercising their frustration and their anger, Zeke's favorite expression to anybody, but in particular to me, would be to simply say, 'Mike, stay calm; it's just show-biz; that's all it is, show-biz.' For me, Zeke's loss was a very personal loss. I lost a mentor. I lost one my most trusted advisors. I lost one of my very, very best friends, and I have still not recovered. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Raschke-Lind."

Raschke-Lind: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House and a special welcome to all of our guests and Zeke's family. I would just like to say that I had the great fortune of working for Representative Giorgi in the district office, so most of my memories are in Rockford. Sitting next to me, I would like to recognize Elnora Whitlock, who has served as an aide in the Rockford District Office since the 1970's. I have many fond memories but one that comes to mind is a time in the early 1980's, my mother-in-law was still Zeke's aide, and this was about mid-June and Zeke was coming home from Session on

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the state plane. And we come to find out that Governor Thompson was going to be on that plane with Zeke, wanted to show our Governor how popular Zeke was in Rockford. So a number of us put some banners and balloons together and we waited for the plane at the Greater Rockford Airport. When the plane touched down, we and waved and cheered and 'Zeke, Zeke, welcome home'. Well, the Governor had to come out of the plane to see what all the commotion was. He turned to Zeke and he said, 'Do they do this for you all the time?' And Zeke said, 'Sure, don't they do it for you?' It was...it was great. It was fantastic moment. His zest for politics and strategy amazed me, but everything certainly dropped when a phone call from his daughters or his wife, Jo, came into the district office. And I miss talking to Jo and the daughters. I miss his eyes lighting up when he spoke of the grandchildren. I guess I miss the small things the most. Rockford has lost its best friend. He was a grand boss, and a mentor and an educator to me personally. He was absolutely priceless. I do feel a presence of a void here when I'm in Springfield but much, much more when I go home to an empty district office. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Rotello."

Rotello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As you can tell by the expression on Zeke's face in that picture, if you haven't looked at it yet, you have to. Zeke really loved this place; he loved Springfield, he loved the politics here, the intrigue of it, the excitement, the deals, the backroom meetings; all, of course, most of all the friendships and the times he spent with his colleagues. He loved politics back at home and certainly was a fixture of local politics from 1955 when he

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was elected to the City Council until the day he died, it was a period of 40 years where Zeke was at the center of politics in the City of Rockford. Back in the early days in the 60's, he was referred to as 'Mr. Democrat' because in the 50's and 60's, Winnebago County was still quite Republican and there were just a handful of Democrats; and of course Zeke, always being the senior and the highest elected, was referred to as 'Mr. Democrat'. I first met him as a high school student and worked on his campaigns both for State Representative and then when he...his only unsuccessful campaign was when he ran for Mayor of the City of Rockford and he lost, and indicated that's the best thing that ever happened to him because had he won that election he would have been the Mayor of Rockford and not have been able to do all the wonderful things that he was able to accomplish here in the years after that. Of course, Zeke was respected by everyone at home, even those that disagreed with him. Oftentimes, it's most difficult to deal with opponents in the business we're but even the opponents of Zeke's philosophy of in, government certainly always respected him and always found open door when they dealt with him. Zeke was a tremendous friend of the labor movement. It was, everyone knows here that his office back in the corner was really a labor headquarters down here and back home it was likewise. For his colleagues in Chicago, although I've never been one, I've heard many stories about ward offices in the City Chicago. I think Zeke's office back home certainly was the closest thing Rockford ever had to anything like that, where people would be literally be waiting in line to receive service from everything to...from Federal Government problems to utility problems and state problems

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and city problems and zoning problems. No matter what it was, Zeke kind of was a representative for all levels of I need to mention John Matijevich, who Zeke government. fondly talked about and sat next to for over 20 Zeke's good friend, Dan Pierce, who couldn't be here. was a city and county official, I'd come and visit here and would often times go to dinner with Zeke and John or Dan Pierce; always spoke fondly of Majority Leader McPike, and of course Speaker Madigan. I a couple times had called his house and Jo would answer and I'd say, 'Mike' and she'd say, 'Who, Mike Madigan?'; 'no, Mike Rotello'. So, I always thought that was kind of cute, and he did that a couple times himself. I would have to mention what meant to the Italian-American community of Rockford. was a forebearer of...of a hard-working class community that came up the hard way as immigrants. Rockford had a strong history of industry and many Italian immigrants came there to work in the factories and so on. And certainly was a forebearer for many. Sheriff Gasparini, who's already been mentioned today, myself and others that followed in terms of the Italian-American community in Zeke's footsteps. He was a fifth ward Alderman, fifth ward would be once again comparison to Chicago. It was the solid Democratic ward of the City of Rockford and Zeke was an alderman. Maria's Cafe and Jake Cason, who's mentioned in the Resolution who died shortly before (and I know that hurt him deeply), was a center of activity a place that Zeke and his family frequented most often. His brother, Amedeo, served on the county board, still resides in the fifth ward, and is still after his retirement a labor activist and an outstanding member across the Italian-American community. On behalf of all

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Zeke's cherished friends and all of the community of Rockford, I'd just like to say 'Thank you, Zeke'."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Giolitto."

Giolitto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, as all of us think very fondly of Zeke, and I feel very privileged and honored to have been able to sit next to him in my very first beginnings here in the Legislature. I came as a very fresh, naive politician with so many things to learn, it was so wonderful to just be able to ask Zeke absolutely anything. He never made me feel like I was asking a stupid question. It was just wonderful to have someone like him And I think the things that I learned from him most of all was his caring for people. Sometimes we think, as politicians, the most important thing are the Bills that we pass or the recognition that we get statewide or in our district, but with Zeke it was that he always had an open-door policy in his district office, and Elnora here who has been with him for 23 years has become more of a social worker than a legislative aide. She knows how to handle absolutely any individual because she knows that that's what Zeke would want, no matter who walks in that door, the rich or the poor, and very often it was the poor. He would always help. He would lend a hand in absolutely any way he possibly could. So, this gave to me a wonderful example that we are truly public servants and that is the way to be a public servant, a very humble servant of the people. And that's what I remember Zeke the most for."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I remember Zeke Giorgi in many different ways, none-the-least being that he served with my grandfather in this chamber, and also served with him when my grandfather

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was the Chairman of the Illinois Youth Commission, a first Chairman. He was aware of him and paid great respect him and worked with him very carefully as he performed his duties in that position. When my grandfather later Zeke was already here, and they became friends at that time and respected colleagues. It seemed like many times in those days, Mr. Speaker, that people were closer than we find today. And so it did give us a sort of bond that we could talk about some of the past years and some of the experiences that he had in the General Assembly. One of the things that we do remember a lot on side of the aisle about Zeke is his fierce commitment to his district and to the principles that he believed in, and yes, when he would get on the floor there was no mistaking his attitudes, his views, his points and the really feelings that he had, and we respected him for his thoughts and how articulate he was in conveying those thoughts to all of us. No, we didn't agree with him all the time; in fact, many times we disagreed, but there always that element of respect that we had for the method in which he conveyed his thoughts and the beliefs that he had. We all knew him, of course, as the Father of the Lottery, a very fierce competitor and one that enjoyed the theory of what economic development would bring Illinois and the riverboat development and how he lead that cause. But things that we didn't know about previously that unfortunately with a person's demise you find out about and then you learn to respect that person more and you learn more about their memory. For instance, many of us did not know that he served in the U.S. Army in World War II with great distinction in the Army Corps Tanks and Amphibious Section; that he then after the service went

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on to become Commander of the Catholic War Veterans. are aware of the fact that he was an alderman for the City of Rockford and how proud he was of that, but we also then learned too that he went to Washington and Lee University where he studied part of the Army techniques and Army information where he learned to utilize many of those features in later years. He became the Dean of the House. and as such he carried with us and with him in position our respect. But no greater respect does a person have than what he represents in his personal life. His commitment to his wife and his three children covered every aspect of his life and how much they meant to him. And if just refer back to the loss of Jackie Kennedy Onassis when it said in one of her eulogies, 'That you are in life if you botch up bringing up your kids'. And if you use that as an analogy and you look at what Zeke Giorgi has done in his life, all of the public comments, all of the public success that he has, the children that he brought up, the grandchildren that will live on, will carry his name and memory are truly his greatest successes. Mr. Speaker, we have been pleased to have him as our colleague. fierce competitor, fierce advocate for his beliefs, and we will remember him for what he stood for: good government and good principle. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. In the early 1960's Carl Shier of the United Auto Workers was sent to Rockford on an organizing mission. Carl found himself night after night at the Giorgi dinner table; in fact, he worried he was presuming on his acquaintance with Zeke, but Jo assured Carl that if Carl failed to come to dinner it wouldn't work; the girls were threatening a hunger strike.

