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Speaker Lang: "Good morning. The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Pastor Jason Sprinkel, who is with the Seneca Assembly of God in Seneca. Pastor Sprinkel is the guest of Representative Anthony. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Sprinkel."

Pastor Sprinkel: "Shall we pray? Heavenly Father, I thank You for these stewards of our State Government who have gathered here today. I pray that You would grant them wisdom and grace and strength as they execute their responsibilities. Our state faces a number of real challenges and we ask for Your guiding hand to do what we cannot do. We acknowledge Your ability to move us past our failures, our humanity and our selfish desires. Help us today to lay down our differences. I pray that this Session would be a time of unity, humility and healing. Help us to set aside our own agendas for the greater good of our state. Help us to find creative ways to care for their neglected, to correct wrongs and to lead this great state forward. Keep these men and women safe, bless their families. Through Your strength and guidance we pray, Amen."

Speaker Lang: "We will be led in the Pledge today by Representative Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer - 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 Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please excuse Representatives Bradley, Drury, Jones and Phelps."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Osmond, Pihos, Schmitz and Taylor... I'm sorry, Tryon, I'm reading without glasses, Tryon are excused on the Republican side of the aisle."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. We have 109 Members present and we do have a quorum. The Chair recognizes Mr. Ford for a point of personal privilege."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. I rise for a point of personal privilege and a moment of silence. Today, 46 years ago, the Civil Rights leader, Dr. King, was killed by an assassin bullet in Memphis, Tennessee. And we all know, that the world has changed greatly because of Dr. King's life and death. And so, I ask that we all join together in a moment of silence to commemorate the life and death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Ford. Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Good morning, Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Sandack: "Over my shoulder from, again, the great Village of Downers Grove, are some old friends of mine. Bill and Liz Chalberg and Grace. We give them a nice welcome to Springfield please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to Springfield. Mr. Sandack, do you know anyone who's not from Downers Grove? I see. Mr. Zalewski."

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

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Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Zalewski: "I have a very special guest with me today. Her name is Reese Zalewski. She thought lawmaking on Friday is hard so she's going to help me out and any other Member that needs help voting their switch today."

Speaker Lang: "Happy you're here with us. Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, please."

Bellock: "I have a Page with me today and she's from Villa Park, Illinois. And her name is Katie Karcz. I'd like everybody to welcome her, please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thanks for being with us. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 750, offered by Representative Pritchard. House Resolution 975, offered by Representative Costello. House Resolution 977, offered by Representative Dunkin. House Resolution 978, offered by Representative Dunkin. House Resolution 981, offered by Representative Bellock. House Resolution 982, offered by Representative Bellock. House Resolution 983, offered by Representative Bellock. And House Resolution 985, offered by Representative Martwick."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Feigenholtz, Chairperson from the Committee on Adoption Reform reports the

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following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5949. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5593. Representative Hernandez, Chairperson from the Committee on Consumer Protection reports the following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5657. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary reports the following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3744, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4080, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4083, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4094, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4157, Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4496. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 2544, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4021, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4033, Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4495, Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 5852. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on April 03, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4995, Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5892. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 976, offered by Representative Costello. House Resolution 980, offered by Representative Nekritz. And House Resolution 981,

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offered by Representative Cross. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Members that have Bills on their next priority that might be on Second Reading might be interested to come to the floor. We have a few of you that are not here. Those who are here, we'll try to take care of you. House Bill 5666, Mr. DeLuca. Out of the record. House Bill 5709, Mr. DeLuca. Out of the record. House Bill 4266, Representative Moeller. Do you wish to move this Bill to Third Reading? Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4266, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Hoffman, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Is Mr. Hoffman in the chamber? Out of the record. House Bill 4327, Greg Harris. Out of the record. House Bill 4576, Representative Lilly. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4576, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 5290, Mr. Franks. Mr. Franks. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5290, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4538, Representative Nekritz. Please... What signal is that, Representative? Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4538, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4237, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4237, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia on the Amendment. Representative Chapa LaVia on the Amendment."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. House Amendment #1 becomes the Bill. And it removes a charter's ability to appeal a decision of a local school board to deny, revoke or to renew a charter school. So, this would remain local decision within that school board and the taxpayers and whether they want a charter or they don't want a charter. Take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 5696, Mr. Poe. Mr. Poe. Ray Poe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5696, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill."

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 5967, Mr. Sosnowski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5967, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Proceeding down the Order of Third Readings on Bills that are ready to go, Ladies and Gentlemen, first Bill I have on my list is House Bill 4422, Mr. Jefferson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4422, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Jefferson."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the General Assembly. This Bill simply allows the Secretary of State the ability to reach out to people that might have been punished in a different area, as it relates to the military, to be able to suspend... to revoke their license whenever necessary. There's no opposition to the Bill. And I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Cavaletto, Costello, Leitch, Moeller. Please record yourselves, Members. It's Friday. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4205, Representative Moeller. Please read

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the Bill. Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 5922, Mr. Sims. Mr. Sims. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5922, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sims."

Sims: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 59... 5922 is an initiative of the Chicago Transit Authority. Essentially the Bill... what the Bill does, it amends the Criminal Code by providing that an individual who's found guilty of criminal trespass on state-supported or CTA- or RTA-supported land, be found guilty of a misdemeanor... a Class A misdemeanor for the first offense and a Class 4 felony for the second or subsequent offenses. I'd be happy to answer any questions. I ask for its passage."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Davis, Kay. Mr. Davis. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5416, Mr. Brady. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5416, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brady. You can do it with your coat off, Sir."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker..."

Speaker Lang: "Off, on. We don't care."

Brady: "Well, in your... in your distinct privilege in allowing me to do the Bill, I thought I'd dress up today for you."

Speaker Lang: "That's nice, Sir."

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Brady: "Thank you. It's kind of like a special day at school or something. Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 5416 seeks to increase the penalties for a failure to yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle or other law enforcement vehicles, commonly known as Scott's Law. Seeks to change from a business offense to a Class 4 felony. And in addition, suspension of a person's license for two years if the individual driver has caused death to a first responder. This particular piece of legislation enhancing the penalty in the Scott's Law unfortunately comes from a incident and horrific accident in my district where a volunteer and full-time Bloomington fireman was killed at a traffic accident when an individual was not yielding as Scott's Law prescribes. If my state's attorney were here, which he was in committee, indicated that after the process of prosecution, it would have been much easier had this particular Section within Scott's Law existed instead of trying to go the route of reckless homicide. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Smith. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4769, Mr. Beiser. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4769, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Beiser."

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Beiser: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. 4769 basically does two things. It says that the surety on a bond by a... for a public construction, at... for a public construction project... it's said now... it says shall be licensed or... we're saying is has to be licensed by the Department of Insurance. Currently, it doesn't say that. It says has the certificate of authority. There is nothing, so we said... we have to change it to licensed by the Department of Insurance. And also, it adds Moody's Investors Service, Standard and Poor's, and A.M. Best as rating agencies that would be A- or better, which would be still an excellent-rated bond for these surety on these construction projects."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I just want to thank the Sponsor. He made a couple of Amendments after coming to our committee to include, besides Moody's, Standard and Poor's and others so we could have other groupings to... we could determine our basis. So, I think it makes perfect sense and I stand and rise to the Gentleman's Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman yields."

Davidsmeyer: "I meant to grab you before we ran this Bill. What... what's the genesis of this Bill?"

Beiser: "This came from IMSA, the Illinois Mechanical and Specialty Contractors, because of those two things. Like... like I said, it, currently, it says it has to have a certificate of authority by the Department of Insurance. There is no such beast. So, we put licensed by the Department

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of Insurance for these bonds and these bond rating agencies. And then we added the... as Chairman Franks said, the A.M. Best, Moody's and Standard and Poor's to be the rating agencies 'cause we want to make sure that these things are rated excellent or better..."

