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Speaker Lyons: "Good afternoon, Illinois. The House of Representatives will come to order. Members are asked to please be at their desks. We'll be led in prayer today by Reverend Patricia Havis, who is the Pastor of Trinity CME Church in Decatur, Illinois. Reverend Havis is the guest of Representative Bob Flider. Members and guests are asked to please refrain from starting their laptops and turn off all cell phones and pagers. And our guests in the gallery are also asked to rise and join us for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend Havis."

Reverend Havis: "Greetings. Gracious creator who is known by many names, we recognize Your presence as You live deep within us and in divine places. Surely if You can place the hue in the daffodils and the blush in the rose, You can wield Your power and thrust Your sacred spirit into this gathering. Allow for constituencies to receive favor by Your hand. Please reveal Your realm of righteousness, peace and wisdom throughout this gathering. Listening is a powerful antidote to the desire to dominate. So, help all to listen, help all focus on those in need. Help all to know that we should seek to understand and then to be understood. Please loose compassion that is beyond fears and attitudes. I ask in faith knowing that this prayer has been heard and acknowledged. We thank You and trust Your power. And ask for this gathering of Leaders, I say, Amen."

Speaker Lyons: "We'll be led in the pledge by Representative Brandon Phelps."

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Phelps-et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Boland is excused today."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Leader. Representative Michael Bost, GOP."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Mulligan and Moffitt are excused today."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, take the record. There are 115 Members present, we have a quorum and are prepared to do the work of the people of the State of Illinois. Mr. Clerk, rules report."

Clerk Bolin: "Committee reports. Representative Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' Senate Bill 364. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 235, offered by Representative Leitch. House Resolution 239, offered by Representative Flider. House Resolution 240, offered by Representative Will Davis. House Resolution 245, offered by Representative Watson. House Resolution 246, offered by Representative Connelly. House Joint Resolution 42, offered by Representative Smith. And House Joint Resolution 43, offered by Speaker Madigan. These

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Resolutions are automatically referred to the House Rules Committee."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 3844?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3844 is on the Order of House Bills Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "At the request of the Sponsor move that Bill to the Order of Second Reading. Supplemental Calendar, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Supplemental Calendar #1 has been distributed."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Sangamon County, Representative Raymond Poe. Representative Poe you have personal privilege. Out of the record. Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Riley, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Riley: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Riley: "Thank you so much. I just want to recognize some people from my area and surrounding areas, it's always good when they come down to Springfield. First of all, from the Rich Township Transportation, arguably the best in the state, we have Transportation Director Pat Peters and we have James Mitchell and Tami Harrington. We also have Joan Alexander from the Eastern Will County Senior Services. And I think we may have Bob Howard, the Washington Township Supervisor. Please help me in giving them a House of Representatives welcome to Springfield."

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Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield. Enjoy your day. Representative Brandon Phelps, for what reason do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Phelps: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. If I could have all your attention to the Republican side of the gallery, I would like for all of you to join me in welcoming Miss Illinois, Kristin Melton, of North City to Springfield. Kristin's gonna be running for Miss International in July. And we all wish you luck, Kristin, welcome to Springfield, again. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to Springfield. Proud to have you, good luck. Chair recognizes the Lady from Brown, Representative Jill Tracy on a point of personal privilege."

Tracy: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, thank you. Today we're very honored to have some special guests today and I'd ask the Lady Cougars of West Central High School to stand up. They are champions, second in the State Class 1A Basketball. They are from Winchester and Bluffs area. And these Ladies are the first in their high school careers to ever go to State Championship. They come from a very small high school of about 280. And we're very proud of them. Coach Bettis is with them as well and some sponsors. So, please join me in giving them a very warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome, Lady Cougars. And congratulations on a great year. Clerk, on the Resolution, all those in favor for the adoption of House Resolution 200 signify by saying

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'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. House Resolution 200 is adopted. Mr. Clerk and Members, I think we'll do some Second Readings move to Third. I have quite a list here of Bills that should be ready to move to Third. Representative Patty Bellock, on page 5 of the Calendar you have House Bill 277. Out of the record. Shane Cultra on page 9 of the Calendar you have House Bill 764. Out of the record. Representative Will Burns on page 18 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2382. Do you want to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2382, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Betsy Hannig on page 10 of the Calendar you have House Bill 859. Do you wish to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 859, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Thapedi, on page 16 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2005. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? What's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2005, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2 and 3 have

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been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Thapedi."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, you prepared to move the Bill at this time?"

Thapedi: "I am prepared to move it. However, I do want to withdraw Amendments #1 and 2, seek leave to have Amendment #3 adopted and move the Bill forward accordingly."

Speaker Lyons: "So, your intention, Representative, is to withdraw Amendments #1 and #2?"

Thapedi: "Yes, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "So, move the... the question is, 'Should Amendments #1 and #2 be removed?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. And the Amendments are withdrawn. Do you wish to proceed with Amendment #4?"

Thapedi: "Number 3."

Speaker Lyons: "Number 3."

Thapedi: "Correct, Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, Amendment #3?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Thapedi, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Thapedi on the Amendment #3."

Thapedi: "Mr. Speaker, this is essentially a technical change to the judicial foreclosure procedure. Amendment #3 reflects the memorialization of an agreement between myself and the lending industry. And I would urge for its adoption."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of Amendment #3 signify by saying 'yes';

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those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Amendment #3 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No Further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Cultra on page 29 you also have House Bill 3881. Out of the record. Bill Mitchell on page 24 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3217. Bill Mitchell, 3217. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3217, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mitchell on page 23 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2969. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2969, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Bob Pritchard on page 6 of the Calendar you have House Bill 349. Representative Pritchard, do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Out of the record. Representative Ramey with you famous red coat, on page 33 of the Calendar you have House Bill 4211. Do you wish to move that Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Representative Thapedi on page 15 of the

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Calendar you also have House Bill 1793. Out of the record. Representative Mark Walker on page 21 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2625. Do you wish to move that Bill to the Order of Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2625, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. The chair recognizes Representative Raymond Poe for the purpose of a personal privilege. Proceed, Representative."

Poe: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm quite fortunate here in Springfield. This is the second time in a week I've had two eighth grade classes win state championships. Blessed Sacrament School won the 2009 IESA Class 1A. And so, I have two state champions in the... in the... in my district we're quite proud of that. These boys are in the eighth grade and they're coached here with... they're here with their coach, David Farah. So, let's give them a big Springfield welcome and keep the hard work up, boys."

Speaker Lyons: "Congratulations, Blessed Sacrament, we're proud of you. Sid Mathias on page 27 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3729. This is on Second Reading, do you wish to move that Bill, Representative. 3729? Hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 3729?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3729, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No

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Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 583?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 583, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 has been adopted. No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Sacia, your choice is to leave House Bill 160 on Second Reading? On Second Reading, okay. Representative Tim Schmitz on page 31 of the Calendar you have House Bill 4047. Do you wish to move that Bill? Out of the record. Representative Ed Sullivan on page 27 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3716. Do you wish to move that Bill, Representative? 3716? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3716, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Sullivan, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Sullivan on Floor Amendment #1."

Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 just adds Cook County back into the Bill. We had a miscommunication on my part with Cook County about whether they wanted to be in it or not. So, on our agreement that we made in committee we added them back into the Bill. I'll be happy to take any questions."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on Amendment #1? Seeing none, all those in favor of this adoption signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Amendment... Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3716 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Mike Tryon on page 13 of the Calendar you have House Bill 1322. Representative Michael Tryon you have House Bill 1322, do you wish to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1322, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Tryon on page 3 of the Calendar you also have House Bill 170. Do you wish to move that Bill, Mike? Out of the record. Representative Bob Pritchard you have House Bill 3889. Wish to move that Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3889, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative David Leitch you have House Bill 2686. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2686, a Bill for an Act concerning education. The Bill has been read a second time

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previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Leitch, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Peoria on Floor Amendment #1, Representative Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 simply adds Northwestern University to the other universities that are in the Bill. It was a commitment I made and I'm making it with this Amendment."

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

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative LaShawn Ford you have on page 8 of the Calendar House Bill 618. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 618, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. The Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 failed. No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. But, a Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill, as amended by #1, and has not been filed."

Speaker Lyons: "So, Note pending we'll hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Representative Pat Verschoore on page 34 of the Calendar you have House Bill 4318. Do you

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wish to move that Bill to Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4318, a Bill for an Act concerning education, which may be referred to as the Brandon Ballard Law. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Verschoore, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative your Amendment is ready, do you wish to... your Amendment is approved for consideration, Floor Amendment #1."

Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Some of the Members in the committee had some concerns about unfunded mandates for this. So, we modified a word in it on the... as far as the hernia check instead of 'shall' to 'may'. And the changed it to some type of instruction in their science class. And I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on the adoption of Floor Amendment #1? Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, our notes indicated that you had agreed to hold this on Second Reading for an agreement that removed... that would remove any suggestion that this was a mandated program regarding school physicals. I couldn't hear you on the Amendment. Does this Amendment remove any

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concern that this is an additional mandate on a school physical?"

Verschoore: "I... I took... I took the Amendment back to committee. And I think I had two 'no' votes. What it does, there was a... in the... there was some concern about the hernia check, that there would be an extra charge or something for that. And I had a letter from a physician or a couple of physicians saying that that's just usually a common practice and that it wouldn't be any... any charge to that."

Black: "All right. Thank you very much, Representative, I appreciate that."

Verschoore: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4318 be adopted?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Amendment #1... Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Careen Gordon on page 26 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3691 on the Order of Second Reading. Do you wish to move that Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3691, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Dan Reitz on page 4 of the Calendar you have House Bill 234 on the Order

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

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 234, a Bill for an Act in relation to firearms. The Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Annazette Collins on page 22 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2627. Do you wish to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2627, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 has been adopted to the Bill. No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative John Cavaletto you have on the Order of Third Reading House Bill 4206. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4206, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, we are... I gave you the wrong Bill. We should be posting House Bill 770. Read House Bill 770, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 770, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Marion, Representative John Cavaletto."

Cavaletto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 770 protects the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Fund for the administrative charge backs, which are

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fund transfers that the Governor had discretion over. Legislation similar to this has received unanimous support in the House twice before. Jay Cook, President of United Science Industries in Mt. Vernon, testified in committee how the fund rates have negatively impacted his personal life. Mr. Cook is waiting for 12.5 million dollars. Dedicated funds should be in reimbursement from this fund. I feel very strongly that the dedicated fund should be left alone so that it can serve the purpose they were meant to serve. Like people like Mr. Cook can get assistance. I know of no opposition to this Bill. And I ask for your support."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 770 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 Collins. Representative McAsey. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Keith Farnham on page 37 of the Calendar you have House Bill 705. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 705, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Keith Farnham."

Farnham: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 705 amends the Residential Real Property Disclosure Act by

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providing that a predatory lending database program will be established in Will and Kane Counties. Current law only has the database utilized in Cook County. House Amendment #1 amends the Bill to include Peoria County and expands a reporting requirement of the department. I'm... I'll take any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the... Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, you said you'd ask... or... excuse me, entertain any questions. The question I have is, why? Why... why are you adding three counties? Why not ten, why not every county?"

Farnham: "Basically, because Kane County is the county that I largely... is a large part of my district. And we wanted to include that. And then the other two counties came to me and asked to be included on this."

Black: "Did Kane County pass a county board Resolution asking they be included? Or somebody just call you and say, I'd like it included?"

Farnham: "No, it was a Bill that I felt would... has worked well in Cook County. And it was something that had come up in my county and in my district. And I felt that it was justified in our area."

Black: "All right. It appears that Illinois is the only state that maintains such a database? Now, does that mean we're

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light years ahead of all the other states? Or are we doing something that other states have tried and found to have been counterproductive? I... I don't know the answer to that."

Farnham: "I can't say that I have the answer to that. But, I can say the results... the statistics show that it is working in Kane. That many of the... many of the triggers that would trigger counseling, the lender has found ways to alter those loans so that it doesn't trigger that response. So, it's... it's ended being a better situation for the borrower."

Black: "The Fiscal Note impacted... excuse me, the Fiscal Note said there was an impact of approximately \$648,000 to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation because they have to hire a minimum of four new people to do the counseling. The additional funding is not in the introduced budget. So, do you plan to make this subject to appropriation? Or simply pass it, which means Financial and Professional Regulation may not have the money to actually implement it."

Farnham: "No, the... the actual cost to the county is very minimal. It is... it's not the 600,000 or the 200,000. That... I'm told that that is not representative of the true cost of the program that would be put into place now. That initially that may have been the case. But, it isn't in what we're doing."

Black: "Well, the only... the only thing that I'm going on is that the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation said it would cost them, that's a state agency,

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approximately \$648,000 to hire additional people to meet this new mandate. And to actually implement the database would cost almost a million dollars. So, it appears we have a mandate on a state agency that is not included in Governor Quinn's proposed budget. So, how... how is the Department going to handle that?"

Farnham: "I'm... I... my understanding is that the cost is... is more like 200,000, that the other 400,000 that they're talking about they're talking other programs and other hiring's that they're... that are part of that Department, but aren't necessarily dedicated strictly to this."

Black: "So, if I understand you correctly then you're disputing the Fiscal Note filed by a state agency, correct?"

Farnham: "Yes."

Black: "Does the state agency know you're in dispute?"

Farnham: "They do now."

Black: "Well, if... is the squawk box is on over at Financial and Professional Regulation I suppose you may hear from them later. Let me ask you this question, if they... if... if... if the Department and you talk after this Bill goes to the Senate, would you be willing to amend it if the Department says, 'Representative, we're absolutely convinced that a \$600,000 plus is what it's gonna take.' Could you at least do a subject to appropriation?"

Farnham: "I would consider that."

Black: "Okay, I... that's fair. I think as long as you keep that door open, I know the Department would at least I'm sure be willing to talk with you about that. Now, you had said

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that Kane was already in this? It's only Cook, so you're adding Kane, Will and Peoria, correct?"

Farnham: "Yes, that's correct."

Black: "All right. It... it's doesn't... as I understand the Bill, it doesn't necessarily delay a foreclosure? There are certain speed bumps or triggers as you indicated that would require some counseling and hopefully avoid a foreclosure. That's what your aiming for, right?"

Farnham: "Yes, that's correct."

Black: "Okay. Fine. Thank you very much, Representative."

Farnham: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Lyons: "Lady from Will, Representative Kosel."

Kosel: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Kosel: "I just got... got off the phone with the lobbyist from Will County and knows nothing about this Bill. Can you tell me the genesis of why Will is included in this and who you've spoken to in Will County about including them in this?"

Farnham: "I can't tell you who came to... to me from Will County right now. But, I know that it was requested. I didn't create that."

Kosel: "I would think if it was requested that... that the lobbyist from Will County, who is a former Senator, would... would be aware of it. And he is not aware of it. Would you consider pulling this out of the record until we can find out exactly what the genesis on including Will County is? It wasn't anything that was on any of their lobbying lists or any of their legislation that they were trying to

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push for. So, I'd really like some more information about this. This really comes as a quite a surprise."

Farnham: "I would like to proceed and I think that we might be able to clarify your question."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative McAsey on the question of Representative Renee Kosel. Representative McAsey on the question from Representative Kosel."

McAsey: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. To address the question. Representative Kosel, as one of the Representatives of communities in Will County, I know that in my experiences in my district in the communities of Lockport and Crest Hill, Romeoville, Bolingbrook that there are certainly many people who... who do need this sort of protection from predatory lenders. And based upon that... based upon the people that we represent in Will County, I support this Bill. I think that this is important legislation."

Kosel: "Mr. Speaker, to the Sponsor. That was not my question. My question was, who from the County of Will... from the government of Will have asked about having this included? Has anybody from Will County government been notified about this? Do they know about it? What is the cost going to be for Will County? Again, I would ask that you would as a courtesy pull this out of the record so that we can check with the county and find out what's going on."

Farnham: "There has been no opposition to the... this Bill from the counties, that I have heard of. And the costs to the counties is almost nil. All it is, is when a deed is recorded if it did not meet the criteria then they would not be able to record the... the deed. So, it would trigger

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it to go back to the process and they would have to meet the criteria."

Kosel: "My concern is... is not the genesis of the Bill. My concern is that if there is a Bill here that specifically names Will County and that the officials within Will County do not have any knowledge of this. And all I'm saying is I'd like a little time sort this out and find out. I'm not saying that your Bill is a bad Bill, I'm not saying that it isn't a good idea. I just like to have the ability to sort it out as a professional courtesy between Members."

Farnham: "The Bill has been around for about three months and Representative McAsey has spoken to it. And sometimes Representatives do... do legislation like this. This is not something that affects the county government. It merely triggers a response of whether to record a deed or not record a deed based on criteria. And the... the facts have shown that out of the people that have applied for loans that most of the loans have been altered to meet this criteria so that it actually gives a better loan to the consumer."

Kosel: "Is there any private companies that are involved in this process or is this all done through government agencies?"

Farnham: "I believe that Varitech..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Kosel, your time has expired. We'll give you another minute or so to conclude your questioning. Representative Farnham to answer that question."

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Kosel: "Yes, I asked... I asked if there was a private company? If he could finish answering the question that would be fine. If there is a private company that is involved in this, is there more than one? Is it competitively bid and what is the cost of that, too, and who pays for that cost?"

Farnham: "Varitech has run the database in the past in Cook County and they... they've done this. And again, the program has been very successful."

Kosel: "I... I... I really am quite disappointed that you won't pull this out of the record to see if we can't find some answers to Will County and what's happening. I... you know, the Bill sounds... sounds like a reasonable Bill. But, I really want my county to be aware of something before it's imposed on them. And I cannot offer support to this at this point without knowing where the county is. And I would... I would encourage the other Members of this august body who represent Will County to also ask that question. Where is our county on this? Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Peoria, Representative David Leitch."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Leitch: "How did Peoria County wind up in this Bill?"

Farnham: "The same answer basically. Somebody in the representative..."

Leitch: "Somebody... who put Peoria County in the Bill? It's a very simple question."