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Carl talks about the discussions at that Giorgi table in the early 1960's. 'Gosh', he says, 'what we discussed with Barbara, Beverly and Betty, the union movements, civil rights, the '60's, flower children, women's rights, all the things that matter.' I was privileged some 20 years later become a regular at Zeke's dinner table here Springfield, and his bright and engaging mind was still those same topics; maybe not flower children, I think NAFTA replaced flower children as a topic of discussion at the 80's dinner tables, but the labor movement, women's rights, civil rights; these were always items for Zeke to discuss, discuss and disect, and he did with a keen intellect, an intellect he tended to hide He hid it behind a kind of regular from us. hail-fellow-well-met mannered, and he hid it behind his preference to mumble a Bill rather than explain it to passage. But intellect he had, whether he tried to hide it or not. One of the qualities he never tried to hide was his real commitment, the real core values of his life, his commitment to the working men and women of this state. Ιf you look at Zeke's legislation, you see testimony to that commitment. In the early 70's he offered legislation for universal health care. He worked hard for child care for working Moms and working Dads. He was concerned to protect from consumer inappropriate rip-offs the marketplace. And his central tenant, his central tenant protect the legitimate rights of workers to join together in their quest for better wages and terms conditions on the job. Zeke Giorgi gave a lot to this institution and he gave much to us, his colleagues. Zeke gave all of his energy, his effectiveness, his intelligence and his commitment to the working families of

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Illinois. Neither Zeke nor I could think of a prouder legacy."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, would like to add my word of respect and tribute to the memory of Zeke Giorgi. my pleasure some 25 years ago to have introduced to Zeke when I was a young reporter and Bill O'Connell, the Dean of the Press Corp, who was one of friends and mentors, introduced us and he told me at dear that time how wonderful a person Zeke was and how effective he could be and how much in common the interests of Peoria and Rockford would be and how important it was for us to work together. And, indeed, I've never had more accurate advice or counsel. I think one of the most impressive things about Zeke was his sense of humor, and his openness, and his willingness to work with those of us on each οf aisle to achieve things for our respective communities. When Rockford wanted a civic center and Peoria wanted a civic center, Zeke worked very hard to help Peoria qet a civic center; and, indeed, when that legislation ran into trouble early in 1975 and, in fact, the Supreme Court knocked it out. Zeke was the first one back to try and help us and to try and help his own community and help other downstate communities. And, yes. when we wanted to participate with the University of Illinois Medical School, just as Rockford was interested in it and Springfield and so many other places, Zeke extended his hand to the citizens of...the Peoria community and other downstate regions to work together. The same is true with the essential taxing...financing legislation that was so important in the early 70's. I cherish his memory. Ι especially cherish those experiences that I know each and

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every one of you had with Zeke. I especially remember one example. We were working on a project to the mutual benefit of Peoria and Rockford and there was a person who Zeke didn't trust, and he said, 'You gotta watch him, kid. You gotta watch him, kid'. He told me that a dozen times, and sure enough, he was right. And Zeke said, 'You should have watched him, kid'. Zeke, we loved you and we will miss you and we thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "Speaker Madigan, in the Chair. The Chair recognizes Mr. McPike."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Zeke was certainly my father, my brother and my friend all in one. I knew him for 17 years. I had dinner with him at least 500 times. lot of dinners. And of course I shared everything with My wife and I were fortunate, we took a 15-day trip, Julie and I with Zeke and Jo, and it was a wonderful trip. The only problem we had was keeping up with those They were only 35 years older than my wife, but she kids. couldn't keep up with Jo. Jo went through at least credit cards. She had to buy things...she had to buy things for Zeke, buy things for herself, but first she had buy things for the grandkids and then the kids, and it was at least two credit cards that she had reached the limit on, and I got the impression that Jo ran the house in Rockford, and it was none of Zeke's business what went on in that house. And he was to give her a certain amount money for whatever it was for, for groceries or bills or presents; it was really none of his business. He was supposed to give her this money. Well, we had been gone at least ten days and the credit cards were gone and Zeke looked at Jo and she said, 'Where's my money? Where's my check?' He said, 'What are you talking about? We're not

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at home. You don't have any groceries to buy.' She said, 'Zeke, just give me the check. Just give me the check.' She got the check. There was no question who ran that Zeke was undoubtedly better known in Rockford than the Governor. He wouldn't braq about it, but he would admit it. And one day to test him John Matojevich took an envelope and mailed it from Waukegan and on the envelope he'd cut out a picture of Zeke from the Blue Book and pasted the picture on the front of the envelope and wrote 'Rockford, Illinois'. And, of course, the next day got it. Even the mailman knew who he was. I never saw Zeke mad in all my life. I've seen him holler business people. I've seen him holler at a few Republicans. But as the Speaker said, he always turned around and smiled and said, 'It's just show-biz'. He never had a mean bone in his body. He did admit to me one time that he enjoyed telling Governor Walker that he WAS Mike Howlett, but I don't know if you could call that a mean bone in your body. He was a wonderful, wonderful man. He was my special friend, and I still miss him every single day."

Speaker Madigan: "We are prepared to adopt the Resolution. Our plan for the day would be to recognize Mr. Turner."

Turner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was out of the chamber for a minute, and I'd be remiss if I did not say a word or two about Zeke. Having spent 14 years here, I had the pleasure of sitting in front of him or either right across from him in that 14-year period. As mentioned earlier by many of the Members in the Assembly, we're deeply saddened by his death, but I have those Zeke stories, too, and I had a chance recently to spend a couple 14, 15 days with he and Jo in Israel. And this summer certainly I got a chance to

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know another side of Zeke. But I remember when Zeke would always tell me how he served with Corneal Davis and he remembered a Harold Washington story, he had a Charlie Chew Zeke always tended to be on the right side of the issue, even when the Minority caucus sometimes would be looking for votes and we'd have our 12 and we'd have Zeke. We'd still lose, but Zeke was even there in letting you know, 'Hey, you just gotta keep working at it'. taught me how to get the attention of the Chair. You know. it's one thing to push your speak mike on, but Zeke would yell up right away, 'Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker, Speaker' and everybody knew the light wasn't working or the Speaker certainly couldn't use the excuse that he didn't see the And so he taught me this is the way you get their attention. But he was a great man. One who...I'll say the stories are just too numerous to mention in terms of those things that he could share with you here in Government, and I'm just happy to have shared my 14 years with him and to know members of his family and to say that we are indeed saddened, and he will be missed."

Speaker Madigan: "As I said before, the plan would be to...to adopt the Resolution and to proceed to regular Session until about 4:00 this afternoon, and then adjourn for the day to permit Members to attend the reception which will be held at the Dana-Thomas House. The reception will be for the purpose of the Giorgi Scholarship Fund at the Northern Illinois University Law School. And so with that, Mr. McPike moves that the House adopt the Resolution. Those in favor will say 'aye'; those opposed will say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Permission is granted to have all Members added as Co-Sponsors of the Resolution. I want to thank every Member of the House for

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participating in this ceremony. I want to thank those who spoke to the Resolution, and I want to thank all the members of the Giorgi family for joining us today and for one more time reliving the very wonderful life that Zeke lived and all the wonderful things that he did for all of us. So thank you very much. Mr. McPike in the Chair."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Currie in the Chair. Agreed Resolutions?"

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 2735, offered by Representative Weller: House Resolution 2738, offered by Representative Maureen Murphy; House Resolution 2739, offered by Representative Gash; House Resolution 2740, offered by Representative Tim Johnson; House Resolution 2742, by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2743, offered by Representative Giglio; House Resolution 2744, offered by Representative DeJaegher; House Resolution 2745, offered by Representative Lindner; House Resolution 2746, offered by Representative Schoenberg; House Resolution 2748, offered by Representative Noland; House Resolution 2749, offered by Representative Tenhouse; House Resolution 2750, offered by Speaker Madigan; House Resolution 2751, by Representative Saviano; House Resolution 2753, offered by Representative Cowlishaw; House Resolution 2754, offered by Representative Gash; House Resolution 2755, offered Representative Younge; House Resolution 2756, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 2757, offered Representative Younge; House Resolution 2758, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 2759, offered Representative Younge; House Resolution 2760, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 2761, offered by Representative Younge; House Resolution 2763, offered by Representative Zickus; House Resolution 2764, offered

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Representative Noland; House Resolution 2765, offered by Representative Pankau; House Resolution 2767, offered Representative Balthis; House Resolution 2768, offered by Representative Moffitt; House Resolution 2769, offered Representative Weller; House Resolution 2770, offered by Representative Weller; House Resolution 2772, offered Representative Pedersen; House Resolution 2773, offered by Representative Lou Jones; House Resolution 2774, offered by Representative Lou Jones; House Resolution 2775, offered by Representative Roskam; House Resolution 2776, offered by Representative Black; House Resolution 2777, offered by Representative Black; House Resolution 2778, offered Representative Tim Johnson; House Resolution 2779, offered by Representative Tim Johnson; Senate Joint Resolution 100, offered by Representative Wojcik; Senate Joint Resolution Representative Kubik; Senate Joint offered by Resolution 115, offered by Representative Saltsman; Senate Joint Resolution 133, offered by Representative Moseley; Senate Joint Resolution 138, offered by Representative Giglio; Senate Joint Resolution 157, offered by Representative Homer; Senate Joint Resolution 161, offered by Representative Hannig. Senate Joint Resolution 160. offered by Representative Hicks." Senate Joint Resolution 164, offered by Representative Black."

- Speaker Currie: "Representative Turner moves adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'.

 The 'ayes' have it. The Resolutions are adopted. General Resolutions."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 2752, offered by Representative Kaszak. House Resolution 2771, offered by Representative Biggert. House Joint Resolution 159, offered by Representative Currie. House Joint Resolution 160, offered

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- by Representative Black."
- Speaker Currie: "Committee on Assignment. Death Resolutions."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 2747, offered by Representative Schakowsky, with respect to the memory of Milton M. Cohan. House Resolution 2762, offered by Representative Daniels, with respect to the memory of Ralph Wheaton. House Resolution 2766, offered by Representative Younge, with respect to the memory of Elmo Jackson Bush. House Resolution 2780, offered by Representative Pugh, with respect to the memory of Emma Phillips.
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Turner moves adoption of the Death Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'.

 The 'ayes' have it. The Resolutions are adopted.

 Representative Capparelli for what reason do you rise?"
- Capparelli: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. It is a pleasure...Ladies and Gentlemen today is my seat mates birthday, he is 41 years old, Miguel Santiago invites everyone over for a piece of his chocolate cake."
- Speaker Currie: "Thank you for the information and for the cake.

