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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 26, 2014: recommends be adopted for the floor is Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 121, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 345, Floor Amendment #4 to Senate Bill 2187, Floor Amendments 3, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 2758, Floor Amendment #5 to Senate Bill 3113, Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 3222; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bills 410, House Bill 3913, and House Bill 4443. Recommends be adopted are the Motions to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 8, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 671, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3939, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4284, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4381, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4462, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4525, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4745, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4073, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4910, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4916, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4956, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5085, Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 5326, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5412, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5416, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5523, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5686, Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 5689, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5785, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5815, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5853, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5922, and Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5925."

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Speaker Riley: "The hour of 1:00 having come and gone, the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois will come to order. Members or guests are asked to be in your seats, refrain from starting all laptop computers, silence all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. We should be led in prayer today by Pastor Dale Jaacks, who is with God's Oasis in Elgin, Illinois. Pastor Jaacks is the guest of Representative Moeller. Pastor Jaacks."

Pastor Jaacks: "Let us pray. Thank you, Father, for this great State of Illinois. You had many things in mind when our state joined our country in 1818. It's a state that You set apart for Your purposes that would be a state that would affect the rest of our nation. And first and foremost today, that's been done by the men, women who have given their lives protecting our freedoms, men and women from Illinois who have served our country in war, and those who are stationed right now around the world or in our National Guard. We remember them today and thank You for them. And then, I want to thank You for those in this chamber who decided to serve our state and make those sacrifices that go along with serving in public office. Reward them, Father, for leaving another career or practice to be our Representatives in Springfield. Bless them, protect their families as they spend time away, and give them wisdom how to balance public/personal life. Give them wisdom as to how to lead our state and do what is in the best interest of the great people of our state. They have tough decisions then affect our lives. I pray this afternoon that they would be people of integrity, willing to humble themselves and seek

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You for guidance. Give them a spirit of humility and willingness to work together. You made the statement 'that a kingdom divided against itself will be ruined and a house divided against itself will fall', but You love this state and You love the people of Illinois and we thank You for its incredible resources and beauty. Thank You, that You are alive and all powerful and You love each person in this room. Let them sense Your presence and realize that they can call on Your name anytime and You will be there. Thank You, Father, for giving us life through Your Son. And it's in His name I pray, Amen."

Speaker Riley: "We'll be led in the Pledge by Representative Moeller."

Moeller - 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 Riley: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect the excused absences of Representatives Gordon-Booth, Hernandez, Kifowit and Zalewski."

Speaker Riley: "Leader Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Hatcher, Kay and Kosel are excused on the Republican side of the aisle today."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you. Mr. Clerk, take the record. With 111 present, we have a quorum. We're ready to do the business of the State of Illinois. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "Introduction of Resolutions. House Res... Resolution 1147, offered by Representative Senger; House Resolution 1148, offered by Representative Hurley; and House Resolution 1149, offered by Representative Zalewski are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Riley: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1144, offered by Representative Soto. House Resolution 1145, offered by Representative Jefferson. And House Resolution 1150, offered by Representative Brady."

Speaker Riley: "Leader Currie moves for adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Will the Members and our guests in the gallery please stand. Mr. Clerk, please read House Resolution 1094."

Clerk Hollman: "House Resolution 1094.

WHEREAS, In accordance with the established tradition of the Illinois House of Representatives, it is fitting that, on Memorial Day, we honor our brothers and sisters who have given their lives in service to our country as the guardians of our long-held freedoms; and

WHEREAS, No better words have been written to honor those brave souls who were sacrificed long ago or pay tribute to the those brave men and women of today who have continued that fight for freedom than the Gettysburg Address; let us now recite those words so humbly said by our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln: "Four score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty,

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and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in the larger sense, we cannot dedicate - we cannot consecrate - we cannot hallow - this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us - that from those honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion - that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain - that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom - and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."; and

WHEREAS, Those words from long ago still speak to those brave men and women of today who we now honor; it is all together fitting and appropriate that we, with heavy hearts, again accept the honor of reading the Roll Call of those American soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines from the State of

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Illinois who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the preceding year since the previous tribute; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that a copy of this resolution and a copy of the ceremonial honor roll and program of the May 26, 2014 reading of names be presented to the families of those fallen heroes."

