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Speaker Lyons: "Good Morning, Illinois. The House of Representatives will come to order. Members are asked to please be at their desks. Members and guests are asked to please refrain from starting their laptops and to turn off cell phones, pagers and other electrical instruments that could interfere with the order of the House. We'll led in prayer today by Reverend Matt Armstrong, who is the Pastor of New Hope Community in Streamwood. Reverend Armstrong is the guest of Representative Crespo. Members in the gallery are asked to join for the prayer and also for the Pledge of Allegiance to please rise. Reverend C... Reverend Armstrong."

Reverend Armstrong: "Let us pray. Almighty God, Maker of all things and sustainer of all life, you're the giver of every good and perfect gift. This morning women and men from around our state have gathered here because they desire to wisely govern the people of Illinois. Each of the millions of people in the communities around this state is important to You and loved by You. And so, the task before this group is great. And we ask for Your grace. You are an ever-present help in times of trouble and You deliver all those who call upon Your name. And so we humbly ask that You would graciously grant this Body the wisdom to make just laws, laws that will allow the people of our state to live in freedom today, to possess great hope for tomorrow, and to dwell in safety day by day, receiving all the blessings inherent in being a human person, designed, created, and loved by You. May it be that the Leaders here in this room will always chose to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly before You. May they have the courage

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to do what is right and not merely that which is expedient. May they create laws that protect our children and give them a bright future. May they craft legislation that fosters cooperation between members of their communities. And may it be that Your peace and blessing would be upon our land as our leaders would humbly seek your guidance. Use them, we pray, as agents of transformation to bring about Your good purposes for our state. Finally, I give thanks for these Leaders present today who have sacrificed a great deal for the good of others. They've chosen a life of public service and as they honor You, would You grant them favor with those who elected them to serve. Grant them peace and harmony in their own homes and with their own families and put Your hand of blessing upon them in a special way. God of all, we ask these things believing that You hear and that You will answer. And so, as You pour out your blessing on our land and on these Leaders make us faithful to remember You and to honor Your name, Amen."

Speaker Lyons: "We'll be led in the Pledge by Representative Dan Beiser."

Beiser - 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 Lyons: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Barbara Flynn Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representatives: Gordon, Patterson, Washington and John

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Brad... Rich Bradley are excused today. And Speaker, it's with a heavy heart that I..."

Speaker Lyons: "Barb, we'll get back to you on that announcement, but we'll ask everybody to hold their attention. Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just on the Republican side of the aisle, want to let... Representative Watson is excused today."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, take the record. There are 113 Members present. We have a quorum. Representative Barbra Flynn Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. It's with a heavy heart that I report to the Members the death last night of Larry McKeon, a former Member of this chamber, now living in Springfield. Apparently, he suffered a sudden and violent stroke. And I know many of us have seen him around the rail in the last few weeks looking hale and hearty. So, I'm sorry to have to make this report. And at this moment, I believe that arrangements are pending, but we will surely notify every Member when we know what the services will be and when. Thanks. So you might... a moment of silence as we remember Larry McKeon."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Bolin: "Committee Reports. Representative Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' for Senate Bills

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2322, 2472, 2501, 2754 and 2755. Representative Fritchey, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary I-Civil Law, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2007 (sic-2008), reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted as amended' House Resolution 1101; 'do pass Short Debate' for Senate Bills 2044, 2111, 2161, 2321, 2594, 2722 and 2872; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' for Senate Bills 1923, 2240, 2435 and 2827. Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Drivers Education & Safety, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2007 (sic-2008), reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' for Senate Bills 2295, 2391, 2396, 2488, 2494 and 2713. Representative Jakobsson, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' for Senate Bills 1933, 2290, 2348, 2394, 2473, 2505, 2506, 2734 and 2879; 'do pass Short Debate' for Senate Bills 2252, 2428, 2857 and 2877. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 1295, offered by Representative Dugan. House Resolution 1297, offered by Representative Poe. House Resolution 1298, offered by Representative Coulson. These Resolutions are referred to the Rules Committee. Committee Reports. Representative Smith, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported

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the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' for Senate Bills 2042, 2387 and 2907; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' for Senate Bills 2091, 2170 and 2500."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Bond, Representative Ron Stephens."

Stephens: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If I could have the Body's attention?"

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we have a special guest here. We'd like to get your particular attention."

Stephens: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm about to introduce some students from Jacksonville, they happen to be deaf. And I think it would be appropriate as we welcome them, a couple of signs that are very easy and appropriate this morning. One is, I love you and welcome. And with that, I would introduce to you Marybeth Lauderdale, the superintendent and the student government leaders from the Illinois School for the Deaf in Jacksonville."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome and enjoy your day students. Glad to have you."

Speaker Madigan: "Speaker Madigan in the Chair. If the staff could retire to the rear of the chamber and if the Members could please take their seats. We're very privileged and pleased today to have as a special guest the Irish Consul in Chicago. Mr. Martin Rouine is the Irish Consul for all of the Midwest, the representative of the Republic of Ireland for the Midwestern states. He's stationed in Chicago. He's traveled to Springfield to spend some time with us and to offer some observations concerning the

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continuing and ongoing relationship between the Republic of Ireland and the State of Illinois. He has a long career in the Irish foreign service, serving previously in New York and holding positions at their headquarters in Dublin. And it is my distinct pleasure to present to you Mr. Martin Rouine, the Irish Consul in Chicago."

Consul Rouine: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of this distinguished House, I bring you greetings of the Irish government. This is my first trip to Springfield. I've been posted to Chicago since the first week of December, and it's a privilege and an honor for me to be received by you here in your very, very busy schedule. There is a long tradition of close relations between Ireland and the great United States of America. Generations of close family ties leave me with a very strong sense of being at home here in Springfield. I... indeed, I've meet some of my fellow countrymen this morning. But the names that make up the membership of this association speak volumes for the relationship between our countries. Mr. Speaker, these bonds have held true over the generations. And I am proud to be able to inform this great House that Ireland is at peace. We've overcome decades, indeed, centuries of conflict. And we now have elected representatives of both communities in Northern Ireland, using Democratic means to resolve the problems of Northern Ireland. Mr. Speaker, our dream and the dream of the friends of Ireland in America and across the world have come true. And we express a sincere word of gratitude to our friends who have helped us in our search for peace over the past two (2) decades. We

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can now turn our attention to building an even stronger economy that will benefit the people of all Ireland. Ireland is small and very open economy, we export over 80 percent of what we produce. And as such, we're very, very vulnerable to the shifts in global economy. The current slowdown in the U.S. and global economy has persisted for longer than initially expected. The effects are also spreading to other sectors. The outlook for many of Ireland's key trading partners has correspondingly weakened, but we are working very hard to ensure that we are well positioned to meet the challenges that lie ahead. Fundamentals of the Irish economy remain healthy. We have a young, well-educated, outward looking and dynamic workforce. And we have a lower burden of taxation on both capital and labor. U.S. investment in the Irish economy continues to be very important as we manage the transition into a leading 21st century knowledge-based economy. And for many U.S. countries Ireland provides the critical access to markets in Europe and beyond. Ireland is also a location for young, highly educated, English-speaking and adaptable employees and provides a regulatory tax environment that is attuned to the needs of business. Of course, investment and business is a two-way street and many Irish companies are investing in the U.S. At the start of this year, New York Times ran an article entitled, 'Ireland is alive with enthusiasm and entrepreneurship.' And these entrepreneurs have global ambitions. Irish companies now employ over eighty thousand (80,000) people across the fifty (50) states. This number has increased

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ten-fold over the last ten (10) years and last year alone forty seven (47) companies opened offices in the U.S. The U.S. market is a key market for the Irish indigenous industry with an estimated growth figure of.. of 2007 being in excess of 16 percent. This is very impressive growth in the light of the current economic conditions and the weak dollar and is testament to the caliber of Irish companies and their ability to compete in the global market. However, we still have a number of young people in Ireland who wish to follow the footsteps of previous generations to this great country to find employment. We also have a number who have already come here and who now number amongst the undocumented. These are hardworking, well-educated young people who would be an asset to any country.. any country's economy. And while we fully appreciate the difficulties involved in framing equitable nondiscriminatory legislation in this field, on behalf of the Irish government I look to you to continue supporting a comprehensive immigration reform that will work to the advantage of the U.S. economy, and present to future generations of aspiring immigrants. Thank you very much, indeed, for your attention."

