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Speaker McPike: "The House will come to order. The Chaplain for today is Reverend Loren Gene Southard of the Mesodonian Baptist Church in Casey, Illinois. Reverend Southard is the guest of Representative Noland. The guests in the balcony may wish to rise and join us for the invocation."

Reverend Loren Southard: "Our Heavenly Father, Lord, as we humbly bow our heads and our hearts before you this hour, thanking You Father for this beautiful day that You have supplied for us to enjoy, and we thank You, Father, for the privilege of being here with our state's leaders today. Father, we know Your word tells us to honor, obey, and to pray for our state and country leaders, and Father, we ask You today to give them wisdom, understanding, and a devine knowledge, Father, of what You have them to do. And Father we ask all of this in Your holy name, Amen. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "We will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Wyvetter Younge."

Younge - 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 Representatives Cowlshaw, McAuliffe and Wojcik are excused today."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Representative Kaszak is excused this afternoon."

Speaker McPike: "Take the record. Take the record. One hundred thirteen Members answering the Roll Call, a quorum is present. Page 5 of the Calendar under Conference Committee

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Reports, appears House Bill 246. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move the House 'do adopt' the First Conference Committee Report on House Bill 246. We passed in the Spring Session, legislation providing the opportunity for parents who are facing death or long-term hospitalization, to appoint standby and short-term guardians so that decision can be made before a parent does die. This language in House Bill 246...Conference Committee Report, is cleanup language recommended by both the Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association just intending to clarify and to create opportunity for forms and clarity in of the law. I know of no opposition, and would appreciate your support for the Motion."

Speaker McPike: "And on that, Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the Conference Committee Report. This legislation was initially in front of the Judiciary Committee. The Sponsor worked on it very hard with the Bar Association and it is cleanup language and I would recommend an 'aye' vote."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Biggert."

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

Speaker McPike: "Yes, she will."

Biggert: "I know that your group has worked very hard on this. There was one question that I would like to clarify for the legislative intent, and that is, there has been some concern that for the short-term guardian. That this could be used for someone to send their child to another school of their choice when they're not in that district? Is that correct?"

Currie: "The answer is that there is already, in Illinois School Law, language that says that temporary transfer of custody

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by guardianship or in any other fashion will not be as sufficient to establish residence for school attendance purposes. So, in my view, this does not...this language would not change that prohibition of...that right now says you can't change school residence by virtue of appointing a guardian or transferring custody."

Biggert: "If this were to come up in the future, would you be willing then to write this into the law at a later time?"

Currie: "Absolutely."

Biggert: "Thank you. To the Bill or to the Conference Committee, Mr. Speaker. I also stand in support of this Bill and I think that the group of people that have worked to bring this legislation have worked very hard and have done a very legalistic job and I would support the Bill."

Speaker McPike: "Being no further question...discussion, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt the First Conference Committee Report to House Bill 246?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Motion, there are 109 'ayes'...on this Motion, there are 109 'ayes' and no 'nays' and this Motion having received the three-fifths Constitutional Majority, the House does adopt the First Conference Committee Report to House Bill 246, and this Bill having received the three-fifths Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 299, Representative Novak. House Bill 1203, Representative Currie. House Bill 1915, Representative Ryder. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 1592, offered by Representative Zickus; House Resolution 1594, offered by Representative Saviano; House Resolution 1595, offered by Representative Kotlarz; House Resolution 1596, offered by Representative

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Hoffman; House Resolution 1597, offered by Representative Hoffman; House Resolution 1599, offered by Representative Moffitt; House Resolution 1600, offered by Representative Black; House Resolution 1601, offered by Representative Black; House Resolution 1602, offered by Representative von Bergen Wessels; House Resolution 1603, offered by Representative Hicks; House Joint Resolution 87, offered by Representative Capparelli; House Joint Resolution 89, offered by Speaker Madigan. Senate Joint Resolution 89, offered by Representative Moseley."

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

Clerk Rossi: "House Resolution 1591, offered by Representative Stephens, with respect to the memory of Irwin F. Dollinger. House Resolution 1593, offered by Representative Tim Johnson, with respect to the memory of John E. Watkins. House Resolution 1598, offered by Representative Hoffman, with respect to the memory of Karl L. Monroe."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Currie moves for the adoption of the Death Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Death Resolutions are adopted. Introduction and First Reading."

