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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction of Resolutions. House Joint Resolution #100 and House Resolution 1157, offered by Representative Bradley, are referred to the Rules Committee. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted for the floor is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 6093, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 6094, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 6095, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 6096, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 6097; recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5828."

Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Wayne Padget, the Assistant Doorkeeper. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Padget."

Wayne Padget: "Let us pray. Dear Lord, we come before You today in sound body and mind praying that, on this day, You grant us wisdom and guidance. During these hard times of negotiations, we pray that everyone can come together on one common ground and resolve the issues for the people of Illinois. We pray for the men and women in our armed services, both here and abroad. Provide them with protection and give them the strength to make it through the tough time. And let us pray... pray for the men, women and their families who have made the ultimate sacrifice to defend our country. These things we ask in Your Son's name, Amen."

Speaker Lang: "Be led in the Pledge today by Mr. Cabello."

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Cabello - 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: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie. Mr. Bost."

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

Speaker Lang: "The Chair will announce that the Democratic excused absence today is Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 115 Members present; the House does have a quorum. The Chair recognizes Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

McAuliffe: "Upstairs behind me I have Karen and Joseph Kozenczak and also their lovely daughter, Natalie, who's going to be a Page for a day. Let's have a big round of applause for them. Welcome them to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Happy you're here with us. Welcome to Springfield. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Franks, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 229. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3033; recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 3232,

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the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3948, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3951, the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5330, the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5707 and Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 5707; Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 2793 has also been recommended for adoption. Representative Bradley, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 346, Senate Bill 2854, Senate Bill 3259; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 333, Senate Bill 504, Senate Bill 2345, Senate Bill 2778, Senate Bill 2932, Senate Bill 2991. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on the Judiciary reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1004, Senate Bill 1098; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 1009, Senate Bill 3538; recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 802, the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4157, the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 4781, House Resolution 1069, House Resolution 1081, House Resolution 1092, and Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 978. Representative Feigenholtz, Chairperson from the Committee on Adoption Reform reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4636. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is House

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Resolution 1086. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on Business & Occupational Licenses reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 2494, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5674, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendments #1 and 3 to House Bill 5735. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5666 and Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 5666. Representative Hoffman, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #2 and 3 to House Bill 5701, House Resolution 1079. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 410, House Resolution 1073, and Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 452. Representative Verschoore, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution #95. Representative Greg Harris, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-Human Services reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 6060 and Senate Bill 741."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brady."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Brady: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I, too, have a Page today. Would like to introduce Mr. Zach Horve, who's standing down in front in the Page area. Please give Zach and his mother, who's here today, a nice Springfield welcome. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard, Zach. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1151, offered by Representative Osmond. House Resolution 1152, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 1153, offered by Representative Halbbrook. And House Resolution 1154, offered by Representative Reis."

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. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Upon adjournment, we'd like a caucus if that would be... or not adjournment. I'm sorry. Right... we'd like it right away. Nobody told me that we were going to adjourn. I just was trying to help you out and go ahead and adjourn if you... you wanted to, but if not, we'd like to go to caucus."

Speaker Lang: "And can you tell us approximately how long that caucus will take, Sir?"

Bost: "Yeah. About an hour. About an hour."

Speaker Lang: "Be... because the Chair doesn't trust your estimate, Sir, the House will stand adjourn... in recess, the House will

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stand in recess to the call of the Chair. The House will be in order. Members, we're going to Supplemental Calendar #1. The first Bill on that Order is House Bills-Second Reading, House Bill 6060, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6060, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Please hold that Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Moving to Senate Bills-Second Reading, there appears Senate Bill 229, Representative Golar. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 229, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 333, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 333, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 346. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 346, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 504, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 504, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 741, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 741, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1004, Representative Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1004, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1009, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1009, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1098, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1098, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2345, Representative McAsey. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2345, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2778, Christian Mitchell. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2778, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2854, Mr. Rita. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2854, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2932, Mr. Bradley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2932, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2991, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2991, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3033, Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."



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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3033, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3259, Mr. Hays. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3259, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions have been filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3538, Representative Moeller. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3538, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Committee Reports. Representative Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1098."

Speaker Lang: "On page 9 of the Calendar, there appears House Bill 6094. This Bill's on the Order of Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please place this Bill on the Order of Second Reading at the request of the Sponsor and please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6094 was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Dunkin."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin on the Amendment. May we adopt the Amendment and debate this on Third? The... those in favor of

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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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6094, a Bill for an Act making  
appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the... the House  
here. House Bill 6094 is a... is our budget Bill. It is  
appropriates \$2 from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois  
Sports Facilities Authority for fiscal year '15, which  
ordinarily is contingent upon expenses. And it's effective  
this year, July 1, 2014."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin, would you suspend your comments for  
one moment, please? Chair recognizes Mr. Dunkin on the Bill."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and... and Members of the committee.

I'd like to adopt House Amendment... House Floor Amendment #1."

Speaker Lang: "Sir, that's been done. We're on Third Reading."

Dunkin: "Thank you. I'd like that we... we vote 'aye' for the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Mr. Durkin."

Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is the begin... will be the  
beginning of a number of votes that we'll be taking on this  
year's budget, FY15 budget. I just want to go back in history  
and just educate a little bit about how we got here. Now  
remember, on February 25 of this year, this House, by a vote  
of 112 to 0, voted on a revenue number of \$34.4 billion for  
FY15. That is how we operated; that was our... our  
understanding. However, on March 26 of this year, the Governor  
made his budget address, completely rejected, also with the

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Speaker and the President in the Senate, indicated that they want to extend the tax increase. Our budget revenue number, which we passed in February, realize the... the completion of the tax increase, the expiration of the tax increase. So, March 26, the whole world changed. Forget it, let's just move on and let's just raise the taxes. So, we go through this process in our committees, and if anybody's been through this committee process over the last two months, I will say for the most part they have not been genuine. I would also say for the most part they have not been transparent, for a number of... some of the committees that operated well, but some of them were just chaos. And the fact is, we're expected to work in a bipartisan manner for the best of... of our constituents. We represent over 5 million people in the State of Illinois. But I will tell you this, some of our Members are not even allowed into the working groups. And early as yesterday, some were not allowed to participate. So, where we at? Eleven o'clock this morning, another Bill is dropped on us... budget Bill for FY15, 11:00 this morning. No committee hearings after the budget was introduced. But Ladies and Gentlemen, the ink is not even dry on this. How can you vote for this? I'm encouraging our Members to vote 'no' and any like-minded Democrats to vote 'no' as well. 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? Please record yourselves, Members. Harris, Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 66 voting 'yes', 48 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 6095, Mr. Crespo. Please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please put this Bill on the Order of Second Reading at the request of the Sponsor and please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6095 has been read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Crespo."