Speaker Madigan: "Martin, thank you very, very much. And Ladies and Gentlemen, for those of you who have not met the Irish Consul, he'll be available in the well for as long as people wish to spend some time offering their greetings. And he will respond with his usual Irish greetings to America. So, Martin, thank you very, very much. Representative Lyons in the Chair."

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Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, put House Resolution 1277 on the board. To that Resolution. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Michael Bost."

Bost: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. If the Body would join me in recognizing and welcoming the members of the SIU debate team. There is a Resolution that we have in the well recognizing them. They did take nationals this year. The SIU debate team has a great history of six (6) national wins over the last thirty (30) years. A matter of fact, one in each decade for those last thirty years. If you would, they're right here in the gallery above and behind the Republicans. And if you could give them a good Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "Congratulations, SIU, we're proud of you. Enjoy your day. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Jack Franks. For what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Representative."

Franks: "I'd like to introduce and welcome to Springfield the senior class of Alden-Hebron High School with their teachers, Mr. Mayer and Ms. Qualls. They had a chance to meet with Secretary of State Jesse White this morning and do a television show with him. And I hope we can welcome them warmly to Springfield."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield. Enjoy your day. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Winnebago,

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Representative Jim Sacia, for what purpose do you rise?
Senate Bill 19..."

Sacia: "Purpose of tabling an Amendment... or a Bill, I'm sorry.
Table Senate Bill 1990."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman moves to table Senate Bill 1900.
All those in favor... 19... Representative Sacia makes a Motion
to Table Senate Bill 1990. All those in favor signify by
saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of
the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Senate Bill 1990 is
tabled. Chair recognizes Representative Will Davis. For
what purpose do you see recognition, Representative?"

Davis, W.: "Just a point of clarification, Mr. Speaker. I
noticed that a schedule was passed out and it did not have
afternoon committees on it for today. Have they been
canceled for this afternoon?"

Speaker Lyons: "Committees have not been canceled, Will. And
we'll probably have an updated schedule before we adjourn."

Davis, W.: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, on page 22 of the Calendar,
Representative Bob Biggins has House Bill 5801.
Representative Biggins. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5801, a Bill for an Act concerning
civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage,
Representative Bob Biggins."

Biggins: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think we'll
postpone action on this to another day. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "On request of the Sponsor, we'll take the Bill
out of the record. Representative Kathy Ryg, on page 21 of

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the Calendar, you have House Bill 5492. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5492, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Kathy Ryg."

Ryg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In 2007 the Legislature overwhelmingly approved Public Act, which changed the standard for involuntary commitment for psychiatric treatment. This Act becomes effective June 1, 2008. And House Bill 5574 clarifies the definitions and procedures to ensure persons and families can rely on the law to access treatment and hospitalization if needed. The Bill also offers new opportunities for information sharing to ensure continuity of care. The Bill was very carefully and deliberately negotiated to protect the interests of the families and Sponsors of the original legislation. And I want to thank them for their cooperation and consideration in developing this agreed Bill. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 5492 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 19 of the Calendar Representative Linda

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Chapa LaVia has House Bill 4728. Out of the record.
Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Speaker, if we could please move that back to
Second. We're... I think I'm going to work on an Amendment
for it. It's not... it's not an 'A' paper yet. So, if we
could move it back."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, on the request of the Sponsor of the
Bill, move the Bill back to the Order of Second Reading.
Mr. Clerk, on page 17 of the Calendar, Representative Dan
Burke has House Bill 2747. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2747, a Bill for an Act concerning
Corrections, which may be referred to as the Access to
Religious Ministry Act of 2008. Third Reading of this House
Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook,
Representative Dan Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
House. I think this matter is quite simple in its form,
its intent. Genuinely, this is a matter that is strictly a
basic human right issue. The subject we are considering
here is the opportunity for those who are detained in our
state as undocumented immigrants to be afforded the
opportunity to visit with religious workers. A very basic
human right, I might suggest to you Ladies and Gentlemen.
And certainly those who are in this unfortunate
circumstance, being detained in our society for a sometimes
extended period of time, are, probably those are who are at
the lowest point in their life. And I might suggest to you
at that point being those who would need a little counsel

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from some higher authority. It's probably important or particularly curious that we would have had a visit today from the Irish Consul General, who in his remarks made reference to a wealth of talent that is abounding from the Country of Ireland. Who very often would like to make the trip across the sea to our country that is so acknowledged in this globe as the place to be. For those who have immigrated here to our country, to our State of Illinois, for whatever reason... and certainly, I would suggest to you that the reason is good and solid. They want to make a better life for themselves and their families. But in this instance... in this legislation, for those who have come here illegally, who have been apprehended, who are now detained in our society, who this state is receiving dollars for from the Federal Government, I suggest to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, that these individuals should have the opportunity to visit with religious workers. I'd be happy to answer any questions, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Kane, Representative Tim Schmitz."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Gentleman yields."

Schmitz: "Representative Burke, as I was cruising through the computer here, there's numerous Amendments on it and some had the opposition and some didn't. It's my understanding that Floor Amendment 4 basically reinstated what you had on Floor Amendment 3. Has the Sheriffs' Association officially removed their opposition?"

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Burke: "Through a process through a series of discussions with the Sheriffs' Association, I would suggest to you and this Body that they are now neutral on the matter. But I might also recommend to the Body that the language of Amendment #4, which is now the Bill, is the language that the Sheriffs' Association provided to us."

Schmitz: "Okay. Could that also be said for Metro Counties?"

Burke: "I am not familiar with that entity. They have not had discussion with me."

Schmitz: "Okay. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Burke... the Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Lake, Representative Sullivan."

Sullivan: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, I rise in support of this Bill for the very fundamental reason that we are here in this country, religious prosecution (sic-persecution), religious freedoms. This Bill is very simple. It says, no matter what you have done in the past, how you have gotten into this country, you are entitled to the right to have a spiritual counselor of your choice come and discuss with you spiritual needs while you're incarcerated. It's that simple. So with that, I would hope that you would all join Representative Burke on a fine piece of legislation and vote in favor. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Dan Burke to close."

Burke: "Thank you, again, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think if we look at this piece of legislation, it is again, simply a human right. One in this society, whether they have papers or they don't, are

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still entitled to the basic human right of having the opportunity to be counseled by a religious advisor. We are not asking for amnesty in this Bill, Ladies and Gentlemen. We are not asking for special privilege here. We are basically saying that if someone is in our community, in our society and it being detained under the worst of circumstances, they should be afforded a basic human right to be counseled by one from the religious ministry. It's a very simple issue, Ladies and Gentlemen. I would certainly encourage your support. If you've got a human heart beating in your chest today, I think you'd have to consider this as a legitimate initiative. Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 2747 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Patti Bellock on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3203. Representative Bellock. Out of the record? Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 21 of the Calendar Representative John Bradley has House Bill 5469. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5469, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Williamson, Representative John Bradley."

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Bradley, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a comprehensive, omnibus Bill that was initiative of the Attorney General's Office. It tries to deal in a comprehensive manner in three (3) different parts with the issue of child pornography on the Internet. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 5469 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 111 Members voting 'yes', 1 Member voting 'no', 1 Member voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Karen May, on page 20 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4999. Representative May, do you want us to call the Bill or do you want us to take it out of the record? Take it out of the record. Representative Karen May, might we have better luck with House Bill 5369? Mr. Clerk, on page 21 of the Calendar, Representative Karen May has House Bill 5369. Read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5369, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Karen May."

May: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Federal Government has a ten billion dollar (\$10,000,000,000) pool over five (5) years for energy

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efficiency block grants. So, this allows the Green Government Coordinating Council to help distribute them to municipalities and local governments in our state. One municipality in my district heard about this, called me. And we don't really have a mechanism set up. So, this would signify and designate the Green Government Coordinating Council."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there anyone... any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 5369 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Flowers. Representative Golar. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hamos, are you in a position to move House Bill 4742 for Representative Washington? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4742, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Julie Hamos."

Hamos: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. I'm doing this for Representative Washington, whose Bill would require the department, I would guess it would be the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, to work with physician provider groups to encourage physicians treating uninsured children and their parents about the availability of the All Kids Program. And actually, not just All Kids but the

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program health benefits. I guess the All Kids program. And that's really what this does. And it's just really kind of a good way to educate people about something that we offer that we should be proud of at the state level. And I'm available for questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Excuse me, inquiry of the Chair. Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Lyons: "State your inquiry, Representative."

Black: "Yes, thank you very much. Will you direct the Clerk to indicate whether Floor Amendment #2 has been adopted to the Bill?"

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 has been adopted."