Farnham: "It was a Member request."

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Leitch: "What do you mean a Member request? I haven't heard of any... I have heard not a word from Peoria County that they want to be in this Bill. Well, in the interest of time I would ask the Gentleman to put the Bill back on Senate... Second Reading and remove Amendment 1."

Farnham: "I... I prefer not to do that, Sir."

Leitch: "What in the world are you doing with this legislation where you don't respect Members in Will County and Peoria County? And what are you doing? Is this your first Bill?"

Farnham: "First of all, no it's not my first Bill. And second of all, it's been around for three months. It's not like the county has come out in opposition to it. And second of all, it cost the county..."

Leitch: "Well, I guess like Representative..."

Farnham: "...it cost the county nothing."

Leitch: "...Kosel... like Representative Kosel I am just astounded by your arrogance in handling this measure. And I would renew my request that you put the Bill back on Second Reading and take... and remove... withdraw Amendment #1."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Patty Bellock."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Bellock: "Thank you very... Representative, I think this Bill was extremely controversial when we had it the last time it was here cause I think there were 51 votes against it? And I'm wondering if it... I seem to remember what a lot of us objected to in that Bill was the mandated counseling for working class, middle class people who were just

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refinancing their mortgages. Is that still in this same Bill?"

Farnham: "It is. And it did pass Counties and Government by a vote of 9-0. Because if you look at the data... at the results of what's happened in Cook County with this, the number of applications registered 17,000, number of applications initially requiring counseling 1,352, number of applications requiring counseling 422. So, these got altered so that most of these cases didn't become counseling."

Bellock: "Thirteen fifty two plus four hundred and some?"

Farnham: "No, 1,352 would have required counseling. But, because of that, this Bill, they then changed the terms of the loans, the banks did... the lending institutions so that it did not trigger counseling. So, it did have the positive effect that we want to have."

Bellock: "Well, I'm not sure the definition of the people that were included in the mandated counseling. Who are the people that are mandated to have counseling?"

Farnham: "Any of the people that meet the criteria of the... that set the triggers for the counseling, in the Bill."

Bellock: "So, is that people that are just refinancing also?"

Farnham: "It's not 'just'. That is one of the criteria along with refinancing and the loan includes one or more of the following terms. I could read those to you if you..."

Bellock: "No, that's okay."

Farnham: "...wanted me to?"

Bellock: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative JoAnn Osmond."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Osmond: "Representative, could you tell me what type of loans are requiring to have the counseling?"

Farnham: "A borrower is required to obtain counseling from a HUD certified counseling agency when refinancing and the loan includes one or more of the following terms, interest only, negative amortization, points and fees exceed 5 percent, includes a prepayment penalty or an adjustable rate loan. The property subject to the database is one to four unit owner occupied residential properties while non owner occupied commercial property residential property at over four units and government property is exempt."

Osmond: "All right. First of all, interest only loans are almost non existent right now. That the industry has corrected that and are not issuing those types of loans. Also, prepaid penalties are almost totally eliminated also. So, there... there's a problem right there. They wouldn't need it... they wouldn't need it. And also, FHA and VA are only loaning to credit scores that are above 620. Now, is there a provision in your Bill that says that if you have a credit score above that that they would not need to have any type of counseling?"

Farnham: "No."

Bellock: "So, you're saying that if I have a credit score of 740, I would still have to go to counseling?"

Farnham: "If your..."

Bellock: "If I had an interest only loan?"

Farnham: "...if your loan meets these criteria."

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Bellock: "Well, see, there's where I think the problem lies. If somebody has an credit score of a higher nature they know how to handle their money, they know how to read a contract, they know that they're doing. I don't... I think that the Bill is flawed when you don't have a provision in there for... for taking care of those type of individuals. They don't need to go to counseling. Now, there is a lot of other people that fall below that that first of all, will probably have trouble getting... getting a mortgage. But, second of all they would need it. But, I'm saying to you is I think there's a flaw in your Bill. And I will not be supporting it. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Kevin McCarthy."

McCarthy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As a Representative who also represents Will County I would just like to say to Representative Farnham that I think Representative Kosel's concerns were very genuine. And I think her request was very reasonable. And I certainly would encourage you to rethink your decision."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Ron Stephens."

Stephens: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, an inquiry of the Chair. Under... under that Parliamentary procedure did you recognize Representative McAsey, during Representative Kosel's questioning?"

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, in the course of her question to Representative Farnham, Representative McAsey being from Will County offered to answer that question. So, we recognized her in... as in better position to answer the question."

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Stephens: "Okay. Well, we object to that first of all. Representative was asking questions of the Sponsor and... and I believe in... in my years here, I understand that you're in the Majority, I understand, Representative, that... that you want to pass this Bill. But, it was a reasonable request from not one, but two or three of your colleagues that... that I think you should... you should honor. And I, again, would ask you to take the Bill out of the record. I would point out, Mr. Speaker, on... on the record that this Bill doesn't apply to banks, as I understand it. Is that true, Representative?"

Farnham: "I'm sorry, it doesn't apply to what, Sir?"

Stephens: "Banks?"

Farnham: "That is correct."

Stephens: "Excuse me? Mr. Speaker, why don't we take the Bill out of the record? Honestly."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Stephens, that's the Sponsor's responsibility and option."

Stephens: "Well, I... I... I would gladly take the Bill over and I move that we take it out of the record. It's within our Rules, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "I don't believe that's in the Rules, either. But, thank you for that very kind offer, Representative Stephens. Representative Farnham is still searching for you answer."

Stephens: "I... can we freeze the clock while he ponders this?"

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, I'll give you an additional time, I understand that this is..."

Stephens: "You're the best..."

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Speaker Lyons: "...taking a long time..."

Stephens: "...you're the best."

Speaker Lyons: "...for the answer."

Stephens: "Representative, I'll... I'll help you. It doesn't apply to banks, it's only to mortgage lenders only. The... again, I would ask you why don't we take the Bill out of the record? It's just... we're not trying to mess with you here. We have legitimate questions about your Member requests. We've got other Representatives that represent those same counties. I'm making a Member request, as a Member take the Bill out of the record. It is the honorable, Gentlemanly thing to do. I know you to be a Gentleman and I'm requesting once more... and in lieu of not taking it out of the record, Mr. Speaker, I would move that we have an oral verified roll call on this Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "It's been so noted, Representative Stephens, for a verification on the roll call."

Stephens: "No, no, no. Oral verified roll call. Member at a time. No electronic vote. I want each Member to stand up just as we did on our first day of swearing in and cast their vote. I'm within in my rights. But, if we need to caucus before we do that, we can do that, too. We're not going to take the slightest..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, I'll get you answer on that request in a moment. Check with the Parliamentarian."

Stephens: "I didn't make a Parliamentary inquiry. I made a Motion."

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Speaker Lyons: "You did, Representative, and I'm not equipped to give you answer directly on that Motion, but I will momentarily."

Stephens: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also move that I get an extra five minutes."

Speaker Lyons: "I'll give you an extra couple of minutes, Representative. Farnham, were you answering a question for Representative Stephens?"

Farnham: "What's the question, Mr. Stephens?"

Stephens: "Will you take the Bill out of the record, please? Keith, this is just between you and me here, we don't need the... we don't need staff to tell us how to act here. We're not trying to kill your Bill, we've got legitimate questions. Just take the Bill out of the record. Would one of the senior Members advise him that that's not an onerous request?"

Farnham: "No, we're ready to answer questions, Mr. Stephens... Representative."

Stephens: "I have Members on my side of the aisle that have legitimate reasons to sit down with you and with the counties that are affected that you said you added because a Member requested it. Now, these Members are Representatives, too. We might be in the minority, but we are not going to be rolled over... verified roll call and we're gonna caucus until..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Farnham?"

Farnham: "Representative, I am willing to pull it out and reconsider."

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Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, pull that out of the record. Mr. Stephens, do you still wish for a Republican Caucus?"

Stephens: "No."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative Stephens. Thank you, Representative Farnham. Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you. Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Leader."

Lang: "Thank you. You know, we've got many counties in this state that have multiple legislators. And some... take the county of Cook for example, we have dozens of legislators. We don't all agree on every Bill. And if we're to just simply stand up on the floor and huff and puff and hold our breath until we turn blue every time we don't like something someone else from our county does, we're never gonna accomplish anything on this House floor. Now, I think the Gentleman did the right thing by pulling the Bill out of the record, but not because there was yelling and screaming go on from the other side of the aisle. And not because somebody from one of the affected counties doesn't like the Bill. To argue that simply because someone from Peoria County doesn't like the Bill and that it should come out of the record and that the Sponsor should be forced to sit down and negotiate it outrageous. That's not how we do our business on this floor. Now, I think the Gentleman did the right thing, but let's get the record straight. Everybody on this floor when they have a Bill has a right to run it or not run it, to pass it or have it fail. Every Member has the right to do that. We should treat each other like Gentleman. There was a couple of comments from

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the other side of the aisle that were not directed in an appropriate and a courteous way to Mr. Farnham. He didn't deserve that kind of treatment. And if it happens again they'll have me to deal with."

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we have five or six people now who wish to speak. And I know that some of these issues can get contentious. As a lot of you know, up here in the Chair a lot of people want to discuss issues, we just kind of focus on what we got here and leave this discussion to a minimum it would be appreciated. The next light on is Representative Fritchey."

Fritchey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege. If I could expound on the previous speaker's comments. I... I... I've been down here long enough to see tempers flare. I've been down here long enough to see my temper flare, to see people make mistakes in what they say and to make my own mistakes in what they say. The Gentleman was well within his right to run his Bill if he choose to. And let me tell you something, I'm gonna be a 'no' on the Bill. I've got issues with the Bill and I'm not in Kane or Will. But, as Representative Lang said, Representative Farnham was within his rights to run the Bill as it was within his rights to pull the Bill as he choose to do. But, I would hope that we would recognize that cooler heads need to prevail. We are not going to question somebody's character based on whether or not they decide to proceed within their rights. Whether or not they are a Gentleman, whether or not they are an honorable Legislator or honorable person. There are going to be

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disagreements on Bills, sometimes you prevail on those, sometimes you lose. But, to call somebody's character into question simply for doing their job is never called for on this floor or in this Chamber or in this building. Thank you."

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

Stephens: "For the record. I did not question the Gentleman's character at all... at all. As a matter of fact, the Gentleman and I happen to be friends. I just shared two... two books that I brought him from my home just this morning. They're probably laying on his desk. We are colleagues also. I was a little bit offended that I thought reasonable requests from our Members were being ignored. The Gentleman obviously, eventually, agreed with me. And I appreciate that. He did act as the Gentleman that I know him to be. And that's what I called him here on the House Floor. I didn't question your character, Keith, and I wouldn't. I didn't question whether you were a Gentleman or not. I questioned your judgment about whether we should take the Bill out of the record. That's all. And that was well within my rights. The Gentleman is within his rights, he controls the Bill. And I think that this has ended accordingly."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Debbie Graham."

Graham: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "State your point."

Graham: "Mr. Speaker, not to belabor the point, we know that our colleagues are drawing on their professionalism when

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they're down here talking about issues. But, I did take personal offense when the Gentleman on the other side of the aisle asked you, Mr. Speaker, to take the Bill out of the record. I think it was a measure of disrespect to my colleague. And I wish that our colleagues would allow the Gentleman to run his measure. And he yet still would have been a Gentleman had he run his measure or had not taken it out of the record. So, I think sometimes we get a little carried away with making our point in being in opposition. But, sometimes I think we need to just be a little bit more courteous. Cause these measures have been on the calendar for quite some time. And we're truly working the spirit of bipartisanship or trying to move a issue. Certainly, the Gentleman could have approached our colleague at an earlier date to get some of those issues worked out. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for this opportunity."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Point of personal privilege. I asked the Gentleman questions about the Bill and that's all I brought up. Now, let me remind you that this Bill may have been on the calendar for three months, three years, three decades. The Amendment was brand new. The Amendment changed the Bill. And I think Members have an obligation to ask questions about the Amendment or the Bill. And my... my good friend from Skokie, it doesn't do any good to indulge in... in threats back and forth. If we do this again, we're going to have him to deal with? We've dealt with him for almost 20 years. And we can go... we can go

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back and forth on that and what does that... what does that involve? That's doesn't bring anything to the table. When a Bill comes up before the Body and it's been amended, there are people... regardless of how long it's been on the calendar, look at the Amendment, want an opportunity to talk to staff and see what the Amendment does. Why was the Amendment brought forward. And yes, we have multimember districts, but if someone from a county that's impacted by Amendment wants to find out why that county is in there.. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this used to happen all the time. We would take Bills out of the record routinely when asked to do so by a colleague. I did it last week, a Democrat took the Bill out of the record. It... it took ten minutes to get staff to make sure we understood the amended version. Got back to it and passed it very easily. You know, that... that used to be the norm here. Simple legislative courtesy. It... it... it... look, we can't use that to kill a Bill. We don't have enough votes to kill a Bill. We'd have to rely on certain... certain Democrats to vote no if we intend to kill the Bill. So, it isn't any kind of political strategy that we can use. That's not the purpose. I think there were people on our side of the aisle that had legitimate questions about the Amendment. And when you have legitimate questions, it doesn't do any of us any good, me or anybody else, to adopt the attitude as admiral... one of the admirals of the fleet years ago, 'blank it tee blank the torpedoes full speed ahead'. We used to do this all the time. I would suggest to you we could do it in the future, it doesn't hurt anybody. It

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doesn't necessarily delay the Bill. It's just simple legislative courtesy. If you think it's being used to delay or obfuscate or damage your presentation, fine you don't have to take it out of the Bill (sic-out of the record). But, in... in most cases it can be done, you can accommodate the other Members, you can accommodate your staff and our staff. We get these things worked out, the Bill gets recalled in ten or fifteen minutes, nobody is harmed by that. One of the great advantages you have of being in the majority is that you pretty much control the calendar. When we take a Bill out of the record, we have no guarantee that we'll ever get back to it. But, I've done it. Other Members on my side of the aisle have done it when asked. That's part of the civility that we can use, that we used to use much more frequently than we do now. And I think the end result is a better product. The more of us that understand what the Bill does, the more I think it'll be reflected in the vote. So, if there were hurt feelings, if some people were upset, the reason they're upset is that this used to be a request that was made routinely and honored routinely. And I don't why it has to come to raised voices and suspicions and what have you. It's... it's part of the process. Let the process work and if we do everybody can benefit."

Speaker Lyons: "On the Order of Third Reading on page 38 of the Calendar, Representative Bob Flider you have House Bill 962. Representative Flider, prepared to present... read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 962, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Macon, Representative Bob Flider."

Flider: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 962 is legislation that would appropriate \$5,000,000 to the Office of the Attorney General specifically for the grant... for a grant to Illinois Association of Court Appointed Special Advocates, also known as CASA. Illinois CASA trains volunteers who are appointed by a judge to serve as a child's advocate in abuse and neglect cases. And it serves a strong purpose helping our kids get on the right track when they otherwise might be detained. And I would ask for your support."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 962 pass?' All those in favor signify 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 Kosel. Osmond. Winters. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 91 Members voting 'yes', 24 Members voting 'no', 1 Member voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Jerry Mitchell, on page 40 of the Calendar you have House Bill 4206. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4206, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Lee, Representative Jerry Mitchell."

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Mitchell, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, 4206 authorizes the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to assist and promote veterans owned business by making participation loans. This is a program they already had in place for minorities and women and they just added veterans to that list. So that it makes it a very simple Bill to... to run. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 4206 pass?' All those in favor signify 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 Turner. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there's 116 Members voting 'yes', 0 'voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Jehan Gordon on page 38 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2369. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? Out of the record. Representative Chuck Jefferson... Representative Jefferson on page 35 of the Calendar you have House Bill 537. Out of the record. Representative John Bradley on page 40 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3878. Do you wish to call that Bill, Representative? Out of the record. Representative Ken Dunkin... Representative Dunkin, you have on the Order of Second Reading House Bill 2451. Do you want to... wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2451, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Dunkin, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Dunkin, on Floor Amendment #1."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If you could bear with me one second? Okay. House Bill... House Amendment #1 adds that cities may remove nuisance greenery only by providing reasonable notice, it further changes the definition from a lien cost to include only the removal cost and finally cost of the lien. It estimates the reasonable attorneys fees associated with the lien. The owner then does not need to pay for attorney fees associated with preparation, recorded or release of the lien. I ask that we adopt the Amendment #1."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on Amendment #1? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, if I understand your Amendment the lien cost can only be put on the property after the nuisance is cleared or removed by the municipality? Not prior..."

Dunkin: "Correct."

Black: "...not prior to?"

Dunkin: "No... no... no. Once the city exercises or completes the job, that's when they can place a lien."

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Black: "Okay. Would.. would the lien be in the amount that it cost the municipality to remove the nuisance or is it just a flat \$50, \$60 lien? For example, if the city spends \$2,000 cleaning up abandoned automobiles, old refrigerators, tires, what have you and they incur and expense of say \$2,000 in labor and landfill fees, is that the amount of lien they put on the property? Or are they limited to a specific dollar amount no more than?"

Dunkin: "No. The city's certainly not limited. Some cities would charge a different fine or lien if you will cost to remove debris in a vacant lot."

Black: "Okay."

Dunkin: "Or clean up an area on a corner that's caused a nuisance. So, \$50 would not be the limit."

Black: "All right."

Dunkin: "To answer your question, you're correct."

Black: "So, you're not establishing a ceiling with this Amendment? You're saying that a city after they clean it up and I would assume with due process show the cost then they can file that cost as a lien on the property after they clean it up?"

Dunkin: "That's correct."

Black: "Thank you very much."

Dunkin: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "No further questions, the question is, 'Should Floor Amendment #1 be adopted?' All those in favor signify 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?"