Davidsmeyer: "Yeah."

Beiser: "...and by all the rating agencies. And we... then this technical Amendment will make it compliant with statute."

Davidsmeyer: "So... so, has this been a problem in the past with people getting bonds from companies that are less than A, A-rated?"

Beiser: "Well, they... what I'm told by IMSA is that, yeah, there has been situations where surety bonds have been secured by these local entities and when they... if something happened... would happen that they had to rely on those bonds, that those bonds were not of the quality that they thought and then obviously, the taxpayers are on the hook for that. So, this is trying to bring it all into play. And so we've got the... the highest rated, or the, you know, a very high-rated bond for these projects so we can safe... have safety for the taxpayer dollars."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. Thank you."

Beiser: "You're welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Beiser to close."

Beiser: "I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Davis, Hoffman, McAsey. McAsey. Please take the record. On this question,

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there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4762, Mr. Costello. Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4762, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. This is the noxious weed law, and yes, I am running it and not Leader Lang. It's an initiative of the Department Of Agriculture. Helps the department address an issue that they have with audit findings. It changes shall to may in the noxious weed law and makes counties' noxious weed laws voluntary rather than mandatory. Lastly, the Department of Agriculture currently has no way of enforcing this law, so this truly makes sense. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes, 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5686, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5686, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is cleanup legislation for short-term guardianships. It gives the short-term guardian, appointed by a parent, legal

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standing should somebody else assert guardianship rights. Secondly, it says if the guardian takes the child outside of Illinois for any extended parent... period, then the parent needs to be notified. I know of no opposition. And I'd appreciate your sympathy vote for passage of House Bill 5686."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, could you repeat that? None of us heard you. Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "I... No..."

Sandack: "If she's capable of it..."

Speaker Lang: "...she won't yield. Yes. Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "It's just a real technical question. Was the first Amendment adopted on this Bill?"

Currie: "Yes. I'm sorry..."

Sandack: "Amendment 1?"

Currie: "No. No. There was a second Amendment that was adopted that we discussed in Judiciary Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, can you straighten this out for us?"

Clerk Bolin: "For House Bill 5686, only one Amendment has been adopted. That is Floor Amendment #2."

Sandack: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Does that complete your remark, Sir?"

Sandack: "I don't want her talking."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Zalewski. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5872, Mr. D'Amico. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5872, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. D'Amico."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5872 creates a Blue Star license plates for family members that... that have people serving in our... in the war right now and it lets them get a license plate for their spouse, parent or siblings."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Franks, Jakobsson, Mayfield. Mr. Franks. Please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5895, Mr. Brady. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5895, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brady."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I would have left my coat on had I only known. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 5895 seeks to create a nighttime permit process for persons using vision aid glasses, better known as bioptic lenses. This particular Bill was brought to me by a constituent who has gone through the process with the bioptic lenses. And there's no specific process for training that is presently set up to prepare the individuals. It's a Bill that I've worked on with the constituent as well as the Secretary of State's Office. And the Illinois Optomic... Optometrist

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Association are supporters of it. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Representative, I'm not sure I totally understand the reason. Is this... the reason for this Bill, is this to exempt people from taking a nighttime test?"

Brady: "No. It's to create a process that doesn't exist presently thoroughly enough to allow them training prior to taking that test."

Franks: "Training for who?"

Brady: "For the individuals that will eventually take the test. The bioptic individuals wearing the bioptics."

Franks: "All right. So, these are folks who have special needs and this would help train them to be able to take the test so they'd be able to be dri... be able to drive and get a restricted driving permit for the... for evening hours?"

Brady: "It... it would help them to practice and have... have a specific test of driving with the Secretary of State's Office's Amendment to this Bill that I... that I wish they'd put on the Bill which doesn't exist, as my understanding, right now. And then it would allow them better training to prepare for taking the actual test itself."

Franks: "I see. So, it's not a waiver, it's just helping..."

Brady: "No."

Franks: "...them to prepare for a test."

Brady: "It's... it's really more an enhancement of training for them, the way we have it written. This Bill will also then

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dovetail into another piece of legislation I have and that is once the individual receives the test and is certified, instead of having to do it once every year, would do it once every 48 months and every year would have to have permission of the ophthalmologist to the Secretary of State's Office that their vision has not deteriorated at all. And that... that's a separate Bill."

Franks: "Okay."

Brady: "This one's first, about the training side of it."

Franks: "Okay. Is... are there any concerns for safety by law enforcement or any... or anyone on this?"

Brady: "I haven't... it's a pretty strict process. It's spelled out in... in the legislation. I've not heard from any other law enforcement. As I said, I did work with Secretary of State's Office, who had an Amendment they wanted on to the Bill, which was adopted in committee, to strengthen things a little bit for them. They have an ongoing process. This is just enhancing the process they presently have."

Franks: "Okay. Well, it seems to make sense because we're not necessarily giving a license, it's just helping prepare for the training in order to go forward for... to get a permit."

Brady: "For special... specialized permit. That's correct."

Franks: "All right. Thank you."

Brady: "Yes."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby

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declared passed. House Bill 5522, Mr. Dunkin. Out of the record. House Bill 5410, Representative Gabel. Representative Gabel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5410, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gabel."

Gabel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is sponsored by Illinois Department of Public Health. It enhances the current Act of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Act by providing some mandatory language to address inconsistencies with federal regulations and provides just some clarification by eliminating outdated and inconsistent language. This is necessary because the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says that we need to have this mandatory language or they could strip our funding. I appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Gordon. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4329, Mr. Franks. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4329, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to thank Mr. Moffitt for helping me on this Bill and coming up with the suggestion for the Amendment which was adopted. And what this would do would be to reduce the fees for those... those of our senior citizens

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who are 75 years old when they're hunting and fishing and the reason we... we reduced the fees, but DNR's on board now because they'll still get a federal match because our seniors will be paying a dollar. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to also thank Representative Franks for his adjustment... the Amendment on this. What he is doing now saved the state a lot of money, or they're going to be able to capture the federal match and yet help those in most need of a reduced fee on their license. So, it's really in effect becomes income-indexed, which is a good way rather than everyone getting a free license or the down to a dollar, but it saves the state money. We'll keep getting a federal revenue and help some seniors that... that really deserve the help. So, thanks there, Representative Franks."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Bost: "Representative, right now all... we license fishing, hunting, but we also have Waterfowl Stamps. There's a Federal Waterfowl Stamp as well. Does this... I mean, obviously, the Federal Government, they charge anyone no matter eve... of the age, but what does this do to all of our fees? Does it just drop it to a dollar or how does that work?"

Franks: "It's what... for those... it's only for people are age 75 and older who are enrolled in the Benefit Access Program with the Department of Aging. So, it's basically folks on Circuit Breaker who are on fixed income."

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Bost: "Right."

Franks: "And the reason I... my original Bill was to have it free for people on a fixed income, 'cause they pay for 50 or 60 years and at this point, they've paid enough. But DNR's problem with it was they said, you know, Franks, if you do that, we can't get the federal match. If you charge them anything, then we can get the federal dollars."

Bost: "Okay."

Franks: "So, we're still going to leverage all those federal dollars. We won't give up any of them. We'll only give up a few state dollars. So, they're on board now."

Bost: "So... so, but when we start talking about the license or this will be for everything except the Federal Migratory Bird Stamp, 'cause we can't... we..."

Franks: "Right."

Bost: "...that's through the feds. So, everything else..."

Franks: "Right. We get the State Migratory Waterfowl."

Bost: "Right. The only thing they'd have to pay for is that... All right. Well, that's not true. They're going to pay one dollar for everything."

Franks: "Exactly."

Bost: "Okay. That's all I need to know. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, I think you made a statement which I want to clarify. Your initial Bill... what did your initial Bill do?"

