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Speaker Mautino: "The House shall be in order. We're... we shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Richard Eident, who is the pastor of Windsor Christian Church in Windsor, Illinois. Reverend Eident is the guest of Representative Flider. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones and pagers, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Reverend Eident: "Let us pray. Our Dear Heavenly Father, we want to thank You for the freedoms that we have in this great land of America. We're grateful, Lord, for the men and women who have been elected to serve as Representatives of this great State of Illinois. And, God, I just pray that You would give unto these men and women... give them wisdom, give them knowledge, give them guidance and direction this day. Help them to have the insight and the understanding that's going to be needed for there to be some unity and harmony and for things to move forward the way, God, they need to happen. And I just pray that You would help them to represent their constituents well. And, God, we just are grateful for each one of them and for their willingness to serve. We know that they have been called for such a time as this. And I just pray, Lord, that You would help them to be able to work together realizing, God, that Illinois can be one of the greatest states again. And I just ask, Lord, that You would just bless each of them this day. Thank You for the beautiful day we have, and thank You for each one of these men and women is our prayer in Jesus' name, Amen."

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Speaker Mautino: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Sacia."

Sacia - 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 Mautino: "Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Crespo, Dugan, Gordon, and Yarbrough are excused today."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And first off, let us once again say how nice it is to have you in the Chair. On the Republican side of the aisle, please excuse Black, Cultra and Pihos today."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you, Representative Bost. With 110 Members answering the Roll, a quorum is present and we may proceed. Mr. Clerk, take the record. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Referred to the House Committee on Rules is House Resolution 182, offered by Representative May and House Resolution 186, offered by Representative Pihos."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "For an announcement. Members.. a list of the Members' Bills should have been distributed by the House Pages. Each Member will have a list of their Bills to determine.."

Speaker Mautino: "It's the intent of the Chair to proceed with Bills on Second Reading and these are Bills from the

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Members' priority list. We'll be starting alphabetically and then going from Democrats to Republican and we'll cross back and forth until we get the Bills moved from Second to Third. On page 4 of the Calendar is House Bill 165. Representative Acevedo. Out of the record. On page #... on page 9 of the Calendar, Mr. Clerk, House Bill 437. Representative Beiser. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 437, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 25 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2244. Representative Biggins. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2244, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 34 of the Calendar is House Bill 2557. Representative Bradley. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2557, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 38 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3641. Representative Brauer. Representative Brauer? Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 14 of the Calendar appears House Bill 769. Representative Cavaletto. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 769, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 39 of the Calendar, House Bill 3670. Representative Brosnahan. Out of the record. On page 49 of the Calendar, House Bill 4122. Representative Chapa LaVia. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4122, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 8 of the Calendar, House Bill 379. Representative Connelly. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 379, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 21 of the Calendar is House Bill 1126. Representative Collins. Out of the record. On page 25 of the Calendar, House Bill 2245. Representative Currie. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2245, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 18 of the Calendar, House Bill 979. Representative Coulson. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 979, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 32 of the Calendar is House Bill 2481. Representative Cross. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2481, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government, which may be referred to as Lily's Law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 3 of the Calendar appears House Bill 71. Representative D'Amico. Out of the record. On page 12 of the Calendar, House Bill 648. Representative Monique Davis. Out of the record. Page 26 of the Calendar, House Bill 2266. Representative Dunkin. For what reason is the Lady from Cook, Representative Davis..."

Davis, M.: "Mr. Speaker, on 648 there was Amendment #1."

Speaker Mautino: "Okay. Mr. Clerk, what is the Amen... the status of Amendment #1? Representative Davis, we'll go back to that Bill in just a moment."

Davis, M.: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "On Representative Dunkin's 2266, please take that Bill out of the record. Mr. Clerk, would you return to House Bill 648."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 648 has been read a second time, previously. There are no Committee Amendments. Floor

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Amendment #1, offered by Representative Monique Davis, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Davis on Floor Amendment 1."

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 merely puts in a sunset date of 10 years hence. The original Bill does not have... had a sunset date, but our new Bill did not have one. Therefore, in order to satisfy the questions of some of the adversaries, we added a sunset date of 10 years."

Speaker Mautino: "The Lady moves the adoption of the Amendment. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 12 of the Calendar, House Bill 705 appears. Representative Farnham. Out of the rec... out of the record. On page 19 is... appears House Bill 1033. Representative Flider. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1033, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 19 of the Calendar, we have House Bill 1079. Representative Eddy. Mr. Clerk, move the Bill... read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1079, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 11 of the Calendar appears House Bill 621. Representative Fortner. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 621, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Read... Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, page 2 of the Calendar appears House Bill 7. Representative Franks. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 7, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 48 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4051. Representative Froehlich. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4051, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 27 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2295. Representative Hatcher. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2295, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 37 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2687. Representative Leitch. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2687, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 34 of the Calendar is... appears House Bill 2540. Representative McAuliffe. McAuliffe. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2540, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 8 of the Calendar appears House Bill 392. Representative Golar. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 392, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 46 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3990. Representative Hamos. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3990, a Bill for an Act concerning local farm and food products. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 5 of the Calendar appears House Bill 180. Representative Graham. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 180, a Bill for an Act concerning handgun regulations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee... No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 897. Representative Harris. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 897, a Bill for an Act concerning identification cards. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 9 of the Calendar, House Bill 489. Representative Hernandez. Out of the record. On page 33 of the Calendar, House Bill 2530. Representative Holbrook. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2530, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 2 of the Calendar is House Bill 38. Representative Moffitt. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 38, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Moffitt, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "On Floor Amendment 1, Representative Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Floor Amendment #1 specifies the length of the terms of the loan would be 25 years. We have discussed that with different agencies and that's the purpose of that Amendment. So, I would move for the adoption."

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Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman moves adoption of Amendment 1. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 18 of the Calendar is House Bill 1003. Representative Poe. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1003, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 8 of the Calendar is House Bill 349. Representative Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 349, a Bill for an Act concerning vehicles has been read a second time, previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Pritchard, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Pritchard on Floor Amendment #1."

Pritchard: "Yes. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, following our debate here on the floor, we went back and visited with another... with a number of other groups and I came up with this Amendment, hopefully, answering the concerns that we had expressed on the floor. And I ask for your consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman moves adoption of Amendments.. 1. Is there any discussions? Seeing none, all in favor of adoption of the Amendments signify by 'aye'; opposed same

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sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted.

Mr. Clerk, are there any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 21 of the Calendar is House Bill 1147. Representative Ramey. Out of the record. On page 7 of the Calendar is House Bill 303. Representative Reis. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 303, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 46 of the Calendar is House Bill 3972. Representative Jackson. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3972, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 46 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3986. Representative Joyce. Out of the record. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 773. Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 773, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Lang, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Lang on Floor Amendment 2."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, this started out as a significant dispute between the beer distributors and the brewers, particularly Miller and

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Anheuser Busch. Anheuser Busch is perfectly fine with this Amendment as drafted and supports the Bill. As for Miller, almost all of their problems have been resolved except one and that deals with the use of State Law. Clearly, this General Assembly would want to support Illinois State Law controlling contract that involve Illinois companies and as written, that's what this Amendment does. I would ask for its adoption."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. On the Amendments, Representative Soto, the Lady from Cook."

Soto: "Not on the Amendment. I have a poi... Speaker, point of personal privilege. Do you want me to wait?"

Speaker Mautino: "We'll return momentarily to the point of personal pri... On the Bill and the Amendment, Representative Eddy."

Eddy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor of the Amendment yield for a question?"

Speaker Mautino: "He indicates he will."

Eddy: "Representative, our analysis indicates that this was going to be held on Second for an Amendment. My question is, obviously, you've done that. Is this now make the Bill an agreed or is there still..."

Lang: "There were many issues between the beer distributors and Miller."

Eddy: "Okay."

Lang: "Through negotiation, almost all of them are resolved in this Amendment. There's one remaining issue which is the one I described that it... it involves the beer distributors insistence that these contracts be viewed from the point of

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view of Illinois State Law. Miller has a different point of view. Other than that, all other issues are resolved."

Eddy: "Okay. So, your commitment was to work on Amendment, not for an agreement. You're at the point now that it's ready for Third, so we can debate that one remaining issue and vote on the Bill?"

Lang: "That is correct."

Eddy: "All right."

Lang: "Additionally, I don't think there's going to be any further movement. And so, we have to decide as a matter of policy whether we think Illinois's businesses has the contracts they enter into should be interpreted through Illinois State Law or somebody else's law."

Eddy: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. Seeing no further questions, the Gentleman moves adoption of Amendment #2. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. On a point of personal privilege, the Chair recognizes Representative Soto."

Soto: "Thank... thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Mautino: "Proceed."

Soto: "Yes. On a point of personal privilege, I'd like to welcome..."

Speaker Mautino: "Well, could..."

Soto: "...Erie Charter School, right here to my right. Can we just say hello to Erie Charter. Keep up the good work on your grades. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Clerk, back on House Bill 773. The Amendment is adopted."

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Clerk Mahoney: "Floor Amendment..."

Speaker Mautino: "Are there any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Representative Joyce on House Bill 3986, on page 46 of the Calendar. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3986, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 5 of the Calendar, we have House Bill 202. Representative Lyons. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 202, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 37 of the Calendar is House Bill 2680. Representative Rose. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2680, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 10 of the Calendar appears House Bill 583. Representative Sacia. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 583, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Sacia, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Sacia on Floor Amendment 1."

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Sacia: "Just... It's simply an Amendment to add to the Bill. I'll explain it thoroughly when we go to Third Reading. I'd like to hold it on Second for now."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman moves adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, please keep that Bill on Second Reading. On page 23 of the Calendar is House Bill 1327. Representative Senger. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1327, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "On the Amendment, Representative... Chapa LaVia on Floor Amendment #1."

Chapa LaVia: "Yes, Speaker and Members of the House. It's a friendly... a friendly Amendment. We added in Rush-Copley Hospital and the lead Sponsor on this has authorized it. So, I'll take any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeing no discussion, the... Representative Chapa LaVia moves adoption of Amendment #1. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Further... no further Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 30 of the Calendar, House Bill 2428. Representative May. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2428, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On Rep.. on page 29 of the Calendar, House Bill 2370. Representative McAsey. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2370, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 22 of the Calendar appears House Bill 1291. Representative Saviano. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1291, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 42 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3798. Representative McCarthy. Out of the record. On page 26 of the Calendar is.. appears House Bill 2270. Representative McGuire. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2270, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On the Calendar, on page 45 appears House Bill 3962. Representative Mell. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3962, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 28 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2343. Representative Mendoza. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2343, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 6 of the Calendar is House Bill 264. Representative Miller. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 264, a Bill for an Act concerning urban development. Second Reading of this House Bill. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Miller, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Miller on Floor Amendment 1."

Miller: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment was based on several recommendations from the committee in terms of conflicts of interest and trying to narrow the scope of those with expertise on the committee."

Speaker Mautino: "On Floor Amendment 1, no one seeking recognition, the Gentleman moves adoption. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 36 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2664. Representative Nekritz, in the center aisle. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2664, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 39 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3670. Representative Brosnahan. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3670, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 3 of the Calendar appears House Bill 48. Representative Osterman. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 48, a Bill for an Act concerning public safety has been read a second time, previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. All notes have been filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 18 of the Calendar appears House Bill 1010. Representative Reitz. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1010, a Bill for an Act concerning dental practice. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Reitz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Reitz on Floor Amendment 2."

Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good to see you up there. Floor Amendment 1 changes 'shall' to 'may' and I believe would remove all the objections to this Bill. Thank you."

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Speaker Mautino: "And that was your description of Floor Amendment 2 on that Bill."

Reitz: "Two, correct, 2. Sorry."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeing no one's seeking recognition, the Gentleman moves adoption of Floor Amendment 2. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment 2 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 30 of the Calendar is House Bill 2424. Representative Riley. Out of the record. On page 14 of the Calendar appears House Bill 786. Representative Rita. Out of the record. On page 29 of the Calendar is House Bill 2377. Representative Smith. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2377, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 49 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4124. Representative Soto. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4124, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 35 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2626. Representative Verschoore. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2626, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 29 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2393. Representative Walker. Out of the record. On page 29 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2365. Representative Washington. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2365, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 34 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2542. Representative Yarbrough. Out of the record. On page 38 of the Calendar, House Bill 3641. Representative Brauer. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3641, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "On Hou... On page... Excuse me. Third Reading. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 1147. Representative Ramey. Out of the record. On page 29 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2370. Representative McAsey. Mr. Clerk, take that out of the record. On page 25 of the Calendar... On page 4 of the Calendar appears House Bill 165. Representative Acevedo. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 165, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 2 of the Calendar appears House Bill 12. Representative Arroyo. Out of the record. On page 26 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2266. Representative Dunkin. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2266, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 46 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3999. Representative Flowers. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3999, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 14 of the Calendar appears House Bill 786. Representative Rita. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 786, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 1099. Representative McCarthy. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1099, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. However, notes have been requested and not yet filed."