Speaker Riley: "Leader Currie moves for the adoption of House Resolution 1094. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Resolution 1094 is hereby adopted. Command Sergeant Major Bowman, please advance. All Members and guests, please remain standing for the reading of the names of our fallen heroes, per tradition. Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Lance Corporal James. L. Baud, United States Marines, Oblong. Died May 27, 2013."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Will Davis."

Davis, W.: "Sergeant First Class Jerome W. Baker, United States Army, Village of Riverdale. Died September 13, 2013."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Staff Sergeant Randal R. Lane, United States Army, Neoga. Died September 13, 2013."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Brauer."

Brauer: "Major Reid Nannen, United States Marines, Hopedale. Died March 1, 2014."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Scherer."

Scherer: "Airman First Class Domonique L. Hudson, United States Air Force, Decatur. Died March 5, 2014."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Cavaletto."

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Cavaletto: "Sergeant Timothy Owens, United States Army, Effingham. Died April 2, 2014."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. Please be seated. Representative Chapa LaVia, for what reason do you rise?"

Chapa LaVia: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker, and thank you for your service. Today a da... is a day we remember the nearly 1.5 million men and women who now rest in peace so we can live in peace. I'm a little thrown back here because we didn't have the colors. I'm... I'd like to do something honoring that, but you have... you have veterans here that would have been... loved to bring up the colors. So, if we can in the future make sure that happens. It's not about us, it's about those who've passed. This morning, I had an event back in my district. And God is amazing because he works in mysterious ways, 'cause I was wondering what I was going to say today. And the gentleman I wen... ran into was a World War II veteran. He was in the Battle of Iwo Jima and Okinawa, in the Navy, and he's a member of our Aurora Navy League. And he gave me a poem, his name is Richard Williams, and he gave me a poem today to read to everybody... everybody within ears' shot. 'Memory of many, in honor of all. We ask in memory of many, please respond. For every city, village, town and hamlet has a bond with which to make this day, the day now set aside, for which, in which, by which we show our solemn pride. In honoring those we know, we also honor all. For all the wars we fought have answered freedom's call. You have the given right to do much as you please, the fallen of whom you give honor rest with ease.

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This day was first proposed in 1862 to honor fallen heroes wearing northern blue, for many years was known as Decoration Day, to decorate grave markers in a bold display. But World War I proved that this day was worth much more. Cam... commemorating all those killed in any war. The solemnness of this occasion is not lost when we look back in time figuring the cost. This day became Memorial Day with ample pride, bestirring patriotic verve for those who died. Today, we also thank all those in uniform, as well as all those who have served in any storm. But let's back up a little, slightly different ground. If we're the reason you are here, turn that around. We wouldn't be here but for you, make no mistake. Parades are based on numbers, numbers which you bank. You've had your three days holiday, which all cheer, but having fun is not the reason you are here. In honoring our heroes, yourself earned praise. You show your patriotism here in many ways. In memory of those to whom you can relate, you're honoring all those gone before on any date. You decorate the markers, love and praised sound. A patriotic gesture for those, their hallowed ground.' By Richard Williams, World War II veteran. Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you. Just for point of clarification, Representative, and I would agree with you, there were no colors available today. We reached out and everyone is, you know, taking care of commemorations, but we will definitely do that in advance in subsequent years."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you. 'Cause my hairs on my neck are still standing up because I'm disappointed. I'm very disappointed.

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Please add every Member if they're not added to the Resolution in the General... the House. Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Cavaletto, for what reason do you rise?"