 On the Order of Revenue, Second Reading, on page 48 of the

 Calendar, appears Senate Bill 230. Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 230, the Bill has been read a second time, previously. No Committee Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Any Floor Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative
 Kubik."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Kubik. Representative Daniels, on Amendment 1."
- Daniels: "Yes, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

 Floor Amendment #1 adds the contents of Senate Bill 1 to
 the existing Bill to do the following: It creates a state
 property tax cap referendum to provide that the advisory

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- question shall be submitted to the voters of the entire state at the 1994 general election. It provides that..."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative, excuse me a minute,

 Representative. Representative McPike."
- McPike: "Mr. Speaker, let's take the Bill out... Madam Speaker, let's take the Bill out of the record for a minute, please."
- Speaker Currie: "Out of the record. Representative McPike, are we ready to move on with Senate Bill 230? On Amendment 1, Representative Daniels. Do you wish to withdraw Amendment 1?"

Daniels: "Yes."

- Speaker Currie: "Amendment 1 is withdrawn. Further Amendments,
 Clerk?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative

 McPike."

Speaker Currie: "Representative McPike."

McPike: "Withdraw Amendment #2."

- Speaker Currie: "Further... The Amendment is withdrawn. Further
 Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative McPike."

Speaker Currie: "Representative McPike."

McPike: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Floor Amendment #3 corrects...corrects what we did last year in the Com-Ed Bill that addressed whether or not Com-Ed could compete in the private market against other private energy companies and, in that, we had set aside certain moneys for the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. We inadvertently added the words 'or invest that amount in projects financed by the Illinois Affordable Housing Fund'. It is our intent to cross that language out so that the

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money that was set aside will be...will be set aside only for the Illinois Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The second thing that the Amendment does is it allows Edison to file as a rider instead of as a full rate case decommissioning costs for nuclear power plants. I move for the adoption of the Amendment, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Currie: "Representative McPike moves 'do adopt' on
Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 230; and on that Motion, is
there any discussion? Representative Balanoff."

Balanoff: "Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, first I would like to request a Roll Call Vote on this Amendment. What this allows is Commonwealth Edison to pass along the decommissioning costs of their nuclear power They were creating power when questionable need, and now they want to pass along this additional cost to ratepayers as opposed to stockholders. Make no mistake about this Bill. It's just like a increase, except it's more than a tax increase because probably there are more people that pay electric bills the State of Illinois than pay taxes. This is guaranteed...just like a tax increase that many people this floor always say they oppose, this is just the same thing, and I would urge a 'no' vote. And I would like a Roll Call Vote on the Amendment."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Schakowsky."

Schakowsky: "Thank you, Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I hope all of the targets on both sides of the aisle have been warned to vote against this because this is nothing more than allowing Commonwealth Edison to go straight to the consumers bills and add the cost of decommissioning power plants; something that no one has ever done in the country and will be based entirely on

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Commonwealth Edison's estimates of how much it costs. Those estimates have gone from \$2 billion just three years ago to \$4 billion; and while the targets are thinking about voting 'no', the rest of us ought to wonder why it would vote for this Bill for Commonwealth Edison when we have done precious little for the school children in this state, to deal with health care in this state, what have we been doing? Do you want to go home and say what you've done this Session is allow Commonwealth Edison to raise the bills of everyone that is a consumer of theirs. not a merely Bill. This allows automatic rate increases by I would urge all of you who care Commonwealth Edison. about your consumers and who care about stopping the rip-offs to insist that Commonwealth Edison go before the Illinois Commerce Commission to get these increases and not go directly to your bills and those οf vour constituents. I urge...vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Churchill." Churchill: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is something that needs to be done. As long as we have a commitment in this state to have nuclear power, we build nuclear power plants. Those plants don't last forever. At some point along the line, they have to stop operating those plants and they have to decommission those plants, which basically means they have to tear take them apart and put them someplace so that the radioactive energy in the plants do not impact us in society. We need to have money to decommission those plants, and the money is not going to come at a time when we get ready to decommission. It's got to be saved over a long period of time. So what this Bill does and this Amendment is just to allow for that savings to occur over a

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long period of time so that when it comes time to decommission the plants we have a fund built up for that decommissioning. Trust me, we've never had to do that at this point. The day comes when we have to decommission nuclear power plants. If there are not sufficient funds to do that at that time there'll be a lot of weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. This the easy way for us to accomplish this mission which needs to be done. Vote 'ave'."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This is a bad Bill, Amendment. And I would ask the Chair if this Amendment does go on this Bill that my name be taken off of Senate Right now, decommissioning costs are a proper operating expense, and the utility has the option as, has done to go before the Illinois Commerce Commission to justify the expenses and ask for a increase based on that. They are doing that right now, and nobody has any question that that's proper. What they're asking for here is a special consideration to avoid having justify their costs, to be able to just automatically pass on those costs without going before the Commerce Commission which is true in terms of everything else. Yes, so I would encourage a 'no' vote on this Amendment, which has not even had a hearing in any committee of this House, and as it seeks to bypass the Commerce Commission, as well."

Speaker Currie: "Representative von Bergen-Wessels."

von Bergen-Wessels: "Thank you, Speaker. I also rise to oppose this Amendment. Currently my understanding is that there is a request before the Illinois Commerce Commission for a decommissioning rider for Commonwealth Edison. I think

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Representative Levin said it well when he said we were sidestepping the commission. Decommissioning costs are a fact of life, that is true. But Commonwealth Edison can go in and get a decommissioning rider just as Illinois Power did. There is a great problem in this Amendment in that it might affect something that has been happening in the Right now, it is not at all courts. clear that decommissioning riders would be seen as legal. Without further guidance from the courts, this Amendment would seek to make darn sure that they are and that there would be automatic (if you look at the Amendment of the Bill) automatic charges for additional costs of decommissioning when some of these costs have escalated as much as 600%. There may be legislation that is needed having to do with decommissioning riders; this is not the piece of legislation. There needs to be additional work on this, and I would certainly ask that you vote against this Amendment."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I believe this is an effort to circumvent the hearing process and deny not only the Legislators but the public the opportunity to consider carefully the impact that this measure would have. Here's a company that's asking for special consideration when their sensitivity to the coal mines, the coal market, has been much more in question of integrity. So, I rise to ask for your 'no' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative McPike, to close."

McPike: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I was watching a pro-golf tournament one time and I

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was talking to someone who had to caddie for one of these pro-golfers, and he told me he said, 'You know, they're just not from this planet, they're not from this world'. Everytime I sponsor a Bill and Cub is against it. I know for a fact that they are not from the same world that I Now, it could be the land of Oz or it could be Wonderland; I have no clue where they live but they do live in Illinois. No one has ever done this before. Well, that's not exactly the truth; Illinois Power already does it. We're going to circumvent the hearing process. Well, that's not exactly true either; the Commerce Commission states flat out there will be a hearing, period. There will be a hearing. Com-Ed makes these things up. exactly what happens; Com-Ed just makes it up. actually, the Federal Nuclear Regulatory Agency says to Com-Ed, says to Illinois Power, and says to every in this country, 'You will set aside X nuclear power amount of dollars. You will set aside \$100, you will set \$1,000, you will set aside \$1 million. You will set aside aside exactly what we tell you to', and Com-Ed has to follow the law. But in order to set that money aside, they have to go to the Commerce Commission and say. 'Here's what we're told to set aside. Can we do it?' The Commerce Commission will hold a hearing, and they won't be allowed Now, they can either do it gradually, like Representative Churchill suggests they should do, maybe set aside a nickel a month, or they can wait for three years until a full rate case is heard and then they can set aside 25 cents a month. They are going to set it aside one way or another; not because they want to, because they're told to do it. So, we have a very simple Bill here, doesn't raise rates. These rates are going to be raised no matter

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what you do. If you think that you are going to store nuclear fuel for the next 2,000 years or 5,000 years without paying for it, good luck. We're all going to pay for it. This just expedites the process so that we can pay for it in a calm, orderly, efficient, and effective manner. I move for the adoption of the Amendment, and I would like to use that as a closing on Third Reading, and I would like to move for the passage of the Bill when it gets to Third Reading, Madam Speaker. Thank you."

- Speaker Currie: "Representative McPike has moved adoption of Amendment 3 to Senate 230. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Motion, there are 65 voting 'aye', 41 voting 'no', and the Amendment is adopted. No further Amendments. Third Reading. Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 230, a Bill for an Act amending the Revenue Act of 1939. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McPike already opened, already closed. Is there any discussion? Seeing no discussion, the question... Representative Schakowsky. Representative Schakowsky."
- Schakowsky: "Yes, if this... Thank you, Speaker. If this Bill gets the requisite number, I'd like to call for a verification."
- Speaker Currie: "The question is, 'Shall this Bill 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 Motion, there are 65 voting 'aye', 43 voting 'no', and there's been a request for a verification. Clerk, read the

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absentees."

Clerk Rossi: "Poll of those not voting. Representative Balthis.

Homer. Laurino. Martinez. Morrow. Weller. Younge."

Speaker Currie: "Read those voting in the affirmative, please."

Clerk Rossi: "Poll of those voting in the affirmative. Biggert."