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Speaker Mautino: "Hold the Bill on Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, on 1099."

Clerk Mahoney: "Correction. On 1099 no notes have been requested."

Speaker Mautino: "Move the Bill to Third Reading. On page 9 of the Calendar is House Bill 462. Representative Phelps. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 462, a Bill for an Act concerning firearms has been read a second time, previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. All notes have been filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. On page 7 of the Calendar appears House Bill 281. Representative Bellock. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 281, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Bellock, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Bellock on Floor Amendment 2."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to move to adopt Amendment #2."

Speaker Mautino: "The Lady moves the adoption of Floor Amendment 2. All in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading."

Bellock: "Thank you."

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Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Clerk, on Calendar... on Second Reading, House Bill 72. Representative D'Amico. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 72, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative D'Amico, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Mautino: "On Floor Amendment 2, Representative D'Amico."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to table Amendment 1 and adopt Amendment 2. It's technical in nature."

Speaker Mautino: "Floor Amendment 1 remains in the Rules Committee. So, we will be dealing with Floor Amendment 2. And on your Motion?"

D'Amico: "Yes. So, then I would like to just adopt Amendment 2."

Speaker Mautino: "I have a Motion to adopt Floor Amendment 2. Seeing no one seeking recognition, all in favor signify by 'aye'; opposed same sign. The 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment 2 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Mahoney: "No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. It's now the Chair's intention to move to Third Readings. Mr. Clerk, on page #... on page 53 appears House Bill 470. Representative Berrios. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 470, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Mautino: "Representative Berrios."

Berrios: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 470 is... I'm trying to pass it so that I can help a business in my district. It is a restaurant that wants to open up 76 feet away from a church, not a school, just a church. They are on different streets; they are not on the exact same street. And we... I would like your support on it."

Speaker Mautino: "On House Bill 470, Representative Eddy."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates she will."

Eddy: "Representative, have you heard from any of the members of the congregation of the church that you seek to establish a liquor establishment near?"

Berrios: "I have not heard from any of the parishioners at all. The Reverend of the church says he's okay; he did not want to write a letter of support because it is a liquor establishment, but he is okay with it because there was a previous establishment in the exact same location before the church was there."

Eddy: "So, let me make sure I understand it, I get this straight. The establishment existed in that location before the church... before the church organized and physically began to meet in a location within 70-some feet."

Berrios: "There was an establishment there, then the church came. The original establishment closed and there's a new purchaser of the property."

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Eddy: "Okay. So, prior to... prior to the closing, the original establishment was grandfathered? When the church opened, the original one didn't have to shut down?"

Berrios: "Right. The church opened after the original establishment was there."

Eddy: "Okay. Okay. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill very quickly. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, just to... just to alert. We are in Third Reading now. You're about to vote on a Bill that will allow for the establishment of a liquor store... a liquor establishment that would be within 70-some feet of a church. So, I would just caution everyone to please realize we're on Third Reading and pay attention to your vote on this. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "No one else seeking recognition on this Bill. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the Roll. On this Bill, 60 voting 'yes', 47 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. The Bill is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 54 of the Calendar appears House Bill 645. Representative Burke. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 645, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 645 simply puts the chiropractor back in position to write letters of excuse to excuse children from school. They had always been in the legislation and up until last year were inadvertently removed. This language

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puts them back into the legislation and again, quite simply, permits a chiropractor to issue a letter of illness in the case of a student missing class. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "On House Bill 645, Representative Eddy, the Gentleman from Crawford."

Eddy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Very quickly to the Bill. I rise in support of the Bill. This is... this Bill just simply allows a chiropractor to write an excused absence note for the school. The schools, most of the time, take them anyway. This is not the Bill that allows chiropractors to do physicals. So, this is... this is a very simple Bill, something that probably happens a lot now and clarifies the law. I would... I would encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Mautino: "No one else seeking recognition. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Shall this Bill... Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. With 110 voting 'yes', 0 'noes', 0 'presents', this Bill is declared passed. On page 52 of the Calendar appears House Bill 194. Representative Bassi. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 194, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Bassi."

Bassi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 194 requires that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget to establish

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a single updated searchable Web site accessible to the public including information on all funding initiatives. It's identical to the Bill we passed unanimously last year that got hung up in the Senate. And I would request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Mautino: "No one seeking recognition. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Jefferson. Mr... Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', this Bill is declared passed. For what reason does Representative Phelps rise?"

Phelps: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Mautino: "Proceed."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'd like for all my colleagues to wish a happy belated birthday to my seatmate, Dan Reitz. He is the double nickel, 55. So, give him a hand."

Speaker Mautino: "Happy birthday, Representative. On page 52 of the Calendar appears House Bill 208. Representative Feigenholtz. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 208, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 208 creates a Community Health Care (sic-Center) Construction Act that essentially establishes a... a pot for capital money. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

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Speaker Mautino: "On House Bill 208, no one seeking recognition. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wished? Representative Tracy. Mr. Clerk, take the record. With 109 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', the Bill will be... is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 53 of the Calendar appears House Bill 265. Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 265, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As I'm... House Bill 265 is an initiative of the Treasurer's Office which helps to provide standards and ways in which the Treasurer, who is the repositor of unclaimed property here in the State of Illinois. This is to help create standards and mechanisms by which if they receive a piece of unclaimed property that could have been used or may be considered as evidence and part of a crime or some type of investigation, this just creates the mechanism by which they work with the State Police and the standards by which they work with the State Police to turn that piece of unclaimed property over to allow it to be used as a piece of evidence in a criminal investigation. And it also talks about how that piece of property, if, after the investigation is done, it's no longer considered evidence in that investigation, it comes back to the Treasurer's Office and then is a part of the

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unclaimed property... unclaimed property that the Treasurer's Office maintains. I'll be more than happy to try to answer any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you, Representative Davis. And on House Bill 265, Representative Rose..."

Rose: "Thank you, Mr..."

Speaker Mautino: "...is seeking recognition."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Rose: "Representative, I want to make sure I... and I think this is correct. You came to our committee... you came back to our committee with the Amendment, correct?"

Davis, W.: "Correct."

Rose: "And that... and that was the Amendment that was attached... is the one that... 'cause we... we sent you back to do an Amendment and you came back. So, that's the Amendment that's on here?"

Davis, W.: "Right. That's the Amendment that's on there. That's the one we came back with."

Rose: "Very good. Thank you so much, Representative and I look forward to voting for your Bill."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Monique Davis is seeking recognition."

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Davis, W.: "Thank you. Representative, may I ask why this is needed now?"

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Davis, W.: "Why it's needed now? Well, I think the State Treasurer's Office is simply being proactive. Again, they are the repositior of unclaimed property for the State of Illinois and when they receive things that they think may have been used or could have been used or if it looks suspicious in any matter, they want to work with the State Police to develop the standards and the procedures by which they turn that, whatever it is, over to the State Police so that it can be examined in a manner, the investigatory manner that they operate in to find out or determine whether or not it could have or may have been used as part of some crime or something of that nature."

Davis, M.: "So, Representative, up until 2009, what would happen to those things that could have been used in a crime?"

Davis, W.: "Well, I'm not saying that they, in the past, weren't turned over to the State Police, but our Treasurer's Office just wants to be proactive in developing the standards by which those objects are indeed turned over. Now, I'm not an investigator or police officer, but when things are taken into evidence, they should be treated a certain way. And so, they just want to be certain that they're treating the objects in the manner.. in the high level that the State Police would want them to treat it in case it is going to be used."

Davis, M.: "So, Representative, if something is missing, who would be responsible, the Treasurer or the State Police?"

Davis, W.: "What do you mean missing?"

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Davis, M.: "Well, suppose there's an item missing and the prosecutor says, hey, this was something that the Treasurer had and now it's gone. Where is it?"

Davis, W.: "Well, those standards, that we're trying to develop with the State Police, will create the, I guess, the chain of custody for those types of objects so you'll see when they came into the State Treasurer's Office and then if they're subsequently turned over to the State Police, they'll be a chain of custody that will specify, I think, what you're asking."

Davis, M.: "And my final question, Representative, is, has any evidence ever come up missing from the State Police Department?"

Davis, W.: "From the State Police Department? Unfortunately, I can't answer that question."

Davis, M.: "Thank you. I'll support your Bill, but I do have many questions. Thank you."

Davis, W.: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. And 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, 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', the Bill is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 56 of the Calendar appears House Bill 820. Representative Hoffman. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 820, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Mautino: "Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 820 makes various alterations to the Military Code of Illinois. It's an initiative of the Adjutant General's Office. Currently, the Adjutant General's unable to order into active duty personnel of the Illinois National Guard to support nonemergency training, training to support IEMA or Homeland Security training. Additionally, this would give the Adjutant General expanded authority to set safety, health and security standards on its facilities like Camp Lincoln, Sparta, et cetera. And finally, it would make sure that the regulations governing the state's payment for medical and dental bills for soldiers injured in the line of their performances of duty will be updated. It hasn't been updated since 1950 and this would make sure that they would actually receive medical treatment when necessary."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeking recognition is Representative Will Davis. For what reason is the Gentleman seeking recognition? Representative Reboletti is seeking recognition."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Reboletti: "Representative Hoffman, our analysis shows that this Bill is subject to appropriation. What would the appropriations need to be? Is there a certain amount that you're aware of?"

Hoffman: "I think that the appropriations would have to be made for the training exercises and the like through IEMA and

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Homeland Security. Currently, the Adjutant General cannot order into active duty personnel of the National Guard in order to support nonemergency training. So, the nonemergency training would have to be appropriated and the money would have to be available and then they could do the proper training for Homeland Security."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman from Bond, Representative Stephens is seeking recognition."

Stephens: "Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Stephens: "Representative, this sounds a lot like an administration Bill."

Hoffman: "It's an... it's an initiative of the Adjutant General's Office. So, I guess it could say it's an administration Bill."

Stephens: "This... this is an administration... Are you trying to get Representative Moffitt's Floor Leader job?"

Hoffman: "No. I've... I've already done that Floor Leader's bit."

Stephens: "Thank you. I rise in support."

Hoffman: "Not interested."

Speaker Mautino: "No one else seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. McGuire, Mr. Phelps. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', this Bill is declared passed. Mr. Clerk,

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on Calendar page 54 appears House Bill 682. Representative Burns. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 682, a Bill for an Act concerning juveniles. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Burns."

Burns: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I'm here to present House Bill 682. It's an initiative of the City of Chicago. The Bill makes a technical change to existing law and to permit the independent police review authority access to juvenile records to carry out their investigations. It's a technical change. I know of no opposition."

Speaker Mautino: "And on your first Bill, Representative Eddy is seeking recognition. What... what reason does the Gentleman rise?"

Eddy: "Will the rookie yield?"

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Burns: "Yes."

Eddy: "Representative, our analysis indicates this particular Bill could change juvenile justice as we know it. Is that correct?"

Burns: "I'm not aware of substantive change to existing law. A couple of years ago, the City of Chicago adopted by ordinance a new agency to investigate police misconduct cases. This law... this Bill simply makes a change to existing law to allow that new agency to access records that the police department formerly had access to."

Eddy: "Well, why do they need them?"

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Burns: "They need... the City of Chicago needs this change in order to complete the thousands of investigations that they need to do in the City of Chicago on a number of police misconduct cases."

Eddy: "Now, you referred to this as a minor technical Amendment."

Burns: "Yes, Sir."

Eddy: "How do you make that determination? How do you make the determination between a minor technical Amendment and juvenile justice reform legislation that will turn the system on its head? How will we know the difference when you stand in the future? This is..."

Burns: "That's an excellent question. My understanding is that through the committee process we had a lot of opportunity for folks to come forward who had opposition and there was no opposition. There were no witness slips in opposition to the Bill."

Eddy: "Representative, what... what do you do? What's your profession? What's your occupation outside of these... this chamber?"

Burns: "I'm curious about the relevance to the Bill, Representative."

Eddy: "Well, the relevance has to do... just to answer the question. The relevance has to do as to whether or not you have any direct connection to the juvenile justice industry and I think we need to establish your occupation to determine whether or not perhaps here we have a conflict."

Burns: "No, there's no... there's no relationship to any outside work that I do. I'm just a good citizen of the City of

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Chicago and a Member of this Body trying to do some good for the folks back home."

Eddy: "So, you're unemployed?"

Burns: "No, I work for a small... a small public affairs firm back in Chicago."

Eddy: "Ahh. Now, we're getting down to... That small public affairs firm likely does work for juveniles?"

Burns: "No, we do not do any work for juveniles. There's no... there's no conflict of interest on this Bill. I checked it out with the... the House staff and we're all... we're all set on this Bill."

Eddy: "You checked it out with the House staff."

Burns: "I did."