Cavaletto: "Personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Cavaletto: "I, too, have a poem, 'The Brave One's'. 'You're not my God, but you saved countless lives. You're not my mother, but you brought me life. You're not my father, but you protected me as your own. You're not destiny, but you made my future possible. You're not Superman, but you saved me from burning. You're not a genius, but you outsmarted the enemy. You didn't have to do this, but you willingly sacrificed yourself. You didn't even know my name, but you risked your life. You're moms, dads, aunts, uncles, grandmas and grandpas. You're someone's loved one, you're someone's everything. You're the reason we're here today. Soldiers, heroes, veterans, the bravest people you'll ever know. Was by my granddaughter, Rachel Cavaletto, as a sophomore in high school."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you. Representative Bost, for what reason do you rise?"

Bost: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Bost: "Mr. Speaker, several years ago, when Representative Ron Stephens first started this ceremony on this House Floor every Memorial Day, we have seen times where these numbers... I think someone said that the first year was 42 and I think, I... I'm not sure what the number was that the number climbed to of

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deaths of Illinois fallen... for any given year. My hope and my prayer, besides saying 'thank you' to those that have... that have went before and those parents and loved ones, spouses who have been left behind, my hope is, is that someday on this floor, not one name will be mentioned. I hope that that's everyone's prayer. It is not... We the American people do not glory... glory in war. It's a terrible, terrible thing. But we do take pride in our freedom and are willing to stand and I thank God for the men and women that have over the years, that have given us the rights and privileges and the freedoms that we share in this nation, in this state. The thought that... that we don't have to worry when we are in our churches or synagogues, our mosque, that someone might charge through the door and take that right away from us. That we can be... openly stand and speak against beliefs or for beliefs and not have to worry about someone trying to murder us because we have those beliefs. This was a very solemn ceremony when it was created in the... in the heart of Ron Stephens and those that... that put this together, because watching and knowing the things that are... have occurred to those who we love and fighting for those freedoms. Mr. Speaker, I just, as I said, I pray this day and every day that this las... this list will go to zero some year."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you. Representative Martwick, for what reason do you rise?"

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise on two points of personal privilege if I may so indulge the chamber."

Speaker Riley: "State both points."

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Martwick: "The first point is a little bit lighter. So, I know that we have a somber mood here today, but I am happy to announce that today I am joined in the chamber by my wife, Sharon Martwick, who sits here to the right of me. So, at some point today, I hope that you will all take an opportunity to introduce yourselves and welcome her to the chamber. Thank you. I would not be here without her support. Secondly, today... in the past year, I lost a relative, my Great-Uncle Richard Wiercioch. I know that the appropriate time, since he was a veteran, would be to acknowledge him on Veterans Day, but he passed between the two holidays. And there is some relevance to his passing. Uncle Richie was just a young boy of 19 when he enlisted and went to basic training and was promptly assigned, 'cause he was slight in stature, to serve as a ball turret gunner, bottom turret gunner on a B-17s in World War II in the European Theater. That position, as those of you who are war historians will know, held the highest casualty rate of any position in World War II. He served 30 bombing missions over Ber... over... over the European Theatre, which was really unheard of. As many know, B-17s were lost in great numbers and he lost many of his comrades and his friends and his fellow soldiers in those bombing runs. And one of his last bombing runs was a part of the first B-17 bombers over Berlin. And when he told me that story, he told me how they would take him to the war room... the ready room, and the... the Colonel or whoever would come in and pull the sheet off of the board and he would look at the arrows. It started from the base and... and it took you to where your bombing run would be. And he said he always looked for short arrows 'cause that

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meant we're going to fly to the coast, drop our bombs and get back. But he said on that day, he followed the arrow over to Berlin and he... as soon as his eyes met the tip of the arrow over Berlin, he said to himself, today's the day I die. And he didn't; he survived, yet amongst huge, huge casualties. He was awarded two Bronze Stars and in true hero's fashion, in the years that followed his service in World War II, he never once talked about the good times. He talked only about the pain that he felt of not only losing the comrades that he lost in such great numbers, but of the terrible casualties that were inflicted for everyone in the war theatre. He was a true American hero and he was one of the last of a great generation. And so, even though today is not his day, I know that this day meant so much to him, for all the comrades he lost. And it's the first day he's not here to share those memories of... of his fellow soldiers. So, I just ask everyone to join me in a... a moment to remember my Uncle Rich."