Speaker Currie: "Excuse me a minute. Representative Tim

Johnson, Tim: "Can I have leave to be verified?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Tim Johnson asks leave to be verified. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Continue reading the affirmative, Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "Representative Biggins. Brady. Brunsvold. Churchill. Clayton. Cowlishaw. Cross. Daniels. DeJaegher. Deering. Dunn. Erwin. Flinn. Flowers. Virginia Frederick. Frias. Granberg. Hannig. Giles. Hartke. Hassert. Hoeft. Hughes. Johnson, Tim. Johnson, Tom. Jones, Lou. Jones, Shirley. Kotlarz. Krause. Lang. Leitch. Lindner. Lopez. Mautino. McAuliffe. McGuire. McPike. Meyer. Moore, Andrea. Moore, Eugene. Mulligan. Murphy, н. Noland. Olson. Pankau. Parke. Pedersen. Persico. Phelan. Pugh. Raschke-Lind. Roskam. Rutherford. Ryder. Salvi. Santiago. Skinner. Stroger. Tenhouse. Turner. Walsh. Wojcik, and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Laurino has returned to the chamber and wishes to be recorded as voting 'no'. Are there questions of the Affirmative Roll Call? Representative Schakowsky."

Schakowsky: "Representative Brunsvold?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Brunsvold. Representative
Brunsvold is in the back row."

Schakowsky: "Rep..."

Speaker Currie: "Just a minute. Representative Wyvetter Younge,

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for what reason do you rise? Representative Younge would like to be recorded as voting 'no'."

Schakowsky: "Representative Dunn?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative, wait just a minute.

Representative McGuire, you want to be verified?

Representative McGuire wants to be verified and so does

Representative Hartke. Do they have leave to be verified?

Representative Schakowsky?"

Schakowsky: "Representative Dunn?"

Speaker Currie: "Wait...first of all, Representative Hartke and Representative McGuire asks leave to be verified. Do they have leave? Good. Representative Dunn. Representative Dunn. Representative Dunn is in the rear of the chambers. Further questions?"

Schakowsky: "Representative Lou Jones?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Jones. Representative Jones. Is

Representative Jones in the chamber? Remove her from the
roll call."

Schakowsky: "Representative Davis?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Davis. Representative Davis. Is

Representative Davis in the chamber? Remove her from the
roll call."

Schakowsky: "Representative Rutherford?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Rutherford. He's at the left aisle."

Schakowsky: "Representative Olson?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Olson. Representative Olson. Is

Representative Olson in the chamber? Remove him from the
roll call. Further questions?"

Schakowsky: "Representative Pankau?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Pankau is just to the side of the well."

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Schakowsky: "Representative Shirley Jones?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Shirley Jones. She's in the center aisle at the back."

Schakowsky: "Representative Salvi?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Salvi. Representative Salvi. Is

Representative Salvi in the chamber? There he is at the
far back. Further questions? Further questions?"

Schakowsky: "Representative Weller?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Weller is recorded as not
 voting."

Schakowsky: "Representative Lopez?"

- Speaker Currie: "Representative Lopez. Representative Lopez.

 There he is. He's right at the front. Further questions?"

 Schakowsky: "No further questions."
- Speaker Currie: "On this Motion, there are 62 voting 'aye', 45 voting 'no'; and Senate Bill 230, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the Order of State Operations, Second Reading appears on page 48 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 481. Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 481 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Motions have been filed. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. On page 50 appears Senate Bill 1318. Clerk what is the status of that Bill? Representative Kotlarz."
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1318, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1427, Representative Hannig. What is the status of that Bill, Clerk. Representative Hannig. Is Representative Hannig in the

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- chamber? Take the Bill out of the record for the moment.

 Representative Black, for what reason do you rise?

 Representative Parke, for what reason do you rise?"
- Parke: "Just an inquiry of the Chair, Madam Speaker. I believe that I had an Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 481 and your records showed no Amendments and you moved that to third.

 Do we have a mix up or has it not been filed or what is the question?"
- Speaker Currie: "I will address that question to the Clerk.

 Thank you for bringing it to the Chair's attention.

 Representative Parke, the Clerk informs me that an Amendment was adopted in committee, is that the Amendment that you're concerned about?"
- Parke: "Madam Speaker, I thought it would be Floor Amendment 1."
- Speaker Currie: "Well it would have to be Amendment 2 if there was an Amendment adopted in committee. We'll continue checking."
- Parke: "We'll, we can check on it later. Thank you."
- Speaker Currie: "Senate Bill 1454, Representative Granberg. Out of the record. Representative Granberg are you prepared to proceed with Senate Bill 1455? Clerk what's the status of the Bill?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1455 has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1477, Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman, are you ready to proceed on Second Reading with Senate Bill 1477? Clerk what is the status of the Bill?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1477 has been read a second time previously. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee.

 No Motions have been filed. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1670, Representative

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- Monroe Flinn. Clerk what is the status of the Bill?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1670, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. And Senate Bill 1672,

 Representative Flinn. Clerk what is the status of the
 Bill?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1672 has also been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Government Administration, Second Reading, appears on page 20 of the Calendar. 3289, Representative Blagojevich. Representative Blagojevich, are you ready for this Bill? Out of the record? Out of the record. Representative Brunsvold, are you ready with House Bill 2528? Representative Brunsvold. Out of the record. How about Representative Brunsvold, how about 3050? Representative Brunsvold, House Bill 3050? Out of the record. Representative Dart, House Bill Out of the record. Representative Representative Dart. Edley, on House Bill 3040. Representative Edley? Out of the record. Representative Erwin, House Bill Representative Erwin. Out of the record. Representative Flowers on House Bill 3938. Representative Flowers. Out of the record. Representative Frias, how about House Bill Representative Frias. Representative Frias? House 3317. Bill 3317. Out of the record. Representative Hartke House Bill 2800. Representative Hartke. Out of the record. Representative Homer on House Bill 2817. Representative Homer. Is Representative Homer in the chamber? Out of the record. On Government Administration, Second Reading, on page 26 of the Calendar, Representative

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of coal use."

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- Lang are you ready with House Bill 3540? Out of the record. Representative Lopez how about House Bill 2807. Out of the record. Representative Lopez. Representative Bill 3649. Out of the McAfee. House Representative Morrow on House Bill 3950. Representative Morrow. Out of the record. Representative Phelps, House Bill 3213. Clerk, read the Bill or tell us its status."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3213, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Clerk, read the Bill."

"Representative Phelps."

- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3213, a Bill for an Act amending the Illinois Income Tax Act, Third Reading of this House Bill."
- Phelps: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This provision was on the Consent Calendar and as all the other Bills, they got knocked off and then it's over in the Senate in another form that is now amended to a Senate Bill but here we have a chance to...all it does extend beyond the sunset date the tax credits for coal equipment that we think will be valuable for future needs
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps moves passage of House Bill 3213 and on that Motion, Representative Black."
- Black: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Pursuant to Rule 10

 (e) I am joined by 7 of my colleagues and requesting this

 Bill be removed from short debate status and open for full

 debate."
- Speaker Currie: "One, two, three, four, five, 6, 7, 8, seeing 11 hands the Bill will be moved from short debate on to full debate. Is there any discussion on this Motion. Representative Skinner."

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Skinner: "I wonder if the Representative would outline for us what has been the loss to the state over the last 10 years and what have been the accomplishments of the research that has been financed by the subsidy that we have given this institute."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "There has been various technologies that have been researched to through funds that we provide through the coal bonds, and what this does is allow coal companies that want to invest or extend resources in the way of equipment that would be conducive to reduce high sulfur content to the atmosphere or other promising technologies that, as the fluoridized combustion equipment, that's on the horizon now and hopefully ready to retrofit. But what this does is they have been enjoying the tax credits for several years and that particular provision is sunsets in '95, this merely extends it beyond 2000---2005---2010. I don't have it in front of me right now but it's just beyond on the year 2000. This same tax credit is nothing new. nothing different because it can make a difference in whether...whether the coal technology or using high sulfur coal will continue or not."

Skinner: "Can you tell us how much the State of Illinois has issued in credits in the last ten years?"

Phelps: "I don't have the real dollar figures for you no, but it's...it's comparable to what we do for farm equipment in the way of sales tax. Just an incentive to keep the research alive and, hopefully, promising for a use of coal."

Skinner: "Back in the late 70's, I believe, or early 80's, there was a proposal to mix coal dust, pulverized coal with alcohol. Did anything become of that?"

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Phelps: "I think you are referring to possibly the gasification type of gasaholor conversion of coal to other forms of fuel, you mean? Those are all promising technologies and the E&R has a report that I think they give back to us that I can make that available for you Representative Skinner. I'm real sorry that I can't go into detail now but there are several promising. But I think they blew it out of combustion bed, technology is the most promising beyond are traditional scrubbers that right now is the very best even though it's expensive, Capitol Construction."

Skinner: "Well we certainly have a huge unused natural resource here."

Phelps: "Right."

Skinner: "And I suspect additional research is merited."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Tom Johnson."

Johnson, Tom: "Yes. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Johnson, Tom: "Representative, if you a...can you familiarize me a little bit? How long have these tax credits been in place. Currently? We are extending this I see out to 2005, right?"

Phelps: "Right."

Johnson, Tom: "How long have they been there?"

Phelps: "I think 10 years and possibly 10 years previous to that, so this is probably the 3rd, maybe 3rd extension, if I am correct."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay. During this 10 year period have there been any major accomplishments as a result of this, these tax credits and if so can you give me a couple of examples?"

Phelps: "I believe so, for example, just a month ago several Legislators down, deep downstate, attended the ground

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breaking ceremony for a demonstration project through that coal companies match federal grant dollars, such as Kerr McGee, and I believe it was Archer Midland through the tax credits that they've gained the last 10 years. Match that with federal money to build a demonstration project in the way of gastification type of technology down in the Carbondale, Carterville area. Just three or four weeks ago."