Eddy: "All right. Well, I'm going to let someone else take up the line of questioning. I'm not sure what I'm going to do with your Bill. I would suggest that the Body pay particular attention to the fact, however, that you work for a public relations firm. We need to be careful of those kind of folks. Public relation folks will spin this anyway they can to make it seem like a good Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "For what reason is the Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost, seeking recognition?"

Bost: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Burns: "Yes."

Speaker Mautino: "He indicates he will."

Bost: "You know, I'm looking at your language here. Has this Bill been amended from its..."

Burns: "We adopted a Committee Amendment to make the Bill better at the request of the Cook County State's Attorney."

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Bost: "But when... when you got this job and you promised the people that you'd come here and serve, you realize that, you know, you should pay attention to your language of your Bill when it first comes out. This is your first Bill and you had to amend it already?"

Burns: "Well, we wanted to make it a better Bill and there were some comments that we received and we thought it would be better to go ahead and take those comments and I think that we have a better product as a consequence."

Bost: "So... so, what you're saying is is the first Bill you presented wasn't a better Bill. So, your first Bill's not a really good Bill unless it's amended."

Burns: "We wanted to make it the best Bill that it could be for this special process."

Bost: "I'd like to go more on to the question of Representative Eddy. He... what exactly is your job, again, outside of this... this chamber?"

Burns: "I just work for a small public affairs firm."

Bost: "Public relations? Is that..."

Burns: "We do public relations, correct."

Bost: "Okay. And how do juveniles feel about this? It says it deals with juveniles."

Burns: "Well, I think juveniles will be happy to know that this Bill is out there because it will make it easier for the independent police review agency to investigate issues where juveniles are involved."

Bost: "You know, it says juvenile just... Do you have any children?"

Burns: "I do. I have one daughter."

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Bost: "And her age?"

Burns: "She is 17 months."

Bost: "Oh. So, you haven't learned this yet. Just so you know, juveniles really don't think there is any justice, but... once they get up to that level and they're around your house..."

Burns: "When she wants her milk, she certainly knows how to protest."

Bost: "But... but they get... they get justice at that age. They really do. Representative, you say that the... that your staff... when you said the House staff agreed with this Bill and actually... they were the ones that suggested the Amendment or who suggested it?"

Burns: "The Amendment was a sug... was at the suggestion of the Cook County State's Attorneys Office."

Bost: "Okay."

Burns: "And it just tightened up the language that was in the underlying Bill."

Bost: "And your staff felt that this was a good Bill for you?"

Burns: "They did. You know, there's a cur... under cur..."

Bost: "We're just... we're just trying to find out what your expertise in... is in this area."

Burns: "Thank... My expertise in it is that I'm a citizen of the City of Chicago and resident of the State of Illinois and a Member of this House and was trying to do a Bill that would make a difference for the folks back home and make it easier for the city to investigate issues of police misconduct. And so, that's why I was happy to sponsor the Bill."

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Bost: "So... so, what I really need to know... so, this will be specifically for Chicago not... not just for Cook County?"

Burns: "Actually, the way the Bill is written if any other municipality through ordinance creates the same kind of civilian organization as the City of Chicago to investigate these kinds of cases, then they would be covered by this statute."

Bost: "But... but it's specifically written for Chicago?"

Burns: "It is not."

Bost: "Okay. It's not special legislation?"

Burns: "It is not special legislation."

Bost: "Well, why... if it's not special, why would you carry it?"

Burns: "It was needed and important. That's why I decided to carry it."

Bost: "So, it's important, but not special legislation?"

Burns: "Not special legislation..."

Speaker Mautino: "Could the Gentleman bring his remarks to a close."

Burns: "...in the way that you define the term."

Bost: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I... I don't know. I kind of think it does lean specifically for Chicago and as downstaters, I think we should keep a very close eye on it. Thank you. Thank you for the questions."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman from Chicago, Representative Lang. For what reason do you rise?"

Lang: "Well, first of all. Mr. Speaker..."

Speaker Mautino: "From Cook."

Lang: "...I'm not from Chicago."

Speaker Mautino: "From Cook. The Gentleman from Cook."

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Lang: "Not that I mind. It's a wonderful city; I represent part of it. I... And we'll get back to you in a minute, Sir, but will the Sponsor yield?"

Burns: "Yes."

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Lang: "I thought he might. Representative, I just want to straighten this out for the record and for all these wonderful people in the gallery. This is your first Bill."

Burns: "This is my first Bill as a Member of the House."

Lang: "Now, you handled quite a few Bills when you were in the Senate, did you not, as a staff person?"

Burns: "I did."

Lang: "Yeah. So, is this something left over from your agenda from another year, Sir?"

Burns: "It is not, Representative. It was... it's a Bill that the City of Chicago came to me with that they wanted to deal with this Legislative Session."

Lang: "Well, who from the city? The entire city, all eight million people showed up in your office. Who came to you about this Bill?"

Burns: "Some... some folks from the city's department of intergovernmental affairs and some folks from the police review agency."

Lang: "All of them?"

Burns: "Not all of them."

Lang: "Several of them all at once converged on your office."

Burns: "I asked to meet with folks from the City of Chicago to find out what issues they were going to be working on this Legislative Session and they offered this Bill as an

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opportunity for me to be helpful to the folks back in my district."

Lang: "Now, has this been a big agenda item for you throughout your whole life that you would make this your very first Bill?"

Burns: "Having worked in the Senate, I tried to find a Bill that was going to be appropriate for this process but would also be important to the people of my district."

Lang: "So... and you've checked with the people of your district about this particular Bill. Did you do a survey, a phone poll? How do you know, Sir?"

Burns: "I talked to some folks in my district that, you know, advised me on policy issues and they thought it was a good approach to take."

Lang: "Really. And do you have other policy issues that you've gotten out of your constituents? You might... The reason I ask is you might save some of us the need to have a local meeting. Maybe you can give us all information that you've gathered from your constituents. Would you share it with us?"

Burns: "The basic issue, you know, is that we have this independent agency and it's not covered under State Law until it's going to slow down the process. We're investigating a... police cases, cases of misconduct and if that's a big issue in the community where you have qui... a issue of what's going on with those cases and closing out the investigations, as you know, justice delayed is justice denied. So, that's why I'm sponsoring the Bill."

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Lang: "Justice delayed is justice denied. That's very good. Are you aware, Sir, that your answer was like when I ask you the time and you just tell me how to build a clock? I didn't ask you that question that you answered. So, let me ask you this. It's really more of a personnel issue. I know this is your first Bill."

Burns: "Yes."

Lang: "It's very important to you."

Burns: "Yes."

Lang: "There's 118 Members out here on the House Floor and you could only find one cosponsor and a dentist at that? This is the only cosponsor you could find to help you with this Bill?"

Burns: "Well, I... I would encourage all the Members of this Body to sign on to the Bill, but I'm happy to have Representative Miller's support and hope that everyone will vote for the Bill."

Lang: "You understand now that you've mentioned his name in debate we're going to be hearing from him next."

Burns: "I saw his light on anyway, so..."

Lang: "All right. So, I noticed that your Senate Sponsor is Senator Raoul."

Speaker Mautino: "Gentleman, bring his remarks to a close."

Lang: "That was 5 minutes. I wasted some of it telling you I wasn't from Chicago. All right. Last question. Senator Raoul has a similar Bill in the Senate. Is he your Senator?"

Burns: "He is my Senator."

Lang: "Did he run his Bill yet?"

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Burns: "I'm not sure where it is in the process. My understanding is it's on... it's out of committee and on the floor."

Lang: "Don't you think he's going to be pretty darn ticked off that his freshman Representative ran the Bill before he did? What about the protocol? Maybe you should take this out of the record and check with him, Sir?"

Burns: "Well, I... you know, if I have an opportunity to talk to him, I will definitely touch base with him, but I'd like to proceed with the Bill."

Lang: "Well, you want to just take this out of the record and we can come back to it while you check with your Senator?"

Burns: "I appreciate the recommendation, but I'd like to continue forward with the..."

Lang: "One thing I should tell you. You should never tick off your Senator. Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Reboletti."

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

Speaker Mautino: "He indicates he will."

Reboletti: "Representative, I'm going to ask you some actual questions about this Bill. I know that Representative Black is not here to join in with Representative Lang, but some of my Members have questions regarding the actual need for this. Did the City of Chicago actually put together their own authority to review cases of police misconduct? Is that what you're saying?"

Burns: "Yes, Representative."

Reboletti: "And why is this needed now if you were able to create the... the City of Chicago was able to do this without

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our assistance, why do they need to go look at juvenile files?"

Burns: "Well, because under current law the only agency.. police agencies are the only ones that have access to these files. So, because the City of Chicago has created a new entity to investigate these cases, they weren't covered under the current law. So, what this Bill does is add agencies that are created like this, by ordinance, so that they can have access to this information under certain circumstances."

Reboletti: "What are they hoping to find in these juvenile files that have been sealed? I know there are police misconduct issues; I know they need to be investigated. These are usually just dispositions of what happened at trial. Are we talking about coerced confession or some type of prosecutorial misconduct?"

Burns: "The basic issue is that about 11 percent of the investigations that are handled by the authority involved at least one juvenile victim or a witness to the alleged misconduct. And so, having access to those files gives you more information about who was involved in those.. in that particular incident and that's very important in terms of doing a thorough investigation."

Reboletti: "So, it's an issue of finding out additional information so that this independent authority that's being created is able to make sure that they've talked to everybody before they move forward on a police misconduct investigation."

Burns: "That's correct."

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Reboletti: "Now, earlier, you objected to one of my colleague's questions over here. Are you licensed to practice law?"

Burns: "Thankfully, I am not."

Reboletti: "Thankfully, you're not. Well, Representative Burns, I'd have to ask you to take your Bill out of the record because I think the Lawyers Caucus may have some objections to it, as of right now. Would you consider doing that?"

Burns: "No. You know, I'm unaware of any opposition. We worked to amend the Bill in committee so that it would be a better Bill. In fact, the Cook County State's Attorneys Office offered several suggestions that we've incorporated. And so, I'd like to proceed and move this Bill over to the Senate so that we can get it to the Governor's desk and move forward."

Reboletti: "Well, I can appreciate that, but I think you probably have about 10 angry lawyers on this House Floor. So, I would ask everybody to reconsider their positions. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Sullivan."

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

Burns: "Yes."

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Sullivan: "Representative, I know it's fun for a freshman's first Bill. I do have some substantive questions I'd like to ask. When you're talking about reviewing records, are you talking about any records or specifically juvenile records?"

Burns: "Specifically juvenile records."

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Sullivan: "Okay. I just wanted to get that on the record as what we're talking about. I believe that you worked out some language for confidentiality in regard to these records. Can you clarify what your agreement was with the State's Attorneys Office?"

Burns: "Well, the Amendment that we adopted in committee provides that the agency may not disclose or release the information of these records to the general public."

Sullivan: "Okay. Throughout your Bill, it talks of and I'll read directly from the Bill. It says... you'll see this language. It says, 'created by ordinance and charged by a unit of local government with the duty investigating the conduct of law enforcement officers.' So, they're going to pass an ordinance that says they can view these records. Within that ordinance is there any requirement, under your Bill, on who can see the records and what are the procedures to secure those records?"

Burns: "It's the persons or staff charged with the duty of investigating the police conduct. So, those are the only folks at the agency... excuse me... the authority who are permitted to review those records."

Sullivan: "Right. Do you see the potential problem that... that, you know, potentially could be fixed in the Senate. Your Bill is giving authority to people to review the records, but it is not talking about how to secure those records, who can say other than an ordinance is prescribed. So, there seems to be a gap in my opinion on who and what are the procedures by which they can review them and they're secured."

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Burns: "Well, I'm not sure if I see the same gap that you see, Representative. My understanding is that, under current law, the current law just has it the police department has access to these records."

Sullivan: "Sure."

Burns: "And it's not delineated in current statute who in the police department has access to these records and that... in terms of review. What we wanted to do was amend the statute to include this new agency and make it very clear these records cannot become public under any circumstances."

Sullivan: "And while police departments can review the records, 'cause they're part of law enforcement, they have policies and procedures in place by which they can review and disseminate the information. You're asking for these folks to be able to review it by ordinance. In your legislation it does not point out what those policies will be, so the City of Chicago could pass an ordinance that says Mr. Smith gets to review the records and that would be the end of the policies and procedures by which to secure these records."

Burns: "Well, my understanding, Representative, is that in the language they... the agency has to be specifically charged in that ordinance with the responsibility of investigating these sorts of cases. We drew... we drafted the language as narrowly as possible to deal with this... this circumstance. The independent police review authority is the only one of its kind in the entire state."

Sullivan: "Okay. Thank you. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, we understand where the Representative's going

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with this. Just be careful with it because the City of Chicago could just pass any ordinance that they want saying anything that they want to open up these records to this independent authority. I am just concerned about what is the line... the chain of command of these records so they don't get disseminated to folks that shouldn't get it. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Further questions? The Gentleman from Cook, Dr. Miller."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Miller: "At least somebody maybe can help you out. That's with Representative Burns since my name is listed. I noticed that the Senate Sponsor is also in the chamber. Is he here to help you with this Bill?"