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Franks: "My initial Bill said anyone over 75 wouldn't have to pay."

Harris, D.: "Right. So, there was no income limitation on..."

Franks: "Right. And this..."

Harris, D.: "...on your initial Bill, correct?"

Franks: "...and this has a... and I was explaining to Mr. Bost that it does now because it's based on folks who are on Circuit Breaker."

Harris, D.: "Right. So, this is more... now a bit of a class warfare kind of Bill. So, if I'm 75 years of age or older and I happen to have an income greater than \$27,600, I can't take advantage of this Bill. Even though your initial intent was to grant me that... that benefit, which I now cannot enjoy, correct?"

Franks: "Absolutely. And there's a red line for a lot of folks. And people who make over 27 thousand can't get cheaper prescription drugs and can't get cheaper license plates and don't get breaks on their property taxes either. I would have liked to have had it more expanded, but you know, oftentimes getting things done here, you have to compromise. So, that's... I think this is a very good compromise."

Harris, D.: "Thank you very much."

Franks: "And if you need some help, I'll... I'll buy your stamp for you, General."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sponsor yield briefly?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, W.: "Representative, does this cost the state money?"

Franks: "Yes, it will."

Davis, W.: "How much?"

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Franks: "They didn't give me a... under the original Bill, it would have cost, I think, around \$90 thousand a year. Then they were worried about the match. Hold on. Let me find my notes on it. But now, they said it's very minimal because the big problem was the match, federally. Originally, here, I find my notes... I think it was like \$96 thousand a year, but now, it's not going to happen because they were worried about the federal match portion of it. And they said it's a minimal cost to the state."

Davis, W.: "So... so, regardless of what the state loses or would have lost, there was a federal match involved. So, the state will still get the federal match, which will..."

Franks: "Yeah. That's why we have to charge the dollar, because they couldn't get the match without them being charged something."

Davis, W.: "Without being charged something."

Franks: "Right."

Davis, W.: "So, this is geared at older residents?"

Franks: "Older residents on a fixed income who would be Circuit Breaker recipients."

Davis, W.: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd just like make a point to the Body. I think if you look at mortality tables, the average man lives to about 76 years old. The average woman about 78. So, I mean, we're talking about people that have paid, maybe 50 or 60 years into the system to hunt and fish. And... and we're really talking about this reduced fee probably for maybe a year of two of a man's life, and maybe three or four years

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of a woman's life, on average. Thank you. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks to close."

Franks: "I appreciate the questions on this. I think this is a commonsense thing we can do for our seniors on a fixed income. People who have paid into the system for a long time, they deserve a break. This is some small modicum so people could enjoy their golden years and get out there and hunt and fish. And we want to encourage that. So, I would encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3924, Mr. Mautino. Mr. Mautino. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3924, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This is the extension of the City of Ottawa's TIF. All the letters have been received. The Comptroller's Office regards that the annual reports for the TIF have been turned in and it's in order. And I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Will Davis. Please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no'. And this

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Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3798, Mr. Mautino. On the order of Mautino. It's your turn, Sir. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3798, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you. This... this Bill exempts the local worst... workforce investment boards from... from the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, as far as meeting to get their quorums. What has happened is, a few years ago we consolidated all the workforce investment boards, so they span a tremendous amount of area, 45 hundred to 5 thousand miles. The boards contain in my area, specifically, 42 board members. And it's tough to get a quorum. So, what this would do, is would allow them to meet at the community colleges and use the video systems that are set up to conduct their meetings and get a quorum. I know of no opposition and would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Cavaletto, Kay, Unes. Mr. Unes. Mr. Cavaletto. Please take the record. On this question, there are 82 voting 'yes', 27 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5475, Mr. Cabello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5475, a Bill for an Act concerning vehicles. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Cabello."

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Cabello: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is another license plate, but this one is a little bit different. This one is honoring our Gold Star members and their families. This license plate will add sons and daughters to our fallen heroes. I humbly ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4557, Mr. Verschoore. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4557, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Verschoore."

Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Secretary of State. At the present time, they... the people... the employees that park their cars, there's a \$20 charge for that. And the revenue from that, 80 percent of it goes to the state... or to the Governor's Office and the other 20 percent goes to the Secretary of State. What they're asking is for the hundred percent to come to the Secretary of State so they can use it for repairing parking lots and different things around the Capitol. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To... to the Bill. I want to know... I met with the Secretary of State's Office after, we had a lot of conversation in committee about this, on whether the bonds would have been affected and whether they had been paid off. And when I met with them and they said it's not an issue

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at all, they have been paid. So, this will not have a bond impact, which was a big issue that we had heard in committee. So, I wanted people to be aware of that. It's not reflective in our analysis, so I want to make sure that's very clear. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Anthony, Pritchard, Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1322, Mr. Hoffman. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1322, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "My computer's not..."

Speaker Lang: "Your computer's not on, Sir? You don't have your Bill memorized? Want to give it a shot? Steal Mr. Harris's computer."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill, as amended, is an initiative of the... would amend the Emergency Medical Services Act by adding rehabilitation hospitals and psychiatric hospitals to a list of entities that are not required to provide hospital emergency services. The Amendment is a gut and replace Amendment that's exactly the same... contains all the language contained in House Amendment #1, adds new provisions regarding rehabilitation hospitals that do not have emergency rooms. I ask for a favorable Roll Call."

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Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Representative, my analysis says that SB628 was a previous incarnation of this Bill and it failed in the House. Has anything changed from your Bill to what was previously brought here?"

Hoffman: "Take this out of the record."

Speaker Lang: "You're sure now? Take the Bill out of the record. Mr. Clerk. House Bill 4786, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 4056, Mr. Jackson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4056, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Jackson."

Jackson: "Thank you, Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, House Bill 4056 is an initiative of the Department of Agriculture and amends the Pseudorabies Advisory Committee. The state has been disease-free since 2002, and currently this advisory committee isn't needed. House Bill 4056 changes the committee by saying upon detection of pseudorabies with the state, the committee will meet and the members will only serve during the duration of the outbreak. By making these changes, we're avoiding a potential audit finding and keeping the committee on the books, in case there is ever an outbreak in the future. I would answer any questions and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill,

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having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2341, Representative Jakobsson. Out of the record. House Bill 4225, Representative Jakobsson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4225, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jakobsson."

Jakobsson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 4225 amends the Private College Act and the Academic Degree Act. Provides any employment data that a postsecondary educational institution and degree-granting institution report to the Board of Higher Education that they report in these ways. Reporting the recent graduate employment, this all has to do with how they report their graduates who are employed. Employment lasting fewer than three months, employment lasting three months or more, recent graduate employment of graduates who are employed on a permanent basis, employment data from its off-campus located within the state and any other campuses located outside the territorial boundaries of the state. There's no opposition to this Bill. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Our analysis says that if you do not follow these, this compliance, then private colleges only will have revocation of their certificate of approval. Is that true? So that it's only related to private colleges who don't follow these rules?"

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Jakobsson: "This applies to all the colleges and universities except the nine publics."

Ives: "Except for the nine publics?"

Jakobsson: "Yes."

Ives: "So, the nine publics, do they have a different reporting standard or something that's more, I guess, more comprehensive or less comprehensive or do they report any of this at all? 'Cause this is billed as a Consumer Protection Act and if it only applies to private universities and not the publics, I'm a little bit concerned."

Jakobsson: "It's to make sure that they're reporting re... information includes the people who are being placed in three-month positions or three or more month positions. And then as it says, employed on a permanent basis and within the state and without... outside of the state."

Ives: "But this only applies to private colleges, is that correct?"

Jakobsson: "It amends both Acts, the Private College Act and the Academic Degree Act."