- Johnson, Tom: "So that was what a federal grant of x number of tax dollars and then the credit from us for x number, did they put any money into it?"
- Phelps: "Right. That is what I am saying, the coal companies such as Kerr McGee and Archer Midland that has enjoyed the tax credits, put money to match the federal grant, otherwise, we probably wouldn't have been able to do it just through state dollars."
- Johnson, Tom: "Okay. As I understand it then they are capable of using the tax credits in lieu of cash as a matching thing with the federal government."
- Phelps: "Well either way you want to explain it, what they would be paying into taxes we as a State Legislator have asked them to reserve some money for accessible matching grants."
- Johnson, Tom: "So you are saying Kerr McGee and Archer Daniels Midland..."
- Phelps: "That was just two that come to mind there were several other companies, other demonstration projects, such as the fluidized vat combustion, very promising."
- Johnson, Tom: "Are there any small companies using these that you are aware of? I just wonder about the usage, that's all."
- Phelps: "Right. I believe there will be use even at the SIU

 Carbondale steam plant that's going to use some of the

 technology through the tax credits that's come the last

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several years, so that generates power for the SIU facility."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Phelps moves passage of House Bill 3213. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Representative Hawkins, one minute to explain your vote. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this Motion, there are 115 voting 'yes', none voting 'no'. this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Saltsman. Representative Saltsman, are you ready on House Bill 3591? Out of the record. Representative Turner. Representative Turner, are you ready with House Bill 3174? Out of the record. Representative McAfee, are we ready? Representative McAfee is ready. We will return to page 28 of the Calendar, House Bill 3649. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3649, the Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee.

No Motion have been filed. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Cross."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Cross on Amendment 2. Out of the record. I'm sorry, withdraw the Amendment. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Dart."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dart."

Dart: "Withdraw #3."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Dart withdraws Amendment #3.

Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #4, offered by Representative

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- Cross."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Cross. Representative Cross withdraws Amendment #4. Further Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #5, offered by Representative McAfee."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee has leave to withdraw

 Amendment #5 and Amendment #5 is withdrawn. Further

 Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #6, offered by Representative McAfee."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee on Amendment 6."
- McAfee: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment has taken a long time to develop but it is basically the agreement between the State Bar Associations regarding the Street Gang Racketeering Act. This Bill clears up some concerns that they had raised and primarily deals with use immunity some definitional concerns. It also requires the court order for non consensual ease dropping in a street gang related event. And this language was drafted in part by the State Bar and the Attorney General's office."
- Speaker Currie: "Excuse me, Representative McAfee, could you hold for just a minute. Clerk, could you tell the Chair whether this Amendment has been printed and distributed?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Amendment is being distributed now."
- Speaker Currie: "So why don't we just be a ease for a couple of minutes while everyone has a chance to take a look at the Amendment. And when I say a minute or two I mean a minute or two. House is at ease for just a second and a half. Representative Biggins, for what reason do you rise?"
- Biggins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I sense a lot of excitement and interest today in the Members of this great General

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Assembly on both sides of the aisle. So maybe during this brief hiatus that we're taking you can look up a Republican Bill and we could fill some time with it. How does that sound? Everybody is excited, can't you just sense it building here."

Speaker Currie: "But this down time was so we could all read

Amendment 6 to House Bill 3649..."

Biggins: "Oh."

Speaker Currie: "And speed readers that we are, why don't we return now to Representative McAfee, to perhaps you'd start, perhaps you'd start would explanation over. Wait a minute, I'm sorry, the Clerk has said that the Amendment was then being distributed. Okay, we're checking. The Chair has been informed by the Clerk, the Chief Clerk, that indeed the Amendment was distributed, so...that it was under, in fact, the Republican Pages were so efficient that you couldn't find because other Amendments were on top. Representative McAfee, why don't you start at the beginning with your explanation."

McAfee: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #6 was prepared with the State Bar Association and the Attorney General's office. We had some definitional concerns but this placed in here, the use immunity provision with relation to criminal matters not before the grand jurys but at the time of the trial to be utilized. Also we had in there, changes that relate to the issue of forfeiture hearings which is a mile after the Narcotics Forfeiture Act, such that there would not be any forfeiture until 30 days after conviction. There was some other definitional changes as to the phrases: Consensual and conjoining."

Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee moves 'do adopt' on

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- Amendment 6 to House Bill 3649. And on that Motion, Representative Davis."
- Davis: "Well, I have been talking to the Sponsor of the Bill and we haven't come up with a real clear answer. But the question is, would this legislation prevent a serial killer from profiting or his estate profiting?"
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee."
- McAfee: "Monique, it's my understanding this Bill specifically deals with street gang racketeering. My understanding there are also laws on the books that that presently relates to the Attorney General proceedings."
- Davis: "Hold it, hold it. I understand what you are saying, this does not deal with serial killers making a profit. Does it deal with those people who kill their parents making a profit?"
- McAfee: "This Bill only relates to street gang racketeering and any sort of profits obtained by that type of action."
- Davis: "It would appear...to the Bill, Madam Speaker. It would appear..."
- Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."
- Davis: "It would appear that we would be attempting to stop all criminals from making a profit, not just street gang members but all criminals, who are committed of a felony should not be able to sell books, paintings and so forth. They shouldn't be allowed to make a profit, not just street gang members. Right, Representative?"
- Speaker Currie: "You were speaking to the Bill, Representative Davis. Are you finished?"
- Davis: "Excuse me. I would just like to say, I realize that street gang members should not be allowed to make a profit but nor should serial killers, nor should children who kill their parents. You know we shouldn't single out just

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street gang members because their crimes are just as infamous as those others I've named."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Wennlund: "Representative McAfee, the Amendment that I finally got, appears to add two offenses to a definition of a forceful felony, so that a forceful felony would even include a simple home invasion, even though there was no burglary or even if the person adds those to the definition of forceful felony, and there, by would increase the penalty for the normal home invasion. Which I think it is a minimum of four years now, isn't it?"

McAfee: "It is a Class X felony as I am advised."

Wennlund: "Pardon."

McAfee: "Class X felony as I am advised, on home invasion."

Wennlund: "Okay. Six years."

McAfee: "Yes."

Wennlund: "And as I read the Amendment, all it does is it provides that the State's Attorney can apply to the court for a grant of immunity to a street gang member that will testify in a court criminal proceeding rather than just a civil proceeding."

McAfee: "Only because it's not a civil proceeding."

Wennlund: "Is that correct.?"

McAfee: "That is correct."

Wennlund: "That's all that I see that it does. Is there something else that I missed after listening to the last speaker?"

McAfee: "No we're talking about youth immunity and also talking about forfeiture proceedings."

Wennlund: "Can you tell me where the forfeiture proceedings..."

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McAfee: "And also, and also, and also, interceptions of conversations for purposes of street gang activity."

Wennlund: "I see that but I don't see anything about forfeiture, can you tell me where that is?"

McAfee: "In forfeiture, Mr. Wennlund, I think it's in starting with Section 20, line 137 on page 4."

Wennlund: "But I don't see any changes."

McAfee: "From 5 to 6, no."

Wennlund: "There is no change is in relation to forfeiture."

McFee: "The change is that we have forfeiture upon conviction, not upon initial preliminary hearing."

Wennlund: "And where is that at?"

McAfee: "Section 20, line 137."

Wennlund: "Line what? I see no change at all there."

McAfee: "It's a whole new Act, Representative. I'm not sure that

I understand what you're suggesting. You might...it's a

new Act from 5 to 6."

Wennlund: "So you are saying that Section 30 is all new and Section 35?"

McAfee: "It's a new Act."

Wennlund: "So you're saying that Section 30 is all new and Section 35?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee, are you still answering Representative Wennlund's question?"

McAfee: "I believe I've already answered the question."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I...it was my understanding that this is the existing section, those aren't new sections."

McAfee: "It is a new section it's a new act, Larry. All I am suggesting to you is Amendment 5 to 6 we added two new sections. One dealing with use of unity and one dealing

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with eavesdropping."

Wennlund: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Cross."

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

Speaker Currie: "He will."

Cross: "Representative, it appears and I think I have heard this is a new Act just with the area of gang activity. Is that correct?"

McAfee: "It's a new Act."

Cross: "The areas with respect to the penalties and forfeiture, the hearings, the release of property, the seizure and the sale of the forfeiture property. Are they comparable to the language we already have in the drug, the Narcotics Forfeiture Act?"

McAfee: "Yes."

Cross: "Where was the conflict that the bar association had?"

McAfee: "We wanted to make sure that the forfeiture came in 30 days after conviction. And so far as that occurs that is new for this Act."

Cross: "And in the Narcotics Act, is there...is that the same procedure? I didn't know you had to wait 30 days after the conviction."

McAfee: "It's my understanding that you can have preliminary hearings at this point in time."

Cross: "I know you can have preliminary hearings but I just wanted to make sure that we are in sinc here with the narcotics section and we're not setting ourselves up to have conflict with a narcotics case and along with street gang activity."