Burns: "I'm not sure. He's standing a bit away from me, so I would not... I would not assume that he's here to help me on this particular legislative matter."

Miller: "So, you're not sure what he's doing here regardless, right? But it's not to help you?"

Burns: "I'm not sure exactly why he's here, but I'm sure it's for an important purpose for the people of the great State of Illinois. He carries a number of my Bills over in the Senate and so, I'm happy..."

Miller: "Well, you mentioned... you mentioned the Senate and you came from the Senate. Does... how does past President... President Jones feel about this Bill?"

Burns: "I have not had any..."

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Miller: "Especially you being a House Member? You being a House Member now, how does Senate President Jones, past President, feel about this?"

Burns: "Are you asking me how he feels about the Bill or how he feels about me being a Member of the House or both?"

Miller: "Well, I can imagine what he would say if you were a Member of the House. I'm sure other Members of the House would know he would... may say about it, but since we're talking about the Bill, let's talk about the Bill."

Burns: "To answer your question, Representative. I have not had the opportunity to discuss this issue with the former Senate President."

Miller: "Well, he may be for this or against this. You don't know?"

Burns: "I have no idea where... what his position on this Bill is."

Miller: "Well, why don't you go back to the Senate and find out?"

Burns: "'Cause he's not there."

Miller: "Oh, okay. All right. Okay. All right. Just wanted to make sure. Let me ask you something. I mean, did you know that there comes a time... you know, is this one of those times when we need to have a certain call. Did you know that?"

Burns: "I'm sorry. Can you repeat your question? It was a little loud in here..."

Miller: "I'm asking... I'm asking the question. Did you know that there comes a time when we need a certain... to heed a certain call? Did you know that?"

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Burns: "I'm familiar with this. I think I know where you're going, but please continue, Representative."

Miller: "Well, when the world must come together as one.. is this one of those Bills that the world must come together as one?"

Burns: "I don't know about the world, but I'd like to get 'green' lights on this Bill. I'd love to get the support of all the Members of the House and move it over to the Senate."

Miller: "And speaking of 'green' lights, do you know what the Century Club is?"

Burns: "I believe I am aware of the Century Club."

Miller: "Oh. Well, did you know we can't go on day to day pretending? Did you know that? That these Bills are important like this. Is this still important?"

Burns: "This Bill is important to the people of the City of Chicago and the State of Illinois and it's a very important Bill and I'd appreciate your support on it."

Miller: "Well, I would argue, Representative Burns, that we are all part of God's great big family and in truth... and the truth, you know, love is all we need. Did you know that?"

Burns: "I was aware of that. I was aware of."

Miller: "Did you know we are the world? We are the children... Representative Burns, serious. You know, we are the children."

Burns: "I'm certainly..."

Miller: "Is this is for the children? Is this for the children? Answer the question?"

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Burns: "This is for the children. This will help to make sure when there are cases involving juveniles that the... the authority will have access to the records that are important to carrying out the investigation."

Miller: "Well, we are the ones who will make a brighter day, Representative Burns, not the City of Chicago. But we are the ones."

Burns: "And that's why I'd appreciate your support on this Bill."

Miller: "All right. So, let's start giving. All right. Are you willing to do that?"

Burns: "Yes."

Miller: "Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Mautino: "For what reason does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative McCarthy, seek recognition?"

McCarthy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the previous question."

Speaker Mautino: "Previous question has been moved. Representative Burns to close."

Burns: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would appreciate your support on this Bill. Thank you very much."

Speaker Mautino: "And the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Burns, you may want to talk some more. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Flowers, Washington, Ford. Mr. Clerk, take the record. And on this Bill, with 107 voting 'yes', 100... 4 voting

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'no', 0 voting 'present', the Bill has passed. Congratulations on your first Bill. Representative Lyons, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Lyons: "Mr. Speaker, for the point of personal privilege."

Speaker Mautino: "State your point."

Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this morning I was privileged enough to put in House Joint Resolution 37, which I'm sure we'll be voting on at some point in time in the future. But what House Joint Resolution 37 does is it honors the Hemophilia Foundation of Illinois on their 60th anniversary. And sitting up in the gallery above the Democratic side are members of the Hemophilia Foundation of Illinois. I'd appreciate a nice, warm Springfield welcome. Thank you. And God love you for all the work you do."

Speaker Mautino: "Welcome to Springfield. Mr. Clerk, on page 52 of the Calendar appears House Bill 47. Representative Brady. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 47, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Brady."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 47 simply seeks to protect medical records as it pertains to emergency dispatching for law enforcement agencies to better serve those that they're... responding to and to be made aware of special concerns, disabilities an individual may have so they could respond and act appropriately when trying to assist them. I'll be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "And on House Bill 47, Representative Franks."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Franks: "Representative, I'm not sure I understand what you're trying to accomplish with this Bill. Our analysis indicates that you're looking to exempt physical or mental status. Could you describe this some more?"

Brady: "Sure. The initiative is that of one of my local law enforcement agencies. And what it would do is that if a family would voluntarily share information to that law enforcement agency for means of dispatching, for instance, if the individual might have autism. They may... the individual might have some other type of disability that the law enforcement agency would share only with responding emergency crew or law enforcement that that information under the Freedom of Information Act would not be shared with any other individual, if that... if that FOIA was filed with that agency."

Franks: "Why?"

Brady: "Because the town attorneys had a... kind of a feeling of a gray area that existed in the FOIA and we have worked with the Illinois Press Association. We may have an Amendment that they want to put on in the Senate which I said I'd be happy to work with them on. They have drafted some other language. They kind of feel that it's already covered. But we're just trying to make sure that when the families voluntarily give this information are being told from the program that this information will not be shared only with law enforcement officials for the protection and

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safety of the individuals they may be responding to to render help, that that's in fact the situation."

Franks: "'Cause I see the Press Association is opposed at this point."

Brady: "They were opposed and the last that I knew was that they were drafting some language. It was agreed to language and I haven't heard back from them, quite frankly."

Franks: "Well, could we hold off then and move it to Second until we get the language so we can make this an agreed Bill because it's the first week of what we're doing this. I'd like to make sure we get it right, if we could?"

Brady: "Sure. I'll be happy to do that. I just thought we had... had left things that they were going to try to add something over in the Senate. They were going to get me something; I just haven't seen anything from them yet."

Franks: "Well, perhaps we can wait a day if we don't hear back from them."

Brady: "I'll be happy to, Representative, sure."

Franks: "Thank you."

Brady: "Sure."

Franks: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Clerk, would you take this Bill out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 52 of the Calendar is House Bill 65. Representative Ford. Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 55 of the Calendar appears House Bill 761. Representative Howard. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 761, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Mautino: "Representative Howard."

Howard: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 761 amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. It provides that the... that if the minor is in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services of the State of Illinois, that pursuant to an order entered under the Delinquent Minors Article, the court shall conduct permanency hearings as set out in the Abused, Neglected or Dependent Minors Article of the Juvenile Court Act. Currently, if a minor is in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, pursuant to an order of Abused, Neglected or Dependent Minors Article, the court can conduct dependency hear... a permanency hearing and the department would like that to be the same with the delinquency situations. I would ask that my colleagues please vote 'yes' on this legislation."

Speaker Mautino: "On House Bill 761, Representative Reboletti."

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

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates she will."

Reboletti: "Representative, why did DCFS make this request? What would make... How will the system benefit from this being consistent with the other types of hearings from the DCFS placement?"

Howard: "Obviously, they're having a difficult time trying to assist these young people and they feel that if this was in place, then they would not have the problem. So, they..."

Reboletti: "Would there be additional services or counseling or education available to them..."

Howard: "Certainly, all..."

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Reboletti: "...that's not available right now."

Howard: "Yes. Certainly. All of that and other things that would come because they have the authority to do certain things that they cannot do now."

Reboletti: "Was there..."

Howard: "So, they would like this to be... be in place to give them that kind of help."

Reboletti: "Was there any concern from the Cook County State's Attorneys Office or the State's Attorneys Association with respect to this change? I don't see any opposition, but I think they were interested in the Bill. So..."

Howard: "There was the point where they raised the question, but they do understand now having been convinced by the department that they need this. At one point they said that we don't... we don't have anything to do with that, but they are now not opposed to the Bill."

Reboletti: "Thank you, Representative. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeing no one else seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wished? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On House Bill 761, 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. The Bill is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 55 of the Calendar appears House Bill 760. Representative Kosel. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 760, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Kosel."

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Kosel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill was passed last year and got caught up in the Senate and was not ever brought to the Governor for his signature. Last year it was 4720. This year... it declares; it's exactly the same. It declares the month of April as Parkinson Awareness Month, this year and every year going forward. And I would ask for your approval."

Speaker Mautino: "No one seeking recognition. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' House Bill 760, on that... those in favor vote 'yes'; 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 House Bill 760, 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill is declared passed. On... Mr. Clerk, on page 55 of the Calendar appears House Bill 751. Representative Ryg. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 751, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Ryg."

Ryg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 751 amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act, the State Property Control Act and the Community Services Act to require the net proceeds of the sale of the state mental health facility or state developmental disabilities facility would be deposited into the Community Mental Health Medicaid Trust Fund and the Community Developmental Disability Services Medicaid Trust Fund respectfully. Be happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Mautino: "Thank you, Representative. On House Bill 751, Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This is an extremely important Bill because in this environment that we're in right now with maybe a closure of an institution or with the blueprint talking about closing institutions, it's very important that we get the money from... if an institution closes, that would follow individuals into the community. And that's exactly what this Bill does. Up until this time, if an institution would close, the money would go into the General Revenue Fund; it would not follow into a community environment which is what we're attempting to do. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. And the Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Bost: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates she will."

Bost: "Representative, is there anything in the Bill... this is the first time I'm getting an opportunity to look at this... is there anything in the Bill that would possibly slow down the closures of existing facilities?"

Ryg: "No, this would simply say where the revenues when the closure is det..."

Bost: "So... so, could it be construed that this might encourage closing of existing facilities?"

Ryg: "No, this is intended to direct the revenues from a closure."

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Bost: "Okay. But... but what I'm saying is is that... maybe I should ask... AFSCME, do they have a position on this?"

Ryg: "Not that I'm aware of."

Bost: "Okay. All right. I just know that we have a facility in my district or just right on the edge of my district, mine and Representative Phelps's district, and it does a wonderful job and it is a very successful service that is provided and we just have a concern that maybe, you know, anything that might just encourage them to have any closures there, we don't... we don't want to see that."

Ryg: "Well, actually, Representative, this Bill would provide that the Department of Human Services could allocate services to other state-operated centers if there was a need for staffing in maintenance and operations."

Bost: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Mautino: "No one else seeking recognition. The question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. House Bill 751, having received 111 'yes', 0 'no', 0 voting 'present', is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on the Calendar, page 52, appears House Bill 159. Representative Mathias. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 159, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Mathias."

Mathias: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 159 increases the threshold to \$10 thousand for municipal

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contracts addressing public improvements in special service areas. The threshold is pretty standard now for other governmental units. Part of the Bill basically says that if... if the value is under 10 thousand the municipality can do the work themselves rather than letting it out for bid. And I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Mautino: "No one seeking recognition on House Bill 159, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Poe, Representative Burns. Mr. Clerk, take the record. House Bill 159, receiving 77 'yes' votes, 34 'no' votes, and 0 'presents', is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 52 of the Calendar appears House Bill 65. Representative Ford. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 65, a Bill for an Act concerning state employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 65 is the State Application Act. This Bill passed last year or last Session and I bring it back so that we can get the passage one more time so we get it signed by the Governor. This Bill removes the question off the application as to whether or not a person has ever been convicted of a nonviolent offense. And I ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeking recognition is the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Eddy."

Eddy: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

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Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Eddy: "Representative, I want to make sure that we get something straight regarding this Bill and last year, if we could. I thought in your opening comments that you said that this Bill passed last year."

Ford: "Yes, Representative."

Eddy: "Can you... can you tell me..."

Ford: "It passed the previous Session."

Eddy: "The previous Session which is the 95th General Assembly."

Ford: "Yes."

Eddy: "I'm looking at House Bill 4612 which is identical to this Bill that last year had 45 'yes' votes and 63 'no' votes. I want to make sure that you have an opportunity to... to check the comment you made. You might have been thinking of a different Bill and I want to get the record corrected regarding that. So, you might want to check what the Bill number was that passed that had this language."

Ford: "Well, I'm glad you mentioned that because one of the reasons that this Bill comes back in this language and the reason why the Bill that you named, that Bill failed. But your side and other people in this Body recommended that I remove certain things from the Bill and they would support it. And that Bill that passed was 1332. 4612 was a Bill that had veterans' preference in it. I removed veterans' preference and I brought it back in a form that passed in the 95th at the advice of your side and Members on my side."