Speaker Riley: "Moment of silence. Thank you. For the Bills, Senate Bills-Third Reading, I refer to page number 7. Before we get started, Rep... Representative Jefferson, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Jefferson: "If I could ask Representative Soto to join me in an announcement. We're going to be having the end of Session party on Wednesday 28 at the Black Caucus House. The Illinois Legislative Black Caucus along with the Latino Caucus is going to get together and throw a great party. Representative, you want to speak on that?"

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Soto: "Oh, yes. Okay. Thank you. Yes. Please join us tomorrow at the Black Caucus House. It's going to be lots of fun. Every year we've had it. So again, please join us. We'll look forward to seeing you there. Thank you."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Come one, come all, a good time."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you. Representative Acevedo, for what reason do you rise?"

Acevedo: "Give... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Acevedo: "I'd like you all to welcome today's Page, he's a guest of mine, Benjamin Ruiz. And up in the gallery is his mom and dad, Jesse and Michelle Ruiz. Welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Riley: "Welcome to Springfield. Enjoy your day. Representative Rosenthal, for what reason do you rise?"

Rosenthal: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Rosenthal: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As Representative Bost mentioned earlier, Ron Stephens is walking and he started his walk for the Wounded Warrior Project on Saturday. I thought I'd give the... the chamber an update. He's... so far, he has walked 28 miles. He's... he's taking today off in honor of our fallen heroes. He will start again tomorrow and he expects to be in El Paso at about 1:00 and Gridley at 5. And once again, anyone that would like to donate to his walk can pass that funds through me. So, thank you very much."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you very much for that update. Representative Moeller, for what reason do you rise?"

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Moeller: "Thank you, Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Moeller: "I would like to thank Pastor Dale Jaacks for the beautiful invocation this morning and introduce his family, Ann and Caleb Jaacks, to the Illinois House of Representatives."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for coming. Enjoy your day. Representative Mayfield, for what reason do you rise?"

Mayfield: "I'd like to draw attention in the chamber today. I would like to ask... for those of you who have not heard, our colleague, Representative Jehan Gordon, had a tragedy in her family. She lost her stepson. It was a very tragic event that should never, ever have happened, particularly to one of our own. I would just like to ask for a moment of silence for Representative Jehan Gordon and her family. And we all be in prayer for her. Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "Moment of silence, please. Thank you. Thank you, Representative Mayfield. Representative Pihos, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Pihos: "Yes. I'd like to introduce to you today my two stellar Pages: Livio Valli, a seventh grader at Glen Crest Middle School, Joseph Valli, a fifth grader at Westfield Elementary School, and also welcome their parents, Livio and Colleen Valli, all from Glen Ellyn."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you very much for coming. Enjoy your day. Representative Halbrook, for what reason do you rise?"

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

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Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Halbrook: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'd like to also introduce my Page of the day, Lindsey Ingram. And she's already went to work, I think back here in the center aisle. She goes to Cumberland High School, a lis... she's from Greenup, Illinois, I believe. Let's give her a warm Springfield welcome. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much. Thank you for being here. Representative Sandack, for what reason do you rise?"

Sandack: "Good afternoon, Speaker. On a point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Sandack: "I, too, have a Page for the day from Downers Grove. No surprise, it's kind of always Downers Grove day here. Anthony Maduzia... stand up, Anthony, give a nice wave... goes to Montini Catholic High School. His parents, Chuck and Lisa, are here. Let's give them a nice Springfield welcome, please."

Riley: "Thank you so much. Thank you for coming. Representative Tabares, for what reason do you rise?"