McAfee: "The analysis that the state bar and the Attorney General's office provided me was that it was suppose to be patterned after the Narcotics Forfeiture Act. But they

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- wanted to make sure that there was going to be 30 days after conviction before any forfeiture could occur and that is why we put in the Act."
- Cross: "Okay. I'm not trying to...I think the Bill is good, I just wanted to make sure that we're not into conflict with those existing forfeiture language."
- McAfee: "It is my understanding is that they are two separate Act, obviously, but they drafted it so it would not be in conflict."
- Cross: "Okay. Thank you very much."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee moves adoption of Amendment 6 to House Bill 3649. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3649, a Bill for an Act in relation to organized gang activities. Third Reading of this House Bill."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative McAfee moves passage of House Bill 3649. And on that Motion, all in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Motion, there are 108 voting 'aye', 5 voting 'no'. And this Bill, received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Homer I see you are back in the chamber. On Government Administrations, Second Reading, we came to House Bill 2817. Are you prepared to proceed with that Bill? Representative Homer. Out of the record. Representative Blagojevich are you ready on 3289? Representative...on Government Administration, Second Reading, House Bill 3289. Clerk what is the status of the

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- Bill?"
- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3289, the Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Speaker Madigan."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Dart on Representative Madigan's Amendment."
- Dart: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Amendment #1 is the police protection Amendment. I move for it's adoption."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Dart moves adoption of Amendment

 1 to House Bill 3289. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed,
 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Are
 there further Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Cross."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Cross asks leave to withdraw Amendment 2, leave is granted. Further Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative
 Andrea Moore."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Andrea Moore. Representative Moore. Withdraw, leave is granted. The Amendment is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"
- Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments."
- Speaker Currie: "Third Reading. Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 3289, a Bill for an Act amending the Criminal Code of 1961. Third Reading of this House Bill."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Blagojevich."
- Blagojevich: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3289 is a House Bill that passed out of the House last year 114 to nothing to 1 'present'. It was changed in the Senate and returned here in a form that I didn't recognize. What is does, very briefly is, it creates a safety zone around a school whereby a person who

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distributes pornography can not do so within 1000 feet of a school. And I would ask your favorable vote. It's my judgment that only an extreme civil liberation or the pornographic lobby would oppose this legislation."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Blagojevich moves passage of House Bill 3289. And on that Motion, Representative Dart."

Dart: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield? You were talking about the pornographic lobby did you talk with them, at all, about this Bill?"

Blagojevich: "No. I...any overtures that they made I shunned those."

Dart: "Okay. And as far as the civil liberations, their on board with this now?"

Blagojevich: "No, they're not. In fact the ACLU opposes this."

Dart: "All right. Wow. A Bill of yours?"

Blagojevich: "Yes. Does that surprise you?"

Dart: "Yes it does, actually."

Blagojevich: "Tell me why, exercise your First Amendment right to free speech and explain why that surprises you."

Dart: "You know that, I take that back, nothing that you Sponsor surprises me anymore."

Blagojevich: "I look forward a 'yes' vote from you."

Dart: "Oh you got it. No further questions."

Speaker Currie: "I'm sorry. Representative Cross."

Cross: "Yes, thank you, Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Cross: "Representative, if I'm not mistaken, a Mr. Senator lobbied at one time for the pornographic lobbing group, do you recall talking to him about this Bill?"

Blagojevich: "No. In fact, I choose specifically not to mention this Bill to him because I don't think he would agree with me on this particular Bill."

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Cross: "You have mentioned in this Bill or used the definition of harmful material. Can you explain to us what you mean by harmful material?"

"Harmful materials, is defined in the same way that Blagojevich: it's presently defined in the statute, which is based on constitutional law, which has to do with prurient interest and so forth. I can't give it to you off the top of my head but it's the existing law right now. So we're not changing anything about the definition of harmful materials. But it is intended to go after pornographic materials and what it really is intended to do and I'll just give you a quick little background. It's a Bill, there is nothing special to this Bill, the genesis of this Bill is as follows: My wife came home one day and said, you know I'm sick and tried of going to that 7-11 by Gordon Tech High School where my parents live because everytime I go there, I have to subject myself to all of this disgusting pornography that is right there on display for the whole world to see. I think it's disrespectful to women, my wife told me, and I think it's very harmful to children. What kind of message are we sending to high school kids, who go there to buy candy and see this kind of display, which again, if for no other reason, is disrespectful to women. So that is the genesis my simple little Bill and I certainly hope, Representative Cross, you can find a way to support it."

Cross: "Representative, the language for harmful material, would that be the same as found in the obscenity statute, where we talk about a local standard?"

Blagojevich: "Yes."

Cross: "Thank you very much."

Blagojevich: "Thank you."

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Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know, I was a little leery about this 1000 feet requirement, but the more I get to thinking about this Bill, the more I like it and I'll tell you why. It's about time some of these libraries cleaned out all of, I'm talking about school libraries, cleaned out some of their own books and got them the hell out of those school libraries and they will...would be liable for under this criminal statute and they ought to be, it's about time, I think it is a good idea, Representative."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Tom Johnson."

Johnson, Tom: "Yes. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "He indicates he will."

Johnson, Tom: "Representative, there are no Amendments on this

Bill now except it's just your underlying Bill?"

Blagojevich: "I believe the Police Amendment, that we have seen before, is on this Bill."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay. I just wanted to be sure that that was on this because..."

Blagojevich: "Let me hasten that, I welcome the Amendment on this Bill."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay, that's very good. The movie producers of Illinois are they in favor of this Amendment? The movie producers, the movie industry."

Blagojevich: "I haven't heard anything from them, one way or the other."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay. I applaud you on this Bill, Representative and thank you. However, I do believe that at some point we...and to the Bill here we do need to redefine what is harmful material in this state, because currently are

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statutes are not current with the Supreme Court rulings, the U. S. Supreme Court rulings. We'll have to update that, we have to put Bills into that effect to no avail. Our Bills have not been called, I wish you would had included it in this but, I congratulate you on this. Thank you."

- Speaker Currie: "Representative Blagojevich moves passage of House Bill 3289. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Representative Steczo, one minute to explain your vote. No, wrong. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Motion, there are 109 voting 'aye', none voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is declared passed. On the Order of Government Programs, Third Reading, appears on page 41, House Bill 2570. Representative Leitch. Are you ready for this Bill, Representative? Clerk, read the Bill."
- Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2570, a Bill for an Act to amend the Joliet-Marquette Trail Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

 Speaker Currie: "Representative Leitch."
- Leitch: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill went through committee unanimously, it simply permits the Illinois Department of Transportation to put up what are called river road plaques celebrating the road, the course way of the Voyageurs from about Joliet to Grafton. And I would appreciate a favorable roll call."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Leitch moves passage of House Bill 2570. And on that Motion, Representative Hartke."
- Hartke: "Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I have no objection to this piece of legislation. But I might remind the Body that we did put this on a Senate Bill, Senate Bill 1297,

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- Representative Hughes Bill but we can vote for it anyway."
- Speaker Currie: "Representative Leitch moves passage of House
 Bill 2570. And on that Motion, all...excuse me,
 Representative Blagojevich. Representative Blagojevich do
 you wish to contribute to this conversation?"
- Blagojevich: "Oh no, I'm sorry, I got the left over from the last Bill."
- Speaker Currie: "All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'.

 Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Motion, there are 111 voting 'aye', none voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Flowers in the Chair.."
- Speaker Flowers: "On the Order of Third Reading, Human Services,
 Representative Currie on House Bill 3359. Read the Bill,
 Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 3359, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, Third Reading of this House Bill."
- Speaker Flowers: "Representative Currie on the Bill."
- Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a proposal from the Citizens Council on Women and it merely provides within the Department of Public Health to the extent that funding is available. There will be a staff person to handle women's health issues for the department, the measure also sets the qualifications and requirements of the individual who might hold that post. I know of no opposition to the Bill, and this is really a clarification of the duties of the person who already holds that position in the department, and I would appreciate your support for the measure."

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Speaker Flowers: "The Lady moves for the passage of House Bill 3359. On that, Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker Flowers: "Yes, she will."

Wennlund: "The Department of Public Health is not opposed to this
Bill? And I assume that by looking at the language, it's
only to the extent that funds are available that they would
hire a staff person to identify issues."

Currie: "Right. They currently have, they currently have a staff person and this just provides, currently there is a staffer in the Department of Public Health whose special responsibility is women's health issues. What this measure does is to further clarify what responsibilities, and activities might be within the preview of that office and to the extent that any of these responsibilities are larger than those already assumed by that individual. There would be no requirement to meet those responsibilities unless, until further funds were available."

Wennlund: "Does this staff person have to be a woman?"

Currie: "Pardon me."

Wennlund: "Does this staff person have to be a woman?"

Currie: "No."

Wennlund: "It does not. Is it now?"

Currie: "I believe that the person currently handling that responsibility is a woman, but there is no requirement in statute or otherwise to say that that would always be true."

Wennlund: "And this doesn't change existing law with respect to gender?"

Currie: "Absolutely neutral with respect to gender."

Wennlund: "Absolutely neutral. Okay. Thank you very much. I think it is a good idea."

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Currie: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Krause."

Krause: "Thank you, Speaker. On the position, the current position, that is...there is someone that currently holds the position and do you feel that that person, who also would qualify now for the functions that are listed for the staff person.'

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Currie."

Currie: "Yes. And the department, as far as I know, is fully supportive of this legislation."

Krause: "Okay. And what merely the legislation does is to identify again the specific functions that the person would be required to perform, and also it is only based if there are funds that would be available?"

Currie: "Absolutely right."

Krause: "Okay. And there is no opposition to this, as well as the Department of Public Health, in fact, does not oppose it?"

Currie: "Exactly."

Krause: "Okay. Thank you."

Currie: "Thank you."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Brady."

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

Speaker Flowers: "She indicates that she will."

Brady: "Representative, I'm just reading the analysis, but you're calling for the qualifications that a staff person on women's health initiative."

Currie: "Yes."

Brady: "Which I fully applaud and I think what you're saying that what this does is, codify what the department is presently doing?"

Currie: "I'm sorry, I can not hear you."

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Brady: "You're saying that this codifies what the department is presently doing?"

Currie: "It's, it's...it is really a clarification of what the department is doing and it seemed to the members of the citizens council and as well as to me, that is was a good idea for us to establish the policy that this office ought to serve through statute, through legislation."

Brady: "Is there a like office for men's health?"

Currie: "There is an individual who currently holds this position within the department."

Brady: "So you are talking about women's health, right?"

Currie: "Women's health, a women's health advocate within the Illinois Department of Public Health, yes."

Brady: "How about like men's health?"