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

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Nekritz, you have House Bill 2485 on the Order of Second Reading? Do you wish to move that Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2485, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Nekritz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Nekritz on Floor Amendment 1."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment 1, this is the Bill that relates to Bisphenol A in baby bottles and sippy cups. Floor Amendment #1 removes the Bisphenol A ban for cans, jars and other containers that would be sold with food or beverage in them. We had originally indicated that this Bill would be coming back to committee, but when Rules referred it straight to the Floor we did check with the opponents and they have agreed that it's okay to run it as a Floor Amendment."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on Amendment #1? Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sponsor yield."

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, let me clarify something you just said. The opponents said to move the Amendment, but as I understand it, it doesn't remove the opposition?"

Nekritz: "That's correct. The only discussion..."

Black: "Okay."

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Nekritz: "...was whether or not the Amendment was gonna go straight to the Floor or back to committee. And again, when Rules popped it out to the Floor we checked with the opponents and they said it would be fine if the Amendment did come back to committee per the discussion at the committee hearing."

Black: "Okay. Now, as I understand Floor Amendment #1 this Bill only pertains to those products that would be sold in Illinois, correct?"

Nekritz: "Correct."

Black: "Well, that... that's an interesting concept. In other words, if I were making these products what would I do? I would not make any or I'd have to make them differently if I wanted to sell them in Illinois."

Nekritz: "You would sell the same products you would sell in Canada then."

Black: "Do we have any manufacturers that produce... and I don't know the answer, produce these kinds of plastic containers in Illinois? Do we have any manufacturers that do that that you know of?"

Nekritz: "Not that I'm aware of. None of them have contacted me to indicate that."

Black: "Okay. All right. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "Gentleman from Jasper, Representative David Reis on Floor Amendment #1."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Lady yields."

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Reis: "Representative, two questions. Did they give you any indication that they might be supporting or coming in as neutral on this now with your Amendment?"

Nekritz: "No."

Reis: "And you said some of them go ahead and do it to the House Floor. Which... which group said that?"

Nekritz: "I... I spoke with Mark Beal from the Illinois Chemical... ICI... CCI, whatever, the Chemical Industry Council of Illinois. And he affirmed with me that he had checked with everyone he felt he needed to check with in order to get the approval to send it straight to the floor."

Reis: "Okay. I'm gonna with... I'm gonna withhold most of my questions and we'll debate this on Third Reading. So, thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Dave Winters."

Winters: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the previous com... comment from the Sponsor that there are no chemical manufacturers in Illinois. I believe that there actually are. I don't have that yet in front of me, but I've been told that there are chemical manufacturers in Illinois who deal with Bisphenol A, but I'd like to debate it on Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further questions, those in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 signify by saying 'yes', those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1... Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Mr. Speaker (sic-Clerk.)"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 remains in the Rules Committee. And a State Mandates Note has been requested on

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the Bill, as amended by Amendment #1 and that Note has not been filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Representative Lisa Dugan on page 8 of the Calendar under the Order of Second Reading you have House Bill 681. Do you choose to move that Bill to Third Reading, Representative? Out of the record. Representative Chapin Rose on page 40 of the Calendar you have House Bill 3714. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? 3714? Want us to take that out of the record temporarily? Take that Bill out of the record. Representative Bill Black, on page 39 of the Calendar on Third Reading 2546. That that Bill out of the record. Representative Roger Eddy on page 39 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2619. Representative Eddy."

Eddy: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to move that Bill to second for the purposes of a Floor Amendment that's gonna be filed in Rules."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, in on the request of the Sponsor move House Bill 2619 back to the Order of Second Reading. Members as you should have received heads up on this one, you received Agreed Bill List #2. So, we're asking you in the course of the afternoon to please look through the Agreed Bill List 2. If you have any objections to any of the Bills on this list please make your notification on and in the Body of the... of the Agreed Bill List so we'll know Bills that you want to vote 'no' on. We will not be voting on this today. This will be voted on tomorrow, but we want these back today. So, in the next couple of hours please

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take time to review this, sign your name, bring it back up to Chief of Staff Mapes or to Mark Mahoney in the well and we will put... calculate any votes that you wish to be recorded as a 'no'. But, we will not take that vote until tomorrow. Get this back today, please print and sign your name. Thank you. Representative Renee Kosel on the Order of Third Readings you have House Bill 3721. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3721, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from Will, Representative Renee Kosel."

Kosel: "Thank you. This Bill, as amended, would allow IDOT to post... reduce noise sounds near weighing stations on Interstate Highways only. This Bill was brought to me by some constituents who live right behind a weigh station. And this Bill would provide for safety stops and emergency stops. And it also, with the Amendment, it has no opposition. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Bill 3721? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 3721 pass?' All those in favor signify 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 Connelly. Moffitt, Don. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there's 116 Members voting 'yes', 0 'voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Naomi Jakobsson on page 35 of the

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Calendar under House Bills Third Reading you have House Bill 466. Do you wish to call that Bill, Representative? Representative Jakobsson? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 466, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes Representative Naomi Jakobsson."

Jakobsson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 466 provides that the pre-annexed land in unincorporated Champaign County be included in the legislation that we already have that has some counties in it. And there was also a Bill passed last week that all of the counties in the state. So, this would just add Champaign County to the pre-annexation agreement."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 466 pass?' All those in favor signify 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? Beth Coulson. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there's 81 Members voting 'yes', 33 'voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lou Lang on page 35 of the Calendar you have House Bill 261. Do you wish to call your Bill, leader? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 261, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lou Lang."

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Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. For some time we have had an interest in this House to separate the Illinois Gaming Board from the Illinois Department of Revenue and let it fly as a separate state agency. That's what this Bill does. In addition, it has several regulatory changes the Gaming Board has asked for. I would ask your support."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion... Representative Lang, you completed your explanation? Ready for questions? Representative Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "State your inquiry, Sir."

Black: "Thank you. What... what Amendments are on the Bill?"

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Amendment #1 was adopted in House Executive Committee and Amendment #2 was adopted on the Floor."

Black: "Okay."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Yes, Representative Lang, would you take this out of the record so you and I could talk about this?"

Lang: "Perhaps you... if you were from my county I would do that, Sir."

Black: "I drove through your county once."

Lang: "I know you got some tickets while you were up there, I know that."

Black: "And I have been in your city."

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Lang: "And we'd be happy to have you there again if you're spending money, Sir."

Black: "All right. Representative, let me ask you a question. And I... I have no concerns about reorganizing and strengthening. But, why... why is there such a substantial pay increase in here for the board members?"

Lang: "Currently the board members do not make a full salary, as you know. And the point here was, as you may see in some other legislation, to give them full independence and let them run the Gaming Board, which is a board that regulates a substantial industry in our state that brings in billions of dollars. We wanted these board members to be completely free from any kind of ethical issues. We want them to be completely free from anyone looking from the outside and wondering why they made this decision or the other. And we want good people there, not that we don't have good people now. But, we want good people there who are free from the political process."

Black: "How... how would they be paid, Representative? Out of state funds, out of funds from the river... an assessment on the riverboats or how... how will they be paid?"

Lang: "In the... in one of the Amendments to the Bill... in Amendment 1 to the Bill they would have been paid by assessments on the riverboats. But, in Amendment 2 that was removed and now they'll be paid out of GRF."

Black: "How many members would be on the board? I don't see it jumping right out at me here. There'll be a chairman and how many board members?"

Lang: "I believe it's four additional board members."

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Black: "And you're suggesting, although the Amendment... Amendment 2 said the compensation could be set by the Compensation Review Board, the chair would receive \$80,000 and the board members would receive \$55,000. But, there is an 'or' in there right? Or an amount set by the Compensation Review Board?"

Lang: "That's correct, Sir."

Black: "Would they then be included in the Compensation Review Board report that comes out every two years? If the Compensation Review Board recommended a five percent increase then they would be included in that... that increase or cost of living allowance?"

Lang: "Let me get an answer to that question to you while we're debating, Sir. I'm not..."

Black: "I would appreciate that."

Lang: "...I'm not certain."

Black: "I would appreciate that. Representative, the only thing that concerns me and I know what you're trying to do here. But, that is a tremendous amount of money out of GRF at a time when the General Revenue Fund is, to be kind, it's anemic if not completely iron poor blood. And I've heard... I've heard these arguments in the past. I... I remember somebody running for a school board in my district years ago. And at a candidates forum he said, you know we ought to pay school board candidates. I think you'd get a better... I think you'd get more candidates and better candidates if they could be paid a reasonable sum of money for the time that they were going to put in. And when... when questioned about that by they news media this

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individual says, I don't think its outrageous if you paid school board members \$150 per meeting. And the second part of my platform is then we should meet more often. I've always wondered whether he was joking or what. Needless to say he didn't get elected to the board. It... we often use this argument if we pay somebody and pay them well then they'll be independent. How do these board members get on this board? Are they appointed?"

Lang: "They're appointed by the Governor, Sir."

Black: "Well, that begs the question and I don't want to live in the past. That begs the question in the past six years, the chairman and board members would most likely be suspect from day one, would they not?"

Lang: "Well, fortunately, this particular Gaming Board has acted well, has acted separately and independently from the Governor's Office. In fact, this particular Gaming Board has specifically ignored Governor Blagojevich who appointed most of them. And no one in this Gaming Board... there were some complaints with some members on the previous Gaming Board, but no one from this Gaming Board..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Black please continue. Representative Lang finish your answer."

Lang: "...no one from this Gaming Board has ever complained publicly to my knowledge about the heavy handedness of the Governor's Office. Nevertheless, this is a board that has much to do. And this is a board that could probably use a few more investigators, et cetera. And they should... the whole point here is that they should not be at the whims of

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the Department of Revenue or the Governor's Office to determine what their budget might be."

Black: "How... how then would they set the budget?"

Lang: "Well, just like other independent agencies, they would determine their budget and come into the General Assembly and fight for their dollars like other agencies such as the Commerce Commission might do."

Black: "Two... two more questions if I could, Mr. Speaker? If the Department of Revenue no longer has oversight authority on the board, who then would? Is it strictly the Governor?"

Lang: "Well, the oversight authority would be within them. The Governor still gets the opportunity to appoint members. The General Assembly would still have to appropriate them dollars. So, if this board were running amok, so to speak..."

Black: "Okay."

Lang: "...we'd have the chance at the next budget cycle to find out why and to deal with that with appropriate, if you will, monetary sanctions."

Black: "All right. And... and you'll get that answer to me before the day's over..."

Lang: "I'm... I'm working on that, Sir."

Black: "...Okay, fine."

Lang: "Thank you."

Black: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a quick point of personal privilege. A Page gave me a breadstick, I didn't order a breadstick. So, whoever ordered a breadstick can come over here and pick it up. Thank you."

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Speaker Lyons: "Representative Roger Eddy. Representative David Reis."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Reis: "Representative, real quick question. You know a couple of years ago we passed a Bill that would take three percent of the net profits from the casinos and redirect it to the horse racing industry, that's tied up in courts now. Does this Bill do anything that would affect that legislation?"

Lang: "No."

Reis: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Lang to close. Lou, to close?"

Lang: "Mr. Speaker, since I committed to get... since I committed to get Mr. Black an answer, I'm wondering if I could take this out of the record briefly and come back to it when I have that answer for Mr. Black?"

Speaker Lyons: "On your request to answer Mr. Black's question, we will take the Bill out of the record briefly. Mr. Clerk, take that Bill out of the record. Representative Jack McGuire on page 38 of the Calendar you have House Bill 2314. Do you wish to call that Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2314, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Jack McGuire."

McGuire: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have House Bill 2314 and I'd like to explain to you what it is, it's an approp Bill. And it... I'm sorry, hold on a second... hold on a second I've

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got too many papers. 2314 is the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder Bill. And it is an approp Bill and it appropriates the sum of \$250,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Human Services for a grant to the Trinity Services Incorporated and the FAST team, F-A-S-T. And that's the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome of Illinois for establishment and operation of a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Outreach and Drop in Center. And this would be in the Will County area. And I would appreciate if you have any questions, I'll try to answer. And I would appreciate your vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 2314 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 79 Members voting 'yes', 36 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Don Moffitt on page 39 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. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 2544 is legislation to take care of an issue in my district, it's in Bureau County, and it's a

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county that I share with Representative Mautino. What we have there are two establishments that have been there for a number of years, Representative Mautino said he knew that one of them had been there at least eighty years in a commercial area. Then a vacant commercial building, a church moved into that putting the church less than 100 feet from the two liquor establishments. This Bill, there's no opposition, the church action council is neutral on this Bill. And I have a letter from the Pastor that I would like to read. Letter from the Pastor that this involves, dated February 17, 2009, to Representative Moffitt, 'We the Congregation Administrative Board of the Victory Worship Center have no problems with the two taverns, Cadillac Sports Bar and the Old Underground Inn, of future expansion of their present establishments nor any future renewal of their individual liquor license or upon the possible future sale of these establishments to new owners. We do not object to the City of Princeton for their liquor license approval. Thank you for your time concerning this matter.' Respectfully, Reverend John Paul Robbins, Pastor Victory Worship Center. That's the letter from the Pastor, the church action council is neutral. The liquor establishments were there first. And I'd appreciate your support so that they can continue. Legal council for the Mayor had indicated that he would need this."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 2544 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Dave Winters. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 86 Members voting 'yes', 30 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Sara Feigenholtz on page 37 of the Calendar you have House Bill 746. Do you wish to call that Bill, Representative? 746? Out of the record. Representative Toni Berrios on page 34 of the Calendar you have House Bill 83. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 83, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Toni Berrios."

Berrios: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 83 appropriates \$24,000,000 from GRF to DCFS to fund an increase in the cost of care for foster parents of wards of the state. The effective date would be July 1, 2009."

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

Eddy: "Good Morning, Representative. Will you yield for a question? I... I think you said this in your opening, is this... this is an increase in the Department of Children and Family Services budget over last years line item?"

Berrios: "Yes."

Eddy: "Okay. And the increase is... takes... what's the existing line item in the FY09?"

Berrios: "I do not have that number for you, I'm sorry."

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Eddy: "Okay. But, I'm just wondering if in FY09 as far as the original appropriation where we are spending? If... if we've been able to support the actual appropriated amount with revenue?"

Berrios: "As... I know having a Bill like this is very difficult right now. But, I figure it's just a starting point. It's an amount that we know different foster parents would like an increase in the amount of money that they get for wards of the state. So, this is kind of a starting point. And you know, we can play with it. It's just something so that everyone knows we are trying to raise their funding level."

Eddy: "Okay. Well and I... I respect and appreciate what you're trying to do. It's just a very difficult time to see this kind of an increase in any line item based on the fact that we don't know revenue wise yet what type of revenue. And we're not sure what we're gonna have this year to appropriate to existing line items from last year. So, it's kind of hard to support raising an appropriation when we're not sure what the spending is gonna be this year. I know you're well intended. I would urge Members, though, to take a realistic approach to this and kind of vote the way you have and consistently. I've consistently opposed appropriations prior to us knowing where the revenue is coming from and a budget. And I... I understand what you're trying to do, but very concerned about this type. And I suggest a 'no' vote till we know where we are on revenue. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further questions, Representative Berrios to close."

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Berrios: "I'd ask for your support."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bill 83 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? Bob Pritchard Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 76 Members voting 'yes', 40 voting 'no', 0 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 37 of the Calendar Representative Feigenholtz has House Bill 746. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 746, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Lady from Cook, Representative Sara Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 746 authorizes recovery against estates of a person of any age who is an inpatient in a nursing home or other institution. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion on House Bill 746? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 746 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 Chapa LaVia. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 116 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Roger

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Eddy for what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Eddy: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Eddy: "Mr. Chairman, if the Body would help me welcome Mary Lou Wright and members of the Edgar County Fair Association seated in the back of the Chamber in the gallery. And a reminder that the County Fair Association will be having a reception tonight at the State Library and you're all invited. Mary Lou, welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome, Ladies. Enjoy your day and thanks for coming down. Representative Mary Flowers on page 34 of the Calendar you have House Bill 19. Do you wish to call the Bill, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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

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

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 19 merely would require the schools to allow the students to be able to wash their hands before they eat. And I would be more than happy to answer any questions you have in regards to this Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Jasper, Representative David Reis."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady yields."

Reis: "Representative, did you amend this Bill since it came out of committee?"

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Flowers: "You wanted... I think I... it's amended to Chicago."

Reis: "No, did you amend this Bill after it came out of committee?"

Flowers: "No."

Reis: "Well, I heard you say that this would allow children to wash their hands before lunch; that is not what this Bill does."

Flowers: "Oh. Oh, you're right. It would be mandatory that they be able to wash their hands. Excuse me, I'm sorry"

Reis: "Just as..."

Flowers: "You know the same thing that..."

Reis: "...just as it isn't..."

Flowers: "...our parents taught us..."

Reis: "...my first time..."

Flowers: "...to do."

Reis: "...this isn't your first time in presenting this Bill, Representative."

Flowers: "Right, right."

Reis: "To the Bill. I think everyone has heard this, but we need to remind the Body that this is an... very big unfunded mandates on our schools. And I realize the Representative is trying to correct some problems that they're... they're having in the Chicago public school system. But, you cannot mandate this. There is now law, is the student going to be fine, is the teacher going to be fined? How do you find enough teachers that are gonna go to the restroom or wherever they wash their hands and visually check to see how each student washes their hands? If in fact, they do. This just isn't gonna work. And I hope that the

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Representative can... can come back with something that gives her schools maybe some grants to put in hand washing facilities, that encourages them to do this. I mean, I... I would hope that my student does, but when you make this a mandate, how do you regulate it? How do you make sure that the kids are in fact doing it? The fact of the matter is, you can't. So, I would encourage a 'no' vote on this until we can come back with something that is workable, livable, and enforceable and doesn't put an undo cost onto our school districts. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Roger Eddy."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Eddy: "Couple of brief questions, Representative. First of all... and for the... for the Body, this legislation does not affect any school outside the City of Chicago public school system, isn't that correct?"

Flowers: "That is correct."

Eddy: "Okay. And I... I think that during committee you mentioned that you had constituent reports that in some of your school districts there wasn't water... running water available for students to wash their hands before lunch?"

Flowers: "That is correct."