Speaker Lang: "On the Amendment, those in favor of the Amendment will vote ye... will 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. Please read the Bill for a third time."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6095, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. The Floor Amendment keeps the overall spending for agencies and general services at the same GRF level as fiscal year '14. Some of the salient points, we did increase the Supreme Court to take care of their probations. We also made sure that the Independent Tax Tribunal is fully funded. Some of the cuts here were for the Department of Revenue, there was a decrease, as was CMS, a decrease of 15 percent. Would be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I echo the sentiments of my Leader with respect to the ongoing charade, such that it is, of this process. Given that we got this at 11:00, and I also note for the record, on the board, Violence

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Prevention Authority. That's enough to make anyone vote 'no' as to what every... what's gone down with that authority and agency. I encourage a 'no' vote and Mr. Speaker, I ask for a verification of this vote."

Speaker Lang: "Your request will be acknowledged. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Please vote your own switches, Members. There's been a verification request. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Hurley, Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 47 voting 'no'. Mr. Sandack, do you persist, Sir? Mr. Clerk, please call out the names of the affirmative votes. Staff will retire to the rear of the chamber. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "A poll of those voting in the affirmative. Representative Acevedo; Representative Andrade; Representative Arroyo; Representative Beiser; Representative Berrios; Representative Bradley; Representative Daniel Burke; Representative Kelly Burke; Representative Cassidy; Representative Chapa LaVia; Representative Cloonen; Representative Conroy; Representative Costello; Representative Crespo; Representative Currie; Representative D'Amico; Representative Monique Davis; Representative William Davis; Representative DeLuca; Representative Dunkin; Representative Evans; Representative Feigenholtz; Representative Fine; Representative Flowers; Representative Ford; Representative Gabel; Representative Golar; Representative David Harris; Representative Greg Harris; Representative Hernandez; Representative Hoffman; Representative Hurley; Representative Jackson;

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Representative Jakobsson; Representative Jefferson;  
Representative Jones; Representative Kifowit; Representative  
Lang; Representative Lilly; Representative Manley;  
Representative Martwick; Representative Mautino;  
Representative Mayfield; Representative McAsey;  
Representative Christian Mitchell; Representative Moeller;  
Representative Moylan; Representative Mussman;  
Representative Nekritz; Representative Phelps;  
Representative Riley; Representative Rita; Representative  
Scherer; Representative Sente; Representative Sims;  
Representative Smiddy; Representative Smith; Representative  
Soto; Representative Tabares; Representative Turner;  
Representative Verschoore; Representative Walsh;  
Representative Welch; Representative Williams;  
Representative Willis; Representative Yingling;  
Representative Zalewski, and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Representative Hoffman in the room?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Jay Hoffman is coming in the rear  
of the chamber. Next?"

Sandack: "I withdraw the request."

Speaker Lang: "You went through that process just to try to verify  
Jay? On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 47 voting  
'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional  
Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, House Bill  
6096, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6096, a Bill for an Act making  
appropriations. The Bill was read a second time on a previous  
day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by

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Representative Greg Harris, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment will 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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6096, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill is... Okay. So, this Bill is all the different agencies that are funded in the Human Services Appropriations. Excuse me. Let me just start over here because I'm getting good advice. So, what this Bill is, Ladies and Gentlemen, is it is all the above-the-line numbers plus those appropriation items that are within the Appropriations-Human Service Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the... Those in favor of Mr. Sandack speaking. The Chair recognizes Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "To the Bill again, because that explanation, as much as I admire and respect the Gentleman, the lack of substance in the delivery of the last three Bills belies the lack of process and just demonstrates amply this is not a good budgeting process. When you don't know what you're talking about, you don't know what you're advancing, maybe it's best practices not to advance. Maybe it's better practices to go through a deliberative budget... budgeting process that's actually inclusive. Maybe that's a better way. Vote 'no'."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, G.: "Mr. Sandack, you know, now that you've brought up process and deliberation, let me point out that for two hours yesterday the Human Services working group went through everything on this line by line. Now, I noticed that while Republican staff was in attendance while we went through the budget line by line and analyzed everything in here, not one Member of your side of the aisle attended. So, had you attended and gone back to your caucus, perhaps they could have explained each and every thing that was in here. I'd be happy to give you a little primmer (sic-primer) on it if you would like."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack, your name was used in debate."

Sandack: "Was. What a lovely invitation. Had it been extended at or around the time of the meeting, perhaps it would be genuine. I'll now give my time to Representative Bellock if that's okay, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Who did you want to give your time to?"

Sandack: "Representative Bellock."

Speaker Lang: "Oh. The Lady waving at me back there? Representative Bellock."

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

Speaker Lang: "Of course."

Bellock: "We've enjoyed working with you, Representative Harris, but to that question, or to that statement, we have been in full force at every single meeting you have held. And we have been part of the discussion as everyone on your side of the aisle can say. Yesterday, while trying to work on the other



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Bill, I had hospitals, nursing homes, and several of the other groups in. Our staff was gone and we were not notified of the meeting 'til after that meeting had started. So, my phone was turned down because I was in the meeting with the others. Others had left the building. We would have been there, in full force, as we have been attending every single meeting of the Human Service Approp. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "To the... the Bill, Mr. Speaker, and specifically to the process. Just because you hold meetings and only invite certain people and tell people much later that you can come to our meeting because you'll take it or leave it anyway, isn't a process. It isn't bipartisan because you write the legislation and I get to vote on it. That's not bipartisanship. Then, earlier in the year, we vote on the farce of a number of \$34 billion and magically, hundreds of millions of dollars extra have been found. Shocking. I'm so surprised, that now we've looked under the... the couch cushions and have found a little bit extra walking around money to sprinkle around the budget or maybe programs like the Neighborhood Recovery Initiative and others. But even... even worse, Ladies and Gentlemen of this Body, this budget is hundreds and hundreds of pages. And we go through the pomp and circumstance to pretend that everyone who voted 'yes' on this Bill has had a chance to amply read every page and line item. Every year we do this. And because I'm an environmentalist, I won't print out the thousand pages and drop it here in the aisle to show you what it looks like. I guess that the speed-reading classes that you've taken are