Currie: "I don't know about that, Representative. And if you see

a gap in the law I would welcome your introduction of a

measure to correct it."

Brady: "Well, I didn't study the law, as you did. And I just wondered if there's was any reason, if you could qualify for me, we had some sort of discriminatory statute that allowed for qualifications for men's health, but nothing for women's health, or now we are we going to qualify women's health, but not men's health."

Currie: "Representative this measure is indeed directed at some women's health needs that have gone unnoticed and unresponded to not only in this state but across the country. And if you see gaps in the legislation I am proposing you are welcome to introduce a Bill of your own."

Brady: "To the Bill. I applaud your effort for trying to define it and I just wish we could cover the whole scope of gender in the whole area."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Ryder."

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

Speaker Flowers: "Yes, she will."

Ryder: "Representative, is this your first Bill?"

Currie: "This is my first Bill for a long time. Days and days it seems weeks and weeks."

Ryder: "Representative, if you think it has been a long time for you, let me tell you, it has been a lot longer for some of the rest of us over here. Now what was the source of this Bill?"

Currie: "The Bipartisan Citizens Council on Women."

Ryder: "That's part of the citizens assembly?"

Currie: "Yes, it is."

Ryder: "Right. And it amends the administrative code?"

Currie: "Yes, indeed."

Ryder: "The Department of Public Health, I apologize if these are repetitive, because, frankly, the Chair is unable to control the House and as a result I was unable to hear any of your responses."

Speaker Flowers: "Excuse me, excuse me. Please, may we please have some order in this House? Thank you."

Ryder: "Representative, I notice in the analysis that we have, and also the caption on the Bill, that it talks about the Department of Public Health, even though it talks...amends the Administrative Code, the Department of Public Health appears to be the responsible party for the actions that you wish to take place."

Currie: "You read that accurately."

Ryder: "Thank you. As a result I'm wondering if the Department of Public Health has expressed to you their position on the Bill?"

Currie: "My understanding is that the department supports the Bill."

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Ryder: "Do they support it, do they not have any problems with it, or are they neutral, or do we know?"

Currie: "You know it was a long time ago that this Bill was heard in committee, but they surely had no problems with the Bill and I have heard nothing from them to suggest anything but support."

Ryder: "You have to stay in contact with these folks."

Currie: "Well, yes right."

Ryder: "Decisions change on a split second time table. But you indicate that you have no...and I'm certain that the liaison would talk to you."

Currie: "I am sure and, in fact, the minority spokesperson on the committee, that heard this Bill, reported to this chamber that the department did not oppose the Bill."

Ryder: "Well, I certainly believe that, that person is an honorable person."

Currie: "And if you had only been listening, you could have..."

Ryder: "Right. In effect, in effect what...in effect what you're
 doing is codifying what's already being done. Is that
 correct?"

Currie: "Actually and clarifying to establish precisely what public policy purpose we think should be served by a woman's health expert in our state Department of Public Health."

Ryder: "Representative, again the Chair obviously can't control the House, I didn't hear the last part of that clarification."

Speaker Flowers: "Excuse me, excuse me, may we please have some order in this House? Please. Would you please lower your voices?"

Ryder: "Speaker, my voice is about as low as it can go."

Speaker Flowers: "Not yours Representative Ryder. May we please

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have some order in the House? Proceed."

Currie: "Codification, Representative, but also clarification we think it's important that the statute identify the public policies that we think are important to operate through this office in the Department of Public Health, and we work cooperatively with the department in trying to establish what those should be."

Ryder: "Representative, my records show that this Bill was heard by the Health Care and Human Services Committee?"

Currie: "That's right."

Ryder: "And my records also show that you had a fairly difficult time getting that Bill out of the committee?"

Currie: "By the skin of its teeth, right."

Ryder: "Yes. And do you happen to recall who made the Motion to adopt this Bill? And the Amendment there too?"

Currie: "I don't...my records don't tell me and my recollection is faulty, I don't remember."

Ryder: "Representative, faulty, I don't remember that person."

Currie: "Representative what?"

Ryder: "Representative faulty, I don't...no, I don't remember
that person."

Currie: "My recollection is missing, faulty."

Ryder: "Well I am offended."

Currie: "Would it have been Representative Ryder, who might have..."

Ryder: "My records show that no only did Representative Ryder move. Yes I would like some order for this absolutely.

Not only was it supported by Representative Ryder, but Representative Roskam seconded the Motion on a Currie Bill."

Currie: "All right."

Ryder: "Either a moment of weakness or one of confusion, I'm not

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sure which. Speaker, thank you for the time."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Wojcik on the Bill."

Wojcik: "Sit down. Well, I'm glad to see that some of the Gentlemen are going to come on board because as you know there's been a couple of piece of legislation that I have put forth also that this area will certainly cover such as osteoporosis. And for the men in the House they can realize that does attack men, also. So this is not a frivolous Bill, this is a great Bill and it's both for men and women."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Skinner, on the Bill."

Skinner: "Well, having been assured it's not a frivolous Bill.

I'm wondering if this is the person that I should call to
ask why the Ragsdale Decision hasn't been implemented. You
remember the abortion clinic decision in Rockford?"

Currie: "Representative, that has nothing to do with this Bill.

So if you have a problem with the Department of Public

Health, why don't you deal directly with them."

Skinner: "Well it says, my analysis says, adds to the functions of a staff person the following, and the first one is, identify issues that affect women's health. Abortion would seem to identify...would seem to affect women's health in one way or another. And so far, the Department of Public Health has refused to even count abortions which is part of the consent degree. Would this be the person I would go to make that complaint to?"

Currie: "Representative, I think you'd go to the general council in the department."

Skinner: "But that's a woman, too."

Currie: "I know."

Skinner: "Maybe we don't need..."

Currie: "Representative, I don't see the relevance of the last

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comment and if you have some other issue you want to address perhaps you could address it somewhere other than on a Motion to pass House Bill 3359."

Skinner: "I'm sorry, Representative. The noise level was so loud because of the excellent...the excellent."

Speaker Flowers: "Excuse me, Representative Skinner, would you please confine your remarks to the specifics of the Bill, please?"

Skinner: "I didn't hear the answer. I'd just like to hear whatever the answer was."

Speaker Flowers: "Would you..."

Skinner: "Maybe she could just repeat it."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Skinner would you please confine your remarks to the specifics of the Bill? Thank you."

Skinner: "Excuse me. Did she answer my question or not?"

Speaker Flowers: "Yes, she did."

Skinner: "Well what was the answer?"

Currie: "I suggested that you talk the general council of the department, you said that that person happened to be a woman and I didn't see the relevance of that remark and I certainly don't see the relevance of that remark to the substance of House Bill 3359."

Skinner: "Well having declared this male irrelevant, I would yield the Floor."

Speaker Flowers: "The Lady moves for the...Representative Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a straight forward proposition clarifying and codifying the public policy behind the appointment of a woman's health advocate within the Illinois Department of Public Health. I would appreciate your support for this measure, and I move passage of the Bill."

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Speaker Flowers: "The Lady moves for the passage of House Bill All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted? Have all voted? The Clerk ... Representative Laurino would like recorded as voting 'aye'. Representative Deering would like to be recorded as voting 'aye'. Have all voted? Representative Turner would like to be recorded as voting 'aye'. Have all voted? Have all voted who wish? Clerk shall take the record. On this Bill, 115 voting This Bill. having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. We would like to welcome Cook County Clerk, David Orr, to the House of Representatives. Welcome Mr. Clerk. On the Order of State Operations, Second Reading, we have Senate Bill 1454, Representative Granberg? I'm sorry, Mr. Clerk, on the Order of State Operations, Second Reading, Senate Bill 1427, Representative Hannig. On the Bill, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1427, has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Flowers: "Floor Amendments?"

Clerk McLennand: "No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Flowers: "Third Reading."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1427, a Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Drainage Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Mr. Clerk, out of the record? On the Order of Government Administration. Third Reading. have Representative Lou Jones on House Bill 4090. Representative Lou Jones on House Bill 4090. Out of the record. House Bill 3297, Representative Ben Martinez. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 3297, has...a Bill for an Act to

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amend the School Code. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Martinez, on the Bill."

Martinez: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to take this out of the record for the time being."

Speaker Flowers: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Representative Moseley on House Bill 2805. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "House Bill 2805, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Fair Act. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Moseley, on the Bill."

Moseley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly. This Bill, quite frankly, is in response to some constituents in my district who feel that they have been unfairly treated when it comes to space at the state fair fairgrounds. If anyone is familiar with the fairgrounds, we have one of the largest complexes of horse stalls in the state and because of that we have several horse shows that come throughout the season, not just during the week or two in August that we have the state fair. We have put a lot of state funds into maintaining these buildings and to building these buildings. although we have created legislation in the past year to make this state fair self sustaining we have to realize that much of the commitment for the state fair has come from state coffers, from state taxpayers. This legislation is simply to give priority to Illinois state horseowners and breeders, when it comes to getting space at the State Fairgrounds for horse shows. Ιt will be mentioned the opposition from the Department of Agriculture stems from the fact that they feel this kind of priority should not be in statute. They would prefer it to be left up to the State Board Advisory Council but I contend that in recent history that we have had a series of state fair managers

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that have usually laid a deaf ear to the complaints that have arisen about them. And have, in fact, been protected various political parties and by the Governor themselves. Not necessarily just the most recent Governor but Governors in the past have tended to to protect the state fair manager when these kinds of complaints are made So I feel that it is necessary to put this against them. kind of language in the statute so that we can promote horse breeding and horse showing as the true industry that it is in this state, as a true agricultural industry. And I ask for your favorable consideration."

Speaker Flowers: "The Lady moves for the passage of House Bill 2805. On that, Representative Black."