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Eddy: "Representative, there's a great deal of confusion regarding that because our analysis indicates that this Bill is identical to 4612 and that contained the language that was objected to, so I think... I think it would be in everybody's best interest if we take this out and make sure what you're... you're proposing here has that language change, because according to our analysis this Bill is identical to the one that failed not the one that passed. And I don't think you'd want to represent this in a way that's not accurate and it would take us a few minutes."

Ford: "House... House... House Bill 1332 is the Bill that passed; 4612 is the Bill that failed."

Eddy: "Last year."

Ford: "It failed because Members on your side and Members on my side stated that it had... it was connected with veterans."

Eddy: "Representative, I understand what you're saying. You're saying that a different version of this same Bill with some agreed language passed. What I'm saying is, the Bill that's in front of us does not contain that change, that this Bill is identical to the one that failed. And I think it would be in everybody's interest that we make sure that the Bill that we're voting on is the one that you think you are, rather than the one that failed."

Ford: "What... what is it in the Bill that you notice about 4612? 4612 was seeking to do what?"

Eddy: "Representative, 4612 had the same application. It was attempting to state that for state employment an application could not contain questions as to whether the applicant was convicted or placed on supervision for a

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nonviolent criminal offense. Now, what you're stating is that you brought back a different version of that Bill with a different Bill number that removed objection because it had to do with military preferences, et cetera. The problem is and I wish you would allow us to make sure that your statement is correct. I don't... I want you to have that opportunity. Our analysis shows that this version of the Bill is exactly the same as the one that fails and I think you think it's one that was agreed to."

Ford: "Well, agreed to by... whom are you saying it was agreed to by?"

Eddy: "The number of people that you claim voted on it to pass it. Whether or not the Bill has enough votes on it to pass is an issue up to public policy, that's fine. But your statement that this Bill is the same one that passed, I'm not sure that that's the case and I want us to make sure that that's the case before people vote on that."

Ford: "So, how long do you need to make sure of that?"

Eddy: "Well, if you would give us... you could bring it back in a little while."

Ford: "I can show you right now."

Eddy: "Well, we need to have the staff verify. This Bill according to our staff is identical to something that failed; you're saying it's not. If you pull it from the record, we could check that very quickly."

Ford: "So, I... I would love to do that."

Eddy: "Okay."

Ford: "All right. Thank you."

Eddy: "Thank you, Representative."

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Ford: "All right."

Speaker Mautino: "The Bill will be taken out of the record at the request of the Sponsor. Mr. Clerk... Excuse me. For what reason is the Gentleman from Jasper, Representative Reis, seeking recognition? Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, on page 55 of the Calendar appears House Bill 710. Representative Zalewski. Out of the record. On page 53 of the Calendar, Mr. Clerk, House Bill 253. Representative Myers. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 253, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Myers."

Myers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 253 really is a cleanup Bill for Senate Bill 533 of the 95th General Assembly that later became Public Act 95-377. This Bill... with this Bill, a person who is caught driving on a suspended driver's license when the underlying suspension was the result of a conviction of reckless homicide will now have... be eligible to have his or her vehicle forfeited or seized within a... after being caught driving on a suspended license. This was... this provision was in the Act before House... or Senate Bill 533, Public Act 95-377, but for some reason, when Hou... Senate Bill 533 was drafted and amended, it dropped out the forfeiture seizure part and we're just reinstating that and putting it back in."

Speaker Mautino: "No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is now open. Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Representative Lyons. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On
House Bill 253, 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting
'present'. This Bill shall be declared passed. Mr. Clerk,
on page 52 of the Calendar appears House Bill 9.
Representative Tracy. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 9, a Bill for an Act concerning
health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Tracy."

Tracy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This House Bill provides for
the creation of the Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy Syndrome
Education Act. This syndrome is a very debilitating
disease that is very hard to diagnose, but early treatment
and early diagnosis are a key to the best treatment. So,
what we are asking is that Public Health disseminate
information about this syndrome and also use its Web site
to make the public aware. Medical providers are very often
not aware. And so, I would welcome any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "No one seeking recognition, the question is,
'Shall House Bill 9 pass?' All in favor vote 'yes';
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. House Bill 9, having received
111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', is
declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 55 of the Calendar
appears House Bill 799. Representative Wait. Mr. Clerk,
read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 799, a Bill for an Act concerning
criminal laws. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Mautino: "Representative Wait."

Wait: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Yeah. This is a Bill that we've had a number of years that comes out of here unanimous. It goes over to the Senate, unfortunately, it doesn't go too far. This just simply says that for minors it should be not only illegal to buy or sell tobacco but also illegal to possess. I'd be happy answer any questions."

Speaker Mautino: "Seeing no one recogni... seeking recognition, House Bill 799, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Verschoore. Mr. Clerk, take the record. House Bill 799, having received 111 'yes', 0 'no', 0 voting 'present', shall be declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 52 of the Calendar is House Bill 65. Representative Ford. Bill? Or Representative?"

Ford: "Okay. I'm ready for the 'yes' votes. We've debated the Bill and the people of Illinois can now benefit from this legislation."

Speaker Mautino: "Members seeking... seeking question, the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Eddy."

Eddy: "Thank you. First thing I want to do is thank the Gentleman for taking the Bill out of the record. Staff's had a chance to look at the two Bills and this version of the Bill is the version of the Bill that passed with 61 votes last Session. It did remove a couple of items that were objected to, had to do with military preference and

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some of the crimes. However, if the Gentleman would yield, I do have some other questions for him."

Speaker Mautino: "Indicates he will."

Eddy: "Thank you. Representative, as it's written now, basically what happens is that anyone that applies for state employment... now that means any job that's a state employment position... would, on an application, there could not be a question as to whether or not the person was convicted of a nonviolent criminal offense. Is that right?"

Ford: "That's not true. If the State or Federal Law prohibits a person from holding a certain job, then the application can ask the question."

Eddy: "So, but that's limited to jobs like undercover officers or just really of the total number of jobs there are that are called state employment, those that are ruled by federal rules and laws are a small number. But for most state jobs, a large percentage, your intent here is to make the process such that on the application the question cannot be asked as to whether or not the person was convicted or placed on supervision for a nonviolent criminal offense, right?"

Ford: "Well, the question will be moved later in the process, so the question still will be asked."

Eddy: "Well, that... maybe or maybe not, we don't know that, but let me ask you this question just based on your answer. If the question's going to be asked, for the sake of transparency, why not just allow the application to ask like... like it does now. What... what's the difference? Mr.

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Speaker, could there be just a little order. I'm not sure they can hear the Gentleman's response."

Ford: "I think... I think transparency is great..."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman's asked for some order in the chamber."

Ford: "I truly agree with you to a certain degree. We need to have transparency, Representative. We also need to make sure that we reduce the number of prisoners that we have in our prison system. Representative Eddy, did you know that we spend one billion dollars a year to incarcerate people in Illinois and that's due to people recidivating back to the prison system because they are unable to obtain employment?"

Eddy: "Representative, I'm a little confused as to the direct connection between asking someone on an application process whether they've committed a nonviolent crime and whether they'll be removed from prison. I... I think you're building a bridge to nowhere..."

Ford: "Now, I understand you. Let me... let me really..."

Eddy: "...with that argument."

Ford: "...answer your question. The question asked... the answer to that question is that sometimes a person may be denied an interview process based on an application."

Eddy: "All right. Let me... let me get right to..."

Ford: "Yes."

Eddy: "...a couple of key questions. Would this... on an application for state employment, would this allow someone who's applying to not list a felony drug possession as... as one of the... the things that they have in their past that

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you're trying to not allow state employment to have knowledge of?"

Ford: "If the job..."

Eddy: "Yes... yes or no. Does... does that application disallow the question regarding drug possession?"

Ford: "I mean, if it's a nonviolent offense then, it wouldn't be asked."

Eddy: "The answer is yes. In that situation, that question can't be asked. What about if the person had been convicted of embezzlement?"

Ford: "If the job disqualifies a person... if the offense disqualifies a person, then the question will be asked on application."

Eddy: "Representative, don't you think that if someone works for the Treasurer's Office, we ought to be able to ask questions of the state... as state employment as to whether or not they've been convicted of nonviolent crimes that include fraud or embezzlement?"

Ford: "The law... the Bill does not prohibit from doing criminal background checks."

Eddy: "Representative, that's not the point. The point is..."

Ford: "Wait, wait. That's what you said."

Eddy: "...whether or not... No, it's not what I said. I said on the application for that employment, your Bill, as it's written, would preclude the question regarding embezzlement, fraud, or other types of nonviolent crime."

Ford: "You know..."

Eddy: "All your concerned about is violent crime. We're concerned about other crimes and that's why when this Bill

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was brought up a second time and it did receive 61 votes, there was still a lot of opposition to it because people are still concerned that when there is an application that someone has the duty to list what they have been involved in, that might include some nonviolent crimes."

Ford: "You know, this debate could go on forever because I believe some people believe that justice should be served in the State of Illinois and some people believe that justice shouldn't be served. I don't know what side you're on, but I know that everyone should have an opportunity to work. That's all. That's no disrespect to you, but I do believe that some people are shut out of the system called justice."

Eddy: "Representative, I... I have no problem with someone being employed that has committed a nonviolent crime if someone has paid their debt to society and they are filling out an application and they truthfully list those... those things in their past and can during an application process discuss those and talk about their past and obtain a job. You're absolutely wrong if you think I'm aga... I think that's great. What I have a problem with is that we are allowing through your legislation a very useful tool in employment in order to try and... and in the employment process settle questions. You're... you're just saying those questions can't be answered or asked. You're just saying they just can't be asked. I'll tell you what, listen. Representative, I think this is dangerous legislation. I think that the system should include allowing questions regarding embezzlement, felony drug possession and other

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types of nonviolent crimes to be asked on an application. You don't think it should be. Okay. That's where we're at with this."

Ford: "Right."

Eddy: "Mr. Speaker, I would ask that there be a verification Roll Call if this Bill receives the requisite number."

Speaker Mautino: "Your request has been acknowledged."

Eddy: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "It will be granted. The Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The previous speaker took care of one other thing that I was going to ask for, the verification, so as long as we've got that. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Mautino: "He indicates he will."

Bost: "Rep... Representative, do you... I have a concern going down the same line of questionings that Representative Eddy had. As we move forward and if no... drug... a drug offense is a nonviolent offense. Is that correct? A drug offense is a nonviolent offense?"

Ford: "Yes."

Bost: "Okay. And the question cannot be asked at a time when an ID... IDOT employee is trying to request driving a 10 thousand pound vehicle down the road and he may have plea bargained out on a few other offenses, but had never... but still got a drug offense and has a real drug problem. But there's nothing here that will allow him or force him to actually admit to that in the application now, right? Would that... that would be removed?"

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Ford: "Well, you know, I think everything has been taken and blown out of proportion because if you, as an employer at the state, as an employer hires someone without doing a criminal background check, then that's the problem, not the fact that we have a question on the application."

Bost: "So... so, you believe that it is the responsibility of the state to make sure of that rather than also ask them straight out on an application where they can be honest and straightforward so that we can make sure that we have like a... a double check system. One, that the employee was honest in the first place in admitting that this... this offense had occurred and secondly, that then we do the background check, as well. I mean, I don't want to walk away from the obligation of the state, but I do believe that we have an obligation from the employee to be honest and straightforward or the person applying for the job. Do you know that if you lie on an application, we... it's automatic that you're not hired. So, now we're just saying, okay, fine, now we don't... we're not even going to question you on that and that way you don't get in trouble the other way. Is that what we're trying to do here?"

Ford: "What I'm trying to do is get more people into an interview."

Bost: "If... if more people... if we get more people into situations where they... where it is a dangerous situation, driving up and down our highways with snowplows, with heavy equipment and those type things, that is a concern to me and I'm sure to my constituents, as a Legislator."

Ford: "How dangerous is an interview?"

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Bost: "How dangerous is it that a person might have an opportun... might be... have a history..."

Ford: "You said the magic word, might. They might be considered for employment. They might be considered. That's what we want, the might."

Bost: "Okay. Well, might... make sure that we have every opportunity to see..."

Ford: "The best opportunity..."

Bost: "...if they... if they have violated those laws, it might make it dangerous for them to have that job and I think, in honesty, they should be straightforward in that application and the question should be asked. Now, let's go on to a different area. Let's talk about... and Roger Eddy brought this up as well... Representative Eddy brought this up... is... how about a county and someone has a white collar crime where they'd embezzled funds, maybe with a bank or they handled a... mishandled a management situation. So, do you not believe that maybe that's something that ought to be put on the application, as well?"

Ford: "First, they would have an interview and they would have a background check, but I'm glad you brought up white collar crimes because the state of our economy, federally and state, had nothing to do with the petty crimes that I'm talking about here. It has something to do with people that were not criminals."

Bost: "Thank... thank you."