Black: "All right. Thank you very much. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "The Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, with the addition of Floor Amendment #2, am I correct in saying now that it does not become a mandate on a health care provider to grant or give information regarding All Kids? That the information is to be made available, but does not have to be transmitted in the form that you and I would say is an absolute mandate?"

Hamos: "That is correct."

Black: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Rosemary Mulligan."

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Mulligan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Representative, the problem I see with this is... and I suppose since it's optional that'll clear it up, but some physicians will not provide those services. So, they don't want to be on the list because they either can't in their practice provide anymore or they're not going to or they don't provide the services through the state. So, if they hand the person a brochure that comes to their office and they don't provide the services it causes a little bit of a problem. So, either they have to have a list or somehow for the people to find out how to get the services. But I suppose if it's optional, if a pediatrician or a doctor does not want to provide the services, they may or may not hand out the brochure."

Hamos: "I... I think you're... I think you're making a good point, Representative. I know that we've been calling around in my district to see who has available slots for All Kids. And there are some physicians who do. So, I think that if they're interested in more business from the state they would probably do more of this kind of education and making forms available. And if they're not, they're not going to do it."

Mulligan: "So, then how would they go about instituting the law? Would they just have the Department of Human Services or Department of Healthcare and Family Services send out a mailing to all physicians saying, we encourage you to provide this service, we encourage you to hand out the brochure to your people that don't have any kind of health care?"

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Hamos: "You know, I think that what the Bill says... technically what the Bill says is that the department will work with physician groups to try to figure out how to do this. And it has to do with two (2) parts to it. One is, the availability of health care benefits and secondly, how to apply for them. It may be as simple, at the end of the day, as giving and handing out a brochure with a Web site address or an application form. But it is... they will work that out as a part of this Bill."

Mulligan: "All right. 'Cause I think that would be the better part of the law is to have them be able to actually provide the services or to encourage them, and some will and some won't. So, thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Hamos to close."

Hamos: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. I think we've had a good discussion here. Again, this is a... a nice way to get more people involved in a program that we already make available for children and their families. And I seek an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 4742 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Sandy Cole. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 110 Members voting 'yes', and 3 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Pat Verschoore. For what reason do you seek recognition, Representative?"

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Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was inadvertently voting on House Bill 5469. I wanted to be recorded as a 'yes' vote, rather than a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The Journal will so reflect."

Verschoore: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Monique Davis. For what reason do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Davis, M.: "Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Davis, M.: "I would just like to introduce a great friend up in the gallery, Dr. Darreyl Young, the principal of Percy Julian High School. Give her a Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield. Enjoy your day. Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Knox, Representative Don Moffitt. For what reason do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Moffitt: "Just like to remind the Members that tomorrow the Fire Service of Illinois will be having two (2) events right out here starting at the Firefighter Memorial. At 10:30, it's the memorial service for fallen firefighters. It's a way to pay tribute to these firefighters. That'll be followed by the Medal of Honor awards ceremony in the Howlett Building. Tomorrow morning 10:30 out at the Firefighters Memorial. Hope you can attend. Thank you."

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Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Julie Hamos, you have House Bill 4988, on page 20 of the Calendar. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4988, a Bill for an Act concerning juveniles. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Julie Hamos."

Hamos: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, we had a discussion about this yesterday when we put this Amendment on. And today I want to be a little more affirmative about why we're doing it in quite this way. If you remember, we just... we have a brand new department in Illinois, the Department of Juvenile Justice. It has an advisory board that the original... the creators had intended to be in operation by now. They have not yet been appointed. We're not changing that. What we did get from this... the conversations we've held with the Governor's Office is a commitment that, in fact, this executive board will now be appointed. What the Bill does and in the process of... of having these conversations, we came up with a new mission for this executive... for this advisory board, and it's a very important one. This Department of Juvenile Justice needs to look at how juveniles are treated, not only the minute they arrive in the department once they're already incarcerated, but what happens at the very first time that they're arrested and they're being held in county jail. What happens if they're being held just for misdemeanors? Is there a different kind of approach? What happens if, in fact, they're technical violations? Do they need to return

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in every case back to the department? There are a series of policy issues that the department, along with this advisory board, still needs to work on. We have given this a time frame, by December 30, 2010. They will have a chance to look at a bunch of these systemic issues. And that's really what this... the intent of this legislation is. Out of that will come some... probably some policy recommendations. We will have an opportunity at that point to debate the actual policies that flow from it. But at this point in time, that advisory board needs to be working together, needs to be appointed, needs working together and needs to struggle with some of these policy issues."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there anyone seeking recognition? The Chair recognizes the Lady from Kane, Representative Pat Lindner."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Lindner: "In the original legislation, Representative, we had an advisory board at which I believe we never got the report, is that correct?"

Hamos: "It was never appointed."

Lindner: "It was never appointed. Okay. Now, how... how does this differ from the other advisory board?"

Hamos: "We are keeping that advisory board. The only thing we've changed with the advisory board is that we do... we do now require the Governor to name one person from among nominations from the community where most of these kids are returned. But that advisory board stays in place. What has happened in the last month is that we now have a commitment from the Governor's Office that they will

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appoint at least half of the advisory board momentarily and they can start doing business."

Lindner: "All right. And do you have that commitment in writing or is this a vocal commitment?"

Hamos: "No, it's a hope and a whim."

Lindner: "Is there anyone opposed to this legislation now?"

Hamos: "I don't believe so."

Lindner: "Does the Department of Corrections still have any issue with this?"

Hamos: "You mean Department of Juvenile Justice?"

Lindner: "Yes. Sorry."

Hamos: "Well, you know, originally... I... I think along the way... as you know, this is... Amendment 6 is what got added, ultimately and replaces everything else in the Bill. Along the way, Amendments 3, 4, 5 looked at other, larger, more expansive mission for the advisory board. That's what the department had... was... had some problems with. This is a brand new concept. We gave them one very specific task under this Bill, finally."

Lindner: "Okay. Was there... I believe the committee discussed the... one of the criteria that you were... the committee was supposed to... the advisory board was supposed to consider. The appropriateness of 'commitment' of youth-based as opposed to 'confinement'."

Hamos: "Yes. The word 'confinement' as we mean it is broader than 'commitment'. It is intended to cover youth held in county jails and detention centers as well as those committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice. By the time kids are committed to the Department of Juvenile

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Justice, there's a whole period in their lives where they could have been in county jails and other places. So, this does ask the advisory board to think more expansively about all the places where young people are... are sent."

Lindner: "It was the Department of Juvenile Justice that wanted 'commitment' in there, though."

Hamos: "Yes, but we talked them out of that. They're neutral on the Bill. We talked them out of it because this... because... because, Representative Lindner, you were one of the leaders in creating the Department of Juvenile Justice, I was also involved. We wanted this department to take a more systemic look at how kids are dealt with; to look at possible ways to provide prevention services so they don't have that first brush with the law; to provide early intervention services at the time that they do get in trouble for the first time; to think about alternatives to incarceration. We wanted this department to be more expansive and that word is very important, actually, because it's not just that very short period of time when the youth actually arrive at the department. We need this advisory board to be thinking more broadly."

Lindner: "Thank you. And I think everyone should vote for this Bill. We have had a very difficult time getting the Department of Juvenile Justice started. This House has passed a Resolution asking the Governor to make appointments. He still has not appointed a permanent director. He did finally appoint the Department of Educa... the Superintendent of Education, but we need to get this going. And if this is one more effort on the part of us to

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try and get the Governor to do what he was supposed to do in the first place according to the legislation. So, I think everyone should support this Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Hamos to close."

Hamos: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. I seek an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 4988 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Joe Dunn. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 112 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 Member voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Dan Brady, on the Order of Second Readings, you have House Bill 5752. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5752, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mary Flowers, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4443. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4443, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Mary Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move for the passage of House Bill 4443,

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merely asking for more moneys for the autistic programs.
And I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage,
Representative Jim Meyer."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Meyer: "Representative, we had the impression on our side of
the aisle that you were going to offer an Amendment to this
Bill? Was that done? Are we mistaken?"

Flowers: "Why was I going to offer an Amendment?"

Meyer: "Well, our understanding is you were going to make this
Bill specific to your district."

Flowers: "Representative, if there... if there are other places
in the state that need these dollars for autistic children,
you know, as far as I'm concerned the entire state is my
district. So, it doesn't matter."

Meyer: "I would understand the conversation went in committee
along the lines that you were going to make this district
specific and we were inquiring as to whether you intended
to do that, if you'd already done it..."

Flowers: "The Bill is..."

Meyer: "Why was that commitment made to start with?"