Ives: "So, does this apply to the public universities in Illinois as well? Do they have the same reporting requirements and are they also then subject to revocation of their certificate of approval if they don't comply?"

Jakobsson: "I... I'll get the answer to that. So, maybe we can come..."

Ives: "Can... can we pull this from the record then until we get the right answer on that."

Jakobsson: "Yes. Please."

Ives: "Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "We'll come back to it, Representative. So, 4225 is out of the record. The next Bill is House Bill 5735, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5735, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is an initiative of the Attorney General's Bill. It is an agreed Bill. It basically establishes a task force to provide for discussion of whether home repair contractors should or should not be licensed. I know of no opposition and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in fav... excuse me. Mr. Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Lang: "The Sponsor yields."

Davidsmeyer: "What... how is this task force... what... who... who will be on this task force?"

Williams: "Well, it's all in the language of the Bill, but I'll be happy to go through it."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you."

Williams: "Basically, it will include one member of each of the four legislative caucuses appointed by the respective caucus leader. There's quite a few members. Would you like me to read them individually?"

Davidsmeyer: "Yes, please."

Williams: "All right. One member appointed by the Governor. One member representing DFPR appointed by the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation. One member representing the home repair industry appointed by the Attorney General, although that was modified in Amendment,

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so... the Amendment increased the number of members of the task force to 18. So, we upped the number of members in the home repair industry to two. And those two members are appointed by an association representing the interest of the home repair industry, not the Attorney General. In the Amendment we also increased the number of members representing the home builders industry for two... from two up to one, and that's the home builders will appoint those. Back to the list. One member representing the retail merchants that some con... subcontract with home repair industry and construction industry members, one member representing the homeowners' insurance industry, one member representing unions with members in the home repair and construction industry, one member representing the interests of Illinois municipalities, one member representing the interests of Illinois counties, one member appointed by the City of Chicago, Commissioner of Human Service... Consumer Services, and one member appointed by the AG who is designated to be the chair. And again, this was agreed. We worked on an Amendment with the home builders as well. So, I know of no opposition."

Daidsmeyer: "What... what is the... what's the genesis of this? Where... where'd this come from?"

Williams: "This is a initiative of the Attorney General's Office. And this is in response to a number of complaints they've received. You may recall, a couple of years ago, I'm not sure if you were here, there was a lot of concern about what we use to call storm chasers."

Daidsmeyer: "Yeah."

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Williams: "So, the insurance industry partnered with some of the consumer advocates to create a list of protections for consumers in the wake of storms or natural disasters. 'Cause what would happen is, companies would come in, fly-by-night companies, provide estimates that were unfair, not conduct the work thoroughly. So, the legitimate construction industry, and then, you know, the viable contractors were happy to see us chase the bad guys out of the state, so that's what we tried to do. And this is just a follow-up on all of that."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. And did you say there were 18 members total?"

Williams: "Yes. The Amendment changes the number of members to 18 and there, of course, is no compensation associated with the task force."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. And we pass a number of task forces out of here. How many of these task forces are still awaiting people to be assigned to them?"

Williams: "You know, I don't know..."

Davidsmeyer: "Do you know?"

Williams: "...the answer to that question. As you know, the genesis of the various task force Bills comes from many different entities. You know, this is, I think, a report... requires a report to be done. Really, it's to address the issue of whether we need to do more. The Attorney General does receive a lot of complaints. The storm chasers Bill, which again, was supported both by the insurance industry and the consumer groups that we did a couple years ago has resulted in... in fewer complaints and this is just kind of a, you know, a bookend..."

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Daidsmeyer: "Yeah."

Williams: "...to that piece of legislation to ensure that we've covered... covered the needs of the consumers and the construction industry as well."

Daidsmeyer: "And... and I understand you're trying to take in everybody from a number of areas of different industry..."

Williams: "There's... yes, there's an array..."

Daidsmeyer: "...so..."

Williams: "...of representation on the task force."

Daidsmeyer: "My concern with a large task force like this is that nobody ever gets appointed, nothing ever gets done."

Williams: "Well, in..."

Daidsmeyer: "Is... is there a date that they have to be appointed..."

Williams: "Let me check on that."

Daidsmeyer: "...and move forward?"

Williams: "In my experience with the at... I formerly worked for the Attorney General. In my experience, they take these sort of task forces very seriously. It's not just for show. They really want to kind of get into the heart of the issue. So, I'm confident they will appoint in a timely manner."

Daidsmeyer: "Okay. So, this is a consumer protection effort, then?"

Williams: "You know, it's a joint consumer protection effort, advanced by both the home builders and the Attorney General. Obviously, the home builders are as interested as the Attorney General in ensuring that customers and consumers are protected and provided the services they need as well."

Daidsmeyer: "This isn't an attack on... on the home builders; this is an effort to weed out bad actors."

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Williams: "Exactly. And again, it's kind of a follow-up on the storm chasers initiative, the crackdown on the fly-by-night contractors that would zip in and out of town in the wake of a natural disaster and people would end up with faulty repairs, paying way too much for... not work... work not done at all after they'd make a deposit. So, that was kind of the first step toward regulation that was supported, again, by industry as well as consumer advocates. This is kind of just a follow on to review everything and see where we're at."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you very much."

Williams: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams to close."

Williams: "Would appreciate an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Acevedo, Representative Kosel. Please take the record. On this question, there are 79 voting 'yes', 30 voting... sorry, 80 voting 'yes', 29 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Mr. Walsh."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Walsh: "I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome the seventh-grade class from my hometown school of Elwood. And in that class are two of my nephews, Aidan and Jacob, who are right in the center there on my right hand side. Please welcome them to Springfield."

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Speaker Lang: "Thank you for being with us today. Mr. Brauer."

Brauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Rise to a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Brauer: "On the Democratic side, we have the Riverton Elementary fourth grade. They are here to see the Capitol and the Lincoln sites today. Let's give them a Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Good morning. Thank you for being here. House Bill 5893, it's Leader Durkin's Bill to be handled by Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5893, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 5893 adds fire protection districts to the list of taxing districts that must be notified when the application for property tax exemption with a value of over \$100 thousand. That is the case in all one hun... in 101 of the 200, excuse me. In the... That is the case in 101 of the 102 counties in the State of Illinois. Cook County doesn't do that right now. This would bring Cook County into the mix. It is agreed to by Cook County and I know of no opposition. And I ask a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Gordon. Please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House

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Bill 4245, Representative Monique Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4245, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis."

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that passed the House last year and got stuck in the Senate. But it's a Bill that says that a judge has the prerogative of allowing a first time offender without any criminal background released on his or her own recognizance. I think most of us know that there are people who have jobs at Walmart, Walgreens or some of the big box stores who may get into some kind of a little disagreement or tussle and they may be arrested but it isn't something that a judge will sentence them for and many of them languish in jail for long periods of time because they cannot pay the bail. And judges already have this discretion and we're really reinforcing what they already have an obligation to do. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Zalewski: "Representative, we... you and I have talked about this Bill before and the concern I have in this Bill is that your Bill is... is a... isn't mandating release; whereas, I... I think, one way that we do it in juvenile court is setting up a series of factors and allowing the judge, if all those factors and criteria are met, to..."

Davis, M.: "It is not mandating release. It says a judge, a court 'may' allow a person."

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Zalewski: "The... the language I see on... on the line 11 says the court 'shall' order him or her released on his own recognizance. Unless there's an Amendment I'm not aware of."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti. Excuse me, excuse me. I interrupted debate. Please proceed."

Davis, M.: "I'm sorry."

Zalewski: "My question, Monique, was on line 11. The language says 'shall' order."

Davis, M.: "Yeah. I understand that. That is correct."

Zalewski: "So, I guess, would you be open to pulling this Bill from the record and considering an Amendment?"