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paying off over there. Thank God. But the process has been a complete joke. And by the way, you do this every year and then you're surprised that we're not working with you or that we're angry or frustrated. I'm not sure if this affects my district. Maybe one of the other for... the Representative who spoke the other day about my district could tell me if the people of my district will be paying for this. Yes, Representative Dunkin, I'm talking to you. So therefore, I ask to verify the vote on this as well."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Your re... verification request, Mr. Reboletti, is acknowledged. Staff will retire to the rear of the chamber. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Drury, Mr. Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 67 voting 'yes', 48 voting 'no'. And Mr. Reboletti, do you persist? The Gentleman wishes a verification. Mr. Clerk, please read the affirmative. The chamber will be silent during the verification. Staff will retire to the rear of the chamber. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "A poll of those voting in the affirmative. Representative Acevedo; Representative Andrade; Representative Arroyo; Representative Beiser; Representative Berrios; Representative Bradley; Representative Daniel Burke; Representative Kelly Burke; Representative Cassidy; Representative Chapa LaVia; Representative Cloonen; Representative Conroy; Representative Costello; Representative Crespo; Representative Currie; Representative D'Amico; Representative Monique Davis; Representative William Davis; Representative DeLuca; Representative Dunkin;

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Representative Evans; Representative Feigenholtz;  
Representative Fine; Representative Flowers; Representative  
Ford; Representative Gabel; Representative Golar;  
Representative Greg Harris; Representative Hernandez;  
Representative Hoffman; Representative Hurley;  
Representative Jackson; Representative Jakobsson;  
Representative Jefferson; Representative Jones;  
Representative Kifowit; Representative Lang; Representative  
Lilly; Representative Manley; Representative Martwick;  
Representative Mautino; Representative Mayfield;  
Representative McAsey; Representative Christian Mitchell;  
Representative Moeller; Representative Moylan;  
Representative Mussman; Representative Nekritz;  
Representative Phelps; Representative Riley; Representative  
Rita; Representative Scherer; Representative Sente;  
Representative Sims; Representative Smiddy; Representative  
Smith; Representative Soto; Representative Tabares;  
Representative Turner; Representative Verschoore;  
Representative Walsh; Representative Welch; Representative  
Williams; Representative Willis; Representative Yingling;  
Representative Zalewski, and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Jay Hoffman. I'll withdraw..."

Speaker Lang: "He's waving at you, Sir."

Reboletti: "...my verification, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Of course you do. On this question, there are 67  
voting 'yes', 48 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received  
the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House  
Bill 6097, Mr. Arroyo. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6097, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Arroyo, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Well, we've been going on the basis of adopting these Amendments. That's fine, Sir. Mr. Arroyo on the Amendment."

Arroyo: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to amend.. adopt Amendment 1 to House Bill 6097."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Mr... Mr. Sullivan says go to Third Reading. No one else wishes to speak. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6097, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Arroyo."

Arroyo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 6097 contains appropriations for all agencies under the Appropriations-Public Safety. The total of GRF amount contains in this Bill \$1.691 billion. The amount is consistent with FY14 appropriation level. Other state federal funds were left consistent with the Governor's FY15 request. The committee attempts to get as much money as possible to the Department of Corrections, State Police, Juvenile Justice, to try to avoid facility closures and layoffs. The committee also made sure that agencies that receive federal matching dollars

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received their requests. Agencies such as military and Illinois Emergency Management agencies have... have several items that receive federal matching dollars which committees agreed to fund as level... at the level that will not jeopardize matching dollars. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sullivan: "Representative, encompassed in your Bill is the Corrections. What is the cut to DOC from the Governor's proposed budget?"

Arroyo: "I believe it's 90 million."

Sullivan: "So, I think it's... it's about there, 92 million. With the \$92 million cut, do you anticipate any facility closures?"

Arroyo: "We had... we had appropriations today and we asked Bryan and he couldn't answer that. I believe there won't be because if they do they have to come back to the General Assembly before they decide to close any prisons. But I believe there won't be any."

Sullivan: "Well, are you going to be funding the pay raises within this budget?"

Arroyo: "I don't believe so."

Sullivan: "If you're not funding the pay raises, how does that jive with the recent court case mandating us to pay the pay raises?"

Arroyo: "I... I couldn't answer that. I'm not an attorney. I don't know how that would go."

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Sullivan: "But even with a \$92 million cut and we have these raises that are coming through, you don't anticipate 3 to 4 facilities being closed, at this point."

Arroyo: "No."

Sullivan: "That's pretty interesting. The COGFA process... we have a COGFA process before here on facility closures. Are you familiar with that process?"

Arroyo: "Yes."

Sullivan: "If we did have a closure, how would that process play out and wouldn't you then have to cut more from the budget because of the 90-day process?"

Arroyo: "It... it would have to go to COGFA and then it'd have to come back to the General Assembly so we could vote on the closures. And I don't believe nobody here wants to vote on closures."

Sullivan: "Well, certainly. But you are cutting bud... money from the budget so that stands that you're going to have to close some type of facility and we have a COGFA process that's going to make the whole process even worse. So, I'm just trying to understand how you're playing out your budget going forward."

Arroyo: "Bryan, today in committee, said that he would look for other faci... other ways of funding without closing facilities."

Sullivan: "Is it true that we have 49 thousand prisoners that only holds 33 thousand prisoners under this budget?"

Arroyo: "I believe so. There are currently..."

Sullivan: "Do you..."

Arroyo: "...49 thousand prisoners."

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Sullivan: "So at some point, DOC is going to come and say we're going to have to get rid of some prisoners or release some prisoners early. Are you going to sponsor that Bill when they come to you and say, hey, we need to re... relieve the overcrowding in our prisons? Do you anticipate that coming right now?"

Arroyo: "I won't be sponsoring the Bill but maybe you could, Ed."

Sullivan: "So, you're going to sponsor a Bill to close prison facilities but not you're going to relieve the overcrowding? Is that truly what you just told me?"

Arroyo: "Nothing here says that there's going to be any prison closings. I didn't say that."

Sullivan: "So, Representative..."

Arroyo: "You're... you're saying that."

Sullivan: "But you've agreed that there's 49 thousand prisoners that have beds for 33 thousand. DOC's going to come and say, hey, we need to relieve the overcrowding. Overcrowding caused by your budget that you're putting forth, yet you don't want to help with that. And you want to play games asking if I want to do it. That's what you're telling me."

Arroyo: "This budget didn't overcrowd them."

Sullivan: "To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, this clearly has not been thought out. The Sponsor understands that there's problems with this budget. There's going to be closures. We will have a Bill that will say let's release some prisoners a little early because of this budget. That's what you're voting for. That's what you put together. Good luck with that."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Verschoore."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Verschoore: "Mr. Chairman, I was sorry I had to leave the Public Safety Appropriations early today due to another committee. But the previous speaker spoke about the closings and you said that to the best of your knowledge there's not going to be any closings. But if we don't pass this budget, what... what will happen to Corrections?"

Arroyo: "We're going to have to close about 10 prisons."