Tabares: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise on the point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Tabares: "So today, here with me I have a very special guest, my cousin, Hilario Garcia, who's visiting me here today. He has a floor pass. He's accompanied by my mother, my grandmother, my uncle and his dad up in the gallery. So, just wanted to give them a warm welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for coming. Enjoy your day. Representative Norine Hammond, for what reason do you rise?"

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Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to welcome a constituent of Representative Christian Mitchell to the floor, my daughter, Trish."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for coming. Representative D'Amico, for what reason do you rise?"

D'Amico: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to introduce Mackenzie Roberts, who is Page from... for a day from Salem School and she is a fourth grader here. Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for coming, young lady. Senate Bill 3507. Senate Bill 3507, Representative Kay. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3507, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Kay. Out of the record. Representative Acevedo, for what reason do you rise?"

Acevedo: "I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Riley: "State you point."

Acevedo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also happened... I didn't introduce Jonathan Ruiz, who's a Page for Representative Jack Franks. His brother is paging for me today. So, Jonathan, if you'd like to stand up. Give him a warm welcome, please."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for coming. Enjoy your day. Senate Bill 3522, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3522, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Cassidy."

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Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 3522 is an effort to encourage the use of... of existing diversion programs. It's an initiative of Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities or TASC, which is a program many of us are very familiar with, has a very high degree of success in our criminal justice system. TASC defendants in Cook County actually only have about a 3 percent recidivism rate. This is a good way to move forward and... and reduce recidivism within... with drug crimes. The Bill specifically targets the use of existing programs, such as the Offender Initiative Program and Second Chance Probation because they provide a diversion from the traditional criminal justice system and incarceration at the pretrial and prosecution stage. Additionally, within this Bill, the... is clarification language that very low level meth offenders, nonviolent first time drug offenders who... whose drug of choice is meth, who are not yet in an addiction situation, are eligible for the Drug School Program, the TASC Drug School Program. I welcome your questions."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Reboletti."

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

Speaker Riley: "She indicates she will."

Reboletti: "Good afternoon, Representative. How are you?"

Cassidy: "I'm a delight to all who encounter me, as are you."

Reboletti: "This Bill is subject to appropriation. Could you explain to the Body what kind of costs we'll be looking at if... if there were resources to fund the program?"

Cassidy: "It really would depend on how far you wanted to expand it. The Drug School Program in Cook County costs about \$150

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per participant. Currently in Cook County, they're able to treat about 3 thousand defendants a year. So, if we were to expand it, it could be expan... it could be rolled out in any way you want it to, depending on the availability of funds."

Reboletti: "Is the idea to give state funds to the counties to expand these programs? Is that... is that the idea, Representative?"

Cassidy: "If it were ever available, yes. The idea is to encourage the use of these programs and if we were able to find the funds to do so, to do so in a way that does ultimately solve sig... save significantly at both the state and local levels within the criminal justice system."

Reboletti: "I... I know that it's very loud in here, Mr. Speaker. I can hear the Lady from Rogers Park. But I think this an important program. I don't know if the dollars will be there, but as we look for alternatives to incarceration as we look at our prisons that have at least 4500 more individuals than they should, I think the future's going to be in these opportunities for diversion. And I think that I would urge an 'aye' vote. I would hope that this passes. Thank you very much."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Cassidy to close."

Cassidy: "I couldn't have sent it... said it better than... than my friend from the other side of the aisle. I do urge an 'aye' vote so that we can move forward and save funding... funds in our criminal justice system."

Speaker Riley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3522 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?"

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Have all voted who wish? Record yourself, Members. Mayfield, Smith, Dunkin. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, with 72 voting 'yea', 39 voting 'nay', 0 voting 'present'. Senate Bills 3522, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Franks, for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Franks: "I, too, want to stand up after Mr. Acevedo introduced our Pages. We have another fine young man helping both Representative DeLuca and myself. We have Aidan Carver(sic-Dodd), who's nine years old, with us today. So, please welcome Aiden."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you so much for service. Representative Harms, what whe... for what reason do you rise?"