Clerk Rossi: "House Bill 2538, offered by Representative Balanoff, a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. House Bill 2539, offered by Representative Balanoff, a Bill for an Act to amend the General Assembly Organization Act. House Bill 2540, offered by Representative Flowers, a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. House Bill 2541, offered by Representative Homer, a Bill for an Act in relation to firearms. House Bill 2542,

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offered by Representative Blagojevich, a Bill for an Act in relation to firearms. House Bill 2543, offered by Representative Weller, a Bill for an Act to amend the Juvenile Court Act. House Bill 2544, offered by Representative Schakowsky, a Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. House Bill 2545, offered by Representative Blagojevich, a Bill for an Act to prohibit certain conduct with respect to assault weapons. House Bill 2546, offered by Representative Blagojevich, a Bill for an Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. First Reading of these House Bills."

Speaker McPike: "The Rules Committee is meeting immediately in the rear of the chamber or in the anti-room back here. Rules Committee. Committee Reports."

Clerk Rossi: "The Committee on Rules has met in pursuant to Rule 14(a)6. Bills referred pursuant to Rule 37. Rules recommends consideration and the following Bill be placed on the Order of Second Reading, Senate Bill 776. In pursuant to Rule 14(a)5, Rules also recommends consideration and the following Bill be placed on the Order of Concurrence, House Bill 1479. Signed Frank Giglio, Chairman."

Speaker McPike: "Supplemental Calendar Announcement."

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

Speaker McPike: "Representative John Dunn, do you...are you seeking recognition? Your light is on. Okay, never mind. Turn him off. Senate Bill, Second Reading. Senate Bill 684. Are there any Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #1 has been adopted to the Bill. Floor Amendment #2 offered by Representative Laurino."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Wennlund. Mr. Wennlund, you're on. You're on."

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Wennlund: "Thank you. The light must be burned out. Sorry about that."

Speaker McPike: "All right."

Wennlund: "I rise on a parliamentary question as to whether or not Floor Amendment #2 to this Bill is germane."

Speaker McPike: "All right, is this Bill...is this Amendment...is this...let me see it. Representative Wennlund, this Amendment puts an effective date on the Bill."

Wennlund: "Do you have it?"

Speaker McPike: "Just a minute, I'll check with the Parliamentarian to see if an effective date is germane or not."

Wennlund: "Thank you, we need to find it. My crack staff can't find the Amendment yet, so..."

Speaker McPike: "It's an effective date on the Bill. Mr. Wennlund, it's germane."

Wennlund: "I have it now, thank you. I have it now, thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Okay. Representative Laurino moves the adoption of Amendment #2. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker McPike: "Representative Lopez."

Lopez: "House Amendment #3 amends the Crime Victim Compensation Act to allow the court to order direct payment of an award solely directed to another person. I ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker McPike: "Any discussion? The question is, 'Shall Amendment #3 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #4 would require that no person made for compensation solicit another for use of the services of a public insurance adjustor and that emergency board-up companies must be registered and not be able to approach citizens without having them previously contacted."

Speaker McPike: "And on the discussion on that is Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Chair, Mr. Speaker. The...I rise for a parliamentary inquiry as to whether or not this Amendment is germane. Do we have enough...the first one...the Second Amendment gutted the Bill. The Third Amendment was an Amendment to the Crime Victim Compensation Act, and now we got an Amendment with the Insurance Code."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please withdraw Amendment #4."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Wennlund, your question is moved to...he's withdrawn his Amendment. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #5 offered by Representative Dart."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Dart."

Dart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #5 is House Bill 625 which passed out of here. It contains probation provisions which passed out of here, I believe, unanimously, and were an Amendatory Veto, and this is the provisions that we put back on because of noncompliance. I'd move for the adoption."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in a point of parliamentary inquiry to question the germaneness of

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Amendment #5 which happens to amend Chapter 20 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes and that's only 720 chapters away from what was contained in Amendment #3 that was adopted. So, I question the germaneness of this Amendment. Only 720 chapters away."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Wennlund, the Chair rules that it's germane."

Wennlund: "Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Tom Johnson."

Johnson, Tom: "Yes, will the Representative yield?"

Speaker McPike: "Yes, he will."