Eddy: "Have you had an opportunity to work with Public Health Department on that issue? I have checked on... on the legality of that. And both school codes, the Chicago Public School Code and the downstate School Code, through the Public Health Department, there's a requirement that

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water be there... running water be available or you can't be in session."

Flowers: "Well, you and I both know that the Board of Education came before your committee and it was testified to the fact that there are some schools without running water. And so, the Bill was amended so it doesn't necessarily have to be water. It could be the sanitizer that students would be able to use. Because we do know that there was an outbreak of MRSA or staph infection. And for some reason we can't afford to allow the children to wash their hands, but we can afford to close down the school and clean and disinfect and sanitize the school from the germs once that deadly disease has been placed in the schools."

Eddy: "Okay. So, and maybe I should direct this to the Chair. Chair, Committee Amendment #1... the status of Committee Amendment #1? It has been adopted?"

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Amendment #1 was adopted in committee."

Eddy: "Okay. Thank you. I appreciate that. And that basically removes the word antiseptic from the Bill..."

Flowers: "Yes."

Eddy: "...and requires schools to wash their hands with soap or detergent. Now, what you're saying is your intent would allow the students to use an antiseptic sanitizer that they could be handed in cases where there isn't running water?"

Flowers: "Yes."

Eddy: "Okay. And... and I want to make sure the language reflects that. So, if you would as this moves, if it moves, take... take a look at that language to make sure that

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the intention that they're allowed to use hand sanitizers is clearly stated in the Bill. I understand your intent here. I think you're making a statement as much as you're doing anything to the constituents that... that if you're gonna have school you have to have running water, they're got to be able to wash their hands. And whether or not... whether or not the Bill continues to move in the Senate that message needs to get to the Chicago Public School system."

Flowers: "And you're right, Sir. Thank you very much."

Eddy: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Susie Bassi."

Bassi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Public schools in America today are expected to teach good nutrition habits; train students in pulmonary-coronary resuscitation; give specialized instruction for the hard of hearing and the blind and the neurologically impaired, treat the emotionally disturbed; train the mentally retarded; teach the gifted; do eye testing; give inoculations; teach first aid procedures; provide pregnancy counseling; assist in disease prevention; teach morals, ethics, and values; collect money to rebuild the Statue of Liberty, stress the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse; help students political knowhow, develop civic responsibility; provide sex education; provide suicide counseling; maintain birth information and age certification data; provide instruction in good healthcare and AIDS prevention; teach driver training; provide civil rights and racial tolerance; foster integration; teach the principles of free

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enterprise; provide career information, assist in career planning; detect and report child abuse; teach telephone manners and etiquette; instruct in speed reading; I do that well; eradicate head lice; scabies and other diseases, assist in charity fundraising; provide vocational training; build economic awareness; serve hot lunches and breakfasts; dispense surplus milk; do job placements, stress bicycle safety and pedestrian safety; promote physical fitness; assist in bilingual language development; counsel delinquents; foster metric education; provide transportation; teach consumer education; counsel students with problems; follow due process procedures; protect student privacy; provide computer literacy; teach them to like broccoli; teach the four food groups; teach the pyramid; teach humanness as an individual responsibility; eliminate sex discrimination; assist in bladder control; develop an appreciation of other people and cultures; promote the uses of information; develop the ability to reason; build patriotism and loyalty to the ideals of democracy; promote an understanding of the heritage of our country; build respect for the worth and dignity of the individual; develop skills for entry into a specific field; teach management of money, property and resources; provide income tax counseling; develop curiosity and a thirst for learning; develop skills in the use of leisure time; teach pride in work; build a feeling of self worth or self respect; avoid religion; teach Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic and now, wash their hands. I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Lyons: "Did you get that Journal Room? Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Debbie Graham."

Graham: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I'd like to thank my colleague for bringing this measure forward. And thank you for caring about the sanity of our children... sanitation of our children in our schools. We have a lot of issues and it's sad to see those reports... the news reports that come out that children died form the MRSA and it spread so rapidly. The issue of washing their hands may sound so minor and minute. And I... I don't understand some of the comments of us always putting a price on the safety of our children. If it costs us a gazillion dollars to make sure our children are healthy and that they are given an opportunity to become productive members of society, I think we should make every effort to do so. And I want my colleague... to thank her and to add me as one of her chief cosponsors of this legislation. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Chapin Rose."

Rose: "Thank you. Will the Lady yield for a quick question?"

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady is ready for questions."

Rose: "What... what... Representative Flowers, is there an age requirement on this or an age restriction?"

Flowers: "There is no age restriction at all."

Rose: "So, in high school we're gonna stand there and watch them all wash their hands? Okay."

Flowers: "Representative, is it required to have water in the high schools and do high schools students not get diseases?"

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Rose: "That... that's a different issue, Representative. Address that issue, run a Bill that says all high schools must have water and I'll vote for it."

Flowers: "Pardon me?"

Rose: "It's a separate issue. I mean, run that Bill and we'll all be for it. But, here's the... and I understand, Mary, God love you cause I love coming here and... and talking to you about these things. But, what do you do with a renegade kid, pig pen, everybody remember pig pen from Peanuts? And hat tipped to Representative Ramey for remembering his name. What do you do with that kid? We can't stand there like nannies and watch everybody wash their hands. I mean, I... I wondered where is this nanny stage stuff begin? And here it is. It begins in Kindergarten and apparently goes all the way through senior year in high school. People have a hundred thousand more important things to do than stand around and watch some seventeen year old high school kid watch his hands. Whoops! Didn't use enough soap. Representative, your issue is about wanting water in the schools. Run that Bill. Ask me to help you, I'll help you run that Bill. But, don't do this. I mean this nanny stage stuff has got to stop. Every time you turn around, is the government looking over your shoulder? Oops, not enough soap there make sure you get your pinky. We can't be policing pig pen for the rest of pig pen's life. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I vote 'no'."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Julie Hamos."

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Hamos: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, to the Bill. You know, I just listened to my... my former colleague and was realizing that maybe he forgets that sometimes we pass Bills just to introduce good policies, good best practices. So that we are leaders and we push forward policies that we want people to consider and school districts in this case to consider. I commend the Sponsor for this Bill because she and I along with Representative Bellock have been looking at the issue of MRSA for several years now. And you cannot seriously talk about MRSA and other really antibiotic resistant germs without thinking about how we can do more prevention at the front end. How we teach children to adopt best practices if you will so that when they grow up and they go out into the world they already know that this is a commonsense important thing to do. This Bill does not have an enforcement mechanism. It doesn't require anybody to stand over these kids. It doesn't punish anybody for not doing it. It is not a huge mandate on the schools. It doesn't cost any money. This Bill is just about adopting good policies to move us forward and to recognize that public health begins with children in the schools, that's all this does. I vote 'aye'."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Monique Davis."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, M.: "Representative, have you ever seen a sign in a restaurant or a public place that says, 'Employees Must Wash Their Hands before returning to work'?"

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Flowers: "Yes, Representative."

Davis, M.: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. It is very good public policy for children, as well as adults, to remember to wash their hands upon using or leaving those facilities. Some of our schools in the suburbs have closed down because some disease had invaded the location and some children had been hospitalized. That was about a year ago. It is so easy... it is so easy to help protect children from disease by requiring in the place of learning that they wash their hands. And how anyone could object to that truly baffles me... it baffles me. At home you should teach your children to wash their hands. And if you're in school and you're going to eat lunch, you should know that you should wash your hands before you eat. How many times are communicable diseases spread because children failed to do the simple task of washing his or her hands because no adult required it? I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Flowers to close."

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Quite frankly, this is really a very simple Bill. I've had letters and calls from across the state where parents' kids were sent home sick because of the germs that was picked up in the school. And all they had to do was do something real simple, was to wash their hands. We teach our children to wash their hands before they eat at home, they should be able to do the same thing for their safety sake at school. I would ask an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

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Speaker Lyons: "Question is, 'Should House Bill 19 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? Kathy Ryg. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 68 Members voting 'yes', 47 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Rich Myers on page 39 you have House Bill 2455. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2455, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McDonough, Representative Myers."

Myers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 2455 amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. And what it does is it changes the definition of neighborhood vehicle to non highway vehicle. And then it... it expands the definition of non highway vehicle to include not only a neighborhood vehicle, but also such things as golf carts, off highway motorcycles and ATV's or all terrain vehicles. This would allow non highway vehicles, as defined in the law then, to be operated upon any street, highway or roadway as allowed by city ordinance if the city decided to choose to do that. Everywhere else in the Bill... or in the current statute where it says neighborhood vehicle it changes it to non highway vehicle. It does add one clause in the Bill that requires... that has a mandatory insurance requirement for operating these non highway vehicles on streets, highways, or roadways."

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Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should House Bill 2455 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill there are 116 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Jay Hoffman, you have House Resolution 241. Mr. Clerk. 241, Mr. Clerk. Representative Hoffman... Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Resolution 241, offered by Representative Hoffman.

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to honor our esteemed former colleague, Gary Hannig, for his many years of service to the people of the 98th District and the State of Illinois; we also wish to congratulate him on his appointment to become Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, Gary Hannig was first elected to office in November of 1978, serving as the youngest member of the House of Representatives for several terms; a proud downstate legislator for 30 years and 15 terms, he faithfully represented the concerns of the farmers, miners, and working families that made up his district and endeavored to ensure their concerns were represented and voices heard at the Illinois State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hannig built a reputation as an honest legislator with a ready ear, willing to share his fiscal

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and budget expertise with new legislators and to work with members on both sides of the aisle to pass legislation to make Illinois a better place to live; always affable and courteous, he took a genuine interest in the lives of his colleagues, legislative staff, and their families; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hannig, throughout his distinguished career, played a role in passing legislation to raise the minimum wage, expand access to health care for the uninsured, protect the rights of union workers, increase the use of alternative energy sources from Illinois farmers, foster rural economic development, increase education funding for local schools, protect the rights of law-abiding gun owners, and strengthen ethics and election statutes, and many significant bills that have made Illinois a better State; and

WHEREAS, Gary Hannig has served on many committees, including the Elementary and Secondary Education, General Services Appropriations, and Agriculture committees; he also served as Deputy Majority Leader and chief budget negotiator for Speaker Michael J. Madigan, and as Chair of the Downstate Democratic Caucus, co-chair of the Legislative Audit Commission, and as a member of the Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus; and

WHEREAS, Gary Hannig paid special attention to charitable organizations in his district, including extensive involvement as a member of the Mt. Olive Knights of Columbus, the Benld Croatian Lodge, and the Litchfield Rotary Club; he has also been honored with numerous awards and commendations from organizations such as the Illinois

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Education Association, the Illinois Farm Bureau, Lincoln Land Community College, the Illinois Primary Healthcare Association, and the Illinois Retired Teachers Association, among many others; and

WHEREAS, Gary Hannig graduated in the top ten percent of his class at Mt. Olive High School and graduated with honors and a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Illinois; he passed the Certified Public Accountant exam in 1975 and worked as a CPA until his election to the Illinois House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Gary Hannig lives in Litchfield with his wife, Elizabeth; and while the boundaries of his district changed over the years, his commitment to the people of Central Illinois and the values that make the region a great place to live and raise a family has never wavered; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives has lost an invaluable source of technical and institutional knowledge, and a man who exemplifies the true meaning of public service; and while the members of the Illinois House are sorry that Representative Hannig has left our ranks, they realize that his departure will allow him to make a difference in the lives of many more Illinoisans, and that his knowledge, honesty, and commitment to the people of Illinois is greatly needed at this time of transition in the executive branch of Illinois government; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we wish our former colleague, State Representative Gary Hannig, all the

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best in his future endeavors, and congratulates him for his appointment to the position of Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation and thanks him for his many years of honest and dedicated service to the people of the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to former Illinois State Representative Gary Hannig as an expression of our deep esteem and respect."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman"

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is indeed an honor and a privilege for me to sponsor this Resolution that honors former Representative and now Secretary Gary Hannig. Gary Hannig is a very dear friend who served with us all with distinction and honor and dignity during the 30 years he served in this Body. The people who have been here for a long time, Mark O'Brien says he's the only one who remembers Gary coming in. We've all came in after you did, Gary, and we know that you've been here a long time when you have a four-page Resolution that took that long to read. And we would just say to you, during the time that I sat with you in budget negotiations, you did it with honesty, integrity, fairness. Nobody, nobody understood the budget of the State of Illinois better, in the House of Representatives, than Gary Hannig. Your technical expertise are going to be missed, but we know that you'll do a great job in your new position as a Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation. Although the people of Christian, Montgomery and Macoupin

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County are going to miss you, you do have a worthy replacement that we're very, very proud of. And I would ask that all Members of the General Assembly, with leave of the Republican side of the aisle, be added as cosponsors, assuming that your replacement wants to be added as a cosponsor to the Resolution. Congratulations, Gary. We'll miss you."

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

Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to congratulate Gary. I had the opportunity to sit by him for a few years when he moved to the back row and as Jay said, he's... we lost a lot of institutional knowledge. I'm sure the Speaker misses him and his expertise and will as we close in on the end of the Session. But he's done a great job as a Legislator and as a good, solid person more than anything else and glad to call him my friend and congratulate him on his new appointment. I'm sure he'll continue to do a great job and I had a few more things to say, but Betsy said if I talked too much, got his head too big, she'd never get him to take out the trash again."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Barbara Flynn Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. Gary Hannig and I came to this chamber together, the same time, 30 years ago. I actually had the lower license plate number because C precedes H in the alphabet. In many ways, we could not have been more different. Upstate, downstate, urban, rural, my agenda items didn't always sit favorably with his political preferences and many of his particular

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pursuits were not favorites from a Chicago south side perspective. Nevertheless, I have never worked with anybody in this chamber who was more a pleasure to work with than Gary Hannig. He was the kind of Legislator who worked through real problems not ideological differences. He was a joy to be with. He was a treat to work with. And I miss him very much. I'm, of course, very proud that he's moved on to bigger things. The Secretary of Transportation is a title that clearly agrees with him and I know each of us looks forward.. each of us looks very much forward.. to the opportunity to work with him on restructuring, maintaining, and fixing up our roads and our bridges. Congratulations, Gary, Godspeed, good luck."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Leader Bill Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "State your inquiry, Mr. Black."

Black: "Thank you. In the.. in the Resolution I heard a sentence that he graduated in the upper 10 percent of his high school class. How many students were in that class?"

Speaker Lyons: "Fifty-five."

Black: "Not bad, not bad. Thank you very much for that clarification. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, without being redundant, it's been a privilege and a pleasure for me to serve with Director, Secretary, Representative Hannig for some 23 years and I will tell you part of the argument we had this morning whether it was.. whether we should have or could have done it better or whatever, let me tell you,

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when we... when we would get into those requests with Representative Hannig to take something out of the record so we could check, Representative Hannig almost always agreed so that staff could get together or those of us that had a... a concern could get together, work out our differences or make sure that we understood what we thought we understood. He was in this chamber for many, many years a class act, a gentleman whose word was his bond, he never went back on his word, I never saw him get rattled and believe me in his position he would sometimes be presenting approp and 'bimp' Bills on this floor for more than an hour at a time. He was always patient. He gave a full and detailed explanation. If he didn't know, he would tell you he didn't know. He would often take the Bill out of the record and find out for you and get back to you. We've lost, as I said earlier this morning, we've lost some of that civility and when we lose people like Gary Hannig, the chamber and the process suffers. But let me tell you this, Representative Hannig, and I've had some opportunity to spend some time with you and your wife away from this chamber and have enjoyed every minute of that. And I... I don't want you to think that I am trying to ingratiate myself to you, but I think there couldn't have been a better selection as the director of the Illinois Department of Transportation. I know you will do an excellent job. I look forward to working with you. I hope you have gotten our flowers, our fruit basket, our plaques, our e-mail addresses because we are interested in IDOT District 5 in Division 3 in a few road projects, not... not very many, Rep...

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Director, just a fair share and I would say that I look forward to you... if I can come home with about... and let's be very fair... I don't know what the capital Bill will be. I don't need a cent more than 63 million dollars. And I am here to praise and you haven't seen anything yet. When you sign off on some of my projects, and Director, I'm talking about turning dirt roads into gravel roads, gravel roads into asphalt roads and asphalt roads into concrete. And let me tell you this, every project you sign off on we will come to this chamber for a Resolution, all of those highways will be named, Sir, the Gary Hannig Memorial Road, Highway or Bridge. You have my promise on that. Congratulations, Gary. It was indeed a privilege and an honor to serve with you. I know you'll do a good job, as you always have and truly and truthfully, we all look forward to working with you. We know you have a difficult job. We know it's going to be a difficult year, but you've proven time and time again, you can take and handle and solve some of the most difficult problems we've had. Wish you the very best."

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Debbie Graham."

Graham: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As a Legislator who came in in 2003 looking quite disoriented when I came to the floor, Representative Hannig said, how can I help you? Walking around, I really didn't know being elected where I could go on the floor. I was always asking questions. Between Hannig and Lou Lang, I said, well, can I go here? He said you're a Member; you can go anywhere you like. I said,

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well, can I do so and so? He said, yes, Representative, you're a Member; you can do what you like. And every day... so, he says... you know, he would basically almost cut me off to say, you're a Member; you can do what you like. I want to than Representative Hannig... Secretary Hannig for all of his support, his leadership on the issues and just being able to ask him questions and I'm telling you, as a new Member I may have asked him some really off the wall questions, but Gary would just smile and give the answer to the best of his ability and just say, it's okay, just take it all in slow, you'll be all right, you know, everything will slow down after a while. So, thank you for your patience. And I know that the people that you work with now are going to appreciate your sincere ability to work with the people and your knowledge and your ability to get up to speed with anything that you come in contact with. And I, too, am going to miss you on this House Floor in delivering the budget Bills and just helping us to come along on some of the issues that we may not be so comfortable with. And being from Chicago and you being a downstater, I've carried plenty of legislation that you weren't comfortable with either, but nonetheless, you were very kind and gentle with voicing your opposition. So, I want to thank you and I welcome the new Representative Hannig to the House Floor and say that I know that with that support at home she's going to be just as dynamic as you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Monique Davis."