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

Speaker Riley: "State your point."

Harms: "I... actually, I have two points. Today, paging with me is Matthew Carls. He's accompanied by his parents, Jody and Tim Carls, up in the gallery behind me here. And also, I have my children, Paul and Molly. If we could welcome them to Springfield."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you all for coming. Senate Bill 3552. Senate Bill 3552, Representative Yingling. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3552, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Riley: "Representative Yingling."

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Yingling: "Thank you. This Bill provides for counties to install a code of conduct for the appointment and removal of appointed officials. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Riley: "There being no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3552 pass?' 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? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, with 108 voting 'yea', 0 voting 'nay', 0 voting 'present'. Senate Bill 3552, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3554, Representative McAsey. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3554, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Riley: "Representative McAsey."

McAsey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This Bill is an initiative of the Illinois Association of Private Special Education Centers. What this does is to add one nonvoting member, who's an administrator of a private nonpublic special ed school to the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board. I would answer any questions and appreciate the support of the Body."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Sandack."

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

Speaker Riley: "The Sponsor will yield."

Sandack: "Thank you. Representative, why is ISBE opposed to your Bill?"

McAsey: "My understanding is that the State Board of Education did slip in in opposition. They just don't believe that there

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is a need to have an individual who represents the special education centers on the Purchase Care Review Board. It would be the contention of the members of the private special education centers that having a nonvoting member would be helpful to have someone who's there to answer questions about the services that they provide, which is why they're sponsoring this."

Sandack: "And I... and thank you for that explanation. Have you had any conversation directly with anyone from ISBE about their ob... opposition?"

McAsey: "I did, quite some time back, not related to the Senate Bill but related to an identical House Bill that I introduced. So, they just said that they do not think that this is necessary and that they don't think that someone representing the organization ought to be present at meetings of the Purchase Care Review Board."

Sandack: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Will Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Riley: "She indicates she will."

Davis, W.: "Representative, I... as I understand, you're adding a... a nonvoting member. How will this individual be selected?"

McAsey: "How will this person be what? I'm sorry, I couldn't hear you."

Davis, W.: "Selected."

McAsey: "Selected. The... this would be a nonvoting member. I apologize. I believe that it's an individual that the association would nominate. But..."

Davis, W.: "When you say association..."

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McAsey: "...if you'll give me..."

Davis, W.: "...I mean, just..."

McAsey: "...moment to actually..."

Davis, W.: "...I'm just curious."

McAsey: "...look at the Bill text."

Davis, W.: "I'm sorry?"

McAsey: "If you'll give me one moment. I just... I don't... I want to answer your question accurately. If you'll give me one second just to look at the text."

Davis, W.: "Well, while you're..."

McAsey: "So, the... so, looking at the... the proposed Bill, the actual language is that the review board shall also consist of one nonvoting member who is an administrator of a private, nonpublic special education school. So, therefore, that individual would become part of the board in the same process that anyone else who serves on the board would."

Davis, W.: "Okay. Do you happen to know if these are gubernatorial appointments?"

McAsey: "So, reading elsewhere in the existing statute, the other individuals... there's a list of... of who the individuals are that are on the Purchase Care Review Board and those individuals, it... it states, such other persons as the Governor may designate."

Davis, W.: "Okay. Just one other question. So, why nonvoting?"

McAsey: "This was the initiative of the... of the association and they wanted a nonvoting member. So..."

Davis, W.: "Well, do you know if there's any interest for this member to become voting? And the reason I'm asking is because I have one of these schools in my district who had some

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challenges with the Purchase Care Review Board and went through all the appeals process and unfortunately, it didn't work out in our favor. But it appears that, you know, her voice, or voice like hers, in that process, was lost."

McAsey: "So, that's exactly what this legislation is speaking to, is to provide for a nonvoting member, but an individual who can be a voice in the process, someone who can be present to answer questions, to clarify concerns that other voting members of the Purchase Care Review Board may have."

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

McAsey: "Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Pihos."