Ford: "People that were not criminals."

Bost: "Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, if I may."

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Ford: "So, what we need to do is deal with what I'm dealing with here and it's a simple thing to ask that people in the State of Illinois not be denied their rights."

Bost: "Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Mautino: "Yes. The Gentleman..."

Bost: "Thank you. To the Bill."

Speaker Mautino: "To the Bill."

Bost: "I just... I had problems with the Bill since its first being presented and I... I... thank you for the opportunity to question."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. Representative Watson, for what reason do you rise?"

Watson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the previous question."

Speaker Mautino: "The previous question has been moved. Representative Ford to close."

Ford: "Well, thank you very much and I hope that this legislation will allow all of us an opportunity to... to vote for a piece of legislation that will put more people or at least give more people an opportunity to be interviewed for a job. This Bill is simple. We simply want people that may have been convicted of a crime when they were 18 years old, 19 years old and now they're 30 and they still can't get employment simply because they were... made a mistake in life."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank..."

Ford: "This Bill is simple. It simply asks that people have an opportunity to go for an interview and once again, it's not the question on an application that we have to worry about;

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it's the criminal background check that the state and employers should do to make sure that we hire the right person. So, with that, I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. There has been a request for a verification on House Bill 65. And with that, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk... Mr. Clerk... Mr. Clerk, take the record. With 46 voting 'yes'... Excuse me. Of 43 voting 'yes', 68 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', the Bill has failed. Representative Verschoore."

Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A notice of a reception tonight. The IBEW is having a reception from 5 to 9 at... or 5 'til whenever on the 29th floor of the Hilton. They wanted me to let everyone know they're... everyone's welcome and guests. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Ford, for what reason are you requesting?"

Ford: "Well, it's... I thought it was perfect, but it's an important Bill to come up on St. Patty's Day. I knew I would get all 'green' votes, but I just wanted to tell everyone that's Irish and everyone here, happy St. Patty's Day and what should I say, Irish forever. It is... Erin Go Bragh. Thank you very much."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you, Representative. It's now the... the Chair intends to move some Seconds to Thirds. Mr. Clerk, on page 47 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4047. What's the status of this Bill?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4047, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr... Hold that Bill on Second. So, at the risk... request of the Sponsor, that Bill will be held on Second. Page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 489. Representative Hernandez. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 489, a Bill for an Act concerning deferred compensation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Mautino: "Third Reading. Representative Lyons in the Chair."

Speaker Lyons: "Happy St. Patrick's Day, everyone. Nice to see you. Members, we're going to be going through the Calendar on Second Readings, alphabetical, as we have in the past. We're going to be doing Second Readings to see if your pleasure is to move it to Third. So, starting with As running through Zs, pay attention and we'll see if you want to move your Bill. Representative Acevedo, on page 15 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 845. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 845, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Arroyo, on page 3 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 44. Out of the record. Representative Suzie Bassi, on page 36 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2660. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2660, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Beiser, you have... on page 17 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 952. Dan? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 952, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Toni Berrios, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 991. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 991, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Biggins, on page 49 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4151. Bob, 4151, you want to move it to Third? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4151, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Michael Bost, on page 587... on page 11 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 587, Mike. Representative Bost, House Bill 587. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 587 has been read a second time, previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Bost, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bost on Amendment #1."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As soon as my computer spins to this, I'll present the Amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 makes the changes which I agreed to... to do on Second in committee. Basically, it applies only to the full-time fire districts and it is subject to the collective bargaining agreements according to this Amendment. Be glad to answer any..."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 signify by saying 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Boland, on page 17 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 934. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 934, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bradley, you have, on page 44 of the Calendar, House Bill 3878. Out of the record. Representative Annazette Collins, are you on the floor? Representative Collins. Annazette, you have, on page 21 of the Calendar, House Bill 1126. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1126, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Marlow Colvin, on page 9... or page 42 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3806. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3806, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Brady, Representative John Brady. Representative Bra... Representative Dan Brady is... Representative Brady on the floor? Out of the record. Representative Brosnahan. Representative Cavaletto, on page 14 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 768. What's your pleasure, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 768, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Will Burns, on page 39 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2383. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2383, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. A Floor Amendment was filed today, but has not been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, you have a Floor Amendment filed today, so we'll hold that Bill on Second Reading."

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Representative Linda Chapa LaVia, on page 39 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3663. You wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3663, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Coladipietro, you have House Bill 2406 on page 30 of the Calendar. What's your pleasure, Representative? Out of the record. Representative Marlow Colvin, on page 3 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 69, Representative. 69, Representative. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 69, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Connelly. Representative Connelly, you have House Bill 883. What's your pleasure? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 883, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Beth Coulson, you have House Bill 1143 on page 21 of the Calendar. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1143, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, on page 38 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3634. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3634, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Currie on a Motion."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move to suspend the posting requirements so that House Bill... I'm sorry... House Resolution 172 and House Joint Resolution 33 could be heard in House Elementary; House Bill 974 and House Resolution 163 in Environment & Energy; House Bill 261, 579, 3735, 3783, Senate Bill 2016 and House Resolution 160 in Executive; House Joint Resolutions 23 and 29 in Human Services; House Resolution... House Resolutions 140, 152, 156, 175, 176 and 177 in State Government Administration; House Joint Resolution 30 in the Tollway Oversight Committee."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the Lady's Resolution signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Motion is adopted. Representative Monique Davis, you have, on page 25 of the Calendar, House Bill 2235. You wish to move that to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2235, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Shane Cultra, on page 14 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 764. Out of the record. Representative Jim Durkin, on page 20 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1116. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1116, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Roger Eddy, you have House Bill 999 on page 18 of the Calendar. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 999, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Fortner, on page 13 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 722. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 722, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Farnham, on page 12 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 706. Representative Farnham on the floor? What's your pleasure on that Bill, Representative? Would you like to move that to Third Reading? House Bill 706. Out of the record."

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Representative Sara Feigenholtz, you have, on page 13 of the Calendar, House Bill 745, Sara. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 745, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Flider, on page 19 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1032. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1032, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No.. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Michael McAuliffe, on page 34 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2582. What's your pleasure, Michael? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2582, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mary Flowers, on page 2 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 16, Mary. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 16, a Bill for an Act concerning education. 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. Representative Bill Mitchell, you have, on page 6 of the Calendar, House Bill 268, Bill. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 268, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mitchell, you also have House Bill 367 on page 8 of the Calendar. Representative Bill Mitchell, you've got a second Bill on Second Reading, House Bill 367. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 367, a Bill for an Act concerning firearms. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. However, fiscal notes have been requested and not yet filed."

Speaker Lyons: "We'll hold that Bill on Second Reading. Representative LaShawn Ford, on page 9 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 436. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 436, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jerry Mitchell, on page 50 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4206. Out of the record. Representative Jack Franks, on page 43 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3860. Representative Franks, 3860? Out of the record. Representative Froehlich, on page 42 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3802. What's your preference, Representative? Out of the record. Representative Esther Golar, on page 36 of the

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Calendar, you have House Bill 2653. Representative Golar on the floor? Take that Bill out of the record. Representative Jim Meyer, on page 21 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1131. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1131, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Graham. Is Debbie on the floor? Representative Graham, you have, on page 5 of the Calendar, House Bill 179. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 179, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Julie Hamos, on page 46 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3987, Julie. Representative Hamos, what do you want to do with this Bill? 3987. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3987, a Bill for an Act concerning energy efficiency. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No... no Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Harris, on page 31 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2469, Greg. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2469, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Hernandez, on page 46 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3967. Lisa. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3967, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jay Hoffman, you have, on page 35 of the Calendar, House Bill 2612. Jay? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2612, a Bill for an Act concerning education programs. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Tom Holbrook, on page 44 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3877. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3877, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Connie Howard, on page 14 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 762. You wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 762, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jackson, Eddie Jackson on the floor? Representative Jackson, you have, on

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page 39 of the Calendar, House Bill 3664. Move... want to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3664, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mautino on the floor, Frank? Frank, you have House... on page 5 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 212. House Bill 212. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 212, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Karen May, on page 30 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2429. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2429, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Emily McAsey, you have, on page 39 of the Calendar, House Bill 3681. Emily. 3681, Representative McAsey. Emily. You have a Bill on Second Reading. Do you wish to move this Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3681, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Kevin McCarthy, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 986, Kevin. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 986, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jack McGuire, on page 16 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 895. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 895, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Debbie Mell, you have, on page 34 of the Calendar, House Bill 2574. You wish to move that to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2574, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Susana Mendoza, you have, on page 4 of the Calendar, House Bill 152. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 152, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. However, notes have been requested and not yet received."

Speaker Lyons: "We'll hold that Bill on Second Reading. Representative David Miller, on page 31 of the Calendar,

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you have House Bill 2450. Out of the record. Representative Elaine Nekritz, on page 6 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 242. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 242, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. All notes have been filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Harry Osterman, on page 15 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 867. What's your pleasure, Harry? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 867, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Brandon Phelps, on page 26 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2257. Out of the record. Representative Raymond Poe, on page 33 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2535. Raymond. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2535, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Pritchard, you have, on page 9 of the Calendar, House Bill 471. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 471, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Randy Ramey, on page 44 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3909. You're

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hard to miss you in that jacket, Representative. I can spot you very easily. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3909, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Esther Golar, on page 36 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2653. What's your pleasure, Esther? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2653, a Bill for an Act concerning housing. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Kevin Joyce, on page 21 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1148. Kevin, 1148. You want to move that to Third? Kevin Joyce, what's your pleasure? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1148, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Lou Lang, on page 29 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2400. What's your pleasure, Lou? Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2400, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading."

Clerk Mahoney: "Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Sorry, Mr. Clerk. Third Reading. Representative Betsy Hannig, on page 37 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3606. What's your pleasure, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3606, a Bill for an Act in relation to public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative David Reis, on page 45 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3956. David, 3956. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3956, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Chapin Rose, you have, on page 40 of the Calendar, House Bill 3714, Chapin. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3714, a Bill for an Act concerning domestic violence. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Farnham, you have, on page 12 of the Calendar, House Bill 706. What's your pleasure, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 706, a Bill for an Act concerning veterans. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Will Davis, on page 6 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 267. What's your pleasure, Will? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 267, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Annazette Collins, on page 35 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2627. Annazette, 2627, you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2627, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Flider, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Flider: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Representative."

Flider: "Yes. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I have some special guests here today in Springfield here with the House in the gallery behind us on the Republican side. We have the mayor of Windsor, Illinois, Dennis Hostetter and two city council members: Jeff Gannaway and Walter Ratliff. Would you please welcome them here to Springfield."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Mayor, aldermen, welcome to Springfield. Enjoy your stay. Glad to have you. Continuing on Second Readings on page 20 of the Calendar, Representative Danny Reitz, you have page 10... you have House Bill 1086. What's your pleasure, Dan? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1086, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Take that Bill out of the record. Representative Al Riley, on page 51 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4220. Al. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4220, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Kathy Ryg, on page 27 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2290. Kath, 2290. You want to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2290, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Smith, on page 13 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 737. What's your pleasure, Michael? Out of the record. Representative Tim Schmitz, on page 23 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1335. What's your pleasure, Tim? House Bill 1335. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1335, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Senger, on page 11 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 640,

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Representative. Do you wish to move that to Third Reading?
Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 640, a Bill for an Act concerning
education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment
#1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No
Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jil Tracy, on
page 6 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 238. Jil, do
you want to move that Bill to Third reading? Read the
Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 238, a Bill for an Act concerning
revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No
Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Tryon, on
page 23 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1322. What's
your pleasure, Michael? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1322, a Bill for an Act concerning
local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No
Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Pat Verschoore.
Is Pat on the floor? Representative Verschoore, you have,
on page 20 of the Calendar, House Bill 1089. Pat, you want
to move that to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1089, a Bill for an Act concerning
local 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. Representative Ron Wait, you have, on page 14 of the Calendar, House Bill 795. Ron. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 795, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation, which may be referred to as Bachman's Law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mark Walker, you have House Bill 20... 2394 on page 29 of the Calendar. Representative, want to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2394, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. All notes have been filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Eddie Washington, you have, on page 30 the seventh... 37 of the Calendar, Representative, House Bill 2678. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2678, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jim Watson. Is Jim on the floor? Representative Watson, you have, on page 13 of the Calendar, House Bill 725. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 725, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Coladipietro, for what reason do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Coladipietro: "Mr. Speaker, a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Representative."

Coladipietro: "Mr. Speaker, I'm very confused as to why my seatmate, Representative Ramey, would wear a red jacket when his birthday is on St. Patrick's Day. But I would ask the House to join me in wishing him a very happy birthday today."