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Davis, M.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, I'd like to say that, Gary, I think for about eight years we served together on the General Service Appropriation Committee. And of course, as one of our Representatives on the other side of the aisle loved to hear you present the Bill because if I presented it, he would say that somebody was telling me what to say which, of course, they were. But I want you to know it was certainly a very pleasurable experience to work with you in the committee and to meet with you in your office because your University of Illinois training has you as a very intelligent accountant, a very even keeled Legislator and one whose main purpose and goal was to better the conditions in the State of Illinois. I met your beautiful wife, Betsy, before she became a Legislator and I want you to know that as a Director of the Illinois Department of Transportation I trust Gary that you will continue to hold the State of Illinois in the highest esteem and work very hard for the fairness for all citizens in our state. I hope to continue and work with you and hopefully we'll get some of the problems that I see taken care of and that you will be as successful as a Director of IDOT as you have been as the chief in the Illinois Appropriations Committee. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Ron Stephens."

Stephens: "I would just ask the Gentleman to take the Resolution out of the record. Well, short of that, I demand a... Well, Gary, every year... every year that I served here you have been here. From the very first time I came in this House, you treated me with respect and I didn't

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always heed your advice. I was a little too outspoken at times and I haven't quite gotten over that. I probably should have modeled myself more like you. I... As the... representing a district that borders yours, I hope that everything in your old district and your wife's district gets repaved, rebuilt, remodeled and we just want the leftover concrete and a little bit of asphalt and we'll take care of Bond County. Representative, we wish you all the best. And I am sucking up."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bob Biggins."

Biggins: "Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I... in my first year, my first term, my first appropriations meeting, Gary was chairman of the Appropriations Committee, but I still serve on that committee today. I didn't know and I thought that the committees all operated the same way and so, when we had five-hour meetings, and about three hours into the meeting he had about 90 percent of the questions and then, by the time it was time for me to ask a question, there was nobody... there were no questions left. He'd already asked them. When we go through that length of a meeting, I thought that's what all the committees did. I didn't know it was only his and that was when we had a Republican Governor and the Republican President of the Senate, but now... then two years later when the Republicans in those days... I know it's going to be hard to believe this... but the Republicans had control in the chambers and the Governor's Office so I thought, well, now I can ask the questions first and Gary's going to have to sit there and listen to them. And then he gets up to Leadership, and he leaves the

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committee. So, I never got to get even with him. I was going to keep him there for five hours and he and I'd be the only ones in the room left, but I would have got my questions answered. But now, he's always been a gentleman and always a fine person to work with. I learned so much from listening to him and the way he asked his questions and the thoroughness that he knew the material that he was asking about. So, I still might call him for some help once in a while. But Gary, it's been a pleasure working with you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Roger Eddy."

Eddy: "Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Lyons: "State your inquiry, Representative."

Eddy: "Representative, would it be appropriate for me to discuss a road project in my district with former Representative Hannig at this time?"

Speaker Lyons: "I think that can be arranged to ask sometime later today."

Eddy: "Well, I appreciate that, probably not appropriate, but Gary, I just wanted to take a second to tell you how much I enjoyed, in the short time I've been here, working with you. You've been a gentleman. You've answered questions. Even when we're not able to agree on issues, you've listened to ways that maybe we could offer suggestions and improvements and that always doesn't happen here. And I appreciate that and also appreciate your knowledge of the budget and the way you took a lot of grief and guff over the... at least in the short time I've been here regarding

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budget items and always had an answer, not always a great answer because sometimes there wasn't one. But you did a great job and I've appreciated working with you and I wish you the very best."

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, 'Should House Resolution 241 be adopted?' All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. By unanimous consent, House Resolution 241 has been adopted. Thank you and God love you and God bless you and good luck in the future, Representative Gary Hannig, Secretary of Transportation. With... with advice from a certain MJM initials, Representative Hannig, take the podium."

Secretary Hannig: "Thank you very much and I'm very touched and honored to have such an outpouring of people speaking on my behalf. It's been a long run for me in the General Assembly. I served for 30 years. I came in with Barbara Currie, as she said. And we had a lot of good times together and we had a lot of difficult times together, but I think the most important thing that we all recognize is that when we're in this chamber, when we're in this House of Representatives, we really have a unique opportunity to reshape the way the State of Illinois operates. And oftentimes, we think in terms of big things and we can do big things, but sometimes it's just the incremental things that someone gets up and does a Bill that changes a little bit of something in his or her district that makes a difference. And over a period of time, 20 or 30 years, you can get a lot accomplished if you just work at it every day and that was kind of my attitude. So, I'm... I'm very

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honored to be here today. It kind of caught me by surprise. I was in the building meeting with some Legislators, kind of like old times, but... and I have to tell you, that one of the most difficult things for me is the Governor had asked me to take the position on Wednesday and we were in Session here on Thursday and he asked me not to talk to anybody about it, just to keep it to myself until they announced it. And just to walk off the floor for the last time knowing that that was the end of my career and I couldn't even share it with anybody that was in this room, that was my good friend, it was a difficult thing to do, but today makes up for that. So, you know, I changed my job but I haven't changed my friends, each and every one of you have always been my friend. Yeah, we may have differed from time to time, but we know that we're all here to do one thing, to make Illinois a better place, to try to find some solutions to some tough problems and maybe just some solutions to easier problems. But we all work hard at it and respect each other and I respect everyone in this chamber and always have. So, I'm just going to be down the road a little bit, over at the Department of Transportation. You know, we're working on a couple projects like the stimulus or the capital Bill, so I might be coming back over here from time to time to talk to you and you know, maybe there's something you could vote on to help us out a little bit in that respect. And... so, we're optimistic that we can get some things done, as well and we're going to work together and we're going to get things accomplished. That's what we've always done. So, thank

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you very much. It's been a great pleasure and it's been a great run for me. Let me thank the people who first elected me. Let me thank the Speaker for giving me an opportunity to serve on his Leadership team. Let me thank the Governor for giving me the opportunity to be the new Secretary of Transportation. And let me thank each and every one of you for being my friend. Thanks."

Speaker Lyons: "What a great privilege to be in the Chair for that, Representative Lyons in the Chair. Representative Kathy Ryg, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Representative?"

Ryg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For purposes of an announcement."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Ryg for an announcement."

Ryg: "Thank you. This is just a reminder that the Local Government Caucus will be meeting tomorrow for breakfast, 7:30 A.M. at the Illinois Municipal League Office to discuss the state budget provisions for local government. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "And Representative Ryg as long we're doing announcements. A second reminder everybody that you've received the Agreed Bill List with the purple cover top. If you'd please start going through this and bringing them up to Mark Mahoney or to Chief Tim Mapes just so we could get the tallies going. On any Bills that you oppose mark so in the body, whether you approve all of them and wanted to be counted for an 'aye' on each every one of them. Please sign and print your name before you bring them up. Thank you, folks. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 758?"

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 758, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was approved in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, on page 39 of the Calendar Barbara Flynn Currie has House Bill 3634. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3634, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes Leader Barbara Flynn Currie."

Currie: "Thank you very much, Speaker, Members of the House. This measure includes a couple of technical changes and three substantive changes to the Equal Pay Act. First, it says that employers shall keep records for five years rather than three. That would bring this Act in compliance with the Wage Payment and Collection Act. Second, it would give complainers one year rather than 18... than six months in order to make a complaint. Today, 18 percent of the people who bring complaints under the Equal Pay Act are out of luck because they make the complaints more than six months after the problem occurred. And the final provision is the Lily Ledbetter provision. It says that we start the clock in terms of a violation, each time there is a violation of the Equal Pay Act. I'd be happy to answer your questions and I would appreciate your support for this measure that will bring Illinois into compliance with the law that Senator... that President Barack Obama signed as one of his first acts of office in Washington."

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Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Jack Franks."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady yields."

Franks: "Representative, I appreciate what you're trying to do and I agree with it. My... my one question is this and I'm reading the executive summary and this is the first time I've seen the Bill, so I haven't read the actual Bill, but it talks about in the executive summary if you look at paragraph two. And it says that if an employee is paid by his or her employer less than the wage to which she's entitled, then they can recover in a civil action the entire amount of any under payment together with interest and the cost of attorneys' fees. Is your understanding, and I'm not sure, maybe you have someone in staff who can answer this. In those type of situations, isn't there a damage provision of treble damages or I may have this confused with another Bill?"

Currie: "Well, I don't think this under this Act that there is. I think that that would have to do with a court action; this is an action taken by the Department of Labor."

Franks: "And that was my point, because it says in a civil action, so this is only going to deal with the Department of Labor and not with the Civil Code?"

Currie: "I believe that's right."

Franks: "Okay. That's... I wanted to make sure. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The Lady awaits your questions, Sir."

Black: "Majority Leader Currie, is this Bill in response to a specific problem or set of problems or just something the department wants to do?"

Currie: "It's a response to three problems. First, was the Supreme Court decision in the Lily Ledbetter case; it had been generally understood that any new act of discrimination in a wage rate would trigger a new complaint, but the court ruled that wasn't right. The court ruled that the first time it happened is the only time it happened and if you didn't know enough to file a complaint then, you were forever shut out. By action of the Federal Congress and by signature by President Obama, that has since been changed back to a regular understanding of what amounts to wage discrimination. So, the filing deadline would come at the point at which somebody knew that there actually was discrimination. Second, it extends the period from making a complaint from six months to one year and that is in part in response to the fact that almost 20 percent of people who file with the Department of Labor today file after the six-month clock has run. And finally, the Bill would say that employers should keep records for five years instead of three. And we're doing this because some employers refused to turn over records and then they say, oh, I don't have to keep them anymore because the three-year clock has run. So, this provision

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would bring the Equal Pay Act in to line with the Wage and Collection Act which has a longer time frame."

Black: "Thank you. I think. The Supreme Court case, if I read this correctly, correct me if I'm wrong. How many days or months or years did the Lily Ledbetter Fair Play Restoration Act give an employee the ability to file a... discrimination on equal pay? Did it limit it to 180 days or did it open it up to a specified period? I don't see that."

Currie: "That would be Federal Law. I cannot answer the question, but I can tell you this. The point of the Lily Ledbetter Law was to say that the requirement for filing and for pressing a case... the clock starts ticking when the employee knew that there was a discrimination action in the pay packet between the female worker and her male counterpart. So, the trigger was the knowledge on the part of the individual that discrimination had occurred and that was what was overturned by the court in the Lily Ledbetter case, since restored by action of the Federal Congress. So, we're just clarifying our law here so there's no question that the trigger would be, as we always thought it was, the fact that the employee has learned that there is discrimination in the wage packet."

Black: "Did the... has the Department of Labor given you any specific evidence of a case that they did not resolve within the current three-year statute?"

Currie: "The three years isn't resolving; the three years is how long an employer has to keep records. And what I... but I think I said was..."

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Black: "All right."

Currie: "...or I should have said that under the Minimum Wage Act it is five years not three, under the Wage and Collection Act, it is ten years. So, we would go from three years to five and the department does tell me that with the three-year limit there are some recalcitrant employers who use that limit and then they say, oh, we can't give you the material, even though they had been asked for the material earlier."

Black: "All right. Thank you very much, Majority Leader Currie, as always your answers are concise and to the point. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. This is not an easy Bill for me to rise in opposition to; however, coming out of a small family-owned business and having had a town hall meeting last night with a standing room only crowd and getting to the heart of the issue that I believe and arguably the figures... who knows... but the best figures that staff could get me is that Illinois has lost more jobs in the last five years than any state in the Midwest. Governor Mitch Daniels of Indiana has been quoted, and in papers throughout the state and in video and audio as well, as saying that Illinois... and I won't go into all of the details... let me paraphrase, Illinois is headed for serious trouble. They're going to hemorrhage jobs and those of us in Indiana will aggressively welcome those Illinois's jobs that they are chasing out of the state to Indiana. And I live on the Indiana border and I can tell you that Indiana is very, very aggressive in going after Illinois employers, i.e.,

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Illinois's jobs. The opposition to this Bill and I could hear my brother if he were here telling you this and he certainly knows better than I, employers are already forced to keep a literal plethora of records, paperwork, computer discs. All this Bill really does is to provide a longer period of time that these records have to be maintained, that is not without cost, that is not without input and it also gives employees a little... and I don't mean no disrespect by this... but it does give employees a little... a couple more years to go on a fishing expedition to see whether or not they might have a claim for equal wage discrimination. It's... it adds a great deal of cost to Illinois's business and I know most of you don't seem to care about that for what may be a questionable outcome and I know the Sponsor of this Bill is absolutely committed to this and I'm not totally convinced that she's wrong. But in my growing up in a small family-owned business, Ladies and Gentlemen, I can tell you that each additional regulation we add, each additional requirement that we put on, this is not without cost. It's not without some stress; it's not without some motivation for employers and without employers we have jobs, to listen to the overtures of Indiana, Missouri, Iowa, the Dakotas. That's why we are hemorrhaging jobs in this state. I don't know that this solves any real problem that anybody's made me aware of and I'm sure it will pass overwhelmingly, but I think every time we do this we need to ask a serious question of ourselves. Are we addressing a serious problem that needs to be addressed or is it just our wont lately to say to

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business, we are going to regulate you, we are going to require you to keep these records and by golly, if only one or two of you get caught a year and all the rest of you are following the law, you still have these costs, you still have these regulations and all I know is, living on the Indiana border, the State of Illinois... the State of Indiana is very aggressive in advertising in all of our publications and sending out materials, tons of materials, to Illinois employers saying, come to Indiana, we think you will find our business climate a little better. I tend to agree with that statement and until we make our business climate the very best it can be in Illinois, we are losing and have lost over 600,000 jobs in the last five years. We can't keep this up. It's a self-defeating proposition. And again, I take no satisfaction in opposing the Bill. I have no empathy whatsoever with people who willfully and wantonly violate the law, but I think this Bill doesn't recognize the difference between somebody who does and somebody who tries to maintain and run a good, decent, honest business because they're impacted by this as much, perhaps if not more so, than those who do not choose to follow the law. For that reason, I intend to vote 'no'."

Speaker Lyons: "Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I think we're looking at a bunch of red herrings. Today, these same employers have to keep records already for five years in case of complaints about the minimum wage. For ten years, that may be necessary for complaints about the wage and collection law. So, the employers are already keeping records, in some cases, for

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as long as ten years. I don't see how saying that they have to keep them for purposes of the Equal Pay Act, as long as they keep them for purposes of the Minimum Wage Act, that to me adds no burden whatsoever. And if the second line of argument that all our employers will go to Indiana, I'd have to say to you that if they are engaged in wage discrimination based upon gender then let them go to Indiana. I do not think we are a healthy, economically viable state if we make it possible for employers to make their profits on the backs of our workers. So, for Lily Ledbetter, for all the victims of equal... of discrimination on wages, I would please urge you to vote 'yes' on House Bill 3634."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should House Bi... House Bill 3634 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 Brady. Representative Wait. Brady. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 89 Members voting 'yes', 26 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Black, do you seek recognition or is your light from the last debate? Representative Black."

Black: "Mr. Speaker, with your permission, I rise to a... excuse me... I rise to a point of personal privilege, if I could?"

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Representative."

Black: "If I heard the previous speaker correctly in her summation of the Bill, and I hope I didn't hear her

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correctly, but I'm going to review the transcript. For anybody to get up on this floor and say if an employer wants to go to Indiana, let them go to Indiana. That reminds me of the French Revolution. Let them eat cake. I've had two plants that were looking to locate in my district in the last four years, over 3,000 jobs. One of these... one of these factories would pay an average wage of \$19 an hour, both of them located in Indiana. Come into my district and tell the people who weren't able to find those kind of jobs; one went to Greensburg, Indiana, the other one, I believe, went to Anderson, Indiana. That's too far away to drive, so you'd have to move there, if you lived in my district. I hope none of us would ever, ever stand up on this floor, if I heard the Lady correctly and say if an employer wants to move to Indiana or Wisconsin or Missouri or anywhere else, let them move. How can we say that when we've lost 270,000 jobs in this state in just the last year."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Barbara Flynn Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker, for a point of clarification. The point I made was that if an employer wants to break our laws against... against discrimination based on gender and the only way they can do it is to go to Indiana, I don't think that's an employer we want to keep. We want employers who follow Illinois law and I think most of our employers, 98, 99 percent of them do and I certainly invite them to stay and those who don't, I think it's time for them to change their ways and stick with us. The notion that having to meet the letter of the law, not discriminate

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against people in their paychecks, that the only way they want to be able to do that is to go someplace else then I would say it is not a major loss for us."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Watson, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Watson: "A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed, Representative."

Watson: "I think it's important for all of us to note though that you can make... you can raise the threshold so high that nobody wants to stay here. There are limitations and there are reasonable expectations you can ask any employer to live within. It is a fact, that since 1977, we are the 47th worst state in creating jobs. This is the highest workman's compensation state that there is around. We have the fifth highest minimum wage. This is not a friendly place to do business. You can act like you can raise these thresholds and it doesn't matter, but there are fewer people today working, supporting the tax base in this state and our budget has ballooned for the last six years. How do you sustain this? How do you keep sending people out of this state and raising spending? At some point, you've got to live within your means and you've got to welcome businesses back to this state. This is ridiculous."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Point of personal privilege."

Bost: "Mr. Speaker, the conversation that just went on on this floor is exactly the reason and the concern that I have as

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a Legislator whenever I'm in an area where I fight every day to try to keep every job that I possibly can. And this statements of, oh, well, we'll just create these new laws and that it's not that important and that we can go ahead and you know what, if they... if they... if they don't want to stay with us, then they can leave. You know what, tell that to the people in my district that are unemployed. I'm going to tell you, that... that idea and that belief, here in the State of Illinois, has been what's breaking our backs for years. Once again, I think it's a difference in the ideas and beliefs of one side and the other side of the aisle. I want everybody working in the State of Illinois and I'm happy to say it. I want every employer here in the State of Illinois and I'm happy to say that. Bring me the jobs. Bring me the jobs. And if you want to put laws out here that will encourage those jobs to come, I'll vote for them. And if they're laws that discourage those employers from staying in the State of Illinois, I will vote against them. And we'd better wake up, because you watch them, they've left and the numbers show it. And I'm just disgusted with the way this... with the way this continues to go."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 2502?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2502, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Amendments. All Notes have been filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Mr. Lafarge, take us to warp 7. Deputy Leader Art Turner in the Chair."