Johnson, Tom: "Representative Dart, I just have a couple of questions for clarification here. This is basically payment of fees for those people placed on court supervision and probation, is it not?"

Dart: "Correct in juvenile matters."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay, and that's a \$25 per month fee?"

Dart: "Yeah, it's for like an administrative fee for the probation department itself."

Johnson, Tom: "Can you refresh my memory where these fees are going to end up or where they're going?"

Dart: "They're going to end up in the probation department so that they can use this to defray the cost of administering the probation itself on the person who is on it."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay, I also notice on Page 16 and 17, and I don't believe that this passed originally out of here. This is extending the time for which the court can order restitution or something to a victim, is that right?"

Dart: "Yeah, that was on another Bill, that was on...this was on 325 also. It was amendatorily vetoed out because the Governor said that it was contained in another Bill but only one of the two parts was contained in the other Bill."

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Johnson, Tom: "Do you recall whether we passed this particular portion out of here earlier? It was part of another Bill, was it not?"

Dart: "It was on Senate Bill 325 also. It got to be a Christmas Tree at the end."

Johnson, Tom: "Why would we want to extend the time for defendants to pay back victims?"

Dart: "Well, this is not mandatory. This would allow a court to do it and the thrust of it is, to be quite honest with you, someone who has been in the courtroom says, if you can get the money out of them, you want the money more than anything else. If you put an artificial deadline on these folks, what's going to end up happening is they're not going to pay and the people are going to end up sort of holding the bag are going to be us. So, if you allow the court the latitude to move so that they can extend it, if need be, courts aren't going to do it randomly, then we are going to be able, probably in the end collect more money."

Johnson, Tom: "Okay, thank you."

Speaker McPike: "The question is, 'Shall Amendment #5 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #6, offered by Representative Lopez."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Lopez."

Lopez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will yield this Amendment to Representative Giglio."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Giglio."

Giglio: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. What this Amendment does, it was on House Bill 1974 that got caught in the switches and never saw the light of day."

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What this does, is it allows a municipality for non-profit agreement, in our particular case, in the Village of Dalton, to have sixteen charitable game nights to pay off their bonds instead of eight. I would ask for your support."

Speaker McPike: "The question is, 'Shall Amendment #6 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #7, offered by Representative Burke."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Burke, Amendment #7."

Burke: "Mr. Speaker, just a moment. Please withdraw Amendment #7."

Speaker McPike: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendment #7. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #8, offered by Representative Santiago."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Santiago."

Santiago: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #8 is Senate Bill 291 which passed the Senate 55 to nothing, and it passed the House 116 to nothing. We agree with the Governor's Amendatory Veto. I move to adopt."

Speaker McPike: "The question is, 'Shall Amendment #8 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment . . . ed by Representative Lopez."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Lopez."

Lopez: "I withdraw Amendment #9."

Speaker McPike: "The Gentleman withdraws the Amendment. Further

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Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #10, offered by Representative Lopez."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. At the appropriate time, would the Sponsor yield on his intent on Amendment 9?"

Speaker McPike: "Number 9 was withdrawn."

Black: "Oh, you withdrew that?"

Speaker McPike: "Yeah, we're on #10."

Black: "That's probably the very fact that I was going to ask him a question is why he withdrew it. Very smart move. Thank you."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Lopez."

Lopez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment #10, amends the Medical Practice Act to authorize visiting professors to demonstrate or perform certain subjects or techniques. It also amends the Emergency Medical Services Systems Act to set up a procedure to allow temporary disabled EMTI or EMTF to be reinstated when the disability ceases. I ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker McPike: "Objections to this Amendment? The question is, 'Shall Amendment #10 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #11, offered by Representative Homer."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Homer."

Homer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #11 was originally House Bill 1029, which was amendatorily vetoed by the Governor. It amends the Code of Corrections to mandate that a court order of restitution or any conviction of a

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criminal offense resulting in personal injury or property damage. I don't believe the issue is controversial. It further implements the crime victims Constitutional Amendment that was passed at the last election. I would urge the support."

Speaker McPike: "Is there any discussion? Being none, the question is, 'Shall Amendment # 11 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "Floor Amendment #12, offered by Representative Homer."

Speaker McPike: "Mr. Homer."

Homer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment incorporates the Governor's changes to House Bill 935 which passed here overwhelmingly. I would be glad to answer any questions, move the adoption."