Davis, M.: "Even though the Bill says 'shall' if a judge feels that it is necessary to hold that inmate or what have you with a bail amount, then he has a right to do that. It doesn't deny the judge that right."

Zalewski: "Okay. I'll continue to listen to debate, Monique."

Davis, M.: "It creates a presumption of innocence. No. I'm sorry. It creates a presumption of... I don't know what she's saying."

Zalewski: "I know what she said."

Davis, M.: "A not... a non... right."

Zalewski: "I know what she said."

Davis, M.: "A non... do you? Okay. A nonviolent offender can be released, but if a judge still believes that he may be a danger or not show back up to court, the judge has the... certainly the discretion of... of maintaining that person in jail or prison."

Zalewski: "Okay."

Davis, M.: "But as you know, Mr. Zalewski, our prison, our jail is overcrowded. It is..."

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Zalewski: "No, I agree, Representative..."

Davis, M.: "...extremely overcrowded."

Zalewski: "And... and I filed House Bill 3772 and I... I'm with you on this concept. I'm just a little nervous about the language. But I'm going to continue to listen to debate. Thank you."

Davis, M.: "Well, thank you, Mr. Zalewski. And after the Bill passes, which I hope it will, and you still feel it needs changing, we can certainly work on that in the Senate."

Zalewski: "Okay. Sounds good to me."

Davis, M.: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative, what would the point be for somebody to go to a bail hearing if they're going to be released on their own recognizance?"

Davis, M.: "What would the point be?"

Reboletti: "Right. So, if you're... if you're in a... you're a drug dealer and you are driving a semi full of heroin into the city, that's a nonviolent offense."

Davis, M.: "No. It is not a nonviolent..."

Reboletti: "Yes, it is a nonviolent offense pursuant to statute, Representative. It is."

Davis, M.: "Well, it is not the kind of crime where a judge would release this person on his or her own recognizance."

Reboletti: "Your Bill says..."

Davis, M.: "Because they would be lease likely to show back up."

Reboletti: "...it 'shall'."

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Davis, M.: "If I'm arrested for driving heroin or whatever, I would be least likely to show back up to court if I'm released without bail."

Reboletti: "What about burglary, Representative? That's a nonviolent offense. Should they get a... basically an I bond for a burglary charge?"

Davis, M.: "The judge can look and read the crime and he can decide if that person should be released with bail or without bail. The judge has the right to do that. He has a discretion to do that."

Reboletti: "Representative, there's about 26 different provisions in the bail statute that already allows the courts to make this determination. How does this change anything?"

Davis, M.: "I didn't hear your question."

Reboletti: "I said there's already about 25 or 26 provisions on which the court can review to make a determination if somebody should get bail. How does..."

Davis, M.: "Let me ask... let me ask this."

Reboletti: "...change anything?"

Davis, M.: "Why do you think the Cook County jail is overcrowded?"

Reboletti: "It's not overcrowded, Representative. I already had a conversation with people..."

Davis, M.: "So, President Preckwinkle is wrong? Cook County President Pre..."

Reboletti: "Rep... Sheriff Dart is wrong."

Davis, M.: "Representative, do you know..."

Reboletti: "...do you know what the population of the... of the Cook County jail is today? Do you know what it is?"

Davis, M.: "No, I don't. All I know is..."

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Reboletti: "Then how do you know if it's overcrowded or not?"

Davis, M.: "All I know is they are crying about releasing nonviolent criminals who usually are released by the judge and not even, you know, charged with any sentencing, but they're languishing in jail because they don't have the bail money. Now, you and I... you and I..."

Reboletti: "Rep... Representative, that... what a simplistic view that the jail is full of people that just simply can't get out because their attorneys aren't doing their job, the states not doing their job, and the judges aren't doing their job."

Davis, M.: "Most of them don't have attorneys because they can't afford them."

Reboletti: "They all have attorneys, Representative."

Davis, M.: "Well, they have someone who represents them, who is assigned by the court, but usually that person has a docket that's quite full and they don't have time to continue on certain cases and these people languish in jail. I'm sure you've read the paper where the newspaper shows that people are kept incarcerated because they couldn't pay the bail money. Judge Evans has said they should... some should be released."

Reboletti: "Then Judge Evans should speak to his associate judges and have a conversation about..."

Davis, M.: "Well, that's why I want to..."

Reboletti: "...what the appropriate bail should be."

Davis, M.: "That's why I want to pass this Bill, so they know that it's perfectly all right if a judge decides that they're following the State Law."

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Reboletti: "Here we go again, then, Representative, that we have to pass laws because some judges won't follow the law. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. Again, now we're going to give I bonds to felons for drug dealing. Here's an I bond, please come back. Unless we make a specific finding, the court can already do this. And with all due respect to the Representative, I had a conversation with the representative from the Cook County Sheriff's Office on Monday. Their population as of then, was at 9 thousand and they're not overcrowded right now. So, we can't have simplistic solutions to a complicated jail population. So, all this is saying is that the judge 'shall' release unless they make a specific finding. So, all you're going to do now is give I bonds, like a speeding ticket, to people on the street and say please come back. And now, we're going to make specific determinations of who's going to come back and who's not going to come back. They're already supposed to do that. So, what is this going to solve? Vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "A question of... of the Sponsor, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Representative, in Judiciary, there was much discussion about your Bill. And it did go through committee, unanimously. It was presented as you did today, as discretionary, as permissive. Certainly, looking at the text, there is some room for doubt as to whether it is a presumption that has a little more gusto than perhaps some on my side of the aisle are car... are comfortable with. Would you be willing to make a change in the language, so that it is purely discretionary

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and gives the judge all the tools at his or her disposal to make a reason decision without the need for a presumption in the first instance?"

Davis, M.: "Representative Sandack, I'll be glad to do that in the Senate if you will cooperate with me. As you know, we are spending over \$100 a day to keep these people incarcerated. And their bail may be only \$100, but they don't have the \$100. I'd be very happy to work with that and do that in the Senate. Yes."

Sandack: "Thank you. Because for me, that was the assumption under which, I think, some of my colleagues were working, is that this was truly permissive and gave a judge full discretion, not guarded discretion with a strong presumption. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. The... the language in the text is what it is. And it is a 'shall', and then it is tempered or modified later on with some discretion. Folks on my side of the aisle obviously are uncomfortable with that presumption. So, obviously vote your conscience. I will respect the Sponsor's... at her word that she, if it gets out, she'll be willing to work with Senate Sponsors and others to make it truly permissive. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis to close."

Davis, M.: "Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Bill does state that the judge has the discretion. If the judge feels that... if a judge feels a person will flee and not return, if the judge feels that the crime is not a nonviolent offense, the judge has that discretion. We're not taking that away from the judge. So, if these Gentlemen would prefer that language be, what, say totally... it's already totally this... he has

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discretion. And it already happens that he has that discretion. He already does. We just were putting it in language. We were putting it into this Bill and I would just ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Andrade, Sims, Verschoore. Mr. Verschoore. Please take the record. On this question, there are 33 voting 'yes', 73 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present'. And the Bill fails. Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If the record could reflect that rep... Representative Fortner is excused for the rest of the day."

Speaker Lang: "The Clerk will record that, Sir. Thank you. House Bill 4773, Representative Manley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4773, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 4773, as amended, will codify in state statute advisory boards that are already in use by DCFS. This doesn't require the agency to do more work and therefore won't result in any demand for increased staffing or increased spending. They already have an internal policy as well and they're asking that it be put into law so that the advisory board can be secured and not dissolved in the event that there is a change in political administration. DS... DCFS has found advisory boards to be an effective resource and they've been tried and

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tested and it's been determined they are very helpful for those kids who are in foster care. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Why is there no open meeting requirement if these... the advisory board cannot have any sensitive information, or that that's extracted or redacted?"