Flowers: "I don't know why it was a debate to start with.
But..."

Meyer: "Well, I think you were part of that conversation."

Flowers: "So, is there a problem with any organization?"

Meyer: "Well, we're just trying to understand... there... there was
this conversation that occurred that you indicated that you
were going to amend to make it specific to your district

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and that evidently you're not going to do that. We were wondering what had changed your mind?"

Flowers: "Well, I didn't... I don't recall that conversation. I recall conversations about the Bill and where and to whom it would be applicable to. And as I told others, I would... I'm more than happy to share. So... but if you would like for this to be specifically for my district..."

Meyer: "Well, we're just trying to understand the original conversation as it relates to what you're doing now."

Flowers: "Well, please forgive me, I don't even remember the original conversation, quite frankly."

Meyer: "Okay."

Flowers: "You know, I really do not... I don't even understand the purpose of this conversation."

Meyer: "Thank you. Well, the purpose of this conversation is just trying to understand the other one. But thank you very much for your response."

Flowers: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Suzie Bassi."

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

Flowers: "Yes."

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Bassi: "Representative, I was in committee when this Bill came before the committee."

Flowers: "Yes."

Bassi: "And my understanding was that you did say that you were going to hold the Bill on Second for an Amendment?"

Flowers: "Well..."

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Bassi: "And... and I was there."

Flowers: "Well, Representative, I was there, also. And..."

Bassi: "But I recall the discussion."

Flowers: "...this is... this... this Bill is going to the state board."

Bassi: "But you were going to hold..."

Flowers: "That's... that's a line item."

Bassi: "...the Bill. But... but the agreement was that you were going to hold it on Second for an Amendment."

Flowers: "And so, what was the Amendment, please?"

Bassi: "Well, the... by... my recollection was that the Amendment had something to do with making it restrictive for your district."

Flowers: "So, you want me to take this appropriation Bill and make it specifically for my district?"

Bassi: "I'm going back to what the agreement was in committee."

Flowers: "No, I'm asking you. Is... is that what you would like for me to do? Because..."

Bassi: "I am..."

Flowers: "...that's not a problem."

Bassi: "...I'm asking you to go back to what you had said..."

Flowers: "Mr. Speaker..."

Bassi: "...you were going to do."

Flowers: "...Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "So, wait... I'm sorry. So, when... when I make the Bill specifically for my district..."

Bassi: "Well, that's what you had said you were going to do."

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Flowers: "Well, obviously, because maybe someone had concerns about it, but I don't know why it has to be specifically for my district. I want to share with other people who might have problems and need the moneys for autistic kids. But I do not have a problem with making this applicable to only the 31st District in the State of Illinois."

Bassi: "My concern with... with it in the first place was the amount of money that was involved that we have no place to get it from. But my other concern is that you..."

Flowers: "Well, if that was your concern..."

Bassi: "...my other concern is that you..."

Flowers: "...you should be glad that I'm willing to share."

Bassi: "...had actually said that you were going to hold it on Second for an Amendment. And that's what you had said you were going to do and apparently that's not been done."

Flowers: "Well, Representative, I don't understand as far as because I want to share. And I don't understand the reason why you want me to make this applicable only to my district because of the amount of moneys that's involved?"

Bassi: "That... that's not the issue, Representative."

Flowers: "But that's what you brought up."

Bassi: "Well, but the... but what I'm saying is that you had said in committee that you were going to hold the Bill for an Amendment. That's... that..."

Flowers: "Well, I..."

Bassi: "...was the discussion in committee."

Flowers: "...well, I tell you what, Representative. If I take the Bill out and put an Amendment on specifically for an organization in my district to deal with autistic children

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and forget about the rest of the state, would you vote for it?"

Bassi: "Provided you can tell me what the source of the money is."

Flowers: "Excuse me. Now, if you want to play games, I'll just leave it like it is."

Bassi: "I'm going back to the original issue, Representative."

Flowers: "The source will be the tax dollars of the people of the State of Illinois whose children are in need of these services. And they have not been getting the services in which they are in need of."

Bassi: "I... I..."

Flowers: "So, the source..."

Bassi: "...I hear you loud and clear on that. But the problem is..."

Flowers: "...of the funds will be from the taxpayers..."

Bassi: "...that we don't enough..."

Flowers: "...of the State of Illinois."

Bassi: "...enough dollars from the State of Illinois to provide for the bills that are currently sitting on the table."

Flowers: "Representative, we just..."

Bassi: "And to let people think that we are going to provide additional funding when we don't have it is not okay. But that's not the issue. The issue is that you said you were going to hold it on Second for an Amendment. That's the issue right now."

Flowers: "Thank you, Representative."

Bassi: "Thank you, Representative."

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Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Bond, Representative Ron Stephens."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Lady... Sponsor yields."

Stephens: "Representative Flowers, were you in... you presented this Bill in committee recently?"

Flowers: "No, Representative, it hasn't been recently."

Stephens: "Do you remember presenting the Bill in committee?"

Flowers: "Yeah, I do, I really do."

Stephens: "Okay. Did you say that you were going to hold the Bill on Second Reading?"

Flowers: "I really... you know, Representative, it was such a confusing conversation that day because it really... like this conversation is not making sense to me. Because I just want to share with you the Sponsors or who will support this legislation is..."

Stephens: "No, Representative... Representative..."

Flowers: "...the Autistic Society..."

Stephens: "...I... Representative, I..."

Flowers: "...ARC, the Family Support Network..."

Stephens: "Excuse me."

Flowers: "...and Autistic Needs."

Stephens: "Mr. Speaker, I'm not asking about who supports it."

Flowers: "So, my..."

Stephens: "I'm someone who supports..."

Flowers: "...I really..."

Stephens: "...autistic issues. What I am more concerned about today..."

Flowers: "I can't remember."

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Stephens: "...is that this is... well, we're getting... we're getting the verbatim as we speak."

Flowers: "Uh huh."

Stephens: "I can't get it right away, but it'll be here later today. I'm interested... this is the second time in as many weeks where a Member has stood up, we have notes that say a commitment was made in committee to hold the Bill on Second Reading. Again, a commitment like I have on a Bill that would give textbooks to veterans. I to... I told the committee, I can't get enough support and unless I can make sure that I can find the funding source, I will hold the Bill on Second Reading. I would be inviolate. As much as I want to get books for veterans, I would be violating my word if I tried to move that Bill. Last week, another Member on your side of the aisle tried to do the same thing. To his credit, when it was pointed out..."

Flowers: "Well, I tell you what..."

Stephens: "...he took it out of the record."

Flowers: "...Representative."

Stephens: "Well, all we're asking is take the Bill out of the record, let us confirm..."

Flowers: "Representative, let... let me just say this to you okay, with all due respect. We just passed a grant for green for Representative May and we just passed another Bill for fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) for another Legislator. So, if this Bill is offending you because I don't want to make it specifically for the autistic children in my district..."

Stephens: "No, the... the Bill..."

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Flowers: "...and so therefore..."

Stephens: "...the Bill does not offend me. Don't put words in my mouth."

Flowers: "...if that is... is... if it's offending..."

Stephens: "Don't put words in my mouth."

Flowers: "...you, Sir, I'm going to take this Bill out of the record. I'm going to add an Amendment to it. And maybe then will you support it, Sir?"

Stephens: "I'm not..."

Flowers: "Will you support it, Sir?"

Stephens: "Well, I have no idea what your Amendment's for."

Flowers: "Oh."

Stephens: "All I'm trying to do is defend..."

Flowers: "If you just want an Amendment..."

Stephens: "...the process."

Flowers: "...if you... if you just want an Amendment to be placed on this Bill, Mr. Speaker, will you take this Bill off of Third, put it back on Second. I'm going to put an Amendment on..."

Stephens: "Mr... And Mr. Speaker..."

Flowers: "...and Mr. Speaker, take the Bill out of the record, please."

Stephens: "...this is..."

Flowers: "And put it back on..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Flowers..."

Flowers: "Yes."

Speaker Lyons: "...we will take the... we will move the Bill from Third Reading, the Clerk will move it back to the Second

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Reading. Representative Stephens for your closing comment."

