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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4204, offered by Representative Nekritz, a Bill for an Act concerning condominium property. House Bill 4205, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4206, offered by Representative Nekritz, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4207, offered by Representative Fine, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 4208, offered by Representative Fine, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 4209, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 4210, offered by Representative Berrios, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4211, offered by Representative Franks, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law, which may be referred to as the Payment Non-discrimination Act. House Bill 4212, offered by Representative Jefferson, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 4213, offered by Representative Jefferson, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Bill 4214, offered by Representative Cabello, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4215, offered by Representative Hays, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal House Bill 4216, offered by Representative DeLuca, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4217, offered by Representative Riley, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4218, offered by Representative Jakobsson, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. These are referred to the Rules Committee. Introduction,

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First Reading of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #35, offered by Representative Sente.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article IV of the Illinois Constitution by changing Section 6 as follows:

ARTICLE IV

THE LEGISLATURE

SECTION 6. ORGANIZATION

- (a) A majority of the members elected to each house constitutes a quorum.
- (b) On the first day of the January session of the General Assembly in odd-numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from its membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer, and the Governor shall convene the Senate to elect from its membership a President of the Senate as presiding officer. A person may not serve more than a total of 14 years in the office of Speaker of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, or Minority Leader of the Senate. Provided that service before the second Wednesday in January of 2015, shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's service.
- (c) For purposes of powers of appointment conferred by this Constitution, the Minority Leader of each house is a member

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of the numerically strongest political party other than the party to which the Speaker or the President belongs, as the case may be.

(d) Each house shall determine the rules of its proceedings, judge the elections, returns and qualifications of its members and choose its officers. No member shall be expelled by either house, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to that house. A member may be expelled only once for the same offense. Each house may punish by imprisonment any person, not a member, guilty of disrespect to the house by disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its presence. Imprisonment shall not extend beyond twenty-four hours at one time unless the person persists in disorderly or contemptuous behavior.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. This was first reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment number 35. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."