Manley: "The Amendment took care of that."

Ives: "So, this is a completely open meeting? I... I guess maybe I read our analysis incorrectly then, but just want to verify that these are open meetings."

Manley: "The meetings are limited to members of the board, but all is FOIAable."

Ives: "So, then it's not an open meeting?"

Manley: "Representative, because the meetings are comprised of discussing confidential information, they are not open, but they are FOIAable."

Ives: "So, we're having youth get together with a bunch of adults and we're not having an open meeting?"

Manley: "They're discussing the on goings of their experiences within foster care as wards of the state. So, it's... it's sensitive information."

Ives: "Okay. I'm just going to go 'no'."

Manley: "And they..."

Ives: "I think that this type of meeting should be an open meeting, if they're discussing this. It... it can't be that... that sensitive if you can FOIA it, then you can also provide for

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an open meeting. And I'm concerned about... I'm concerned about that aspect. Thank you."

Manley: "Thank you, Representative. I just want to say that the... the conversations that these young people are having are based on their own experiences and so they're trying to keep a level of confidentiality within those that are involved in the meeting. But as I said, that is FOIAable."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Williams: "Just to clarify one of the questions of the previous speaker. Under FOIA, information can be redacted if it's private, names and addresses, things like that. Correct?"

Manley: "Correct."

Williams: "So, there's no inconsistency. Having something FOIAable does not mean it does not protect the privacy of the individuals involved. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley to close."

Manley: "Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Brown. Please take the record. On this question, there are 100 voting 'yes', 8 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5348, Representative McAsey. Representative McAsey. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5348, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 5648, Representative Mussman. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5648, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the committee.. House. This is an initiative of the DNR to expand the definition of aquatic life so they can better manage, protect, prevent and mitigate the introduction of invasive species to our water. This can cost us thousands and up to millions of dollars. So, I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Could you explain.. I'm not sure I understand completely why they need this. 'Cause I see the definition of 'aquatic life'; it's being expanded to include algae."

Mussman: "Right."

Franks: "And why, for instance, would they need algae to be included? 'Cause I'm concerned if they're trying to protect algae, for instance, at what cost and for what reason?"

Mussman: "So, I think it depends on the type of algae and whether or not it has migrated from a different body of water to a new body of water, in which case it could probably multiply and cause us a lot of problems. As you're trying to mitigate that and remove the algae from the water, that's where it can run into quite an expensive feat. So, if they're better able to identify it, they can make clearer rules about preventing its movement."

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Franks: "Okay. Now, I'm also seeing there's two administrative rule edits, would reduce to four the approved crayfish species in the aquatic life approved species list. Why would we be reducing that, number one? And also, the second one is limiting the use of live trap crayfish as bait to only those waters from which they came."

Mussman: "Right remember, the point is to stop moving animals that are not indigenous to the lake in which they belong to another lake where they could overproduce and overmultiply."

Franks: "Okay."

Mussman: "So, we want to make sure that if you're using them as bait, it's only in a lake in which they really ought to belong."

Franks: "Okay. But I'm just wondering, when I buy crayfish, how do I know where they're from?"

Mussman: "So, I think..."

Franks: "And what lake I can use them in?"

Mussman: "That's part of the problem is, I think, they're going to have to be labeled and I think they're going to have to make it clear that if you bought them in a certain place, you're not able to take them anywhere else and..."

Franks: "How... is that really enforceable? I'm wondering, 'cause sometimes when I buy bait, they have it like in a... like in a machine like you're selling soda, you know, and you pop it out. And I'm not sure where they're coming from and I don't want to be breaking the law that way. How is that going to be enforced?"

Mussman: "So, I think the DNR is actually going to have to make that a little clearer 'cause I... I admit, I don't do a lot of

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fishing, so I don't know exactly what those rules are. But I think part of it is an educational campaign that would explain the risks."

Franks: "Okay. I understand what you're trying to do. I'm just... I'm not sure the implementation is going to... is ever going to happen simply because of the way bait is sold, you know, throughout... throughout the state and this country."

Mussman: "So, I think we're going to have to learn to... to mitigate that better. I mean, honestly, I think we have to educate ourselves on the idea that if we, without thought, start moving these species around, it's causing us problems. And obviously, that's not what people who care about fishing want to see happen. They want to see their lakes and the... and the fish that they are trying to fish for be preserved. And when invasive species move into the water, they can upset that natural balance, so."

Franks: "Well, absolutely. I think what you're trying to do makes sense. I just... I just don't want somebody getting a fi... fined and a violation because, you know, I buy my crayfish out of a vending machine, but it wasn't from lake x it was from lake y. So, I appreciate what you're doing. Thank you."

Mussman: "Thanks."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I'd like to thank the Sponsor for bringing this legislation forward. This is a very, very important subject that Illinois needs to step up to the plate and deal with this, as many other states are. These invasive species are a real problem to our waterways. And I want to thank you, Representative."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Yingling."

Yingling: "I would like a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "We'll, do that after..."

Yingling: "Okay."

Speaker Lang: "...this Bill, Sir. Thank you. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair now recognizes Mr. Yingling."

Yingling: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to introduce here in the gallery the seventh-grade class from Palombi Middle School. Palombi Middle School is my former junior high and my former teacher, Janelle Jones, is up there with her class. Let's give them a really warm welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Happy you're here with us. House Bill 5824, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5824, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this Bill puts into law the agreement between DeKalb and Kendall County in the 23rd circuit. It's a new circuit. The judges there would like to keep the same number of circuit judges. So, what this Bill does, is it... it moves one of the associate judges to that circuit judges. There is not an increase in the number of judges based on this Bill. I would ask for your support."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hammond, Reboletti, Reis, Wheeler. Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. As long as Mr. Pritchard is still standing, House Bill 4680, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4680, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen, in our current school funding Code we allow unit districts a lower rate than what unit... than what dual districts have. If you look at the elementary and secondary district rate and then the high school district rate, that's higher than what dual districts can do. So, we're trying to address this and make it equal so that the dual districts equal the... I mean, the unit districts equal the unit... dual districts and this can only be done by local referendum. It's also consistent with the philosophy that many have had that we don't need to encourage the dual districts. We should not have a tax incentive for dual districts rather than the unit districts. So, we're trying to move in that direction with this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Andrade, Bellock, Dunkin, Feigenholtz. Mr. Dunkin. Please take the record. On this question, there are

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56 voting 'yes', 52 voting 'no'. And the Gentleman moves for Postponed Consideration. Now Representative Nekritz with three in a row. First is House Bill 3912, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3912, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3912 is an add... an initiative of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. The legislation really does three things. Right now, in their stormwater... authority over stormwater management in Cook County, they can only deal with... with projects that affect a regional area. This would allow them to go down to a very local level. It also allows them to issue alternate bonds for certain projects. And finally, and I think most importantly for a lot of us in Cook County, it does allow them to... to pursue voluntary buyouts of property owners. And they would really use this in a situation where a property is... repeatedly floods and the homeowners are... and unit... maybe even a condominium, folks are desperate to get out and this may be their only alternative."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to applaud Representative Nekritz on House Bill 3912. Many mayors in my area along the Des Plaines River have experienced a lot of flooding and this is a much-needed Bill. This will be easier for them to address their concerns with their residents who live in floodplains. And I ask everyone to vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

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Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Questions of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, if I may, just for clarity, you mentioned something about bonds. This doesn't change any bonding level, increasing it or decreasing it in any way?"

Nekritz: "It does not."

Harris, D.: "Okay. And then you also mentioned something about voluntary buyouts. There's nothing about eminent domain included in this Bill is there?"

Nekritz: "Well, the MWRD already had eminent domain authority. And this doesn't... it... this doesn't change it. I, you know, I mean, personally, I don't know that they necessarily needed this clarification about the voluntary buyouts because they... they have eminent domain authority, but..."