Stephens: "Mr. Speaker, if this is the.. the smart aleck way we're going to deal with stuff, well, Representative, yeah, I might have said it and you caught me breaking my word. So, I'll take it back and I'll Amendment it somehow, but you better vote for it. We're going to shut this place down. The House Republicans are tired of being trampled on. We're tired of having the.. we have the audacity to question the technical aspects of various Bills and we get treated like trash just because we ask a question. We're tired of it. You can do anything you want in this chamber.. if a.. a perfect Majority. That doesn't mean that you can trounce and run roughshod over the process. We live and die by our words here. And our word is something we must live up to. And I've known you for a long time, Representative, and you are a Lady of your word. And I'm surprised to hear that you made a commitment and you.. there's some confusion about it. We're going to get that verbatim and then you tell me, did you make that commitment."

Speaker Lyons: "On the Order of Third Readings, Representative Sandy Pihos, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4320. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4320, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "On the request of the Sponsor, take that Bill out of the record. Representative David Miller, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4380. Out of the

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record. Representative Lou Lang, on page 22 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 5668. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. No. Mr. Clerk, hold on. Mr. Clerk, take House Bill 5668 out of the record. Representative Patti Bellock, you have on page 21 of the Calendar, House Bill 5310. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5310, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from DuPage, Representative Patti Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5310 creates the task force on the conservation and quality of the Great Lakes for the protection of water quality and the supply of the Great Lakes. This Bill comes from last year when we had such a major reaction to BP Amoco and polluting Lake Michigan. And so what this will do is to implement some of the other suggestions from what we voted on last year from the Great Lakes Basin Compact. But we all know that water is the most important resource and in Illinois Lake Michigan is our resource. And it will be in the future something that we need to protect, not only the quality of the water, but the protection of the water rights from other states who might be approaching us to have our own water. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Bill 5310? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should 5310 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?"

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Representative Durkin. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Leitch, on page 19 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4647. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? 4647? Out of the record. Representative Frank Mautino, on page 20 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4940. Representative Mautino, 4940? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4940, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Frank Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill, as amended, will allow for companies to structure wellness programs. And basically, it will allow a program where if a company or an employer has a wellness program in place, they can give incentives for their employees to join them, either paying Constitution-pays for them, deductibles. It is voluntary; it's an initiative of the Chambers. I know of no opposition. And ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 4940 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Verschoore, Pat. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This

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Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mautino, you also have on page 22, House Bill 5578. 5578. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5578, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Frank Mautino. On request of the Sponsor, Mr. Clerk, take this Bill out of the record. Representative Chuck Jefferson, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3642. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3642, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Winnebago, Representative Chuck Jefferson."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This is a Bill that addresses a truancy problem that we're having in the City of Rockford. The original shell Bill provides for the hearing for a code violation involving truants should not be less than seven (7) and not more than forty (40) days. Basically, all this does is changes the time from thirty (30) days to forty (40) days to seven (7) days to forty (40) days to give us the opportunity to deal with any situation as it relates to truancy. I would answer any questions and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Roger Eddy."

Eddy: "Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

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Eddy: "Representative, is... is this drafted only for the City of Rockford or does this allow the forty (40) days instead of thirty (30) days for all municipalities?"

Jefferson: "This is changing legislation throughout the State of Illinois."

Eddy: "Okay. Thank you."

Jefferson: "Yes."

Speaker Lyons: "Any other discussion? Seeing none, Representative Jefferson to close."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would just encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 3642 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 19 of the Calendar, Representative Susana Mendoza has House Bill 4716. Out of the record. The Chair recognizes Representative Mendoza. For what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Mendoza: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, in the gallery behind me I'd just like to welcome and have all of us welcome the high school class of Kelly High School. They're visiting today, seeing us and observing us in action. So, will you give them a round.. a warm round of applause, that would be great. Thank you. Go ahead and stand up. Welcome."

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Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield, Kelly High School. Enjoy your day. Mr. Clerk, on page 19 of the Calendar, Representative Saviano has House Bill 4778. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4778, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Skip Saviano."

Saviano: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 4778 is a cleanup from last year's nurses' rewrite. We worked this out with the Illinois State Medical Society, Illinois Nurses Association. And we needed to clean it up because we needed to be in sync with the DEA, the U.S. DEA. I would ask for its approval. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 4778 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Naomi Jakobsson. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 6 of the Calendar, Representative Saviano has House Bill 4128. What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4128, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. On page 9 of the Calendar, Representative Saviano has House Bill 4845. What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4845, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. On page 10 of the Calendar, Representative Saviano has House Bill 5061. What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5061, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 14 of the Calendar, Representative Jefferson, on the Order of Second Reading is House Bill 5739. What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5739, the Bill has been read a second time, previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #4, offered by Representative Jefferson, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Winnebago on the Amendment. Representative Jefferson."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Committee. Move to adopt Floor Amendment #4, which takes the Bill back to its original form."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on the Amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of Floor

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Amendment #4 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment 4 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 7 of the Calendar, Representative Beth Coulson has House Bill 4416. What's the status of that Clerk... Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4416, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 4 of the Calendar, Representative John Bradley has House Bill 2332. What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2332, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative John Bradley, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Williamson on the Amendment, Representative John Bradley."

Bradley, J.: "This is a TIF extension for the City of West Frankfort. And that's what the Amendment is."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Floor Amendment #1 be adopted to House Bill 2332?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Mike Smith has House Bill 2170 on page 17 of the Calendar. Representative Smith. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Mike Smith, I think for the purpose of an Amendment, do you want to bring that Bill from Third back to Second?"

Smith: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to return this Bill to Second for purpose of an Amendment."

Speaker Lyons: "Return that Bill to the Order of Second Reading, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2170, the Bill has been read a second time, previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Smith, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Fulton, Representative Mike Smith."

Smith: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. This Amendment, which becomes the Bill, makes a number of changes to the Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund Act, which is legislation... was landmark legislation that we passed many years ago. I was the original Sponsor of that legislation. This Amendment... this legislation actually would make a number of administrative changes that the Department of Revenue has recommended and the council which oversees the program has asked us to approve. They're all noncontroversial items. There are no fee increases here. It's simply changing some of the administrative procedures for the department and for the council. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on Floor Amendment #1?
Seeing... the Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook,
Representative Monique Davis."

Davis, M.: "Mr. Chairman... Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Speaker yields... Sponsor yields."

Davis, M.: "Representative Smith, is this Bill increasing or
decreasing the current penalties?"

Smith: "Yeah. Representative Davis, this does not... these are
administrative changes that the department had asked for.
When we set up this... this program back in the late '90s, we
actually gave that authority to the council, which oversees
the program. So, they have that authority, currently.
This doesn't do anything to change that."

Davis, M.: "Well, the reason I'm asking is I had a visit by
some cleaners in my district who stated that a number of
these provisions were putting them out of business."

Smith: "Yeah. This... I understand that, Representative Davis,
and... and you may hear that from some drycleaners. I think
on the whole, this program is... is widely supported by the
industry, though, because if... if you recall when we
established this program ten (10) years ago, it was the
industry coming forward recognizing they had environmental
problems and being proactive in... in trying to address those
to clean up the... the spills that they have at dry cleaning
facilities and do so before the EPA, whether it's Illinois
EPA or U.S. EPA, came in and told them they had to do so.
But you will find some drycleaners who are not happy with
the program because of the... the fees that they have to pay.

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But again, I'd say that... that really is not addressed in this legislation. This is just a administrative cleanup."

Davis, M.: "Doing exactly what, Representative?"

Smith: "I'm sorry?"

Davis, M.: "You said this is an administrative cleanup and I... my question is, administrative cleanup doing exactly what?"

Smith: "Well, there... there are a number of provisions and these were provisions that were recommended by the Department of Revenue. I can go through them if you would like. There are a number of... a number of them that have been recommended having to do with the rules of the council, having to do with licenses of dry cleaning facilities, having to do with the solvent tax, which was one of the revenue streams they have in having to do with the civil penalties that the council can enforce for noncompliance."

Davis, M.: "How much is the penalty if you do not buy your license?"

Smith: "Well, the... the penalty is... if you're in violation of any part of the Act, it is five dollars (\$5) per day for failure to pay the license fee. It's five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first violation and then that's not to exceed five thousand (5,000). And a hundred dollars (\$100) per day if... if... if a solvent provide is not licensed. But, those... those provisions have been there. And have been in the... in the Act for some time."

Davis, M.: "Can a cleaners purchase a solvent if he or she does not have the license?"

Smith: "No, they cannot."

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Davis, M.: "So, if a... if a cleaner doesn't have a license, then the person selling the solvent..."

Smith: "Cannot sell to them."

Davis, M.: "...should not be selling to them, is that correct?"

Smith: "Right. They're not supposed to, that's correct."

Davis, M.: "All right. Is there a penalty to them for doing so?"