Speaker McPike: "There being no discussion, the question is, 'Shall Amendment #12 be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Rossi: "No further Amendments. A fiscal note has been requested on the Bill as amended by Amendments 6 and 8."

Speaker McPike: "All right, the Sponsor of the Bill should be advised that a fiscal note has been requested. Representative Mulligan, for what reason do you rise?"

Mulligan: "After Amendment 9, none of us have copies of the Amendments. Have they been printed and distributed yet?"

Speaker McPike: "That question is a little untimely. They've been adopted."

Mulligan: "Well, how about just the last one then, Amendment #12?"

Speaker McPike: "It's been adopted. Conference Committee

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Reports, Page 5. Senate Bill 498, Representative Gash.
Representative Gash."

Gash: "Mr. Speaker, this is a Conference Committee Report which is adding new provisions to Senate Bill 498 including increased compensation for guard members who are killed on duty. That guard members have the right to reassurance of employment following active duty. Various other things related to guard members that are requests of the National Guard. Determining that a person's failure to meet obligations for court orders as a direct result of military service, they will get an extra 14 days. Certain real property tax relief in cases of...various other things including reduced unemployment insurance, contribution rates for businesses which have reopened a previously closed plant. Small business forms that are being simplified and various things like that."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Gash, have you concluded?"

Gash: "I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker McPike: "On the Lady's Motion, Representative Wennlund."

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

Speaker McPike: "Yes."

Wennlund: "Does this Conference Committee Report relate to some tax breaks for flood victims for the year 1993?"

Gash: "Yes, Sir."

Wennlund: "I'm sorry."

Gash: "Yes."

Wennlund: "What other flood related items that effect the flood victims are included in this Conference Committee Report?"

Gash: "Increased compensation for guard members who are killed on duty, that guard members have the right to the reassurance of employment following active duty which puts us in line

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with the Federal Government. No denial of health insurance for guard members who return to civilian work and that the courts can stay orders against guard members when they are determined to be directly the result of their duty."

Wennlund: "In the last part..."

Gash: "And tuition refunds for guard members. When they miss seven or more days of class because of military duty."

Wennlund: "Is there a provision in here that prevents them from being fired when they're on National Guard duty?"

Gash: "I'm sorry, I can't hear you."

Wennlund: "Is there a provision in here that would prevent members of the National Guard from being fired by their employers during flood related duties?"

Gash: "Yes. I said that it...that's number...yeah..."

Wennlund: "It's the understanding of our staff that there was to be a Second Conference Committee Report to clean up some irregularities or errors in the First Conference Committee Report. Is that your understanding also or...? It's my understanding your staff would answer that question in the affirmative. Mr. Jay Wood?"

Gash: "Okay, no, not that I am aware of."

Wennlund: "Could you take this out of the record for just one minute so I could have my staff meet with yours? It's our understanding there is a Second Conference Committee Report being printed."

Speaker McPike: "Do you have any knowledge of that?"

Gash: "No."

SPEAKER McPike: "No, we have no knowledge of that. We have no knowledge of that Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Okay, thank you very much. Just a few more questions relating to the National Guard. Other than provisions in here that would prevent them from being fired, what other

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provisions in here affect the National Guard?"

Speaker McPike: "Representative Gash."

Gash: "I believe I just went through those."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Other than the ones you mentioned, there are no others? Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If I could at this point in time...my staff tells me that they met with your staff and there's a second one coming. But at this point in time, I would like to yield to Leader Daniels if I may."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 498, #1. We on the Republican side of the aisle are not going to support this Report in its current condition and I'll tell you very clearly why. It does not properly apply to the 1993 flood. That comes from the EPA and the Governor's office and that's their representation and we are not going to sit here and pass a Bill that doesn't adequately protect the people of the state and the flood condition that they suffered from. So, I would suggest strongly that the Lady withdraw her Motion, and that we move on to the corrected Conference Committee Report #2 which she has been told is necessary to do and she has been advised by the Governor's Office. So, I don't know what the Representative is doing here, trying to force this shameful thing on the rest of us and in an effort to say she is helping flood victims, when she doesn't even know what her own Bill provides."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Leitch."

Leitch: "Mr. Speaker, has this Bill been printed and distributed?"