Harris, D.: "Okay. So... but this makes no change to..."

Nekritz: "To their... to their..."

Harris, D.: "...to current law regarding eminent domain?"

Nekritz: "It does not. It does not."

Harris, D.: "Okay. Thank you ver..."

Nekritz: "It just... it just makes it clear that they can, you know, if a homeowner is desperate to sell they can go and they can do that."

Harris, D.: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Acevedo, Cabello, Flowers. Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional

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Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5512, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5512, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Mr... Mr. Speaker, was House Floor Amendment #2 adopted on to this?"

Speaker Lang: "Mis... the Clerk advises the Amendment has not been adopted. Do you wish to move the Bill back to Second?"

Nekritz: "Please."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please put this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. That Bill will be held on Second Reading for the moment, Representative. House Bill 4206, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill. Out of the record. House Bill 4790, Mr. Rita. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4790, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Rita."

Rita: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 4790 is a clean... language to clean up some of the unintended consequences in the Licensure Act for the Cosmetology Act. It's... no known oppositions, initiative of the department."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Andrade, Mussman. Please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill... Chair recognizes Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed. Are you going introduce your aid who's standing there? Please proceed"

Sandack: "Along with my colleague and friend, Representative Ives, it's my pleasure to welcome the Connolly family here from Lisle: Bill, Christy, Megan, Aaron, Ryan and Joe. Let's give them a nice warm Capitol welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you for being with us. Are they about to move to Downers Grove, Sir? Are they going to move to Downers Grove? House Bill 5564, Representative Sente. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5564, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Sente."

Sente: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5564 amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. It requires the Department of Revenue to allow taxpayers additional options on their income tax returns than they have today. Today, a taxpayer may request a refund on their return or on the original rate... return they may request a portion of the refund to be applied to a future estimated income tax liability. But today, the department has discretion whether they allow that or not. This legislation would allow taxpayers the additional option of applying the unfun... unpaid refund to the future tax liability also on an amended return and it tells the department that they must process the taxpayer's request. To me, it's time to end the state's practice of using business owners' tax overpayments

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as a bank. And it's time to return this rightful money to the businesses and other persons who pay estimated quarterly tax payments."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting no. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5464, Mr. Rosenthal. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5464, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Rosenthal."

Rosenthal: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. And it simply streamlines the process and time line of the Pesticide Act. And we have no known opposition. And I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Sullivan. Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4660, Mr. Smith. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4660, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Smith."

Smith: "Good morning, Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill... HB4060 amends the real... Realtors' Occupation Tax Act by

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increasing the amount of days that the Department of Revenue must provide the realtors with... with a owed, past due tax with the final notices. The realtor's business certificate will not be automatically renewed. The certificate permits retailers to sell the tangible personal property at retail. Generally, the proper department issues these renewals certificates to the relators when they pay their taxes. I ask for an 'aye' vote. I have no opposition."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Smith: "Yes."

Sandack: "Representative, is this an initiative of the Department of Revenue?"

Smith: "Yes."

Sandack: "And what is it... what is it they want to have accomplish?"

Smith: "This... this just to... They want to... they want to align the time of the renewal with the delinquency so they can easily renew the license."

Sandack: "So, it's to... to is... improve their efficiency departmentally?"

Smith: "Excuse me? I didn't hear you. Would you repeat..."

Sandack: "It's to help improve the department's efficiencies?"

Smith: "Yes."

Sandack: "Where is the business groups on this?"

Smith: "Far as I have, we know no opposition to it."

Sandack: "Because this reduces the notice required to the Department of Revenue, correct?"

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Smith: "Yes. It reduces the amount of time that they have to let individuals know that they're doing it."

Sandack: "How does that improve the business community? How's that improve taxpayers when they get less notice?"

Smith: "They can more easily determine who's delinquent and get the information to them more quickly."

Sandack: "I get that's the departments advantage. What I'm asking you is how does this benefit the taxpayer?"

Smith: "Because the renewals come sooner to the taxpayers."

Sandack: "Okay. So, they don't get notice of a problem sooner, but they get a... they get a demand for renewal sooner."

Smith: "Yes."

Sandack: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If I could add some clarity here. The... the department wishes to align the time periods for getting these permits out sooner. If they... by shortening the time of the time that they have to get these in and back out, they can more efficiently determine who's delinquent, who's renewed and who's compliant. This is a pro-business Bill. The department assures that by doing this change, retail certificates will get out faster."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The Bill did come... come through the House Revenue Finance Committee and it was passed out by unanimous vote. One of the previous speakers, though, made an accurate point. It does benefit the department and it is, perhaps, more efficient. It may not be quite as beneficial to taxpayers,

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so... but for purposes of the tax administration, it does simplify it for the department and make it more efficient. And that's the testimony we heard in committee. And vote as you choose, but it does make it better for the department and probably for some businesses, but individual taxpayers will have different reactions to the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Lilly. Please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 39 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4781, Mr. Welch. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4781, a Bill for an Act concerning corrections. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4781 is another presentation from Welch/Cassidy, and it is an initiative of the Department of Juvenile Justice. This Amendment seeks to clarify the provisions regarding visitation of persons committed to DJJ. The Department of Juvenile Justice seeks to encourage visitation for all committed individuals and leaves in the decision on whether visitation should not be permitted up to the discretion of the chief administrative officer. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Reboletti: "Representative, what's the current policy with respect to this right now?"

Welch: "Right now, the current policy is the same as the DOC and it's strictly prohibited."

Reboletti: "So, if a person is found in possession of drugs or fails a drug test, guilty of assault, gang activities, what would happen to them right now? Can they come to visit, or they cannot come to visit?"

Welch: "Right now, Representative, that decision is... is in the discretion of DJJ's CEO."

Reboletti: "And so, we're going... we're going to say that it's going to be for six months, no visitors. Is that what the... what this will do then?"

Welch: "This... this Bill here seeks to allow juveniles contact visits unless the administrative officer prohibits it."

Reboletti: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Mr. Dunkin, Mr. Sims. Mr. Dunkin. Please take the record. On this question, there are 62 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5433, Mr. Sandack. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5433, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Good morning, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5433 is an act... an initiative of the Comptroller. It seeks to amend the State

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Comptroller Act and it permits that all voluntary payments out of payroll or from a voluntary deduction be made through direct deposit. I know of no opponents or opposition to this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Hernandez. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4759. Mr. Sandack, it's your desire to move this to the Order of Second Reading? Mr. Clerk, at the request of the Sponsor, please put House Bill 4759 on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 5401, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5401, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is an initiative of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. It's a technical cleanup Bill containing several provisions that streamline and eliminate redundancies. I'm happy to go through specifics or answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Lady moves for the passage of the Bill. There being no debate, those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Kay. Please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having

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received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4594, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4594, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4594 is an initiative of the Illinois State's Attorneys Association. It allows to judge... a judge to issue a search warrant based upon oral testimony received via video call, video conference, Skype, Facetime. This allows in... in cases of emergency or urgency, this is a way to protect public safety. I'd urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative, you said that the transmission would be recorded between the judge and the prosecutor. Is that correct?"

Zalewski: "There is no... there's no recording, Dennis, but a record must be kept."

Reboletti: "And so, explain to me how this situation would occur, in the issuance of the search warrant."

Zalewski: "My understanding is that the detective would... would line up the judge. They would engage in a Facetime or Skype interaction. He would explain the warrant. He would explain exactly what he's after and what needs to be done and then... So, if there hasn't be... if the judge hasn't received the warrant request or the warrant beforehand via e-mail, he'll

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read it to the judge and the judge makes the determination whether the warrant should be issued."