Smith: "There's a penalty for the drycleaner and a penalty for the solvent distributor, as well."

Davis, M.: "Okay. There is one. Well, the reason I think I'm going to vote 'present' on your Bill is because a number of these cleaners have notified me that many of these requirements that they are not made aware of is causing them to lose their business and especially, when they didn't have any of those hazardous solvents. Some... many cleaners in Illinois do not, nor have they ever used, some of these dangerous solvents that this Bill is attempting to address. And yet, these cleaners are being required to pay this huge licensing fee. And then if they didn't or don't know about the new requirements, then they're fined a hundred dollars (\$100), five dollars (\$5). And I think the quality of our economy and I think the businesses in Illinois we should stop trying to punish them. I believe that we should attempt to educate them where that's necessary. And I believe that we should give them so many... like a ninety-day grace period before they know about all of these new regulations. And I think this... I believe that the council in some way is a little harmful to businesses.

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Especially, when you talk about a very small neighborhood cleaners. Now, to the Bill."

Smith: "Well, Representative... Representative Davis..."

Davis, M.: "To the Bill. To the Bill. To the Bill. Oh yeah, go ahead."

Smith: "Representative Davis, I..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Davis, this is... we're passing the Amendment. So, we're just on the Floor Amendment. So, Mike, conclude."

Smith: "Representative Davis, I appreciate your concerns and this program has been in existence for about ten (10) years. So, unless it's a new cleaners they... they should know about it by now. And I would again say, you know, this program was an initiative of the dry cleaning industry. The two (2) major groups representing drycleaners, the Korean American Drycleaners Association as well as the State Fabricare Association are the two (2) groups who have supported this who came to the Legislature wanting it. So, I understand what you're saying, I'm concerned about that. But I would just say this is the industry coming forward saying they want to clean themselves up. If you do have a site that's contaminated and you want to sell that, you want to... you want to get a loan, it's almost impossible to do so."

Davis, M.: "Thank you. That... that part does make a lot of sense. However, I'm gonna be very careful that I don't put small business cleaners out of business. And what this really will do is help those big corporate cleaners that are growing in our state, the big... the large corporate

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cleaners. But I'll look at the Bill when it comes forward.
Thank you, Mr. Chairman and thank you, Representative."

Smith: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Floor Amendment #1 be adopted to House Bill 2170?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1... Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything else, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Smith, you also have House Bill 5970. Representative Smith. Representative Smith, you also have House Bill 5970 on the Order of Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5970, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from... from Fulton, Representative Mike Smith."

Smith: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This legislation is at the request of the Illinois Principals Association. If you recall, two (2) years ago we created the Master Principal Program and they have asked that we change the name of that program or allow them to call the program, The Illinois Distinguished Principal Leadership Program. And this is at the request of the Illinois Principals Association. Again, would change the name from the Master Principal designation to a Distinguished Principal. Know of no opposition and I'd be happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Bill 5970? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 5970 pass?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Crespo. Hassert. Brent. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm going to be going to the Order of Second... Senate Bills-Second Reading on page 22 of the Calendar. So, Members, if you're in your seats and you have a Bill on Second Reading, I'll be starting on the bottom of page 22 and going down page 23 for the purpose of moving Senate Bills from Second Reading to Third Reading. So, Representative Mike Boland, on the bottom of page 22, you have Senate Bill 439. What's the status of the Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 439, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 23 of the Calendar, Representative Bill Black has Senate Bill 2021. What's the status of the Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2021, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Representative Black, do you care to move this to Third Reading? Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on the pop... top of page 23, Senate Bills-Second Reading, Representative Dan Beiser has House Bill 2052. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2052, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 23 of the Calendar, Representative John Bradley has Ho... Senate Bill 2079. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2079, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on the top of page 23 there's Senate Bill 2118. Representative Turner has Senate Bill 2118. Representative Art Turner, want to move that Bill from Second to Third Reading, Senate Bill 2118? Hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading at the request of the Sponsor. Representative Art Turner, you also have Senate Bill 2275 on the Order of Second Reading. You wish to move that to Third? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2275, a Bill for an Act in relation to minors. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 23 of the Calendar, Representative Elaine Nekritz has Senate Bill 2313. What's the status of the Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2313, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "On request of the Sponsor, hold that Bill on Second Reading. Representative Jack Franks, on page 23 of the Calendar, you have Senate Bill 2422. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2422, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. On page 23 of the Calendar, Representative JoAnn Osmond, you have Senate Bill 23... 2431. Representative Osmond, Senate Bill 2431. Do you care to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2431, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Sid Mathias has Senate Bill 2486. Care to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2486, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 23 of the Calendar, Representative Michael Tryon has Senate Bill 2514. Representative Tryon, do you wish to move that Bill from Second to Third? 2514. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2514, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on the top of page 24, Representative Fortner has Senate Bill 2845. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2845, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 24 of the Calendar, Representative Jack Franks has Senate Bill 2906. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2906, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 23 of the Calendar, Representative Pat Lindner has Senate Bill 2287. Representative Lindner on Senate Bill 2287. Representative Lindner, you choose to move Senate Bill 2287 to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2287, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No

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Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm now going to what was passed out earlier in the afternoon, a Supplemental Calendar #1. So, if everybody has this in front of them, we're going to go through this on Second.. Senate Bills Second-Readings, to see if you choose to move them to Third Reading. Representative JoAnn Osmond, you have Senate Bill 2042 on the Supplemental Calendar. You wish to choose.. move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2042, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Roger Eddy has Senate Bill 2091. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2091, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Elaine Nekritz, you have Senate Bill 2111 on the Order of Second Reading. You wish to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2111, a Bill for an Act concerning administrative review. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Sid Mathias, you have Senate Bill 2161 on the Order of Second Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2161, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Frank Mautino has Senate Bill 2290. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2290, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Colvin, you have Senate Bill 2321. Wish to move that to Third Reading from Second Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2321, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of Ho... Senate Bill 2170?"

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2170, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative John Bradley has Senate Bill 2391. You wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2391, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Paul Froehlich, you have Senate Bill 2396. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2396, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Mike Fortner has Senate Bill 2435. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2435, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Fortner, you have Senate Bill 2473. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2473, a Bill for an Act concerning health care. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative John Bradley, you have Senate Bill 2488. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2488, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation, which may be referred to as James 'Shib' Miller and William Grant's Law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Paul Froehlich, you have House... Senate Bill 2494. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2494, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Stephens, I believe you're handling Representative Watson's Senate Bill 2500? Wish to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2500, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, on request of the Sponsor, we'll hold that Bill on Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Tom Holbrook has Senate Bill 2506. Representative Tom Holbrook. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2506, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Randy Ramey has Senate Bill 2594. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2594, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mathias, you have Senate Bill 2713. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2713, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, Representative Fritchey has Senate Bill 2827. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2827, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Cindy Soto, you have House Bill... Senate Bill 2857. Representative Soto, Senate Bill 2857, you want to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2857, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: " Third Reading. Representative John Fritchey, you have Senate Bill 2872. What's your pleasure, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2872, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed. "

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Sandy Pihos, you have Senate Bill 2907. Out of the record. Representative

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Fritchey, you have House Resolution 1101. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'll be reading some of the House Resolution... Joint Resolutions, starting on page 26. Representative Harry Osterman, you have House Joint Resolution #77. Out of the record. Representative Don Moffitt on page 27 of the Calendar, you have House Joint Resolution #89. Mr. Clerk, on the Resolution."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 89 urges the Department of Human Services to consult with Legislators, recipients of in-home personal care services and caregivers in determining whether to change the department's rule to allow payment to spouses for providing those services."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Knox, Representative Don Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. There was quite a bit of publicity on this. There was a couple in my district, there was one in Peoria and there's also a Bill going through that we... we hope to advance. This simply would allow... this is urging the department to allow a spouse to be a caregiver under certain particular situations. The one that I have, had a caregiver who had been the caregiver for a number of years, the couple eventually decided to get married. So, on a Friday she was qualified to be the caregiver, he was qualified to receive it. They got married and then they were no longer qualified for her to be the caregiver. And that was the income. It's no cost to the state if the spouse is the caregiver. So, this simply urges the department to change the policy. And there is legislation

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moving through to do the similar. Would appreciate a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Joint Resolution 89? Seeing none, all those in favor of its adoption signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Joint Resolution 89 is adopted. Thank you, Representative Moffitt. On page 27 of the Calendar, Mr. Clerk, Jil Tracy... Representative Tracy has House Joint Resolution 88. Representative Tracy, do you wish to present your joint... House Joint Resolution 88? Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 27 of the Calendar, Representative Ed Sullivan, you have House Joint Resolution 94. Out of the record. Representative Roger Eddy on the bottom of page 27, you have House Joint Resolution 97. Mr. Clerk, on the Resolution."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 97 resolves that the Board of Higher Education establish a task force to study issues related to dual credit, which task force shall report its findings to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2009."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Roger Eddy."