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

Speaker Riley: "She indicates she will."

Pihos: "Thank you very much. Right now, on that Purchase Care Review Board, in the audience, do we have members of private special education entities that are allowed to give testimony and also be part of any public participation?"

McAsey: "I can tell you exactly, statutorily, who is part of the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board. Looking at that, directors of chil... DCFS, Public Health, Public Aid and the Governor's Office of Management and Budget, Secretary of Human Services, State Superintendent of Education and other such persons as the Governor may designate."

Pihos: "Okay. And... and that is not my exact question. My question is are private special education entities, right now, allowed to be part of public participation, allowed to answer questions, allowed to have subject matter hearings, give testimony right now?"

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McAsey: "I am advised that during public hearings, yes. They may offer testimony."

Pihos: "I have concerns about this Bill because I think it gives extraordinary authority, even if it is nonvoting authority, by giving them participation. I'm sure there are many other entities that would like participation, but this seems to come with a particular bias. As a former special education teacher, I'm also very sensitive to private special education, but also having been a member of a task force, I would have great concerns about giving a seat at the table to one entity that has a particular bias. So, I would urge everybody to think carefully about this Bill and I will be voting 'no'."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Monique Davis."

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

Speaker Riley: "She indicates she will."

Davis, M.: "Representative McAsey, I think I remember in committee the question was asked if someone who is a nonvoting member could influence the board, even though they weren't voting. Because they're sitting there, the question was, can't they influence the board?"

McAsey: "Representative Davis, I... I don't recall that question in committee, but this individual would be a nonvoting member, present just for informational purposes."

Davis, M.: "Exactly who would the... give me an idea? Describe the background that would be needed for this nonvoting member."

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McAsey: "So, this would be someone who would be affiliated with a private special education school. And the... the Purchase Care Review Board, you know, is working to make decisions related to placement and programs, costs related to programs. This would be an individual who would be present who could field questions or provide clarification, inform the Purchase Care Review Board as they are formulating or deliberating related to decisions."

Davis, M.: "Wouldn't you think, though, that this board would be very knowledgeable if they'd been appointed to that board? Surely they wouldn't have a nonvoting member who had greater knowledge than those members who are sitting on the board. I think the State Board of Education's concern was someone is sitting there with board members who will be seeking certain, I don't know what you call it, I don't know, certain special treatment. And if they're sitting there, they would highly influenced... influence the board, whereas other entities who are not sitting there as nonvoting members will not have that opportunity. I think I'm going to have to be a 'present' vote, Emily. Thank you."

McAsey: "Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "The Chair recognizes Representative Mary Flowers."

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

Speaker Riley: "She indicates she will."

Flowers: "I'm sorry, Representative. Could you please tell me, once again, what is the purpose of this legislation?"

McAsey: "So, the legislation simply adds a nonvoting member to the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board who would be an

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administrator of a private nonpublic special education school. The purpose is simply to have an individual who is... meets those qualifications, be present to answer questions, provide assistance to the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board."

Flowers: "And so, what is the problem with the board now, please?"

McAsey: "I don't believe that there's a problem with the board now. There's just a desire by the Association of Private Special Education Centers to add an additional member to provide more information."

Flowers: "Will this additional member be paid?"

McAsey: "And I... I think that there is also a belief that the hearing process may be able to go more quickly. They'll have, you know, more information. So..."

Flowers: "Can you tell me what is the makeup of the board as far as women, minorities and others, please?"

McAsey: "I'm sorry. I don't have that information at hand."

Flowers: "Do you have..."

McAsey: "I... I..."

Flowers: "I... I would like to know that because I know this is a state board. And I know this board is supposed to make decisions that relates to all the children where the services are lacking within certain school district in regards to special education. And so, will this person have a special education background? I mean, what is the... what is the background of this person? Why is this person needed?"

McAsey: "What is the... the background of the non-voting member?"

Flowers: "What would be the background?"

McAsey: "That nonvoting..."