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Speaker Turner: "On the Order of Third Readings we have House Bill 2369, Representative Gordon. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2369, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady from Peoria, Representative Gordon."

Gordon, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. House Bill 2369 prohibits a Purchasing Agency, Chief Procurement Officer, Associate Procurement Officer or State Purchasing Officer from purchasing or leasing goods or procuring services on behalf of a state agency unless 100 percent of those goods are purchased or leased or services procured are made and assembled or provided in the United States. Further, House Bill 2369 specifies that every vendor, bidder, contractor or subcontractor who submits a bid or enters into a sales, lease or service agreement with the state must certify that 100 percent of the goods or services, sold, leased or provided will be made, assembled or provided in the United States. House Bill 2369 provides that foreign goods and services may be substituted under the following circumstances. The Purchasing Agency, Associate Procurement Officer or a State Purchasing Officer certifies in writing to the appropriate Chief Procurement Officers that the goods or services are required and cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor in the U.S. The goods are not manufactured or the services are not provided in any reasonably quantity in the U.S., the price of the American goods or services is unreasonably higher than the price of available foreign goods or services or

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the quality of American goods and services is substantially lower than the quality of comparably price, available in comparable foreign goods or services. Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Body. And I'd like to ask you for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Gordon, J.: "Sponsor yields."

Black: "Representative, if CMS enters into a contract to purchase, and I don't know that we have the money this year. But, supposedly in the fiscal 09' budget we were supposed to purchase 500 state police vehicles. Can you tell me what automobile is 100 percent assembled in the United States?"

Gordon, J.: "I cannot. But, that will be the job of the Chief Procurement Officer."

Black: "No, no, you're carrying the Bill, Representative. You ought to do the research before you get into some of these Bills."

Gordon, J.: "Representative Black, I did do the research. You asked me what car is 100 percent made in the United States, that would be the job of the Chief Procurement Officer. That is his job to find that information."

Black: "Ah, Representative, in all due respect to you, it's the job of the... somebody whose bringing a Bill to us to know what the Bill does and the impact that it has. I drive a Buick, a General Motors Buick, it was assembled in Mexico.

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Now, how many foreign name plate cars do you see in the Stratton parking lot owned by Legislators? You see any at all?"

Gordon, J.: "Representative Black, I'm not driving one."

Black: "That isn't what I asked you, Representative. Jeez, don't be so snotty, quite frankly, I asked you a question."

Gordon, J.: "I don't know... I didn't count."

Black: "This isn't your first Bill, I'm not... I'm not trying to grill you. I'm asking a question that I would like for you to answer. How many foreign name plate cars have you seen the Legislative parking lot in the Stratton building? Have you seen any?"

Gordon, J.: "Representative Black, I did not count the cars before I walked in this morning."

Black: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill."

Turner: "To the Bill."

Black: "You know, some Representatives here really need to take just a little bit of class, maybe you or somebody could explain to them what it means to Sponsor a Bill. Not give some answer off the top of their head that sounds cute. You don't hurt me, Representative. You couldn't hurt me if you took the next five years to go after me. I could care less what you say about me or to me. But, I care a great deal about the process, about what this Bill says, what this Bill does and why you're doing it. You obviously aren't gonna answer any of those questions. Let me tell you something, go out in the North drive and you will see Mercedes Benz, you will see BMW's, you will see Volvo's, you will see Volkswagen's, are these American cars? Are

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they American cars? I'm asking you a question. Are those American cars?"

Gordon, J.: "Actually, Volvo is majority owned by Ford."

Black: "Oh, I know who owns it. Where is it assembled? It isn't assembled in the United States, Representative. So, you know, this Bill has come up every year for the last 15 or 20 years. And half of you on this floor are wearing shoes that are made in Italy or Belgium or Hong Kong or Bangladesh. Look in... look in the labels of your suits, this says, Hart, Schaffner and Marx, assembled in Chicago. I dare say if we went around the room there are suits here that were made God only knows. Do I like what's happened in the United States? No, I do not. Does this do anything? And I'm gonna give all of the authority to a purchasing agent? What if the purchasing agent gets a really good buy on the smart car? Or a car made in India, called the Tata? Hey, I can buy these Tata's for \$8,000 a piece. Is he gonna do the low bid or is he not gonna do the low bid? It goes with what I said in the last Bill, if you really want to encourage people to buy American then quit regulating and taxing American business out of America. Do you think they leave cause they want to? Take my district, General Motors plant, gone, Hyster Lift trucks, gone, Bone Heat Transfer Refrigeration Coil Makers, gone to Tifton, Georgia. General Motors probably bankrupt in the next four months. Hyster Lift trucks went to a right to work state in the south. Bad move on their part? I don't know. Ask the stockholders, ask the company. I deal with the people who get left out when they leave. I'm

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not gonna convince anybody. This looks good on her resume. The AFL-CIO will, oh this is the best Bill in the world. And what happens when it passes and if it becomes law? What changes? Not a whole lot."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Fritchey, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Gordon, J.: "Sponsor yields."

Fritchey: "Speaker? Are you gonna let her to that to you?"

Speaker Turner: "She can do whatever she wants."

Fritchey: "I'm not sure I disagree with you, Speaker. Representative, the last exchange aside, I think the Gentleman brings up some legitimate points. All of us, now more than ever, want to do what we can to promote American business, American products, et cetera. I'm not sure that this is the way to get at it. Let me ask you a question. One of the provisions that you have as an exception to the requirement would be that the price of American goods or services is unreasonably higher than the price available for foreign goods and services. Is there... I couldn't find a definition in the Bill of what's an unreasonably higher price?"

Gordon, J.: "That is some language that I will continue to work on with my Senate sponsor of this Bill. And that is a conversation that will continue to move forward as we progress this Bill through the Senate."

Fritchey: "Well, I... I... I respect that you appreciate that the Bill needs work. Who is the Senate sponsor going to be?"

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Gordon, J.: "I have asked Toi Hutchinson, who is the Senator from Kankakee County, Will County, part of Cook County, to carry this Bill."

Fritchey: "I... I... I know where her district is. But, don't you think that that's a very fundamental portion of this Bill?"

Gordon, J.: "I do..."

Fritchey: "I mean, here... here... here... here's... and listen, you've worked hard since you've got here and I... I respect that. And this Bill is... this Bill is almost as old as that last Bill that was talking. It's been around... it's been around for a long time. And despite the fact that all these Members here want to support American jobs, American businesses, American products. I think there may be a reason that this Bill hasn't become law. How would you envision the Procurement Officer making the determination. I mean, would you leave it on a case by case basis that sometimes 5 percent higher is unreasonable, sometimes 20 percent higher is unreasonable? What would your intention be as how that determination would be made?"

Gordon, J.: "I think that determination has to be made on what the numbers are for that specific purchase. I'm carrying this Bill... you're right, I did... once I picked this Bill up I didn't realize that this Bill had been carried many times before I ever got to this Body. When I got back to my district, I still walk my district every weekend. And when my members, excuse me, my constituents, when they asked me what was I working on, every time I brought this Bill up they were very excited. I live in Peoria County and Peoria County just lost over 6,000 jobs. And the people of my

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district are people that are hard working, they just want an opportunity to..."

Fritchey: "Well, so... so... with all due respect, Representative, so are the people in my district. And I'm gonna tell you what, everybody will be excited at first blush to say we will mandate that everything that we buy through this state come from the U.S. But, what the Bill says, though, is that the product or service has to be 100 percent either sold, made, assembled or provided. So, if... and if the smallest subcomponent of a piece of machinery is made in... is made abroad because that's the only place it's made. Or is made abroad at a quarter of the cost, the Procurement Officer now goes to follow this law, right? And they..."

Gordon, J.: "...well, this... under this Bill we gave circumstances in which that very issue could arise. And we give... we give room in case that happens."

Fritchey: "To... to the Bill, Speaker. The Members is nothing but well intentioned. I... I... I'll... I'm more than willing to acknowledge that. Ladies and Gentlemen, you know, we... we... we need to do some drastic things at times to preserve and promote our economy. And there is little that I would not do to help the working men and women of Illinois. But, this legislation sounds much better than it is in... in... in practice. And I... let me just state, my feelings and I think the feelings of a number of people that may not support this Bill are that it would be improper and unwise to equate support for American products and American labor with opposition to this Bill. That's all, thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Peoria, Representative Leitch, for what reason do you rise?"

Leitch: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I find this Bill especially depressing given the job reductions at Caterpillar, Deere, over 173,000 industrial jobs being lost in Illinois. I've... I just can't imagine what would bring one to have a protectionist Bill in a state like Illinois where exporting and international trade is so vital to what job base we have left. I find the Bill very disturbing, just as I find in the proposed budget a Governor that would again attack Caterpillar and other large industrial companies and smaller companies for that matter. Will they repeal the computer software tax, repeal the manufacturing credit tax. And one of the stupidest things of all would be repealing the research and development tax credit. Especially when at *REVIEW* there are over 1,000 research scientists. So, I know we've seen this Bill come before us before and I hope that this time we will have a better opinion about what our future should be with relate to promoting jobs and a tax base in Illinois. So, I would respectfully urge the Members to vote 'no' on this very bad Bill."

Speaker Turner: "I want to remind the Members that this Bill was on Short Debate. We've had three people speak against the Bill... there are five Members asking that it be put on extended debate and so it will. But, we've had three already speaking against. The next speaker will be Representative Will Burns, the Gentleman from Cook."

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Burns: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. It's been mentioned in the debate already that there have been significant job losses throughout the State of Illinois. Right now, our unemployment rate is around 8.6 percent, it's significantly higher in African-American communities. And there's gonna need to be a multi-faceted approach to putting people back to work in Illinois. We're gonna need a capitol bill, we're gonna need to invest in a new economy of the future, but we're also gonna need to make sure that the folks who are building the steel and the heavy equipment and the operators get an opportunity to participate and do work when we rebuild our roads and bridges and schools as a consequence of a capitol programs. I want to commend the Sponsor for bringing this Bill forward. My grandfather was a UAW worker for GM, for years he was able to support my father, my uncle, people in his family. He was able to own a Cadillac and live in a decent house. He was able to take his family on vacations. And we need to be creating those kinds of jobs now. We need to be creating opportunities to move... for people to move from poverty into the middle class. So, I want to commend the Sponsor for bringing this forward so we can get Americans working again. And get our... our state moving again. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady from Grundy, Representative Careen Gordon, for what reason do you rise?"

Gordon, C.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I hope the press has gotten all of the quotes that they want to get today because I'd like to move the previous question. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "The Lady asks leave to move the previous question, all those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. The 'noes' have it. Next speaker will be Representative Eddy, the Gentleman from Crawford."

Eddy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I want to commend you on your impeccable hearing, it was perfect. The 'no' votes clearly outweighed the 'yes' votes and I want to commend you for that."

Speaker Turner: "Shall do."

Eddy: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Eddy: "Representative, you got a computer on your desk? If you would pick the computer up, turn it over and look at the bottom of your computer you might be in for a bit of a shock. I mean, I'm not telling you to do that. Obviously, that's not something I can do. But, I can tell you if you pick it up and turn it over, it will say, Made in China. Now, to further illustrate the point, Representative Durkin's telephone and anyone that has a phone on the House Floor, pick it up, turn it over, it says, Made in China. I would guess that if everyone would open their desks and look in the cell phones that are provided to the Representatives there's probably some part of this that is made in a foreign country. How... how can... how can you expect procurement officers to follow this type of an impossible mandate?"

Gordon, J.: "Representative Eddy, it is not an impossible mandate. If you look under the following circumstances, if the goods or services are required and cannot be provided

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by a contractor or subcontractor in the United States, then that does not apply."

Eddy: "Well, you don't think there's a contractor or subcontractor in the United States that can provide a computer or a telephone? All right, let's go... let's take it another step. The carpet you're standing on, do you know where the carpet you're standing on came from through the procurement process?"

Gordon, J.: "No, I do not."

Eddy: "I think the carpet was imported from England. Is that right? So, the very carpet... the very carpet we're standing on could not have been purchased under this requirement. How can we be serious about trying to pass a Bill that is absolutely ridiculous in its... in its attempt to control what can be purchased by the state. This... it... it concerns me that those folks that are in charge of procurement in this state have weighed in on this and they have a problem. They believe that the legislation is onerous. And it might dry up the vendor pool. Now, sometimes I don't want to have a phone around, sometimes I wish I didn't have a computer. But, I think it would be fairly dangerous to... to support public policy that would dry up the vendor pool for computers and to limit in such an onerous way what we can purchase in this state. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is nothing more than a puff Bill to try to give someone credit for attempting to buy American. When the truth of the matter is you just can't do all these things. It's just not possible. The procurement process would be hindered to

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a point that it wouldn't work. This is not.. this is not good public policy and I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Sullivan, for what reason do you rise?"

Sullivan: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Sullivan: "Representative, can you tell me what the word 'protectionism' has to do with the Great Depression?"

Gordon, J.: "I'll let you do that, I'm sure you're ready to."

Sullivan: "Okay. Thank you."

Gordon, J.: "You're welcome."

Sullivan: "I didn't think so. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, all you have to do is study history to know the cause and effect of passing a Bill like this. Go back in the 1929-30's and you'll know what has happened when we do protectionist type of policy in the United States, like we're attempting to do here. Now, this is for the State of Illinois, but what if all the rest of the states decide to say, yeah, you know what we're gonna just buy.. buy American? I wonder what the rest of the world would think about Caterpillar if we just decided, well you know what heck with Illinois we don't want to buy anything to do with Illinois while the world goes and grows and we build and get out of this recession. So, folks, this is bad, bad, bad public policy. It's a great vote for her and her district I guess. And working with the unions and maybe we'll get hit up for it in the next campaign. But, please think about the policy end of this for one. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Reboletti, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Reboletti: "Representative, as I look at the Bill how would a Chevy Impala that might be manufactured in Illinois or other states or Ford that has 15 percent of the parts from Mexico, 25 percent from Canada, would Illinois be able to procure that vehicle? Or would there be an additional fine?"

Gordon, J.: "Sir, in this Bill it states, as I stated before, if the goods are not manufactured or the services are not provided in a reasonably available quantity in the United States of America then you do not have to comply because it's impossible. I understood that when I brought this Bill forward. What this Bill is looking to do is not only to put the people back... in my district back to work, but to also put the people of your district back to work, to put the people in Representative Eddy's district back to work."

Reboletti: "Well, I... I appreciate the talking points, Representative. And to the previous... prior speaker, I came from a union family, that doesn't mean I don't want to put union members back to work. And I have a Caterpillar sales plant in my district, three blocks from my home. So, obviously I want to sell Caterpillar products across the world as they layoff tens of thousands of workers. But, all this is is protectionism. We cannot put the Illinois National Guard out to stop other products coming in from other states, from other countries. When we talk about

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trying to save the people of this state money, of course we should look to producers from the State of Illinois first when it's economically viable. But, other Representatives have made the point, this is not an anti-union Bill or anti-union or vote or pro-union vote. It's about making good fiscal sound decisions as Representatives of this state. And this Bill does not do that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Jasper, Representative Reis, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Reis: "Representative, you heard a lot of the Governor's concept of importing medications from Canada under the Illinois Cares RX, do you support a thing like that?"

Gordon, J.: "No."

Reis: "Why not?"

Gordon, J.: "We have an FDA that's in place for a reason. And I think that we ought to continue to work in the fashion."

Reis: "I would beg to differ that almost everybody on your side of the aisle would support something like that. Because you want to be able to bring in cheaper medications for your... your constituents. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is one of the most hypocritical pieces of legislation that I have ever seen. We want to put people back to work is the underlying reason for this Bill. Stop passing Bills that drive the companies out of this state and out of this country to begin with. Done this for years, workmen's comp. We had a subject

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matter only hearing on this the other day and there was one person from your side of the aisle that was there and that's cause he had to be, he was the Chairman. Let's pass work comp reform and we'll have businesses stay in this country. Taxes, whole slew of taxes coming out. We've done it the last few years. Closing this, closing that, raising fees. You're all guilty of driving businesses out of your state and out of this country. Now, we got a Bill coming up for prevailing wage for any company that wants to build in this state in an enterprise zone. You just as well flush that enterprise zone down the toilet. And all of you are gonna support it, driving jobs out of this state. So, don't come back with something like this that is going to save jobs for our state. I come from a farming background. What if all the other countries said, we're not gonna take American grain? What if we're not gonna take other goods and services that are manufactured in your districts that are exported to other countries? What if they said that? Protectionism has never worked, it is a driving force behind every recession and economic downturn there is. Vote 'no' on this Bill. You can't buy computers, you can't buy cell phones, you can't even buy a lot of your office supplies that are made in this country. Tell your unions back home and the other people that support this that you're gonna do meaningful things that are gonna keep jobs in this country, not this."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Rose, for what reason do you rise?"

Rose: "Will the Lady yield?"

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Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Rose: "Does this apply to squad cars?"

Gordon, J.: "Can't hear you?"

Rose: "Does this apply to squad cars?"

Gordon, J.: "One moment, please."

Rose: "Take your time. No? Cause I... the way it reads to us is it applies to everything the state buys?"

Gordon, J.: "Right. Currently, I'm not sure if it applies to squad cars or not."

Rose: "Well, if the state buys squad cars through the Illinois State Police then this applies, correct?"

Gordon, J.: "There's your answer."

Rose: "Okay. So, how on earth are we supposed to have police cars... can you guarantee me as 100 percent unequivocal certainty that we'll be able to have police cars? Yes or no?"

