

STATE OF ILLINOIS
97th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

45th Legislative Day

4/26/2011

Speaker Lyons: "Happy Easter, Illinois. Your House of Representatives will come to order. Members are asked to, please, be at your desks. We shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Paul Meyers who is with the Roscoe United Methodist Church in Roscoe, Illinois. Pastor Meyers is the guest of Representative Dave Winters. Members and guests are asked to please refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones and pagers and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend Paul Meyers."

Reverend Paul Meyers: "Let us pray. Most gracious God, on this afternoon we gather to govern and legislate this great state of ours, and we acknowledge our dependence on You. I thank You for these Your servants, these great men and women who give of themselves for the good and benefit of others, especially for those who are the least fortunate among Your people. Today as they do their work we ask for Your wisdom, Your grace and especially the unity that can only come through Your spirit. Bless and guide us this day for we pray in the peace and the grace of the unconditional love of God, Amen."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Dan Biss, would you please lead us in the Pledge."

Biss - 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, status on the Democrats. Barb."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect the excused absences of Representatives Arroyo, Burns and Mendoza."

Speaker Lyons: "Michael Bost, GOP."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Beaubien, Brauer, Coladipietro, Hammond and Mulligan are excused on the Republican side of the aisle today."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A quick apology, I meant to also say Representative Watson is excused on the Republican side of the aisle."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, take the Roll Call. There's 106 Members answering the Quorum Call, we have a... we have a quorum. We're ready to do the business of the State of Illinois. Representative Crespo, on page 8 of the Calendar, on the Order of Resolutions, you have House Resolution 86. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Fred Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you Speaker and Members of the House. House Resolution 86 proclaims the month of April 2011 and 2012 as Scottish Heritage Month in the State of Illinois. We have a very contingency of... folks from Scottish descent in my community, as well as the mayor. And I'll entertain any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Crespo, I believe there is an Amendment pending on that... on that Resolution? Floor Amendment #2."

Crespo: "Yes. And basically the Amendment does, is, yes, proclaims the... March and April in 2011 and 2012 where as before it did not ascertain which... which years."

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Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's recommendation for the adoption of the Resolution... of the Amendment. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment's adopted. Seeing nothing further, all those in favor of House Resolution 86, as amended, signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 86 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 288, offered by Representative Reboletti. House Resolution 289, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 290, offered by Representative Phelps. House Resolution 291, offered by Representative Cross. And House Resolution 293, offered by Representative Williams."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Mr. Clerk, for announcements. Ladies and Gentlemen, you might want to listen for the committee announcements. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Two committees scheduled for this afternoon have been canceled. The Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education Committee has been canceled. That committee was scheduled for 2 p.m. today. The Appropriation-Elementary & Secondary Education Committee is canceled. And for 3 p.m. today, the Consumer Protection Committee is canceled. The following committees will meet today. At 2 p.m.,

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Agriculture & Conservation will meet in Room 122B, Insurance will meet in Room C-1, Public Utilities will meet in Room 114 and Transportation, Regulation, Roads and Bridges will meet in Room D-1. At 3 p.m. today... at 3 p.m. today, Elections & Campaign Reform will meet in Room 115 and Cities & Villages will meet in Room 122B. A third cancelation has been added. Health Care Availability & Accessibility scheduled to meet at 3 p.m. today has been canceled. So, three committees have been canceled for today. Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education has been canceled. Consumer Protection has been canceled. And Health Care Availability & Accessibility has been canceled."

Speaker Lyons: "And now, with no further business to come before the House of Representatives, Representative Currie moves that we adjourn until the hour of 12 noon tomorrow, Wednesday, April 27. All those in favor to adjourn signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House stands adjourned 'til the hour of 12 noon on Wednesday, April 27. Go Bulls. Go Blackhawks. Have a great evening, everyone."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Dugan, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2011: recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 27; do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 168 and Senate Bill 1703. Representative Beiser, Chairperson from the Committee on

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Transportation, Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2011: recommends be adopted as amended is House Resolution 155. Representative Zalewski, Chairperson from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2011: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 90. Representative Riley, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2011: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1670, Senate Bill 1684; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 26. Referred to the House Committee on Rules is House Resolution 292, offered by Representative William Davis and House Resolution 294, offered by Representative Howard. Introduction and reading of House Bills-First Reading. House Bill 3770, offered by Representative Cross, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Also referred to the House committee on Rules is Senate Joint Resolution #3, offered by Representative William Davis. Senate Bills-First Reading. Senate Bill 150, offered by Representative Cross, a Bill for an Act concerning education, which may be referred to as the Protecting Our Student Athletes Act. Senate Bill 265, offered by Representative Mathias, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Senate Bill 540, offered by Representative Bradley, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 770, offered by Representative Acevedo, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 1150, offered by Representative Verschoore, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 1533, offered by

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Representative Verschoore, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. Senate Bill 1613, offered by Representative Lyons, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 1701, offered by Representative Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law, which may be referred to as the Emergency Medical Services Access Law. Senate Bill 1837, offered by Representative Fortner, a Bill for an Act concerning corrections. Senate Bill 1949, offered by Representative Soto, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Senate Bill 2037, offered by Representative Pihos, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2139, offered by Representative Hatcher, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2190, offered by Representative Dugan, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. And Senate Bill 2288, offered by Representative Deluca, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."