Eddy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Resolution, hopefully, will provide us with some direction as to best practices related to dual credit and dual enrollment in the state. The program is very popular where high school students are enrolled concurrently at a community college and high school and they earn credit. They've had some

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questions as to the consistent application of certain criteria. Hopefully, this task force will... will provide us with the direction we need to bring forth legislation eventually to... to make it a consistent system."

Speaker Lyons: "Are there any questions of the Sponsor in regard to House Joint Resolution 97? This will be a Roll Call vote. All those in favor for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 97 signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Dugan. Jerry Mitchell. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Resolution, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional... the House Joint Resolution 97 is hereby adopted. Representative Patti Bellock on the middle of page 28 under Joint Resolutions, you have House Joint Resolution 103. On the Resolution, Mr... Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 103 creates the Joint Task Force on methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) Education for the purpose of spearheading the effort to educate students, parents, teachers, and school administrators about the dangers of MRSA and ways to prevent the spread of MRSA."

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Patti Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. In HJR 103, I think we adopted an Amendment changing the name of that."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk."

Bellock: "To MDRO. We did."

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Clerk Bolin: "Amendment #1 has been adopted to the Bill..."

Bellock: "Right."

Clerk Bolin: "...to the Resolution."

Bellock: "I just wanted to make that clear."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Because now what this task force does is it includes MDROs, which is all staph resistant infections. And last year we spent a lot of time on MRSA and we now know that it's across the country and we've raised the awareness. There were a hundred and nineteen thousand (119,000) deaths alone just from MRSA. So, this task force will investigate all methicillin resistant drugs... infections. And to look more towards prevention of this disease in the future, which we know can be affected just by... not all the way, but by a few simple, stringent ideas and hand washing being the number one."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Joint Resolution 103 be adopted?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this issue, 113 Members voted 'yes', 0 voted 'no'. And House Joint Resolution 103 is adopted. On page 30 of the Calendar, under House Resolutions, Representative Jack Franks, you have House Resolution 865. On the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 865 designates Illinois Route 173 be renamed the 173rd Airborne Brigade Highway in honor

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of the brave men and women of the United States Army 103rd
(sic-173rd) Airborne Brigade."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We had already passed this
as a House Joint Resolution, so there's no necess... no
necessity to pass this. But I appreciate the opportunity."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Ron
Stephens, on page 30 of the Calendar, under House
Resolutions, you have House Resolution 927. Mr. Clerk, on
the Resolution."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 927 requests that the Department
of Transportation conduct a study on the advisability of
expanding the use of cable barriers in Illinois; report its
findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no
later than July 1, 2009."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Bond, Representative Ron
Stephens."

Stephens: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It simply does as the
Clerk read. It asks the department to report to us as to
their ability to expand the multilane limited access
highway program of cable barriers. It's a public safety
issue and I would urge your support."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on the Resolution?
...Gentlemen, this will be a Roll Call vote. All those in
favor of the adoption of House Resolution 927 vote 'yes';
those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all
voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted
who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this
Resolution, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting

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'no'. And House Resolution 927 is adopted. Representative Don Moffitt, on page 31 of the Calendar, under Resolutions, you have House Resolution 940. Mr. Clerk, the Resolution?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 940 urges the United States Congress to support a ban on a sale of novelty cigarette lighters that resemble toys."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Knox, Representative Don Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the fire service. I have some examples of these novelty lighters that look like toys here; a little cell phone, a hammer, a frog, a bowling pin, a gun. And it just urges Congress to ban the sale. Here's a hammer. A lot of these look like toys and yet, for a child, they can't distinguish between that and a cigarette lighter. I believe everyone we looked at may have been made in a country that's noted for lead paint. So, I there's probably a lot of lead paint on... on these lighters, too. So, I just would urge Congress to ban the sale of these."

Speaker Lyons: "Any discussion? All those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 940 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 940 is adopted. Representative Chapin Rose, on page 31 of the Calendar, you have House Resolution 944. Out of the record. Representative Cindy Soto, on page 31 of the Calendar, you have House Resolution 994. Representative Soto. Representative Soto, you have House Resolution 994. Out of

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the record. Mr. Clerk, on the bottom of page 30, Representative Pritchard has House Resolution 930. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 930 congratulates Dr. Gary D. Glenn on the occasion of his nomination to serve on the National Council for the Humanities and urges the United States Senate to confirm him to this post."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Bob Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Dr. Gary... excuse me. Dr. Gary Glenn is a distinguished teaching professor emeritus of political science at Northern Illinois University. And we're extremely proud that he's been nominated for the National Council of Humanities. And we would ask that all of us join in congratulating him on this honor and urging the Senate to approve his nomination. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 930 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 930 is adopted. Representative Mike Tryon, on page 28 of the Calendar, you have several Joint Resolutions, House Joint Resolution 104. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk, on page 28."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 104 urges the Illinois Housing Development Authority through its Homeowner Outreach Days Program to hold an outreach event with the geographical boundaries... within the geographical boundaries

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of each legislative district in Illinois at least once by January 1, 2009."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Mike Tryon."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is just an initiative to have the Illinois Housing Authority hold a program throughout the state to help residents avoid losing their homes and educate them about the options that they have in refinancing. And... and with the housing crisis the way it is, we think the timing is perfect to begin this, this year. So, I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? This will be a recorded vote, Ladies and Gentlemen. All those in favor for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 104 signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Osterman. Frank Mautino. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Resolution, there's 111 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 2 Members voting 'present'. House Joint Resolution 105 is adopted. Representative... 104 is adopted. Representative Tryon, you also have House Joint Resolution 105. On the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 105 creates the Foreclosure Prevention Task Force."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Mike Tryon."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again, this is kind of a companion Bill to House (sic-Joint) Resolution 104. I don't think I've ever seen a time in... in my life that there have been more foreclosures. I don't know that there's

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been a time in our economy that there's been more foreclosures. And... and I think we need to be in a position to look at any kind of mortgage lending laws that we might need to... to change to prevent future foreclosures. I have one village in my county that has about a population of... of fifteen thousand (15,000) and there's five hundred (500) homes on a foreclosure list. So, if we could put a task force together and look at all of our laws that might be regarded with home ownership, I think we could be productive in getting recommendations for legislative changes to help protect our citizens from unnecessary or from foreclosure in general."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Joint Resolution 105? This will be a recorded vote, Ladies and Gentlemen. So, all those in favor of its adoption signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Mautino. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Resolution, there's 111 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. House (sic-Joint) Resolution 105 is hereby adopted. Representative Dan Reitz, on the bottom of page 28, you have House Joint Resolution 117. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 117 urges the Governor and the Department of Natural Resources to continue and maintain the Controlled Pheasant Hunting Program."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Randolph, Representative Danny Reitz."

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Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 117, it does just what the Clerk said. It urges the Governor to keep the pheasant program. This program has been a moneymaker, I think, for the State of Illinois. But they are not planning on doing away with any of the positions that are currently at the parks. And this is in addition to their duties. We do have another piece of legislation that should be coming forth soon to help raise the fee. But this is a great program, allows a lot of youth and handicapped hunters to get a chance to get out and hunt. So, I'd appreciate your consideration of this measure."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Mike Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand in strong support of the Gentleman's Resolution. This is a program that I myself participated in from the time I was about ten (10) years old on with my grandfather. It's an opportunity for the training of bird dogs as... has actually been a very good moneymaker for the state. They've been slow in raising the fees back up. We want to encourage to make sure that those programs that are positive keep going and this does that. And I believe that as the Representative said, they'll be following with other legislation in the future."