Gordon, J.: "Sir, if you look at... if you read the Bill, it states that if the goods or services are required and cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor in the United States they don't have to comply with this law. This law does not have tariffs. What this is is trying to create an incentive. I don't know what the people of Champaign County are having to deal with, but the layoffs that we're dealing with in Peoria, Illinois..."

Rose: "Right. But, it... it..."

Gordon, J.: "are almost unpreident... are almost unprecedented. And what I'm looking to do is..."

Rose: "...well, Toyota manufacturers..."

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Gordon, J.: "...I'm looking to put the people, not only of my district, but to your district back to work."

Rose: "...I understand that. And I... I understand that, Representative. But, if every component of that squad car isn't made in America, even if it's a Chrysler or a Ford or GM, if every component including the computer, the radio system, if every component in that squad car isn't manufactured in the United States how are we gonna have squad cars?"

Gordon, J.: "Representative Rose, that's covered under the exemption."

Rose: "Where's the exemption for squad cars?"

Gordon, J.: "Representative Rose, as you... as you stated yourself, if the state buys squad cars and the squad cars would fall underneath this legislation. But, under the exemption if they cannot buy that in the United States, Representative Rose, they don't have to."

Rose: "What... can you... what paragraph number?"

Gordon, J.: "If you look under... look on the... I don't know what... what you're looking at. But, if you look at... under 1A. The squad cars that you're speaking of would be under that exemption."

Rose: "Is it... are you saying one... one, two? There are several exemptions, what number are you saying applies?"

Gordon, J.: "There's... there is A-G under number 1, A-G are all exemptions. And specifically what you're speaking of would be underneath the exemption."

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Rose: "But, the... but, the... okay. But, aren't you doing then in that case the opposite of what you want to do? Cause then you're saying..."

Gordon, J.: "No, I'm not."

Rose: "...you're buying squad cars from a foreign country."

Gordon, J.: "No, that's not what I'm saying."

Rose: "Cause if they can't buy 100 percent..."

Gordon, J.: "What I'm saying is..."

Rose: "...of one..."

Gordon, J.: "...if they cannot buy them here in the United States. What I understand, hopefully what you understand, is that unfortunately in the United States of America we don't manufacture enough. But, for those citizens that do own manufacturing companies that are located here in the United States we would like to make sure... we would like to send a message from the State of Illinois that we deem you as being highly important and we want to do our business with you first."

Rose: "Yes. And we sent that... we sent that message several years ago here in this state. This is a different message cause you're requiring them to buy... if it... it has to be built 100 percent here. Your exception then says you can go out of country then to buy it if it's not 100 percent manufactured here."

Speaker Turner: "Bring your remarks to a close. Oh, you did. The Gentleman from Knox, Representative Moffitt, for what reason do you rise?"

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Turner: "To the Bill."

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Moffitt: "There've been a lot of very good comments made on this Bill on both sides. But, I think we probably all say that we subscribe to the concept of charity begins at home. I think every chance we get to support jobs in the U.S. that should be our objective. I would assume from the debate the Representative would be receptive to looking at some changes that might need some clarifications. But, certainly the intent is the direction I think we should be going. Last time I traded cars and I bought a Buick Lesabre and a prior speaker said his Buick was, I believe final assembly point was Mexico. I talked to a lot of people, I even talked to UAW, talked to my auto dealer. And that year in 2005 I was told that Buick Lesabre had the highest percentage of American made components and the final assembly point was the U.S. So, I made a personal decision, I was doing all I could to support American made products. I think we all should do that in our individual lives and we probably should.. we should do that as a state as much as we can. The Bill has some safeguards in it, some exceptions. That if it's not available and I believe it says, it's final assembly point is the U.S. is what our objective should be. And I think that should be our goal. So, I think the Representative has got the message that perhaps it needs some modification. But, this still should be the direction that we're trying to go, is to.. to buy more American made products. We should be looking at the best interests of the taxpayers. I come from a rural district and we certainly advocate all the time for our domestic energy supply, bio-fuels and for lots of reasons.

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Cause the profits stay in the U.S. It's a value added here, it benefits our farmers, reduces that dependence on foreign oil. Why should we be supporting industries that are foreign if we can possibly buy more U.S. products. So, I commend the Sponsor for her... for her goal here. And I... I... if it needs some tweaking, fine. But, this still should be our objective. It's not protectionism, we're still trying for the best value for the dollar. But, I can tell you my Buick LeSabre will stand up against and exceed any foreign made car. I'd be happy to compare, let you know, I can't get mid 30's on the highway. It's a... it's a high quality product, made in the U.S. by U.S. labor. That's what we should be about. I think we should vote for this Bill. Sponsor is receptive, I'm sure, to making some changes, if they need to be made, fine. But, let's not ignore that. I'm always advocating for the fire service. We have a lot of Illinois... we have one Illinois manufacture of fire trucks and we have a lot of U.S. made fire trucks. That, again, should be our objective. And that's always what I try to do. So, I think you're on the right track. Listen to maybe some suggestions for some tweaking. But, we still should be encouraging all we can to reduce that dependence on any foreign product if we can get that same quality. And, like I say, my Buick LeSabre, exceeds any foreign made car that I can find. And I supported American labor. I support this Bill."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Tazewell, Representative Sommer, for what reason do you rise?"

Sommer: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Turner: "To the Bill."

Sommer: "How ironic today we debate this Bill, our former colleague, our former United States Senator, our President, is now in London at the G20 Economic Conference, the Summit, addressing the worldwide economy. What if they get this newsflash, Illinois says, 'don't buy from anybody else'? What are those participants think? Is that gonna increase sales of Illinois products around the world. Is that gonna increase the sale of Caterpillar tractors? Of course not. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lang, for what reason do you rise?"

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the Lady's Bill. I think the comments of Representative Moffitt were exactly on target. And to those who want to complain about this Bill being something other than it is, sometimes Ladies and Gentlemen, especially those of you who spoke, sometimes it actually helps to read the Bill. You get a lot of insight about legislation if you actually read it. And I really think that's an appropriate thing for you to do. For those who were complaining about the fact that this Bill says you can't buy foreign products, no it doesn't say that. It says you can't buy foreign products unless you can't get what you need in this country. For those of you who say that the Bill says that we're gonna have to spend more money on other products, no. It says that if the products are cheaper from overseas, you can get those products. There's other safeguards in the Bill. The Chief Procurement Officer has to sign off on the

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certificate. So, there's all sorts of provisions in this Bill that maybe if you read it, if you took the time to read it... I know we don't all read these Bills. But, if you're gonna speak on it, it'd be a good idea to read it. The Lady's got a very good Bill. This is a Bill that will help Illinois industry. This is a Bill that will help Illinois manufacturers. This is a Bill that will help Illinois business. This is a Bill that will put people to work in Illinois. I hear a lot of you talking from time to time about how we're not doing anything to put people to work. This is a Bill that will put Illinoisans to work. This is a Bill that will create jobs in Illinois businesses and create Illinois products to be purchased in the State of Illinois. For those products that can't be purchased in the State of Illinois we've got forty nine other states to chose from. The Lady didn't limit it to Illinois. She didn't limit it to her county, she limited to the United States of America, land that I love. This is where we live. This is the businesses we want to advance. These are the businesses that we want to promote. These are the businesses we want in our country to hire people. And instead of worrying about the companies overseas that don't really care about the State of Illinois, the companies that are actually stealing jobs out of the State of Illinois, that you guys over there want to provide large tax breaks to. I say, let's provide business the opportunity in our country and in our state to sell things to our state so they can hire people from our state. That sound like a bad idea to anyone here? I really can't imagine how anyone can

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vote against this Bill. This is a Bill that promotes business in the State of Illinois. And for this Freshman Legislator to have such an important Bill is a great idea. Representative, I commend you for bringing this Bill to the Floor. And I commend you for actually reading your own Bill, something a lot of people we've heard from today don't spend the time to do. Please vote 'aye'."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman from Cook, Representative Riley, for what reason do you rise?"

Riley: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. Or actually, I guess, to... to some economic history. Often in debate, you know, we bring up sometimes little arcane points that may add to the debate or may retract from it. But, someone said something about the Depression and protectionism. Go back and get a macroeconomic text and I think that you'll see often, you know I know we do in statistics, economists have different points of view. But, somehow I kind of remember back then there was a lot of actions that went on without... that were unfettered by meaningful... meaningful regulation. And so, banks went bankrupt. There was a drop in demands for goods and services, there was high unemployment. And so this sort of bad dance was happening with all of these different macroeconomic factors. Overall in the world there was a decrease for goods and services. I mean, so that's what you had. You know, you didn't have... it wasn't because of protectionism. Go back and read a macroeconomics text."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost, for what reason do you rise?"

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

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Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Bost: "Yeah, I... I just needed to know... just a couple of questions. One, have you been a member of a union before?"

Gordon, J.: "No."

Bost: "Okay. I... I just let you know that I have been a member of the Firefighters Union. And I have a concern that was brought to me. Are you familiar with the NAFTA Opportunity Center?"

Gordon, J.: "I am."

Bost: "Okay. It... did you work while you were at Bradley for the NAFTA Opportunity Center?"

Gordon, J.: "I worked for the small business development center, which is funded by the Department of Labor and the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity."

Bost: "Let me... let me... Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. I have a little concern, you know I... I believe and support our union workers. I believe that we should encourage as much without protectionism as we can. Now... now, this Bill is... it becomes kind of hypocritical. Let me explain to you what NAFTA Opportunity Center says, it says, 'The NAFTA Opportunity Center has helped hundreds of Illinois companies capitalize on the potential of free trade agreement around the world, including state and top jobs, export... export designations to Canada and Mexico'. At the same time carrying a Bill for protectionism, at the same time supporting this before. I... either one or the other. You don't have it both ways. And... and free trade works. And here... here's why. We must make sure that we can go and get the best for our constituents. And we want to make sure

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that we keep our people working, providing them the opportunity that they can provide the best service. And based on the fact that they provide the best service people will buy that quality service and quality product. But, to get up and stand on this floor and carry a Bill like this, to go back to your unions and say, 'see what I did for you'. When the reality is in the long run it could actually hurt them is the worst case of political hogwash that's been going on on this floor. Folks, look at the Bill, look at what it does, look at what it really does. We've started down this path before in thinking that we can protect American jobs by things like this, you can't. All you can do is invest... give the American worker the best opportunity you can and the Illinois worker the best opportunity that they can to compete in a worldwide market. Folks, this doesn't do that. And for someone politically to stand up on the floor and carry a Bill like this so that you can go back to your district and try to cover up something else is just questionable at best."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Gordon to close."

Gordon, J.: "Representative Bost, what was presented to you they were untruths that were spread during a campaign. And the people of my district, over 20,000 of them thought that those were untruths as well and that's why they voted for me."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Bost your name was mentioned in debate."

Bost: "Mr. Speaker, my name was used in debate. Representative, each one of us have had different times

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during our campaigns where we have to answer things. But, when we come on this House Floor and carry Bills in the manner that this Bill is being carried. When we're dealing with the fact that... how hypocritical. Not necessarily of you, but everyone else here that's encouraging this Bill to be brought. When we... when we brag okay and we brag... and if you pick up one of the books that's outside this hall about this chamber, about how this carpet is so wonderful and get it from a foreign country. Because nobody, I guess, in the United States was good enough to make it. But, yet we hand a Freshman a Bill to go back and tout before her district and say, 'see I'm for you union workers, I'm for you'. Well, if you want to be for the union workers make sure that the Bills you vote for on this House provide them with more jobs. This doesn't provide them with more jobs. How do you provide them with more jobs? You allow the opportunity for new companies to come to the State of Illinois. You don't choke out the new companies coming to the State of Illinois that will provide new jobs by trying to raise their taxes. You don't go out and you pass new laws so that new regulations can be placed upon them and pin them down where they can't make any live... make a decent living in the State of Illinois and they have to go to Indiana, Kentucky..."

Speaker Turner: "I'd like to remind the Members that these microphones were Made in America so don't throw them around. Representative Gordon to close. Don't mention any Members names in closing."

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Gordon, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Body. To all of you that have supported this Bill, thank you. To the Representative on the other side of the aisle that understands the magnitude of this Bill and what this will do, not only for my district but for all of your districts. I thank you for considering that today. I would like to urge an 'aye' vote for this Bill. And when you vote on this Bill, please think about your constituents and how they might benefit from passing a Bill such as this. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "So, the question is, 'Shall the House pass House Bill 2369?' All those in favor should vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk shall take the record. On this question there are 73 voting 'aye', 42 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Sullivan, for what reason do you rise?"

Sullivan: "I guess on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "State your point."

Sullivan: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we just debated a very contentious Bill and one of the Gentleman from the other side of the aisle, Mr. Riley, had a discussion in regard to one of my debates. And... and, you know, we can get... we can disagree on certain Bills. But, when you're gonna start challenging some of the comments made by people you should know what you're talking about. Representative Riley,

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Smoot Hawley Tariff Act, and I'm gonna read you straight from Wikipedia. 'In the opinion of most economists the Smoot Hawley Act was a catalyst for the severe reduction of U.S./European trade from as high as 1929'. So if you're gonna attack someone on the floor please know what you're talking about."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black, for what reason do you rise?"

Black: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "State your point, Representative."

Black: "First of all, it's always good to spend part of my afternoon with you. Secondly, I just wanted to make sure that you had not misspoken, I just checked, the microphones are Made in England, not the United States. So... so, I... I agree with what you said, we shouldn't break them because think how long it's gonna take to get a replacement over here on a ship. I... I... I promise you I will never throw my microphone again. I had no idea it was Made in England by occupied English and stamped for use of the Queen and the King, whatever the case may be."

Speaker Turner: "And that's a promise? Okay. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Riley, for what reason do you rise?"

Riley: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "State your point."

Riley: "First of all, and I'm not gonna go back and forth in terms of the Representative that just spoke, but..."

Speaker Turner: "Do me a favor don't..."

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Riley: "...you know, I just want to make a statement. I have taught economics and statistics, I don't know if he has? And.. and that's on record. Second of all, if you've been to any professional organizations when they have their conventions, be it statistics, be it economics, there are divergent points of view about a lot of different subjects. There is no one prevailing point. And that's what the whole idea of peer review and research and collaboration is all about. I do know what I'm talking about and I've taught it, three universities thought I knew what I was talking about. So, if the Representative wants to have a debate he knows where my office is. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "On the Order of Third Readings, page 35, Representative Bill Mitchell, we have House Bill 268. Out of the record. Representative Sacia we have House Bill 3957? Out of the record. Representative Wait we have House Bill 800? Out of the record. Representative Lang we have House Bill 261. This Bill was debated earlier and then taken out of the record. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 261, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Third Reading."

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

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill was thoroughly debated earlier, in fact we were getting ready to close and Mr. Black had a question which I have answered for him. And I would just simply ask for 'aye' votes."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black, for what reason do you rise?"

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Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We've certainly had our difficulties today, but let me just, again, thank the Gentleman for taking the Bill out of the record. We got the question answered, these members would be subject to the annual Compensation Review Board Report. The underlying Bill, any attempt to change what we've had I think is a step in the direction. I intend to support the Gentleman's Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no further questions, the question is, 'Shall the House pass House Bill 261?' All those in favor should vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Rita. The Clerk shall take the record. On this question there are 70 voting 'aye', 45 voting 'no', 0 'presents'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Annazette Collins, House Bill 3795. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3795, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill simply extends the drug court to every judicial court. Right now, we only have it in a certain counties and we want to extend it across the state. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: " Seeing no questions, the question is, 'Shall the House pass House Bill 3795?' All those in favor should vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now

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open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk shall take the record. On this question there are 85 voting 'aye', 30 voting 'no', 0 'presents'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Golar, we have House Bill 655. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 655, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "While we're waiting we're gonna go to the Order of Second Readings and let us get some Bills in position to move for tomorrow. On the Order of Second Readings, Representative Arroyo, we have House Bill 44. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 44, a Bill for an Act concerning public health has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. All Notes have been filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Beiser we have House Bill 878. Out of the record. Representative Collins we have House Bill 2298, it's on Second Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2298, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Collins, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Collins on Amendment #1."

Collins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2298 amends the Juvenile Court Act to establish conditions and factors under which a court may vacate a delinquency finding... a

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finding of delinquency. And so, we amended the Bill to include the States Attorney's concerns about... they wanted to define who a juvenile was... a juvenile delinquent was. And they wanted to find out if the court could see the... see that file. And the answer is yes to both of those questions. So, what... what's happening is that recently... in adult court right now the authority to vacate a finding of guilty upon successful completion of conditions of the order of supervision. The juveniles were awarded that right as well, but in 1982 they took that right away. So, now the Supreme Court said that this discrepancy between the adult and juveniles remedies and urge the Legislature to reexamine the Juvenile Court Act to allow judges to vacate findings of delinquency based on subsequent good behavior. So, we want the... the judges to be able to make... to vacate a finding of guilt. And this is encouraged for the purpose of the juvenile court of individualized decision making and restore the justice. What we want to do is prepare our juveniles to go back into the... back into the community and be able to rectify whatever they did that was wrong. And so we ask for an 'aye' vote on this."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Rose, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Indicates she will."

Rose: "First of all, Representative, I want to commend you for your last Bill. And I know you and I have butted heads at times, probably more often than not, but your last Bill on drug courts was a great thing for the State of Illinois."

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And I want to commend you on your last Bill. That said, I do have some questions about this Bill. Right now, a trial court can only grant supervision in a juvenile case in the absence of an objection by the State's Attorney is that correct?"

Collins: "Yeah."

Rose: "And this would eliminate that? I guess I'm confused because court supervision is inherently with the power of the court to grant. I don't know why or how, quite frankly, we could have ever said they couldn't grant that in the first place? I'm a little con... Annazette, I appreciate what you're... well, I'm a little confused by this because I'm not sure why they can't do this already, if I understand what you're trying to do? It... what you're trying to do is, is that correct to grant court supervision?"