Speaker Lyons: "Despite the red jacket on St. Patrick's Day, happy birthday, Randy. Many happy more. Representative Jim Watson, you also have, on page 16 of the Calendar, House Bill 872. Jim, you want to... wish to move that to Third? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 872, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Dave Winters, on page 29 of the... 28 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2328. Dave? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2328, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jim Sacia, on page 45 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3957. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3957, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jim Brosnahan, you have, on page 12 of the Calendar, House Bill 699. Jim, 699. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 699, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Page 4 of Second Readings, back through the alphabet. Representative Acevedo on the floor or not at this time? Representative Arroyo. Representative Luis Arroyo, you have, on page 2 of the Calendar, House Bill 13. Out of the record. Skip, Representative Saviano, you have, on Second Reading, on page 18 of the Calendar, House Bill 1015. Care to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1015, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Dan Burke, on page 16 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 921. Do you care to move that to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 921, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Suzie Bassi, on page 44 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3911. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3911, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Biggins. Representative Mike Boland, on page 23 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1332. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1332, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jim Brosnahan, on page 8 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 382. Jim Brosnahan. 382, Jim. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 382, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Rich Brauer, on page 27 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2321. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2321, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Dan Burke, on page 17 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 923, Dan. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 923, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee pensions. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Will Burns, on page 43 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3863. Representative Burns on the floor? Will. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3863, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Watson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Watson: "Will the Sponsor on the previous Bill yield? Yeah. We had been told that he would hold it on Second."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Burns, as in Will Burns, question on the... on the Bill. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, regarding House Bill 3863, Representative Will Burns on a point of order from the Republicans on holding of that Bill. Representative Burns."

Burns: "Thank you, Representative. As I recall, I didn't make a commitment to hold the Bill on Second Reading in committee. I did make a commitment to work to find another Amendment. I wanted to just move it to Third Reading. If we come up with an agreement, then we'll move... we'll call it back to the Order of Second Reading. If we come up with

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some language to amend the Bill, we'll move it back to the Order of Second Reading and amend it. But I didn't make a commitment to hold it on Second Reading in committee."

Watson: "So, can we just keep it on Second, then, Representative. That's the way it came out of the committee."

Burns: "If it would... if it would add to your comfort level..."

Watson: "Yes."

Burns: "...I'm willing to do that."

Watson: "I appreciate it. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "So, Representative Burns, it's your wish to move that Bill back..."

Burns: "Yeah. We'll move it back to Second."

Speaker Lyons: "...to Second Reading? Mr. Clerk, move House Bill 3863 back to Second Reading. Thank you. Representative Annazette Collins, on page 42 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3795. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3795, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, on page 32 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 29... 2494. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. 2494."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2494, a Bill for an Act concerning vacancies in the position of Lieutenant Governor. 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. Representative John D'Amico, on page 46 of the Calendar, we have House Bill 3982. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3982, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative D'Amico, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative D'Amico on..."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I..."

Speaker Lyons: "...Floor Amendment #1."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just recommend that the floor adopt Floor Amendment 1. It's technical in nature."

Speaker Lyons: "Are there any questions? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Amendment #1 to House Bill 3982 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 the Amendment is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Will Davis, on page 50 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4186. Will, 4186. Out of the record. Representative Roger Eddy, on page 35 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2619. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2619, a Bill for an Act concerning education. 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. Representative Farnham, on page 38 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3637. Representative Farnham on the floor? Take that Bill out of the record. Representative Sara Feigenholtz, on page 13 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 756. Sara. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 756, a Bill for an Act concerning adoption. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Flider, you have, on page 41 of the Calendar, House Bill 3779. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3779, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Hatcher, on page 27 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2294. Representative, do you wish to move that to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2294, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Hatcher, also on page 27 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2296. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2296, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill."

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Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Renée Kosel, hiding behind your computer, you have, on page 41 of the Calendar, House Bill 3723. Renée. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3723, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Renée, you also have on page 48 House Bill 4050. Representative Kosel on 4050. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4050, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative David Leitch, you have, on page 37 of the Calendar, House Bill 2688. David. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2688, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mary Flowers, you have, on page 2 of the Calendar, House Bill 19. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 19, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Sid Mathias, on page 41 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3731. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3731, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jack Franks, on page 7 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 272. Out of the record. Representative Esther Golar, on page 12 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 655. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 655, 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 are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Julie Hamos, on page 42 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3794. 3794. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3794, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jay Hoffman, on page 39 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3658. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3658, a Bill for an Act concerning land. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Tom Holbrook, on page 33 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2527. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2527, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Connie Howard, on page 34 of the Calendar, you House Bill 2541. Out of the record. Representative Naomi Jakobsson, on page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 898. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 898, a Bill for an Act concerning higher education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Kevin Joyce, on page 47 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4046. Out of the record. Representative Don Moffitt, on page 34 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2544. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2544, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Rich Myers, on page 31, you have House Bill 2455. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2455, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Raymond Poe, on page 18 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 1002. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1002, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Poe, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Poe on the Amendment. Amendment 1, Raymond."

Poe: "Yeah. Mr. Speaker, after... after we passed this Bill through committee and was working with the historical agencies on keeping their funds that do their maintenance and repairs, the Lincoln... or the new Lincoln Museum and Library wanted to be added on. So, that... all that Amendment would do would just add them on to the Bill so their funds couldn't be swept."

Speaker Lyons: "Are there any questions of the Sponsor on Amendment #1? Seeing none, all... for... in favor of the adoption signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative... Representative Sid Mathias, you have, on page 41 of the Calendar, House Bill 3731. 3731, Sid. It's on Third Reading, my

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apologies, Representative. Representative Michael McAuliffe, on page 50 of the Calendar, we have 4197. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4197, a Bill for an Act concerning veterans. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Michael Zalewski, on page 11 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 596, Michael. Third... Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 596, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Zalewski, you also have House Bill 594 on page 11 of the Calendar. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 594, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Jakobsson, you have, on page 48 of the Calendar, House Bill 4077. Naomi, 4077. You wish to move that to Third? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4077, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Lisa Hernandez, on page 29 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3286. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? 3286. I'm sorry, wrong number. The House Bill number should be 2386. My apologies, Representative. House Bill 2386. Out of the record. Representative Greg Harris, on page 43 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3845. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3845, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Farnham, on page 38 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3637. Representative Farnham, House Bill 3637, you wish to move that to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3637, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Soto, on page 46 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 3974, 3974. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3974, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. And no Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Biggins, on page 48 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 4099. Do you wish to move that to Third Reading, Representative? 4099. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4099, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Connie Howard, on page 34 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 2541 on the Order of Second Reading. You wish to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2541, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Frank Mautino, on page 56 of the Calendar under Third Readings, you have House Bill 813. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 813, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Recognize the Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Frank Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. 813 amends the Optometric Practice Act and the Elder Abuse and Neglect Act. This is legislation which passed through unanimously last year and basically made it a requirement for the optometrist to report not only child

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abuse but also elder abuse. I know of no opposition. And would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 813 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? Sara. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 111 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Jim Watson, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Watson: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Will you please excuse Representative Brady for the rest of the day?"

Speaker Lyons: "The record will so reflect. Thank you, Representative Watson. Representative Don Moffitt, on page 54 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 665. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 665, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 665 is an initiative of the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts. And this legislation... when... when we... when we approve fire protection everyone benefits and there's a return on investment. We have a chance to lower insurance costs, reduce property loss, and save lives. This is a front door referendum

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allows the fire protection district to submit to the voters an increase in the levy. It's been over 30 years since it's been changed. It's an initiative of the fire protection districts. We all talk about local control, we talk about wanting... let the people decide and that's what this does. Would allow to submit to the voters changing the tax levy from the current .40 to .60. Be happy to entertain any questions."

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

Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Members of the Body, many times people come before us and ask for help in our local districts. This Legislator's coming for help for fire protection districts on a front door referendum, letting the people decide for themselves how they want to spend their... their tax dollars. So, I just wanted to point that out for the Body that this is a front door referendum."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Moffitt to close."

Moffitt: "Thank you. This does the things that we all advocate for, to put this in the hands of the people, gives them an opportunity for better fire protection if they so desire. And it's been over 30 years. It's an initiative of the fire protection district. Ask for a 'yes' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 665 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? Mike

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Fortner. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 85 Members voting 'yes', 26 Members voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Dan Beiser, on page 53 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 519. Out of the record. Representative Fortner, on page 55 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 808. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 808, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Read... Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Michael Fortner."

Fortner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 808 will protect the... the Domestic Violence Shelter and Service Fund from the chargeback provisions, prevent it from being swept. It's a fund that goes to places that have very particular needs. It's a dedicated fund. And their needs go up and down year to year, so a sweep in one year can have very detrimental effects in future years where there are unanticipated needs. I'm open to any questions and would ask for your favorable vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 808 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 Feigenholtz, Representative Burns. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 111 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional

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Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative John D'Amico, on the Order of Third Reading, you have... on page 54 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 675. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 675, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John D'Amico."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What this Bill does... this Bill passed out of the House before unanimously. And if you are caught lying on an affidavit, on a complaint against a State Trooper, it allows the state's attorney to go after you."

Speaker Lyons: "Any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Dennis Reboletti."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative, I know we talked about this in committee, but what happened to those complaints prior? If this Bill doesn't become law. What happens right now with those complaints?"

D'Amico: "Most of the time nothing was happening at all. They just want the ability to be able to go after this... a person if they were lying about a police officer."

Reboletti: "But if the case is now that if somebody alleges that a trooper did something wrong or you know, didn't treat them correctly, wasn't like a full investigation had to be take... had to be completed first to..."

D'Amico: "They..."

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Reboletti: "...and then the trooper be cleared?"

D'Amico: "...they would like to see that happen, yes. I mean, right now, if they lied... if they want to file a complaint against a State Trooper, they have to file a affidavit which was part of this Bill. Before, you never had to file an affidavit at all, you could call up and make a complaint anonymously."

Reboletti: "Well, that's why I wanted to make the point. That it was anonymous complaints that had to be investigated. At least now somebody's sworn under oath and then that investigation follows through and at the end of the day they could be charged with perjury, if they haven't been forthright with the police. So, thank you."

D'Amico: "Exactly."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative D'Amico to close."

D'Amico: "I'd just appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 675 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 111 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Marlow Colvin, on page 52 of the Calendar, you have House Bill 146. On the Order of Third Reading, you ready to run the Bill, Representative? 146, House Bill 146. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 146, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Marlow Colvin."

Colvin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I have for your consideration today House Bill 146. This Bill is an initiative of the Cook County Law Library System which is the second largest library system... law library system in the United States of America. But it's a Bill that impacts every law library in every court... Circuit Court system in the state. It simply allows county boards which is through permission of the county boards to raise the fees, the filing fees, that pay for the maintenance of county law libraries. The last time the fees were raised at the county law library in Cook was 1988. And it's an enormous burden on the county budget to fund those libraries in addition to everything else that they do. They primarily fund the county law libraries across the State of Illinois using these fees, these filing fees. We testified in committee and the Bill is supported by the County Law Library Associations, Metro Counties, Illinois Association of County Board Members and Commissioners. There was no opposition in committee. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Are there any questions? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative... from McHenry, Representative Jack Franks."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Representative, we saw this Bill last year or something similar. What happened to it?"

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Colvin: "The Bill passed out of both... out of the House and the Senate. It went to the Governor where he vetoed the Bill. It actually and during the... the Bill wasn't called during the Veto Session as much... I think it was called in the Senate first where it originated last year. During one of the summer Veto, 'Veto' Sessions and then there was never a time that and I think a number of the individuals who voted for it was missing during that day, but you only get two more weeks to call it again and we didn't come back until November. So, the Bill eventually... it subsequently died."

Franks: "You indicated that Cook County has the second largest law library in the nation. Do we know how many patrons use the law library? Do we have any figures?"

Colvin: "I don't have them at my fingertips, but I understand that it is the most used, it's the second largest by volume, but it is the most used by virtue of the hours that it's open. I believe it's open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and I think from 9 to 4 on Saturdays. But not only do lawyers use it as a free resource, but it's also an invaluable tool to law students who use the law library while they're matriculating through law school. And anyone who is... the library is open to the public, so anyone can come in and use any of its volumes at any time that the library is open."

Franks: "Why... I know they have a good reputation and I know they do a lot of hours. I'm just wondering how many actual people really use it because if we pass this Bill, we'll be increasing the fees by almost 50 percent for the law

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library, for these filing fees and it'll be over 50 percent by 2010."

Colvin: "Well, Representative Franks, I should point out that where you see the increases, the county... this just raises the threshold for them to raise the fees. This Bill, in no way does it stipulate that the fees will be set at these marks, that this is simply a ceiling in which they can raise the fees. So, in that regard, it is to say that they'll be raised by 50 percent is not true. I don't even think it's the... and I don't want to speak for the county... but and you can certainly speak to their lobbyist here, but I don't think it's their intention to raise the fees to these ceilings. What this does is create room for them to raise fees..."

Franks: "Let me ask you. Is Cook County at the ceiling, right now?"

Colvin: "They've been at the ceiling for more than 16 years."

Franks: "And we did this 20 years ago?"