Reboletti: "It's my understanding, Mike, that... that this actually communication on Skype or Facetime is recorded and then becomes discoverable. That was my understanding, speaking with the Appellate Prosecutor's Office. You're... you're saying..."

Zalewski: "I... I think... I think the document... the... the documentation of what occurred during the interaction is discoverable, yes, Representative."

Reboletti: "Because that was one of my concerns. Because if you have a confidential informant who's also on Skype that we don't want the identity of that person being revealed, obviously. There's already motions to do that before..."

Zalewski: "So..."

Reboletti: "... a prosecution, so I... I was extremely concerned about protecting the integrity of that."

Zalewski: "So to clarify, the recording can be done, and it's... and it would probably add to the detective's ability to make sure the warrant's... the warrant stuck. But I'm not entirely sure there... I believe there's no requirement in the Bill, but out of best practices, probably these things are going to be recorded."

Reboletti: "Because that... that was my concern because obviously, having done enough of these search warrants in the past, is that none of that information's recorded and none of it's discoverable. The judge makes a determination on the reliability of the four corners of the search warrant or arrest warrant and whoever else might be there to offer the

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proper testimony. So, I was just concerned this was going to be saved and then be discoverable. You're saying that..."

Zalewski: "I... I would say that your concern about probable cause... that the language is... is tight. That that part will be absolutely recorded and will have to be proved up in order to... for the warrant to be ruled allowable in court."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you. Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Leitch: "Right now, is this only applicable in cases of possible terrorism?"

Zalewski: "No. No, Representative."

Leitch: "No."

Zalewski: "No."

Leitch: "So, what does this do? The average officer would be able to do what to get these expanded possibilities?"

Zalewski: "This is to... meant to protect. If there's a situation where the judge is not immediately accessible, they can get this done in a timely fashion in order for law enforcement to do its job more effectively."

Leitch: "For what kind of cases?"

Zalewski: "Any kind of case. Any kind of case where officer's safety's at risk or the... the case has to be done in a timely manner."

Leitch: "This strikes me as very broad. I'm concerned about this. I'll listen to the additional debate. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Not too much additional debate. Mr. Zalewski to close."

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Zalewski: "I... this is a good Bill. I... it would... it expedites a process that makes law enforcement's jobs easier in certain situations. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Brady. Please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 5707 is on the Order of Third Reading. Please place that order... that Bill on the Order of Second Reading at the request of the Sponsor. House Bill 3911, Representative Gordon-Booth. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3911, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gordon-Booth. Out of the record. House Bill 5869, Mr. Yingling. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5869, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Yingling."

Yingling: "All this Bill does is it gives IDNR some sharper teeth with... as it pertains to releasing nonnative aquatic wildlife species into the Illinois ecosystem. It changes it to a Class B Felony. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mayfield, Sullivan. Please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional

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Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5522, Mr. Dunkin. Mr. Dunkin. Out of the record. House Bill 4786, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 4225, Representative Jakobsson. Out of the record. Returning to some Bills on Second Reading, House Bill 5613, Mr. Brauer. Mr. Brauer. Out of the record. House Bill 5701, Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5701, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #3 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #5 is offered by Representative Mayfield."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield on the Amendment."

Mayfield: "House Amendment #5 is the agreed upon language that was submitted by the business district, particularly the Chamber of Commerce. This Bill is now agreed upon and this... I talked to all the opponents and it is my understanding that we no longer have opponents on this Bill. So, I'm very happy to move it."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Representative, did this Amendment #5 take away the opposition of... I believe it was the banking community?"

Mayfield: "I believe it did, yes. I'd spoke to them on... I spoke to just about all the opponents last week. I told them what the Amendment was going to do. I notified everybody once the Amendment was out there and I asked that they contact me if they can... if they still had issues. And I have not heard back... I beli... No, I'm sorry. I did hear back from one of the banking

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communities... they told me they were fine. I have not heard back from the others. And I did hear back from some of the other opponents who said that they were fine with Amendment #5. So, as of right now, it is my understanding that we are good to go."

Franks: "Because my concern was under the Act, it would require highly-regulated industries to interview people they could not hire because of the regulation."

Mayfield: "Actually, they're..."

Franks: "And I don't know if that's been taken care of."

Mayfield: "No, Representative. They are already exempt. There's an under... in the previous underlying part of the Bill, financial entities already are exempt under Federal and State Law, so they don't even have to comply with this. So..."

Franks: "Okay. That... that was an issue. Thank you. I'll listen to anything else, but I appreciate your answers."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment it adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4655, Representative Will Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4655, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 4266, Representative Moeller. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4266, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hoffman on the Amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This simply make a technical change to the Bill. It was discussed in committee. I ask that it be adopted."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti on the Amendment."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative, what is the technical Amendment say?"

Hoffman: "The... the Amendment makes two... two changes to clarify the regulation or releasing victims' information provided to the Illinois Automated Victims Notification system. House Amendment provides that the Attorney General cannot release the names, addresses, phone numbers, or personal identification numbers and the Attorney General may grant limited access to the Automatic Victim Notification system."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Mr. Turner in the Chair."

Speaker Turner: "Turner in the Chair. Mr. Clerk, on page 27 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Resolution 883, Representative Lang."

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Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. This Resolution acknowledges that we have a heroin emergency in the State of Illinois. Thirty-seven of you are on the Heroin Task Force. I know you'll join me in this Resolution. Move the adoption."

Speaker Turner: "On that, we have Representative Bill Mitchell. One moment, Mr. Mitchell. Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 883. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Acevedo, Evans. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Resolution 883, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mitchell, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Please state your point, Sir."

Mitchell, B.: "In the gallery, on the Republican side, we have different groups from D.A.R.E. We have in my district, from DeWitt County, Clinton, Illinois, D.A.R.E. We also have from other districts from Plainfield and Shorewood. Representative Tom Cross, Representative Monique Davis from Spring Grove, Representative Wheeler, and some folks from Canton, Representative Unes. So, that... will the Illinois House give them a big welcome?"

Speaker Turner: "Thank you. And welcome to your Capitol. Representative Meier, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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Meier: "Yes. Why... while we all listened and watched the storms go by yesterday and last night, back in my district, we did have two dairy farms, one in my district, one right next to my district. While we stayed underneath the cover of shelter and roofs, these farmers were out there working all day in the rain and all night, getting their livestock taken care and having lost livestock. So, when you sit down and have your morning milk, think about how hard these people have to work in all kinds of weather, because they were out there last night in these storms and in the lightning trying to save their cattle. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. An announcement for Members. The deadline for Amendments is Tuesday, April 6 at 3 p.m. The deadline for Amendments is Tuesday, April 6, 3 p.m. Representative Franks, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Franks: "Point of personal privilege, if I may?"

Turner: "Please state your point, Sir."

Franks: "Oh, I just wanted to tell Representative Flowers and Representative Davis my apologies for some debate recently. I was relying on information that may not have been entirely accurate. And we were looking at some... No, I was. I was looking at some of the analysis that we... I thought were... they were... I thought they were fiscal notes, but they weren't. And they were done by others who had put their notes in that had not been verified. And I just wanted to apologize for that because I was arguing something that was not a fact but was an opinion. And I want to make sure that we're arguing facts

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on the... on the floor. So, I wanted to extend my apologies publicly since I had argued publicly on those."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. And I would like to say to Representative Franks, I do accept his apology because it was an honest mistake. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House will adjourn Session 'til Monday, April 7 at the hour of 12 noon. Monday, April 7 at the hour of 12 noon. Leader Cur... Leader Currie moves for the adjournment of the House. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 3216, offered by Representative Smith, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3381, offered by Representative Acevedo, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3425, offered by Representative Poe, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3432, offered by Representative Sandack, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3447, offered by Representative Crespo, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. These are referred to the Rules Committee. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."