Speaker McPike: "It's a Conference Committee Report, yes. It's a Conference Committee Report, yes."

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Leitch: "Has the Conference Committee Report...I don't see any of our Members have it."

Speaker McPike: "Yeah, it's out. Yes, it is, Mr. Leitch. Representative Gash to close. Representative Gash to close."

Gash: "I ask for your 'aye' vote. I ask you to look at the provisions of this Bill and see what it's about and see if you could possibly vote against it and if you would really want to be voting against it."

Speaker McPike: "This Bill requires 71 votes. The question is, 'Shall the House adopt the First Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 498?' All of those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm very concerned by some of the remarks made. We're talking about injecting politics into a Bill that helps hundreds of thousands of people in this state who are innocent victims. The only reason these people are against this is because she's a freshman Legislator. Are we going to put politics into helping these people? Are we going to put politics and you're going to deprive flood victims? You're going to deprive flood victims because of politics? We're talking because she's a freshman Legislator and she's in a targeted district. That's the reason we're doing this and it's simply wrong. You know it, I know it, and for all these 'no' votes, the people are going to know because it's wrong and you're talking about victims, innocent victims and this is what's going on."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Olson."

Olson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In rebuttal to Representative Granberg's remark. I heard nothing political in this debate that's been going on for about the last twenty

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minutes until Representative Granberg arose and expressed his opinion. Thank you for the privilege of speaking."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Black."

Black: "Yes, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I have the greatest respect for my colleague on the other side of the aisle, but I don't think, I don't think any of us would be incredulous to hear that politics may be involved in something that we do down here. You know, I mean, boy there is a bulletin. But if I might in all do respect to those who are jockeying for some political game out of what is a major disaster, I don't think there is any gain to be made politically. The Senate has already rejected this Conference Committee Report. This is an exercise in futility or maybe you want a roll call, but the Senate's already rejected it so, let's go back and do the right thing as my counter part said, let's put this thing together and let's act on it and let's get on with the business of repairing the flood damage. We've already postured enough on this. Good Lord, there's enough quotes and sound bites on this to last until Thanksgiving."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Mulligan. Ms. Mulligan."

Mulligan: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to explain my vote. Also, as a freshman Legislator, I think it's very difficult for us to put on a vote when we have not got the printed Conference Committee Report. This has been going on now for several of the last votes."

Speaker McPike: "Representative, Representative, the Chair will correct that. The Conference Committee is in Mr. Wennlund's hand. It was distributed last week."

Mulligan: "Well, it's very difficult for us to go over it and vote accurately."

Speaker McPike: "The Chair will correct, the Chair will correct

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the record. This has been distributed."

Mulligan: "Well, thank you, I would appreciate having a copy then."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Parke."

Parke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask that if this passes, and gets the required number of votes, that we have a verification of the roll call."

Speaker McPike: "Have all voted? Representative Edley."

Edley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. I can't believe that this Bill is not going out of here with 114, 115 votes. During the flood, I received calls from Commanders and Field Commanders in counties in my district that were complaining that their troops were being harassed by employers telling them that they had to get home by such and such a date or they're going to lose their job, and normally as you know, I'm not out here throwing roses at the Governor but I think it's very supportive. I'm very supportive of his effort to insure that anyone that served on the National Guard will not be faced with a financial loss."

Speaker McPike: "Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. There's been a lot of conversation about this particular Bill, and folks I suppose will attempt to use it for whatever political purposes that they wish. But, when you get right down to the basis of why we're here, it's to pass legislation that will serve the job. Now, let me tell you that this particular Bill has already been rejected by the Senate. Let me also tell you that there's a very serious question that it doesn't apply to the flood of 1993. We don't do our job right if we pass legislation about those kinds of questions. We'll be happy to join in

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the correct Conference Committee Report. I would suggest that after all of the political posturing is done, that this Bill will pass. But to suggest at this point anything other than that is simply not founded."

Speaker McPike: "Have all voted? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this Motion, there are 69 'ayes' and no 'nays' and the Motion fails. Representative Granberg, are you ready to adjourn? Is there any announcements? Any announcements? Any announcements? Representative Granberg moves that the House stands adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 10:00 a.m. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the House stands adjourned. The Chair would advise you that we will not be in Session Friday. We will be in Session tomorrow for, my guess is two or three hours."

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