Verschoore: "Ten prisons. To the Bill. You know, we've got a lot of short-staffed prisons right now, and at some point, we're going to have to start hiring guards. We're putting these people, workers, in danger with having the under... undermanned help there. So, I think we better think long and hard today before we no... we vote 'no' on this. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reis: "Representative Arroyo, our analysis shows that the labor line is going from 6.7 million to 26.7 million."

Arroyo: "Dave..."

Reis: "That's \$20 million increase."

Arroyo: "...Dave, I can't... I can't hear you. You said that they... the labor line in Corrections, or where are you talking about?"

Reis: "The Department of Labor."

Arroyo: "The Community Outreach program. You're talking about the Department of Labor?"

Reis: "Yes."



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Arroyo: "Give me a minute. I'm trying to scroll over to Department of Labor. Okay. What... what line were you talking about, Dave?"

Reis: "The Department of Labor goes from 6.7 million to 26.7 million."

Arroyo: "Well, there's a line in there for job training programs. I did... I believe we put \$20 million in there."

Reis: "Okay. Job training. Ladies and Gentlemen..."

Arroyo: "And... and after..."

Reis: "...to the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, what you're going to vote for with this Bill is a \$20 million increase to the old NRI programs. The ones that are all under investigation. The bad audit. They keep moving it around. It's went from Department of Violence Protection Authority to the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, now to the Department of Labor. And you're going to call it jobs grants. You're voting to extend that program over funding our schools, funding our pay raises for our Correctional officers. That is wrong. Call it what it is. It's the NRI program."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Thank you. Representative Arroyo, you... you may have remembered a little while ago we were asking another Sponsor of another Appropriation Bill about the process. Would you characterize the process as... with respect to the appropriation Bill you're sponsoring, would you characterize it as inclusive?"

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Arroyo: "What was that?"

Sandack: "Would you characterize the process of the Appropriation Bill you are sponsoring as inclusive?"

Arroyo: "Yes."

Sandack: "It... it was inclusive?"

Arroyo: "Yes."

Sandack: "Was... was it bipartisan?"

Arroyo: "Yes."

Sandack: "Yes?"

Arroyo: "Yeah."

Sandack: "Explain that to me, because I remember being in an appropriations meeting when you were apologizing about having meetings that did not include Republicans. And in fact, you uninvited or disinvited the Republicans to workgroup meetings."

Arroyo: "I... I thought that was last Bill that we passed, that we weren't invited. You've been invited to these meetings. You guys choose not to be there; that's your problem. Last time I invited you to the meetings, I asked you point-blank, to every one of you guys, and you guys did not want to speak. They told you if you come to our meetings, you couldn't speak. So, why invite you to a meeting that you can't speak? I mean, I point everybody out in my committee and nobody wanted to say anything. So, you know, you're always invited to come to our committee. I apologized last time for the last Bill when I... I asked you guys not to participate. This is a different process and this was a different Bill. So, I did invite you guys to come to that. I did not exclude you guys from it. So, if you... if you feel that you didn't participate..."

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Sandack: "Well, just help me out with one thing, 'cause I was a little confused by your answer. If we were worthy of attending one of your meetings, could we speak?"

Arroyo: "When you guys came to the last meeting you guys didn't speak. I asked... I asked every one of you guys if you had any pressures, if you guys... guys have any concerns, and you guys just kind of like nodded your heads and nobody wanted to speak."

Sandack: "Representative, what time did this..."

Arroyo: "You weren't there."

Sandack: "I..."

Arroyo: "You weren't there, but..."

Sandack: "You're right. I wasn't."

Arroyo: "...but the Members of the Appropriation Committee was there. Sandack, I know that if you would have been there you would've spoke up and you would've had a lot to say. So, maybe you should come to my committee next time."

Sandack: "Representative, I... I appreciate that back-of-hand compliment. Would... what time was this Bill filed at? The Bill you're sponsoring right now that's on the board..."

Arroyo: "I... I couldn't tell you that. I... I..."

Sandack: "...at 3:17."

Arroyo: "...I... I couldn't tell you when it's filed. I don't pay attention to the... the day or the time."

Sandack: "Yeah, I know. Why pay attention to such details? If I offered that it was around 11 a.m., would that be close to reality, at least as you perceive it?"

Arroyo: "Maybe."

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Sandack: "Okay. To the Bill and again, the ongoing charade that is the budget process masked as an... a completely engineered structured Roll Call. Folks back home don't know this, but this is really bad process. It's embarrassing to the State of Illinois. It's not worthy of our consideration in this chamber. You want to have a budget? Do it the right way. Roll it out in a time and in a manner where people can actually read, digest and offer suggestive... suggestions and responses. Eleven a.m. Bill being voted on at 3:18 is bad process. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative, are you familiar with the Rasha decision about an inmate that filed a lawsuit against the Department of Corrections with respect to the treatment of those that are mentally ill? Are you aware of that?"

Arroyo: "I believe that Corrections has a lot of lawsuits pending. I couldn't pick any one out right now. So, I mean, I'm pretty sure you're going to educate me and tell me what it does and what the lawsuit about."

Reboletti: "Representative, there's a decision that DOC entered into or has tried to enter into with respect to opening... opening up a mental health facility run by DOC. Does this budget contemplate that because that was a ruling of the Federal Court, that we had to open up a facility that was dedicated to that type of treatment? Does this budget have that?"

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Arroyo: "Representative, are you telling us that you would like to increase the budget?"

Reboletti: "That would be a yes or no, Representative. I didn't tell you anything else."

Arroyo: "Could you repeat the question?"

Reboletti: "Pursuant to the decision... the Federal Court's decision that we needed to have a treatment facility for the mentally ill prisoners, does this... your portion of the budget open up a facility specifically designed pursuant to that ruling, to treat the mentally ill prisoners?"

Arroyo: "This is not in this budget."

Reboletti: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. Here I have in my hand 156 pages that I'm sure everybody read. No doubt. And I left the rubber band on for this one but not for the next one. I'm speaking, Representative. The fact of the matter is, it's another hundred and fifty-six pages on top of the other hundreds of pages of pieces of legislation that haven't been read. On top of not following the Federal Court's rule, we won't follow the state courts and the Appellate Courts that say we're supposed to pay the AFSCME workers the \$75 million in pay raises. We can agree with those pay raises or not, but the court has ordered it, and at 9 percent interest a year. And it keeps compounding. And we keep ignoring it. Now we ignore Federal Courts. Now we ignore state courts. And now we ignore common sense with railroading this budget process through as we do every year. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Ford: "Representative, I think the previous quest... Representative asked a good question about if this Bill is inclusive. I think that is probably a political question. My question is, is it inclusive to cover all districts?"

Arroyo: "I believe so."

Ford: "Well, I think that's good. So, you're saying even Republican districts will receive funding in this budget?"