Speaker Lyons: "All those for the favor of House Joint Resolution... the adoption of House Joint Resolution 117 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Joint Resolution 117 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, on page 32... Ladies and Gentlemen, we're back on House Resolutions, on page 32

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and 33 of the Calendar. Representative Bellock. Patti, you have House Resolution 1000. Out of the record. Representative Mike Bost, on page 32 of the Calendar, you have House Resolution 1006. Out of the record. Representative Patti Bellock, you have another Resolution, 1031, page 32 of the Calendar. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1031 urges the United States Congress to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA backlog grant program at current or increased levels."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. We know how important that DNA is to solving crime and this is just to reinstate the DNA backlog grants."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1031 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1031 is adopted. Representative Jack Franks, on page 32 of the Calendar, you have House Resolution 1037. On the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1037 designates the month of May 2008 and every month of May thereafter as Look at Local History Month in the State of Illinois."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Jack Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Resolution that Representative Tryon had carried last year. And we're putting it to remind people to look at local history month in the state. And I'd ask for a favorable vote."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Resolution 1037 be adopted?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1037 is adopted. Representative Raymond Poe, on the bottom of page 32, you have House Resolution 1048. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1048 requires the Capital Development Board to report certain information regarding the Illinois State Fairgrounds to the General Assembly."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Sangamon County, Representative Raymond Poe."

Poe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What we have here is House Resolution 1048 and it will ask that the Capital Development Board to provide us a scope of work that we need on our buildings around the state to the General Assembly. And what we'd like to have is we'd like to have some updates from time to time and it would help us keep our maintenance schedule on track so we'd know how the... we need to put in our maintenance budget. So, I'd ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Resolution 1048? Seeing none, all those in favor of its adoption signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1048 is adopted. On the top of page 33 under the Order of Resolutions, Representative JoAnn Osmond, you have House Resolution 1053. JoAnn. Read... on the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1053 recognizes September 11 as National Firefighters' Day."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Osmond."

Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is just as it reads, recognizing September 11 as the National Firefighters' Day. It was at a request of a constituent of mine. And I would hope for a favorable passage."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Resolution 1053? Seeing none, all those in favor of its adoption signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1053 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, let's go back to page 32 of the Calendar, under Resolutions, Representative Mike Bost has House Resolution 1006. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1006 urges the Illinois Congressional Delegation to propose federal legislation that provides funds to colleges, universities, or other state institutions that conduct research on the development of an additive to anhydrous ammonia that makes it inert in the production of methamphetamine."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Michael Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 1006 basically it would... encourages Congress to participate with the universities in developing a product to be put in anhydrous ammonia to discourage it and keep it from being used in the development of methamphetamines. And I'd appreciate the support."

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Speaker Lyons: "Any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1006 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1006 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, on page 33 under the Order of Resolutions, Representative Harry Osterman, you have House Resolution 1067. Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 34 of the Calendar, Representative Rich Brauer has House Resolution... House Resolution 1117. Representative Brauer. Rich, 1117? On the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1117 directs the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, and the Illinois State Board of Education in coordination with providers of Developmental Disability and mental health services to establish a Cross-Agency Coordination Task Force on Developmental Disabilities to study the implementation of a uniform age by which children with developmental disabilities or mental illness 'age out' of programs administered by those agencies."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Menard County, Representative Rich Brauer."

Brauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This just fairly simply gets all the services together and looks at the problem with aging out between DCFS, which is 18; DHS, which is 21; and ISBE, which is 22. So, it appoints a task force, gets them to sit down, gets the input and see if they can get some uniformity of this. I appreciate an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House... This will require a recorded vote on this Resolution, Ladies and Gentlemen. So, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1117 signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Granberg. Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Resolution, there are 113 Members voting 'yes', 0 voted 'no'. This Resolution is hereby declared adopted. Representative Wyvetter Younge, on page 34 of the Calendar, you have House Resolution 1124. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1124 declares September 7, 2008, as Liturgical Dance Day in the State of Illinois."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from St. Clair, Representative Wyvetter Younge."

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That is the extent of the Resolution to declare the 7 of September Liturgical Dance Day. And I move for the adoption of the..."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1124 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1124 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, on page 33 of the Calendar, Representative Raymond Poe has House Resolution 1062. Representative Poe. Raymond, on House Resolution 1062. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1062 urges the Congress and National Guard Bureau to retain the Air National Guard fire protection services at the Abraham Lincoln Capitol Airport."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Raymond Poe."

Poe: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker. As many of you know, we lost the 183rd jets from the Capitol Airport. And usually when that happens we have... fire service is provided by the National Guard at the airport. We're hoping for another assignment at the airport and rather than disrupt that, we don't have any service... fire service out there currently for our commercial airlines. And this is something that will provide a lot for the community. And we think it's a plus for the homeland security being located here in Springfield that they're trained in homeland security and they could help out all of central Illinois. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Knox, Representative Don Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Resolution. I'm sure this will probably get all 'yes' votes, as it should. But I mean this is extremely serious. Here we are in the State Capital potentially... probably more subject to some problems and the high-tech firefighting equipment that the National Guard can provide, it would just be a real disservice to this city, to this state if that is moved out of here. We all benefit, our state benefits. But they bring some additional equipment to give... that can give mutual aid if needed. And so, it isn't just the airport. But they're

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potentially can help the entire city, protect historic sites, even the Capitol. So, would just commend the Sponsor for doing this. And I certainly hope that at the federal level they'll see fit to leave this here. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. All those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1062 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. House Resolution 1062 is adopted. Representative Connie Howard in the chamber? Request for a Third Reading Bill. Representative Connie Howard. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 910, offered by Representative Cross. House Resolution 1296, offered by Representative Saviano. House Resolution 1299, offered by Representative Osmond. House Resolution 1300, offered by Representative Cross. House Resolution 1301, offered by Representative Wait. House Resolution 1302, offered by Representative Fortner. House Resolution 1303, offered by Representative Fortner. And House Resolution 1304, offered by Representative Tracy."

Speaker Lyons: "All those in favor of the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, we've been given a bright orange sheet that the Clerk will read the committee assignments. So, committee announcements, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "The following committees will meet immediately upon adjournment: the Labor Committee will meet in Room 118, Local Government Committee will meet in Room D-1, the State Government Administration Committee will meet in 115, the Disabilities Services Committee will meet in Room 122B, and the Registration & Regulation Committee will meet in Room 114. All of these committees will meet immediately upon adjournment. One committee has been canceled, the Higher Education Committee scheduled for this afternoon has been canceled. The following committees will meet tomorrow morning: at 9 a.m., the Judiciary II-Criminal Law Committee will meet in Room D-1 and the Revenue Committee will meet in Room 115. Tomorrow at 10:00 in the morning the Agriculture & Conservation Committee will meet in Room 114, the Elections & Campaign Reform Committee will meet in Room C-1 and the Electric Utility Oversight Committee will meet in Room 118. At 10:30 tomorrow morning the Mass Transit Committee will meet in 118, the Personnel & Pensions Committee will meet in Room 122B, the Veterans' Affairs Committee will meet in Room C-1 and the Health Care Availability & Access Committee will meet in Room 114."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative John D'Amico for an announcement."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to announce that tonight after the softball game, the White Sox Caucus will be meeting at Boone's at 9:00."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative D'Amico for that very important announcement. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Representative Art Turner moves that the

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House stand adjourned until the hour of 12 noon tomorrow, Thursday, May 15. The House will stand adjourned until the hour of 12 noon tomorrow, May 15. Go House. Give the Senate a whipping tonight on that ball diamond. Good Luck, Members."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, to which the following legislative measures and/or Joint Action Motions were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'approved for floor consideration' is... and referred to the Order of House Bills-Second Reading is House Bill 684 and House Bill 2651; 'recommends be adopted' is Amendment #4 to House Bill 2088, Amendment #3 to House Bill 4198, Amendment #5 to House Bill 4612, Amendment #2 to House Bill 4634, Amendment #5 to House Bill 4699 and Amendment #4 to House Bill 5126, Amendment #2 to House Bill 994 and Amendment #2 to House Bill 1059, House... correction. Amendment #2 to House Resolution 994 and Amendment #4 to House Resolution 1059, Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2380. Committee Reports. Representative Ryg, Chairperson from the Committee on Disability Services, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2538 and Senate Bill 2581. Representative Osterman, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported

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the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2102, Senate Bill 2188, and Senate Bill 2216. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Local Government, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 1965, Senate Bill 2014, Senate Bill 2031, Senate Bill 2297, Senate Bill 2434, Senate Bill 2677, Senate Bill 2679, Senate Bill 2749. Representative Saviano, Chairperson from the Committee on Registration & Regulation, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2424; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 1929, and Senate Bill 2696; 'recommends be adopted' is Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 5067. Representative Franks, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 14, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' is Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4665; 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2404, Senate Bill 2632, and Senate Bill 2887. Senate Bills, introduction and First Reading. Senate Bill 2413, offered by Representative Black, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 2744, offered by Representative Moffitt, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. And Senate Bill 2788, offered by Representative Howard, a

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Bill for an Act concerning local government. This has been First Reading and introduction of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."