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Flowers: "I'm sure there's... there's obviously, I would assume, I should not say obviously, I'm assuming that you have someone in mind to fill this seat. And I'm just wondering, what is the purpose and what will be the background of this person that would add something to the people that's already existing on the board?"

McAsey: "I personally don't have any individual in mind. This Bill is the initiative of the Illinois Association of Private Special Education Centers. They believe that it is important to have a nonvoting member representing who is an administrator of private nonpublic special ed school to be added to the board."

Flowers: "Is the analysis correct? Because my analysis is saying that the IAPEC argues that this nonvoting member is necessary due to lack of knowledge. That the current board members are having pertaining to how private special education centers operate. Is that... is this correct?"

McAsey: "That... that may be their belief. Now, I'm standing here, you know, I would not argue that the current review boarders... board members, you know, lack knowledge, but I think that certainly everyone benefits when there is more information in the room. And the goal of this would be to provide for... indivu... specialized information, to be available to answer questions, you know, clarify information."

Flowers: "And my last question. It also says that the Illinois State Board of Education argues that this nonvoting member is unnecessary, as current review board members are highly knowledgeable in the area of special education and this additional person has potential to be biased to the review

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board. You know, I'm amazed by what's going on here because obviously, there's some problems for very specialized service that a very specialized group of children really need. And it appears that the adults can't even get along. So, and we expect for them to take care of our children. So, once again... Well, thank you very much. I appreciate your questions."

Speaker Riley: "Representative McAsey to close."

McAsey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Again, this simply adds a nonvoting member to the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board with specialized knowledge related to Private Special Education Centers. I would ask for the support of the Body. Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 3554 pass?' All in favor say 'aye'... 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? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, with 73 voting 'yea', 35 voting 'nay', 0 voting 'present'. Senate Bill 3554, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Acevedo, for what reason do you rise? Three's a charm. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees are meeting this afternoon. At 3:00, the *Executive Committee is meeting in Room 114. Once again, Executive is meeting in room 114 this afternoon at 3. Also meeting at 3:00 is the State Government Administration Committee in Room 413.*"

Speaker Riley: "There will be a Democratic Caucus in Room 114 immediately after adjournment. Democratic Caucus in Room 114

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immediately after adjournment. Representative Sullivan, for what reason do you rise?"

Sullivan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Purpose of an announcement."

Speaker Riley: "Your announcement."

Sullivan: "Thank you. For the Memorial holiday, we're going to have some entertainment. Representative Hays, Tryon, Martwick and Senator Harmon will continue the Boat Drink Caucus around 9 p.m. outside at Boones tonight for anybody that would like to come by and enjoy the holiday. Thank you."

Speaker Riley: "Thank you very much. And now, allowing for perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand in adjournment until Tuesday, May 20... May 26, at 11:30 a.m. May 27... I'm sorry. May 27 at 11:30 a.m. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House of Representatives is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 26, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bills 6240 through 6269, Senate Bill 125, Senate Bill 27... 274, Senate Bill 641, Senate Bill 2774, Senate Bill 2915, Senate Bill 3366, Senate Bill 3557; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 220, Senate Bill 649, Senate Bill 1099, Senate Bill 2640, Senate Bill 2641, Senate Bill 2674, Senate Bill 2728, Senate Bill 2729, Senate Bill 2736, Senate Bill 2809, Senate Bill 2835, Senate Bill 2931, Senate Bill 3156, Senate Bill 3530; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3796, Floor Amendment #1

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to House Bill 3815, Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 3815, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3836; the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4395, and Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 636. Representative Franks, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on May 26, 2014: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 232; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 1101. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 352, offered by Representative Currie, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1051, offered by Representative David Harris, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction of Senate Joint Resolutions 62, offered by Representative Willis, is referred to the Rules Committee. Second Reading of House Bills. House Bill 410, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 6240, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6241, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6242, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6243, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6244, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6245, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6246, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6247, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6248, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6249, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6250, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6251, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 6252, a Bill for an Act making

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