Arroyo: "Yeah. Well, right now, the previous speaker talked about he wanted to put some mental stuff in there, some mental funding in there, but they don't want to... they don't want to vote on the budget. If they wanted to be able to add something, they should be able to vote for the increase of the budget. Maybe they want to go back to the extension of the... of the tax. Maybe they want to extend the tax. Maybe they're changing their mind now. We could always go back and add what the previous speaker says and add some of their stuff on there, but I believe that they should claim victory here, because we have a flat budget and we're not extending anything. But they're going to complain, they're going to say that they're not inclusive, they're not this, they're not that. But they're also going to benefit from this budget because that's what they wanted. A flat budget. That's what they're getting. But we're the bad guys."

Ford: "Well, I want to thank you for making sure that you take care of all the people of the State of Illinois to the best of our ability at this time."

Arroyo: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Osmond."

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

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Osmond: "Chairman Arroyo, I'm one of you guys and I'm one of you guys on your committee. And I have a problem, because today in another appropriation hearing, AFSCME contract was discussed. And if you and I remember well, last year we were told by the Department of Corrections that the money that they saved in closing prisons actually went to pay for the AFSCME contract. Today, they say it has not been towards that. So, where is that missing \$80 million from last year?"

Arroyo: "That's a good question. But they have an increase every year for the last three years. They still owe 1.2... 120 million from the previous years, so I really couldn't answer that."

Osmond: "Well, you were there and you asked the questions, along with myself..."

Arroyo: "Right."

Osmond: "...as to where that money, the savings went, and no one could answer that. So, I'm asking you to look in further and find out where the \$80 million was spent on because it didn't go to the contract, as we were told."

Arroyo: "You're absolutely right."

Osmond: "So, are you going to look into it?"

Arroyo: "I am going to look into it, yes."

Osmond: "All right. 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? Cassidy, Smiddy, Thapedi. Mr. Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 65 voting 'yes', 49 voting 'no' and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 6093, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6093, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Will Davis, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment will 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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 6093, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #1 to House Bill 6093 represents the budget for both the Illinois State Board of Education as well as the Illinois Education Labor Relations Board. Some of the significant highlights, particularly for the Illinois Education Labor Relations Board, is that there was a slight increase of \$36,300, which is an operational increase that arose out of litigation to fund an employee. Significant differences with the State Board of Education budget is that we were able to achieve general state aid proration of just under 89 percent. We provided enough money to fully fund the federally mandated assessments line as well as the dollars for the ACT and we will provide all portions of the ACT that would include the test, work keys, as well as the writing portion of the test.



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And there was an addition of \$11 million to make sure that we maintain the special education Maintenance of Effort lines so that we do not jeopardize losing federal funds. Oh, and in case anybody is interested, I invited the Republicans to my meeting and they came. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Sponsor. And I would thank the... the Speaker... the Representative for involving us in this process. It was a good bipartisan give-and-take session. Representative, when we left the meeting yesterday, there was a shortage of funding for the required assessments. Where did this additional \$14 million or so come from?"

Davis, W.: "It's my understanding, Representative, that there was a... some of the... and this is at the request of the Senate, changes that the Senate requested, is that they took a portion of the money out of the general state aid line, as well as, we had a balance of about \$8.9 million that was unspent and they reduced that line to about \$3.2 million."

Pritchard: "So, speaking of that 3.2 million, that targeted initiative, can you give us an idea of what are some of those initiatives?"

Davis, W.: "Yes. They represent afterschool programs on the west side of Chicago, the south side of Chicago and the south suburbs; school improvement programs in Chicago, Peoria and Streator, Illinois; job training program in the south suburbs and capital improvements in the western suburbs."

Pritchard: "Capital improvements where?"

Davis, W.: "The western suburbs."

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Pritchard: "So, is there other capital in this budget? I didn't realize we had capital here."

Davis, W.: "Well, it's not capital in that respect, but it's a grant to the school district and they like to use it for capital improvements."

Pritchard: "Okay. And you said we had general state aid at the.. the same.. Well, it would be the proportionate level to reach 89 percent. What about transportation?"

Davis, W.: "Well, considering that that particular line is flat from FY14 and I believe the proration is about 72 percent."

Pritchard: "What about ELL?"

Davis, W.: "You mean bilingual?"

Pritchard: "Yes."

Davis, W.: "Flat, Sir, from '14."

Pritchard: "And.. and what about early childhood?"

Davis, W.: "It's flat from '14 as well."

Pritchard: "So, there's no additional funding for that. I thought there was."

Davis, W.: "I'm not sure what you said. You talking about early childhood?"

Pritchard: "Yes."

Davis, W.: "No. I think what we discussed.. in the first budget, yes, there was an increase. But when we had our workgroup meeting, we indicated that we were working primarily on a flat budget. You were given a document that talked about where some of the increases were going to be, and early childhood was not on that list."

Pritchard: "Well, thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, to this Bill. Certainly we've.. we've looked at the dollars that were

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allocated for education, but I still come back to the point I've made in our other Bills that we have considered, that the state needs to look at a priority of what we're doing with our young people and how we're preparing them for jobs."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman'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? Mr. Thapedi. Please take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 47 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move to suspend the posting requirements so that Senate Bills 352, 1051, and 2... 2015 can be heard in committee. Also, Senate Joint Resolution 48, House Resolution 1119, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 75, and House Resolution 1157 and House Joint Resolution 100. I know of..."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack on the Motion."

Sandack: "Mr. Speaker, I move that... to divi... pursuant to House Rule 64 that all the questions be divided."

Speaker Lang: "You're asking for a separate vote on each of these, Sir?"

Sandack: "I am."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie now moves to waive the posting requirement on Senate Bill 352. Those in... Mr. Reboletti. Don't believe this is a debatable Motion, Sir. Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Mr. Speaker, I want a record vote on each and every one of these items."

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Speaker Lang: "You'll have a record vote, Sir. But there will be no debate. We'll just go through them. Leader Currie moves that the House waive the posting requirement on Senate Bill 352. Those in favor 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 67 voting 'yes', 47 voting 'no'. And the Motion carries. Lady now moves to waive the posting requirement on Senate Bill 1051. Those in favor 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 69 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. The Chair recognizes Mr. Reis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Reis: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, if this is the only way we can debate a Bill, we'll debate a Bill. I think everyone here knows the main objective to one of the one's that's asking for... to suspend. I wasn't around here in... a long time ago when we had a debate about Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 75, but for someone to introduce that Bill on May 14 of this year, that I bet the vast majority of people in this chamber, on both sides of the aisle, don't have a clue about, is wrong. You want a passionate debate about the ERA Amendment? Introduce it in January so it can go through the proper channels and we can have a debate about it and people on both sides of the issue can come to Springfield and talk about it. To suspend rules now, the last week, is just wrong, on that one Bill. It is wrong. If we have the

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debate and we lose, we've had that problem the last couple years, that's fine. But to do this the last two weeks of Session is just wrong. And that's my debate on that Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Just to make the point, this is a procedural Motion, nothing to do with the underlying substance of any of these Resolutions or Bills. We do this all the time. It's late in the game, nobody anticipates that we'll be here five and a half days hence so that these Bills might be heard in the ordinary course of legislative life. If you want to stay here, Representative Reis, you're welcome to. But I don't think it's fair to all the other Members of this chamber to say, because I don't like the substance of one of these Bills I oppose a procedural Motion, everyday housekeeping activities that we engage in all of the time. I think we should be voting 'yes' to let these Bills be heard so we can debate their merits, we can debate the substance. Without this Motion, we are precluded from doing so unless we are here all the way through the first week in June."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reis, your name was used in debate."