Collins: "No. The... the... we wanted to be able to... to vacate the finding once the judge says. Like so, if... if the kid..."

Rose: "Oh, okay."

Collins: "...comes before the judge and the judge says, you've served your good time, we want the court to be able to say, all right you've completed good time and then now you can go back. And so, they vacate the finding. So, right now... in 82' the juvenile court the judges were able to do that. And then they... they stopped."

Rose: "So, it's not to an initial sentence of court supervision? It's to vacate a prior sentence?"

Collins: "It's upon completion."

Rose: "Okay. Now, what... so, is this for any crime?"

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Speaker Turner: "Representative..."

Collins: "Yes."

Speaker Turner: "Representative..."

Rose: "Well, I don't... I think you have an Amendment, Representative. Mr. Speaker, is there... has the Amendment been attached?"

Collins: "Yes, we are..."

Speaker Turner: "That you're discussing now is the Amendment. That's why I was gonna interject to say..."

Rose: "Yeah, okay."

Speaker Turner: "...are we discussing the Amendment?"

Rose: "Yeah."

Speaker Turner: "And then we can discuss the Bill on Third Reading."

Rose: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I've got a little bit of a cold. So, this Amendment..."

Speaker Turner: "Amendment 1."

Rose: "What... what are you exempting out here?"

Collins: "I'm sorry, could you repeat your question?"

Rose: "Yeah, yes. What are you exempting, Representative, in your Amendment?"

Collins: "We exempting any offenses like murder, any use of a deadly weapon, felony sex offenders... offenses and anything that's not a first time offense. So, this is actually for first time offenders. But, excludes all those things I just read."

Rose: "Can I ask you a question? Let me just ask you a general question about what you're trying to do there because I get your... your Amendments' nature here. But, a juvenile

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delinquency finding... a finding of delinquency that's sealed anyway, if you've served your time what's the point of going back and trying to get court supervision at that point?"

Collins: "Once you complete your supervision..."

Rose: "Right."

Collins: "...you want to vacate the findings because if the juvenile records are sealed in Illinois, maybe, but law enforcements can see them. And then you've got to remember that the States Attorney sends those cases to the federal court once you've reached 17."

Rose: "But, you're vacating the finding, you're not dismissing the case."

Collins: "That's the whole point. So, we want the judge to have that discretion upon completion so that..."

Rose: "To do what?"

Collins: "...so that if somebody asks the kid, have you ever been arrested or do you have a... do you have a charge... have you ever been adjudicated as a delinquent, the kid can say no."

Rose: "Right. But, just... this is what I'm saying, Representative. Just because you vacate a finding, doesn't mean it's gone. You now have to do something with the case, you have to resentence them to court supervision or you have to dismiss the case. You have to put in some kind of final entry. So, when you vacate what is it you're trying to do once it's vacated."

Collins: "When we vacate the finding, the... the juvenile has already served his time so he's finished. Right?"

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Rose: "No. That's what I'm saying. Vacating... you're vacating the entry of judgment, but the case is still open. If what you're trying to do is dismiss the case, slightly different. Which is, I think, what you're trying to do."

Collins: "No. Okay. The kid has completed everything he was supposed to have completed, right?"

Rose: "Right."

Collins: "And now we want the judge to be able to say that we can now vacate the findings, just like in adult court. Now, the judge is now... an *REVIEW* has the authority to vacate... to vacate a finding..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Rose, you'll have to bring your remarks to a close. Again, we're discussing the Amendment you still have time to talk with her about the Bill."

Rose: "Yeah, we'll... we'll talk some more on Third."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no further questions, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2298?' All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Arroyo for what reason do you rise?"

Arroyo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd moved House Bill 44 to Third Reading, I moved the wrong Bill, could you put it back to Second Reading, please?"

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman asks leave to bring House Bill 44 back from Third to Second. And that request will be

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granted. Representative Moffitt we have House Bill 39.
Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 39, a Bill for an Act concerning
public aid has been read a second time previously. No
Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by
Representative Moffitt, has been approved for
consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Knox, Representative
Moffitt."

Moffitt: "This Amendment puts some clarification on the Bill to
make sure that... if the spouse is the caregiver and that the
spouse is qualified to give the care and it would be paid
accordingly. This would provide for a pilot project. With
this Amendment there are no opponents to this Bill. We'll
talk more about the entire Bill when it comes up."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman asks leave to... Gentleman moves for
the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 39. All
those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In
the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the
Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Ryg we have
House Bill 236. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 236, a Bill for an Act concerning
civil law. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative
Ryg, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady from Lake, Representative Ryg."

Ryg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the
House. This Amendment simply provides that when a

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contractor must give an owner written notice of a lien. It clarifies how the notice should be given by requiring notice to be sent via certified mail within ten days after recording."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ryg moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 236. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Bill... the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Poe we have House Bill 617. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 617 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendments 1 and 2, offered by Representative Poe, have both been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Poe on Amendment #1."

Poe: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, this is a Bill that we passed last year and it deals with the Internet games where your children subscribe. And it's to make any mechanisms where we can cancel them. This is just adding that you can do it on the Internet. And the second Amendment would be just to..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Poe moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Mahoney: "Floor Amendment #2."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Poe on Amendment #2."

Poe: "Yeah, this just changes the effective date."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Poe moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Mautino we have House Bill 629. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 629 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Mautino, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Mautino on Amendment #1. Representative Mautino moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Mautino we have House Bill 641. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 641, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman asks leave to bring the Bill back from Third to Second. Mr. Clerk, could you put the Bill on Second Reading and then read the Bill."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 641, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Floor Amendment #1 has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Bureau, Representative Mautino on Amendment #1."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentleman of the House. Floor Amendment #1 reflects an agreement that was made in committee and that the counties and townships would have up to 48 months to match the funds before they lapsed. No opposition."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mautino moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 641. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Feigenholtz we have House Bill 745. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 745, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk... Representative Dugan on House Bill 796. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 796 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Dugan, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady from Kankakee, Representative Dugan on Floor Amendment #2."

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Dugan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, Floor Amendment #2 is the Amendment that we had talked about in committee when we passed this. And what it does is it allows up to 200 percent of poverty, those people can be served with this money. And it also extends the use of the money until all of the federal stimulus money would be used. So, it addresses a concern that was brought up in committee. And it's an agreed to..."

Speaker Turner: "Representative moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 796. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Eddy we have House Bill 942. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 942 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Eddy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Eddy, for what reason... on Amendment #2. Excuse me, Amendment #1."

Eddy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This changes the effective date, the underlying Bill stays the same."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 942. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Poe we have House Bill 998. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 998 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Poe, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Poe."

Poe: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker, this is an Amendment agreed to by the Department of Natural Resources."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 998. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Dugan we have House Bill 1057. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1057 has been read a second time previously."

Speaker Turner: "Take the Bill out of the record. Representative Reitz on House Bill 1087. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1087 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Reitz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Randolph, Representative Reitz on Amendment #1."

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Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm not sure what Amendment #1 does, but it... it's a great Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Reitz moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1087. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Reitz on House Bill 1088. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1088 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1... Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Reitz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Randolph, Representative Reitz."

Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I actually know what this one does, it adds a... it adds a board to the radon... Radon Device Act. And it will set up a board to look at the radon levels throughout the state. Appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Reitz moves for Floor Amendment #1... for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1088. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Feigenholtz... Representative Tryon we have House Bill 1142. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1142 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1... Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Tryon, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Tryon, the Gentleman from McHenry, on Amendment #1."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment just would remove from Manufactured Housing Liability Law here the definition of 'modular homes'. And it will make homebuilders neutral."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Tryon moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1142. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Saviano we have House Bill 1292. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1292 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Coulson, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Coulson on Floor Amendment #2. Representative Coulson moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 1292. All those in favor should say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

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Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Saviano on House Bill 2247. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2247 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Saviano, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Saviano moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 2247. All those in favor should say 'aye'; those all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Cole on House Bill 2285. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2285 has been read a second time previously. Amendment... Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Coulson, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Coulson moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 2285. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Reitz, Dan Reitz, on House Bill 2286. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2286 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Reitz, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Reitz moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 2286. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Miller we have House Bill 2448. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2448 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Miller, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Miller moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 2448. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Leitch we have House Bill 2686. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2686 has been read a second time previous..."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman requests that the Bill be brought back from Third to Second. Request is granted. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Amendments been adopted, we should move the Bill to Third. Third Reading. House Bill 2686 is now on the Order of Third Reading with Floor Amendment #1 adopted. Representative Ryg we have House Bill 3649. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3649 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Ryg, has been approved for consideration. The Lady from Lake, Representative Ryg on Amendment #2."

Ryg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move for adoption of Floor Amendment #2, which was a proposal by the Trial Lawyers to make this an agreed Bill, which would require hospitals to alert the Department of Public Health regarding allegations of abuse of a patient."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ryg moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 3649. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Black we have House Bill 3661. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3661 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Black, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black on Floor Amendment #1."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As requested in committee, Floor Amendment #1 further amends the downstate teacher article of the Illinois Pension Code. It allows for the purchase of two years of credit for employment at the New York School for the Deaf rather than five. And the qualifications for this Bill will only apply to one person,

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as far as we know, in the State of Illinois. And the window to purchase said credit will be twelve months after the effective date of the Bill. Be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Black moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3661. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Tryon we have House Bill 3787. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3787 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Tryon, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Tryon moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3787. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative McCarthy, for what reason do you rise?"

McCarthy: "I just had a point of clarification. That Bill that Representative Black presented, that was on the agreed Bill list. Is the Chair aware of that?"

Speaker Turner: "That's correct."

McCarthy: "Okay."

Speaker Turner: "It needed the Amendment."

McCarthy: "Oh, great. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "That's what makes it agreed. Representative Bellock we have House Bill 4036. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4036 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Bellock, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Bellock moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4036. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Representative... further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Joyce we have House Bill 4046. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4046 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Joyce, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Joyce moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4046. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Feigenholtz we have House Bill 745. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 745, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid..."

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Speaker Turner: "The Lady requests to bring the Bill from Third to Second. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 745, Floor Amendment #1 offered by Representative Feigenholtz has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Feigenholtz on Amendment #1. The Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 745. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Feigenholtz we have House Bill 742. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 7..."

Speaker Turner: "52, I'm sorry."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 752 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Washington, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Washington moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 752. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 3787?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3787 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1 was adopted to the Bill today."

Speaker Turner: "Move that Bill to... read the Bill a Third time or... move the Bill to Third Reading, I'm sorry. Representative Mary Flowers we have House Bill 30. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 30 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk we have House Bill 72. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 72..."

Speaker Turner: "Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 163?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 163 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 174?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 174 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 177?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 174 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 496?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 496 has been read a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Miller, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Miller on Floor Amendment #1. Representative Miller moves that we adopt Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 496. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. House Bill... Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 529?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 529 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. All Notes have been filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 849?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 849 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 852?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 852 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 942? Out of the record. What's the status of House Bill 998? Out of the record. What's the status of House Bill 1034, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1034 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 1150, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1150 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 1188, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1188 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. All Notes have been filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, what's the status of House Bill 1197?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1197 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. House Bill 1202, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 1202 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2263, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2263 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2331, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2331 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2335, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2335 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. House Bill 2352, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill..."

Speaker Turner: "2352."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2352 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2353, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2353 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2388, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2388 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2435, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2435 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2440, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2440 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2610?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2610 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2669?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2669 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3642, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3642 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3676, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3676 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3677?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3677 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3690, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3690 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3705, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3705 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3717, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3717 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3718, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3718 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3746, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3746 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3833, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3833 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. House Bill 3859, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3859 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3885, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3885 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3934, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3934 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "What's the status of House Bill 3934... I should say Third Reading on that last Bill, 3885 move it to Third. What's the status of House Bill 3934, Mr. Clerk? What's the status of House Bill 3981, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3981 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3991, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3991 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 3994, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3994 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of 3997, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 3997 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4008?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4008 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4013?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4013 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4021?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4021 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4027?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4027 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4030?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4030 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4049, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4049 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4054, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4054 has been read a second time previously. No... Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4177, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4177 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "What's the status of House Bill 4180... Third Reading. House Bill 4182, what's the status of that Bill, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4182 has been read a second time previously. No Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 4327?"

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4327 has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. What's the status of House Bill 2325?"

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 2325 has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 was adopted to the Bill. No other Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Lyons, Gentleman from Cook."

Lyons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I ask that the Motion to suspend the posting requirements for House Bill 3874."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Lyons asks leave for the posting requirements on House Bill 3874. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And leave is granted. Representative Franks on House Bill 4078. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 4078, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman asks leave to move the Bill back from Third to Second. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Bill will be moved back at the Sponsor's request to Second. To remind the Members that you should all turn in your purple agreed list sheet to the Clerk today. That purple sheet that was on your desks, you should please turn those in to the Clerk immediately. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Mahoney: "On the Order of House Resolutions is House Resolution 236, offered by Representative D'Amico. House Resolution 237, offered by Representative Flider. House Resolution 238, offered by Representative Miller. House

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Resolution 242, offered by Representative Dunkin. House
Resolution 243, offered by Representative Gordon. House
Resolution 244, offered by Representative Ryg and House
Joint Resolution 41, offered by Representative Hernandez."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Currie moves for the adoption
of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor should say
'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the
Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are
adopted. Representative D'Amico on House Bill 71. Read
the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 71 has been read a second time
previously. Floor Amendments 1 and 2, offered by
Representative D'Amico, have both been approved for
consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. I'm sorry, Representative
D'Amico on Amendment #1."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just would like to adopt
Amendment 1, it's technical in nature and so is Amendment
#2."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor
Amendment #1. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all
those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the
'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1 is adopted. Further
Amendments, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Floor Amendment #2."

Speaker Turner: "Representative D'Amico on Amendment #2."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also would like to adopt
Amendment 2, technical in nature."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative D'Amico moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 71. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. And now, seeing no further business to come before the House, Representative Currie moves that the House stands adjourned until Wednesday, April 1st at the hour of 11 A.M. Allowing Perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House will stand adjourned until Wednesday, April... the Gentleman from Jackson... before we leave, the Lady from Lake, Representative Osmond."

Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Upon convening Session tomorrow, the Republicans will... just one moment. Mr. Speaker, upon correction, the Republican Caucus will convene at 10 tomorrow morning."

Speaker Turner: "Republicans will have a Caucus at 10 A.M., Wednesday, April 1st. The Lady from Cook, Representative Hernandez, for what reason do you rise?"

Hernandez: "Point of personal privilege?"

Speaker Turner: "State your point."

Hernandez: "I... I just want to let the Body know today is *REVIEW* birthday. *REVIEW* was a Mexican-American farm worker, labor leader and civil right activist. I... this evening the Governor is hosting a celebration in honor of his legacy at the Governor's mansion. You are all welcome to attend, 7 o'clock tonight."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you. Representative Beiser for what reason do you rise?"

Beiser: "Purposes of an announcement."

Speaker Turner: "State your announcement."

Beiser: "The Transportation, Regulation, Roads and Bridges Committee meeting for this... after Session has been cancelled."

Speaker Turner: "And Representative Stephens, the Gentleman from Bond, what reason do you rise?"

Stephens: "The Supplemental Calendar #1, Agreed List #2, someone has... I know we have a lot of new Members on your side of the aisle. But, I have a copy of Glen Bradford's list of agreed Bills and he agreed to everything here. And I wondered why the Clerk hadn't picked this up yet?"

Speaker Turner: "You need to turn that in right now, we'd appreciate it. And the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Ramey, for what reason do you rise?"

Ramey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege?"

Speaker Turner: "State your point."

Ramey: "In relations and regards to fabulous jacket, normally I would wear this for the beginning of baseball season, but we will be on vacation next week. So, keep in mind, Ladies and Gentlemen, the great American game starts up Sunday night. St. Louis Cardinals start defending their... or going after that World Series Championship on Monday. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "And one last announcement from the Chair. The pony meeting will be at 9:15 tomorrow in Room 105. Mr. Clerk, Supplemental Calendar #1."

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Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 364, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Horse Racing meeting at 9:15 tomorrow morning. No further announcements, the House will stand adjourned until Wednesday, April 1st at the hour of 11 A.M., allowing Perfunctory time for the Clerk. And the House stands adjourned until Wednesday, April 1st at 11 A.M., allowing Perfunctory time for the Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' Senate Bill 366, Senate Bill 415, Senate Bill 1186, Senate Bill 1197, Senate Bill 1221, Senate Bill 1252; 'do pass Short Debate' House Bill 3874; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 793, House Bill 3854. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' for House Bill 2366. Representative Bradley, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment

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#2 to House Bill 366. Representative Franks, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3653. Representative Holbrook, Chairperson from the Committee on Environment & Energy, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 170, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1869, and Floor Amendment #3 House Bill 4249. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on Business & Occupational Licenses, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4011. Representative Collins, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3217. Representative Jakobsson, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3767. Representative McCarthy, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions, to which the

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following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on March 31, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 3964. The following House Bills will be read for a second time and held on the Order of House Bills Second Reading. House Bill 170, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 366, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 793, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 1869, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 2366, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 3653, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 3767, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 3854, a Bill for an Act concerning economic development. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 3874, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. House Bill 3964, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. The following Senate Bills will be read a second time and held on the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading. Senate Bill 366, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Senate Bill 415, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Senate Bill 1186, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill.

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Senate Bill 1197, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Senate Bill 1221, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Senate Bill 1252, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1425, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 367, offered by Representative Madigan, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 1538, offered by Representative Reitz, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 1549, offered by Representative Mathias, a Bill for an Act to revise the law by combining multiple enactments and making technical corrections. Senate Bill 1552, offered by Representative Froehlich, a Bill for an Act regarding disabled persons. Senate Bill 1555, offered by Representative Franks, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1559, offered by Representative Gordon... House Bill (sic-Senate Bill) 1559, offered by Representative Careen Gordon, a Bill for an Act concerning vehicle identification. Senate Bill 1583, offered by Representative Osmond, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 1586, offered by Representative Jefferson, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."