Black: "Oh, excuse me, Madam Speaker. Everytime this Bill comes up I get the sudden desire to run back to my office and have a bowl of oats. But be that as it may before I leave, pursuant to Rule 10 (e) and I am joined by 7 of my horse loving colleagues, want to take this Bill off of short debate and open this Bill, which I think, this Bill could hold the future of the State of Illinois, Madam Speaker, right in its hand, I want a full debate on this Bill. So pursuant to Rule 10 (e) I so request."

Speaker Flowers: "Representative Black?"

Black: "Yes."

Speaker Flowers: "I did not see 7 Members."

Black: "Oh look at them, look at them, look at them. Why
Representative Wennlund is here pawing at the ground, he
can't wait to speak on this Bill."

Speaker Flowers: "The Bill is off short debate. Representative Black, Representative Black. Representative Black the Bill is off short debate, would you now like to address the Bill? Representative Black, on the Bill."

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

Speaker Flowers: "Yes, she will."

Black: "Representative, how many horses are we talking about here?"

Moseley: "How many horses in the State of Illinois?"

Black: "Well, how many of them would we give priority to?"

Moseley: "All of them that are in the State of Illinois."

Black: "What if we give ... "

Moseley: "When they come into conflict, with out-of-state horses, not within each other, we're not going to give a number system of priority."

Black: "What about if we have like the solid gold futurity or something where you have lots of horses, like a big, big horse show and we don't have room for all the horses?"

Moseley: "Well, in the past, we've only been able to book horses, horse shows, that we've had room for, this would not change that in anyway."

Black: "Well, what about during the state fair, I think they have horse racing, harness racing and if some breeder from our neighboring state of Indiana wanted to bring in several horses to run during the state fair and all of a sudden he didn't...there weren't enough stall spaces, my fear is that then is he just won't show up. I mean he isn't going to bring two of his horses and leave, you know, leave 8 on the State House lawn, I'm sure that's against the law anyway."

Moseley: "I think it is, he might be able to take them over to Danville."

Black: "Maybe we could amend this Bill."

Moseley: "But I don't think he could them there."

Black: "Maybe we could amend this Bill."

Moseley: "I would be very happy to amend this Bill and possibly

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- to work with it, as a matter of fact, I have talked to the Department of Agriculture about amending it somewhat but I feel that since it is on..."
- Speaker Flowers: "Excuse me, Representative Moseley.

 Representative Currie in the Chair."
- Moseley: "I really wanted to make the impression here that we are giving a priority to an Illinois industry when it is using Illinois state property that is paid for by Illinois taxpayers."
- Black: "Well, and that's...probably phrased very well and probably a good intention, but your earlier remark caught my attention. Do we really want to put this in statute and tie the hands of those who may bring in...you know, there is no money like Indiana money, that's my motto. I love these out of state..."
- Moseley: "Given your location I can understand that."
- Black: "I love these out of state owners to bring in these horses and pay whatever fees and, you know, buy their horse food and all that stuff here in Illinois."
- Moseley: "I couldn't agree with you more, Representative Black,
 but when it comes to inconvencing Illinois horseowners and
 taxpayers at the expense of bringing in Indiana horseowners
 and money, I feel that we should give the priority to our
 own people."
- Black: "The Bill's title says that Illinois fairs, is your intent that this priority be extended to all county fairs and traveling..."
- Moseley: "No. No, Representative, the statute that it deals with is specifically targeted at the Illinois State Fair and the DuOuoin State Fair."
- Black: "You know what do we do in a case and there are cases like this one, when rooms are in short supply, even for

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Legislators. My former roommate, Representative Weaver, I'll even use his name in debate, he is known throughout the State of Illinois for being able to find the cheapest motel room in Springfield while he is here on state business. And if rooms really become hard to get he would probably take a stall out at the state fair for the right price. Now does this mean that an Illinois horse could bump Representative Weaver out of the stall?"

- Moseley: "No. Representative, if he brought his horse with him, he would be given priority."
- Black: "But he does have a horse, as I recall, I think the same parley."
- Moseley: "If he brought the horse with him he could get one of those stalls and be given priority. Under this Legislation but not as it currently exists in law."

Black: "Well, all right."

Moseley: "Currently he could be bumped by an Indiana horseowner."

Black: "Well that...that concerns me and I'm sure it does him as well. Well, thank you, Representative, I appreciate your patience. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is one of those Bills that, you know, I've read My Friend Flicka, and I used to watch Black Beauty on television, or read Black Beauty and watch My Friend Flicka, I don't know it gets confusing. But it's...at this late...what?...Mr. Ed, yes, Mr. Ed. Was Mr. Ed an Illinois horse? I can't remember. But at this late stage in the process when the called adjournment date is the 27th, I can't remember what it is now, we've changed the rule four or five times. I just really wonder, even though the Majority Leader spoke most eloquently on this Bill some time ago. I really wonder if this is what we want to be doing at this stage in the process but you live here and you may know more about

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horses than I do, but we'll see what happens. Thank you very much."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Wirsing."
Wirsing: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Members of the House.

guess I need to speak just simply to the Bill and not ask My concern is that this is a piece questions. Legislation that's trying to run the state fair on its daily operations and I don't believe that's the job of this Legislator to create laws that take away the management of our Illinois State Fair. Take that away from the manager of the State Fair and those people who orchestrate and spend their time and making sure that the state fairgrounds consistently and constantly generate having the stables full, if you will. Having been one who has been involved in from the advent of showing at fairs I certainly understand the concern of the Sponsor and those who wanted this Bill about that kind of protection. But at the same time, I understand and recognize that the viability of a strong state fair has to be that there are not those kind of restrictions. Because a state fair does not function. or survive solely on residents being involved from the state, from that particular state, whether it be Illinois, Wisconsin, or whatever state fair. I restrictive measure to management of our state fair. As was indicated in some earlier debate, what is next, it's Illinois hogs, Illinois rabbits, it's Illinois whatever? And I think with that, in a very serious need to take that into consideration. restriction on the daily operations of managing the fair to the best ability of those people who are put in charge of doing that. And for that reason I support a 'no' vote on this piece of legislation."

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Speaker Currie: "Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the This Bill is about as ridiculous as being here House. voting on House Bills on the Order of Third Reading after the Senate deadline, long after the Senate deadline. The Bill is blatantly unconstitutional. If we can't priorities to Illinois garbage, in Illinois landfills because the Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court says we can't, we cannot give priority for Illinois horses in Illinois barns, and Illinois horse shows, and Illinois State Fairgrounds. Ιt is blatantly unconstitutional. It is as dumb as being here, but you know what, it is almost as dumb as putting up a statute to lawyers and to farmers standing next to each other, they could have their hands in each others pockets, because they're both pretty good at that. But this is about the dumbest thing that you could ever vote on, it is as dumb as being here and you ought to vote 'no'."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Moseley to close."

Moseley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just like to rectify one comment that was made previously in debate. The reason we can't put a priority on Illinois garbage and Illinois landfills is because they are not tax supported. This is an endeavor that the state fairgrounds was built with taxpayer money. There has been a lot of comments and debate made about the state fair itself. The majority of these horse shows happen not during the state fair but during the rest of the year. When we use the state fair to attract citizens and residents from the area to go see a fine number of horse shows that we have in this state. It has been mentioned that we should leave this up to the state fair managers themselves. We have in this area known

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for a long time that the state fair managers have very deaf ears when it comes to complaints and have turned their backs on an industry, the horse breeders industry in an effort to bring in breeders from out of Illinois. This has been hurting industry in Illinois. an industry that I have very strongly in my district, I have a lot of horse breeders in Menard County, I have in Cass, I have some in Sangamon. It is important because there are horse breeders throughout Illinois and we need to keep this agricultural industry as strong as we are to do with the rest of our agricultural industries in this state. I would contend that this Bill only gives us priority for these people, it doesn't make it mandatory that they alone would be allowed to have the space. gives them a priority when they come head to head against an out of state show, which should be being taxpaying citizens of the State of Illinois. contend that it's not a frivolous piece of legislation because I have a great number of people that are very concerned about this issue, just as people are concerned about noise pollution, just as people are concerned about...about landfills, just as they're concerned about issues that we bring before this General any number of Assembly. I have a number of people that are concerned about this issue. I ask for your favorable consideration. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Moseley moves passage of House Bill 2805. And on that question, 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? Representative Harold Murphy...no. Okay. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will

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take the record. On this Motion, there are 64...65 voting 'aye', 45 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the required Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared Representative McPike now moves that allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House stands adjourned until the hour of noon tomorrow, Wednesday, May 25th. in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, this House now stands adjourned."

Clerk McLennand: "House Perfunctory Session shall be in order. Second Reading of Senate Bills for the purpose of them on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 1125, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code of 1961. 138, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. Senate Bill 1146, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code. Senate Bill 1149, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code and State Mandates 1153, a Bill for an Act to amend the Act. Senate Bill Criminal Code of 1961. Senate Bill 1159, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Senate Bill 1172, a Bill for an Act to amend the Public Utilities Act. 1191, a Bill for an Act to amend the Property Tax Code. Senate Bill 1221, a Bill for an Act to amend the Crime Victims Compensation Act. Senate Bill 1228, a Bill for an Act to amend the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act. Senate Bill 1232, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Senate Bill 1233, a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. Senate Bill 1251, a Bill for an Act the Snowmobile Registration and Safety Act. Senate Bill 1253, a Bill for an Act in relation to the offenses of hate crime and institutional vandalism. Senate Bill 1279, a Bill for an Act in relation to truth in

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Clerk McLennand: "Being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will be adjourned and the House will reconvene on Wednesday, May 25th at the hour of 12:00 noon."

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