Reis: "Representative, you and I disagree on a lot of Bills and that's fine. That's our areas. But to introduce this the last two weeks, as I repeat, is just wrong. This is a very emotional issue that both sides of the aisle and both sides of the issue. There'll be people on your side of the aisle that don't want to support this. All I'm asking for is for it to go through the normal channels; it takes six days. I'll stay here all summer if you want to debate this Bill. But it

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should not be speeded up just for the sake of speeding it up the last two weeks."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "I have a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Reboletti: "I appreciate the lecture from the Gentle lady from Hyde Park. I think that is the neighborhood she lives in. I know I've... may have confused somebody else's neighborhood. But I have some Bills, Mr. Speaker, I'd love to add to this list that we're now going to rush through, but I'm sure that if I file the appropriate Motion, it'll be met with the objection from the Lady from Hyde Park who will simply, pursuant to Rules, tell me where I can put my legislation in a very nice, procedural way. Isn't it interesting what's good for the goose, I guess, is not good for the gander in this situation. That's what happens when the rules get used against you. So, here we go again. If you wanted your Amendment to be filed and follow the process, that's what the month of January's for."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie now moves that the House waive the posting requirement on Senate Joint Resolution 48. Those in favor will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Cloonen, Franks, Pihos. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. The... 109 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no'. The Lady... Lady's Motion carries. The Lady now moves that the House waive the posting requirement on House Resolution 1119. Those in favor will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who

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wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. The Lady now moves that the House waive the posting requirement on Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 75. Those in favor 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. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 42 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. The Lady now moves that the House waive the posting requirements on Senate Bill 2015. Those in favor 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. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 95 voting 'yes', 18 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. The Lady now moves that the House waive the posting requirement on House Resolution 1157. Those in favor 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. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 78 voting 'yes', 33 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. The Lady now moves that the House waive the posting requirement on HJR100. Those in favor of the Lady's Motion 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 70 voting 'yes', 44 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion carries. Chair recognizes Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Don't normally do this, but I move to adjourn."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bost, you are not recognized for that purpose.  
The Chair recognizes Mr. Arroyo."

Arroyo: "Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry to the..."

Speaker Lang: "Please state your inquiry, Sir."

Arroyo: "I believe that we had a Bill on the House Floor last week and it got 107 votes. Could you tell me the rules for the people that's going to get the trophy? What are the rules for a Member to receive that trophy?"

Speaker Lang: "I'm not sure there are written rules, Sir."

Arroyo: "So, could you tell me something about this... what it... what is known for somebody to get the trophy? I believe somebody got 107 votes last week and if I would have got 107 votes in my Bill, I think I would have got the trophy."

Speaker Lang: "Absolutely, positively."

Arroyo: "'Cause when I called the lion Bill... when I called the lion Bill they wanted to give me the trophy. Oh, 107 'no' votes. So, could you tell me what the rules are?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Sandack: "A colleague of mine made a Motion that was always in order. And after the fact, the Chair made a ruling that it... that he was not recognized for the stated purpose, which is an after the fact, nonparliamentarian ruling. And then we were subjected to some jocular comments from another Gentleman. None... nothing about the process right now is funny and I just want to admonish some folks that some of us take this seriously. The process matters. And the reason I made my Motion earlier was because the process matters. To... to several



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people in here, I think we're getting far afield and it's disappointing. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "There's been a Motion that the House stand adjourned. Those in favor of the Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Flowers. Please take the record. On this question, there are 45 voting 'yes', 70 voting 'no'. And the Motion fails. On page 10 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills-Second Reading, there appears Senate Bill 125, Leader Currie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 125, a Bill for an Act concerning government. The Bill has been read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 125, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This merely gives us the opportunity to give to, or lend to, an Obama Presidential Library, items that were relevant to President Obama's stay in the Illinois State Senate. So, whether it's a chair, a paperclip holder, whatever it might be, this would mean that you don't have to, first of all, ask CMS if they want those materials. We just give ourselves the opportunity to take important items that belonged or used by, now President Obama, and share them with the Presidential Library. I know of no opposition. I'd be grateful for your support."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr... Mr. Sullivan."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sullivan: "Representative, yesterday in committee, in Exec when you brought this forward, we had a discussion about bringing an Amendment to either make it better or make it a shell Bill. Has there been an Amendment put on this? And you were going to hold it in... on Second."

Currie: "I don't... I wasn't aware of any discussion about an Amendment. It's a pretty straightforward proposition as the Bill came to us from the Senate. It just gives the opportunity to give or to lend."

Sullivan: "I'm just reading from our analysis and staff has advised me that you agreed to hold this. I mean, we... we actually literally didn't debate the Bill, the merits or anything, 'cause you said we're going to hold it on Second for an Amendment."

Currie: "I don't believe... I was not part of that conversation. I'm aware of no need for an Amendment. It's a pretty straightforward Bill, speaks for itself. And it seems to me that we... we'd want to support the idea that those items that reflect the President's stay with us, his work as an Illinois State Senator, ought to be available for a... an ultimate museum to share with the whole world."

Sullivan: "Well, Representative, I'm just saying procedurally, yesterday, we moved multiple Bills out on partisan Roll Call because they were going to be shelled. This was included in that list. This was never debated in committee."

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Currie: "That's not my understanding, Representative. I was not part of that discussion. And again, look at the Bill. It's pretty straightforward. I don't think it needs amending."

Sullivan: "Can... can we take a few seconds to..."

Currie: "The Senate gave us..."

Sullivan: "...to verify what went on? Just take it out of the record. Ultimately, I don't know that it's a problem with this, but I'd like to make sure we're on the right page. Could you just take it out momentarily so we can verify?"