Colvin: "That's about right."

Franks: "Okay. Do you know how many other counties are already at the ceiling?"

Colvin: "I do not know that but..."

Franks: "Inaudible."

Colvin: "...but given the testimony in committee when this Bill was heard, at least from the Metro Counties and the County Law Library Associations, I think all of them are suffering under the same pressure."

Franks: "Okay. To the Bill. And I appreciate what you're trying to do, Representative. Believe me, I know how

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important it is to access to the courts and knowing what the... what the law is, whether you're an attorney or a layman. What I am concerned though about is the ability to raise these fees so high at a time when, quite frankly, a lot of folks aren't doing real well. And we had an unemployment rate now in the state is over 8 percent. I know in Winnebago County it's over 12 percent. That scares me and I don't want to do anything that could impinge on access to our court system. And I think right now it's pretty expensive when you... when you file a lawsuit and then you have all these additional fees put on and it not only affects individuals, but also affects small businesses. So, as a result, I'm going to vote 'no' and I'm going to encourage people to study this to see if that's really the policy that we wish to have as a state is to increase these fees and potentially make it more difficult for people to access justice. So..."

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

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Eddy: "Representative, why can't Cook County on its own, without our vote and blessing on a fee increase for libraries, go ahead and increase the fee?"

Colvin: "Repeat that question again?"

Eddy: "Why... why can't Cook County, if they would like to increase the fee in a... in their library, the Cook County

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Law Library, do that without the General Assembly acting at all?"

Colvin: "I believe that this provision falls under the County Code and it requires... it specifically requires legislative approval to raise this specific fee. So, I believe that to be able to raise the ceiling for this, for the filing fees, is specifically part of the County Code which requires an Amendment in the County Code to do so."

Eddy: "Is there not any type of a Home Rule provision that would allow them to do this without our action?"

Colvin: "No, it would not. The Home Rule authority does not impact... would... does not give them the authority to arbitrarily raise this fee."

Eddy: "Okay. So, this is... this is then necessary not to raise the fee, but to allow them to raise their own fee. Do you have any indication or have you had an indication from the county as to their intention to act on this flexibility?"

Colvin: "In testimony in committee, the director of the county law library indicated the fact that these are ceilings and it is not the intention of the county and the other counties that were there that testified, it was not their intention to raise it to the ceiling, but to create some more breathing room in regards to the mounting pressures of running these law libraries. It's important to point out that we don't try to change it, I think, what the scope of these filing fees are. These are fees that are paid when lawyers file suit in different counties. It is, to raise the fees, what we're giving them is the authority to take a vote at the county board level to increase the fees. This

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Bill, in and of itself, does not raise the filing fees of any county. If this Bill passes, county boards would then have the... they would be given the authority to negotiate and discuss and vote on a potential fee increase for filing at... at the County Clerk's Office."

Eddy: "Representative, you're not saying, though, that this is only a fee increase on lawyers?"

Colvin: "I'm sorry?"

Eddy: "You're not saying that this is only a fee increase on lawyers?"

Colvin: "What I'm saying... No, that's not what I'm saying."

Eddy: "Okay, okay."

Colvin: "What I'm saying this is a filing fee at the current... these are fees that are paid at the County Clerk's Office in Circuit Court districts throughout the State of Illinois."

Eddy: "Okay. So, the increase would be... well, it would be, if they choose to increase it, it could go from 13 dollars to as much as 18 dollars in '09. It could go up another dollar... the cap would go up another dollar in '010 to 19 and then up to 21 dollars in '011, but if they were to reach that cap, it would be only after they acted locally upon our authority to raise that cap."

Colvin: "That's exactly right."

Eddy: "All right. Well, thanks for the explanation on the Bill. I'm surprised they can't do this without us, but I'll take you at your word that they can't. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Ed Sullivan."

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Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, in the coming years it's going to be harder and harder for counties to provide basic necessity resources with the money that's going to be coming in. What we have before us is a user fee. People that will use the law library and filing these types of cases will be paying a fee. Now, we can choose to deny this Bill, thereby having less money for these services or the county could cut other services to pay for the law library. So, in my opinion, it's better for us to have the users fund these services than my property taxes funding these services or being taken from potentially a jail, the sheriffs, the roads, the human services. So, we have to make the hard choices and the hard choice... or the easy choice here is to have an increase of the user fee by which this Bill has been presented. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lou Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the Gentleman's Bill. I have to say that I have been a person on the floor of this House that has been opposed to increases and costs at the courthouse. I think it has kept people out of the courthouse. I think it's been not good for litigants. I think it... anything that puts a burden on people that want to use our court facility is not a good program; however, the difference here is that the Gentleman isn't putting that burden on the court system, he's giving the county board the option of doing it themselves. Some of you are going to vote against this because the word

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'tax' is in it or the word 'fee' is in it, but the fact is that some of you who will say that are also people who talk about local control. You'll say it over and over again: local control, local control, local control, until you come across something that sounds political then you're not so much interested in local control, you're interested in General Assembly control. The Gentleman has a Bill that would give county boards all over the state the option of doing what it is that they want to do. It does not add a tax. You would not be voting to add a tax. You'd be voting for what you've always claimed you are for, local control of local affairs. And so, while... if I was on the county board, I may vote against these library fee increases. The Gentleman makes a good point. To give county boards all over the state the option of doing what they want to do, for us to stand in the way of that would be irresponsible."

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Rosemary Mulligan."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Mulligan: "Representative, what do they charge the users of the library?"

Colvin: "They don't charge anything to use the law library unless you use one of the specific services like LexisNexus or... I'm not a lawyer, but I know there are several services like that."

Mulligan: "I thought you had to pay. I know if you go in at Old Orchard I thought there was a fee."

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Colvin: "That's incorrect information. If... anyone, any citizen can use the law library just as easy as you can use the law library... the regular library in your community."

Mulligan: "Well, not every regular library has a law library. A few do, but not..."

Colvin: "That's not what I said. I said they can use the regular public library as easy as they can use the county law library."

Mulligan: "All right. But I don't know if that's true that the law libraries don't have a fee for you to use them. Are you sure?"

Colvin: "To enter into the law library?"

Mulligan: "Yes."

Colvin: "No, there is no fee."

Mulligan: "There's no fee. All right. So, it's only paid by plaintiffs."

Colvin: "Those individuals who are filing suit in a particular county."

Mulligan: "Can the county decide which plaintiffs' fees would be... say, you're filing a domestic violence complaint or something where the person that's filing it and is the plaintiff is not very wealthy. Could the county then decide which plaintiff fees would be charged as opposed to imposing it across the board on everybody?"

Colvin: "Well, I can't speak for every county, but I do know in Cook County they have provisions for paupers, I believe that's the phrase they actually use. I couldn't tell... I don't have a list of what they charge for filing what types of lawsuits or what type of actions, but I do know that

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part of that fee, just like another part of it is to maintain the courtrooms, part of that fee goes to maintaining those law libraries."

Mulligan: "All right. I'm just..."

Colvin: "But I can't give you a sheet with all the fees on it."

Mulligan: "Right. I have no problem because I think a good law library is important, but my problem is if plaintiffs who are poor and have a hard time filing a case were to be imposed. So, what I would like to see is that, if Cook County were to do this, they would be selective about leaving out people who were poor that were plaintiffs or..."

Colvin: "The county... the county... Cook County, which I can speak for specifically, already provides for pauper assistance when they are... as for specific types of suits that are filed in Cook County Circuit Court. I don't know what type of suits those are, but I know one for certain is the... for the lawsuits that are under a specific dollar amount, small claims court."

Mulligan: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Colvin to close."

Colvin: "And I should also point out, Representative Mulligan, that these are for civil cases. There will be no filing fee for an individual who is filing for an order of protection or what have you. Those require no filing fees at all. I would... All right."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Colvin to close."

Colvin: "I do appreciate the comments. All of the comments on both sides of this discussion. I think Representative Franks, and to his point, I think tried to change literally

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the discussion in terms of what we're talking about here. This is completely permissive by county. Every individual county this still does nothing more than give an individual county the authority to discuss, debate and determine what if any fee increases will be in their law libraries. Is... We are not raising one nickel of any fee for any law library in the State of Illinois. That's important to point out. I think Representative Sullivan and Representative Lang hit the nail on the head in terms of what local control is and the proper application of a user fee. These are fees that are paid in part, not the entire dollar amount, but in part, go to fund law libraries so that they maintain at least in Cook County, the second largest law library system in the country, to maintain the fact that anyone can use, lawyer or nonlawyer, can use the resources that those law libraries provide. Law students have traditionally used the Cook County Law Libraries from all over the collar county region simply because of their vast resources, but that comes with a cost. And we're simply saying that counties will now have the ability to help reach and meet those costs of maintaining those law libraries and the assistance they provide to their taxpayers. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 146 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? Have all voted who wish? Feigenholtz, Verschoore. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 70 Members voting

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'yes', 40 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Dennis Reboletti, you rise for a point of personal..."

Reboletti: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker. Thank you very much. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Body, in my district is Elmhurst College which is a fine institution of higher learning and recently they selected a new president by the name of Alan Ray who is here with a contingent from Elmhurst College. They are right behind me. Would you please welcome the new president of Elmhurst College, Alan Ray."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield. The Chair recognizes Representative Dan Burke for an announcement. Representative Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Executive Committee will meet tomorrow in Room 114 at 8:30 to consider only one matter. All other matters that have been referred to Exec will be heard on Thursday. So, 114, tomorrow, 8:30, Exec. Thanks."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognized the Lady from Lake, Representative JoAnn Osmond for an announcement."

Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans will caucus at 9 a.m. tomorrow morning. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognize the Gentleman from Cook, Representative David Miller."

Miller: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Democrats will caucus in 114 immediately after Session for a joint caucus."

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Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, committee schedule."

Clerk Bolin: "Two committees scheduled to meet this afternoon have been canceled. The Access to Federal Funding Committee has been canceled and the Elementary & Secondary Education Committee has been canceled. The following committees will meet at 5:00: Environment & Energy in Room 118, Health Care Licenses in Room 122B, Human Services in Room D-1 and International Trade & Commerce in Room C-1. All Members are reminded to turn in their Agreed Bill List suggestions to the... turn in the Agreed Bill List suggestions to the podium as soon as possible."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 180, offered by Representative Monique Davis. House Resolution 181, offered by Representative McAsey. House Resolution 183, offered by Representative Poe. House Resolution 184, offered by Representative Sullivan. House Resolution 185, offered by Representative Jakobsson. House Resolution 187, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Joint Resolution 36, offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Representative Pritchard, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Pritchard: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, for an announcement."

Speaker Lyons: "Proceed, Representative."

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Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, there is a group of Legislators that meets every week when we're in Session for prayer and Bible study. And in these times of difficult decisions and financial crises, we would welcome all Legislators to join us down in the chapel 7:30 tomorrow morning. Thank you."

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

Eddy: "Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Lyons: "State your inquiry."

Eddy: "5:00 is the estimate on the committees that still are meeting. Is that a pretty safe estimate then that the Democrat Caucus may last right 'til about 5 or could it be longer? Do we have a... is there a..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Eddy, you are correct. At... stay tuned, stay close to the committee rooms. We will be in caucus. We don't know how long it will take. We're... our hope will be as close to 5:00 as possible."

Eddy: "Okay. Thank you. Appreciate that."

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, the purpose of our special announcement on a Death Resolution of... Staff, we're asked to please report to the back of the chamber. Members please be at your desks. The Chair recognizes Representative Jim Sacia."

Sacia: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I've just been advised by General Celletti, our Adjutant General, that another soldier has been killed. Specialist Norman Cain, age 22, D Company, 1st Battalion, 178th Infantry from Woodstock, Illinois, resides in Mount

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Morris. He is survived by his wife, Brigette, their infant daughter (sic-son), Toryn. He was killed by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan on March the 15 at 1500 hours and I would ask for a moment's... moment of silence and when I have more details, I will share that with the Body. But if I could ask for a moment of silence and remember the young Specialist. Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Body."

Speaker Lyons: "May he rest in peace. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Representative Barbara Flynn Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til the hour of 10 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned 'til the hour of 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 18. Democratic Members down to Room 114, as soon as you can get there. Republican Members for committee, we'll get there as soon as we can, but stay tuned."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Mendoza, Chairperson from the Committee on International Trade & Commerce, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 17, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' is House Joint Resolution 16. Representative Holbrook, Chairperson from the Committee on Environment & Energy, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 17, 2009, reported the same back with the

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following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is House Bill 974; 'recommends be adopted' is House Resolution 19; 'recommends be adopted as amended' is House Resolution 163. Representative Jakobsson, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 17, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted as amended' is House Joint Resolution 17; 'recommends be adopted' is House Joint Resolution 23, House Joint Resolution 29. Introduction and reading of Senate Bills-First Reading. Senate Bill 1293, offered by Representative Holbrook, a Bill for an Act concerning education. First Reading of this Senate Bill. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."