Currie: "I think I'd like to proceed with the Bill and if... if there was an uncertainty on the part of the Members of committee, if they thought it was a shell Bill, I do apologize for that. It was certainly not my intent and I don't think anybody in the committee made a commitment that we were going to amend this measure. Maybe... maybe the idea was, if it were a shell, we would amend it before voting on it, but that's not what this is."

Sullivan: "Okay, so, Representative, to the merits of the Bill, then. Your understanding is we are going to, should this pass, we're going to have certain artifacts that were here during the tenure of the present President Obama, his chair, his light switches, whatever they might want to put forth..."

Currie: "Ink well, whatever it might be."

Sullivan: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Reboletti: "Leader, what items are you, or the Secretary of the Senate, contemplating that may be contributed? Do you... there... is there any idea of what those may be?"

Currie: "I do know that the Senate is quite proud of the chair that, now, President Obama sat in when he was a Member of the Senate chamber. They've treated it reverentially ever since he left. And I think the... the point is that they may have other artifacts too that they identify with his tenure here and the hope is that... that an important part of his legislative activity was to be a Member of the Illinois State Senate. We don't want that information lost on people who go visit the Presidential Library. And so this is an important Bill, in order to make sure that Illinois is a legitimate part of the story."

Reboletti: "I appreciate that, Representative. I would just echo my colleague, Representative Sullivan, that if this was your intention at some point to shell this... this Bill, that you would take it out of the record. I... I don't think I have an issue with the substance of the Bill..."

Currie: "Good."

Reboletti: "...but if it was represented to the Members of that committee that it was... might be shelled, that you would take it out of the record."

Currie: "No. It was... this is not a shell Bill and if there was a misunderstanding that it had been shelled, I apologize. It was not my understanding that that was discussed in the... in the committee. And in any case, what you see is what you get. It's a pretty straightforward piece of legislation."

Speaker Lang: "The... Mr. Brauer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Brauer: "Representative..."

Currie: "Yes."

Brauer: "...is there a precedent set where states have gone in and actually contributed to contemporary Presidents?"

Currie: "I don't know the answer to that question, but I'd be awfully surprised if, in Georgia, for example, there was not a... an enthusiasm to share with... with the people who visit the Carter Presidential Library, information and artifacts that related to Mr. Carter's tenure as Governor."

Brauer: "Why, I think there was a lot of enthusiasm created down in Georgia, but I don't think it was done with state money. I think it was done with private money, as it has been with every contemporary President since."

Currie: "Well, I know that the land where the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum sit, I know that is public money, public land."

Brauer: "Well, I think the difference there is... is contemporary and we're talking about a President that served 150 years ago and so there's no contemporaries that he would have to be able to continue to contribute to his Presidential Library."

Currie: "President Bush's library and museum is on public land as well."

Brauer: "I don't think it is."

Currie: "And I think that's a contemporary President..."

Brauer: "I don't think it is."

Currie: "...still alive and kicking."

Brauer: "I don't think it is."

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Currie: "That's our information, that that... that the land upon which it sits is public land."

Brauer: "Okay. Well..."

Currie: "But... but we're talking... this... this Bill has really only to do with the artifacts. This is not about state funding for an Obama Presidential Library. That's a different Bill. The one before us now just says that the artifacts themselves can be loaned, can be given to an Obama Presidential Library. And I think we all take pride in the President's service to the people of Illinois when he served in the Illinois State Senate. I would think we would want other people to be able to share in that experience and recognize the important role we played in the political life of the person who is now the President of the United States."

Brauer: "So, you're talking about artifacts being loaned, being given to the library but there is no way that any money will be donated to the construction."

Currie: "Not under... not under this Bill. There is other legislation pending that would do that. But this Bill deals only with the artifacts that President Obama used including, especially, the Senate chair that he was part of that chamber where... when he applied his legislative trade with us."

Brauer: "To the Bill."

Currie: "And the ink well."

Brauer: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think that Illinois would love to have the Presidential Museum and Library here. They would love to have it in Chicago. It would be great for tourism. It would be great for the state. I don't think it's appropriate that we put in money to build it. I can certainly

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think that if... if we're going to give some artifacts, that... that would be appropriate."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I think everybody needs to take a deep breath. This is not a Bill that's funding a Presidential Library. It's a one-paragraph Bill. It's very simple. All it says is loaning or donation of Presidential items, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary. The Secretary of the Senate may... may loan or donate to a Presidential Library anywhere, Presidential Library or Museum any books, items, furniture, equipment or other materials or property of former Illinois State Senator Barack Obama in the possession or control of the Senate on terms and conditions the Secretary of the Senate deems to be in the best interests of the state. Any such loan or donation shall be made in writing, a copy of which shall be filed with the Secretary of State and the Architect of the Capitol. This is a Bill that should have 118 cosponsors. This is a Bill that we all ought to be very proud of. A native son of Illinois risen up through the Senate of Illinois becomes United States Senator and then becomes the most powerful person in the world, in the most important position in the world as President of the United States. And all this Bill says is please allow some of his artifacts to be loaned or donated to any museum where it may be of his Presidency. We ought to be busting our buttons with pride that one of our native sons became President of the United States. Regardless of whether you agree or disagree with his policies or his Party or his religion or any other thing, this is a favorite son of the State of Illinois who

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deserves every one of our support. Everybody should vote for this and everybody should be a cosponsor. I'd ask to be added to the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, M.: "Representative, what will happen to these things that are so... of such historical value if we don't do what you are asking?"

Currie: "If we were not to pass this Bill, then the Senate would have to first offer these materials to the Department of Central Management Services. I don't think that makes a whole lot of sense. We're trying to streamline the operation and we're trying to make sure that the President's service as an Illinois State Senator has a role to play in the Presidential Library. We want people to know that he started here, that he was for the people of the State of Illinois before he was for the people of these United States."

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Representative. As some would say, he started from the bottom. But the interesting thing is, we have so much to offer with a second President from the united... from... from Illinois. The second wonderful President from the State of Illinois. Just think, Abraham Lincoln, and then just think, Barack Obama. The history of both of these gentlemen hopefully will help lead us to a much better future. When you think of what each one stood for or stands for, this country will be so much better off after these next few years. And all of those artifacts should be donated and we appreciate



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this offer. And I join Representative Franks in asking to be a cosponsor. Thank you."

Currie: "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? Brown, Crespo, Smith. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes' and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 232, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 232, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 345, Mr. Riley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 345, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Riley."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Riley."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Essentially, Floor Amendment #1 is a... a technical Amendment and it just makes more clear about the fact that the taxing body cannot go over what's... what is laid out by PTELL, essentially. And this was in conjunction with the Department of Revenue."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Amendment will 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. Senate Bill 636, Representative Feigenholtz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 636, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Feigenholtz."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Sorry, I... mixed signals. So, Representative Feigenholtz on the Amendment."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment just further clarifies some agreements that were reached about the Bill. I'm glad to answer 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 Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1099, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1099, a Bill for an Act concerning business. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1099, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie. Leader Currie, do you wish to move this Bill on Third?"

Currie: "No. I want it to go back... this is... this is the copyright Bill, right? I want to... I want to adopt the Amendment, so if you could bring it back to Second."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please put 1099 on the Order of Second Reading and again, read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1099, a Bill for an Act concerning business. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Please hold the Bill on the Order of Second Reading. On page 12 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills-Second Reading, Senate Bill 2640, Leader Currie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2640, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2640, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is the General Revisory Bill that comes to us from the Legislative Reference Bureau. Staff has pored over this Bill since it first was adopted by the Senate. I think it might have been as much as a year ago. I know both staffs have read this until their eyes were about to fall out of their heads. This makes

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no substantive changes. It just is revisory in nature. Brings the statutes up-to-date, makes them current. And I would appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting no. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of House Bills-Second Reading, there appears House Bill 3796, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3796, a Bill for an Act concerning government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Rita."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Rita. Leader Currie, can you handle this Amendment?"

Currie: "Sure."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie on the Amendment."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a measure that came out of Executive Committee yesterday and it makes some changes in respect to when public bodies have to respond to particularly voluminous requests, defined as when people are asking for more than 500 pages that are not related to one particular piece of information but cover the board. So, this is a request from villages who find they have been overwhelmed with requests and it gives them some additional

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time in order to respond. I know of no opposition. I'd be grateful for your 'aye' votes."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Kay."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Kay: "Leader, isn't this the second time that we have watered down the FOIA Act within the State of Illinois, within the last two years?"

Currie: "I would say that this actually strengthens it, in that it makes it more res... responsible for public bodies to do the work that they're hired to do and enables them not to have to spend all of their staff time responding to requests that are meant to be harassing, not meant to be serious."

Kay: "Well, what if... I guess my concern is this. I think since January of this year I've made FOIA requests to the State Legislature and I can't even get a response. Why would we want to do this?"

Currie: "Representative, I think the reason you're not getting responses is because we are not subject to the Freedom of Informat... or the individual records of Members are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act."

Kay: "How... how does that happen, then? That you understand, then, that the various departments should turn that information over to us immediately."

Currie: "I think departments, generally, are quite responsive."

Kay: "Thank you, Leader. I will close on that note."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. And to the Bill. Over the last six months, I've had several groups come to me

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including the clerks of DuPage County, several of the school districts, discussing this issue and how we did this in good faith, but it's really caused some concerns and problems, especially in groups that request lists that are for-profit groups and do cold-calling and selling off of them. So, I respect the Lady's request."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I'd appreciate your 'aye' vote."

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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3796, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I think the Bill was well discussed on Second Reading. I'd appreciate your 'aye' votes on Third."

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? Flowers, Hammond, Tracy, Unes. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 77 voting 'yes', 36 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3835, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3835, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous

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day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Chapa LaVia."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. You're looking mighty... mighty wonderful up there. What we passed out of the Veterans' Affairs Committee was an omnibus Bill of a lot of corrections. If we could move it to Third... adopt it, move it to Third, I'd appreciate it."

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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3835, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. It's very lengthy language and I'll just go through briefly and then if any Members have any questions I'd be more than happy to discuss it with them. The Bill, the underlying Bill now, what it does, it removes language directing IDVA's Division of Women Veterans Affairs to be headed by the assistant director. The position was never funded. There's a volunteer force language in there, cleanup, add social media to the allowance of venues for conducting educational programs for them. There's... allows limited fundraising by home staff. The change would allow bake and flower sales from proceeds. So, a lot of cleanup like changes to Nursing Home Care Act to reinstate the requirements in various Sections of Act... Section 3-303, 3-401, and 3-423, 3-

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603. Pretty lengthy message, less changes in that, very similar. And then the Veterans Court creates a definition for peer recovery coach, i.e., a volunteer veteran mentor assigned to veterans to serve members during participation of the Veterans Treatment Court program who have been trained and certified by the court to guide the mentors. The participation is successful, our participants to successfully complete that assigned requirements. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "There being no debate, 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 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Page 13 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills-Second Reading, there appears Senate Bill 2801, Mr. Sims. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2801, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. It deals with information sharing among evaluations for... in a criminal setting. This is actually a Bill that I worked on and Representative Sims was gracious enough to let me attach to his Bill. It requires a person retaining, conducting examination of a defendant's physical



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fitness or mental fitness and makes their notes available to another examiner if the defendant asks for them. I ask for the adoption of the Amendment."

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

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski on Amendment 2."

Zalewski: "Amendment 2 is a technical change that updates the Bill further."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Yingling. Light was on, Sir. Those in favor of the Amendment will 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. Page 14, Senate Bill 2966, Representative Cassidy. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2966, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3081, Representative Dan Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3081, a Bill for an Act concerning education. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3222, Representative Rosenthal. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3222, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Rosenthal."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Rosenthal."

Rosenthal: "Yes. The... this is for the... the Floor Amendment will come up on this also."

Speaker Lang: "You have Amendments 2 and 3, Sir."

Rosenthal: "Yes. There... and those are Representative Chapa LaVia's Amendments. The Bill is... is mine, but the Floor Amendments are Repres..."

Speaker Lang: "Does... #3 is Chapa LaVia, #2 is Rosenthal, Sir."

Rosenthal: "Okay. Number... okay... #2 is... yeah. I think 3 becomes the Bill, if I'm not..."

Speaker Lang: "So, do you want to adopt it and then take 3 or do you want to table or withdraw it and then go to 3?"

Rosenthal: "We want to adopt... adopt... withdraw #2 and adopt #3, please."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Amendment #2 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia on Amendment 3."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you. And thank you, General Rosenthal for all your work on this. We had some issues that came up in committee. With this Floor Amendment, everybody is supportive of the underlying Bill. I'll take any question. Ask for its adoption."

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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. Senate Bill 3275, Mr. Reboletti. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3275, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3405, Representative Williams. Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3405, a Bill for an Act concerning business. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3425, Leader Durkin. It's... it's only Second Reading. It's only... Do you want to move it? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3425, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3425, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Durkin."

Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a... a measure which we are trying to solve a problem. Basically, a scrivener's error

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on a posting requirement for a municipal bond ordinance that was passed in the Village of Orland Park this past March. At that time, the residents, by the vote of... with a 68 percent in favor of, voted to issue \$2.5 million in bonds for street projects, which they desperately need. It's in my district. However, in the notice requirement that went to publication, they failed to place the maximum rate of interest in the notice requirement. It was not a problem with the city because it was in their ordinance, so it was not... it was transmitted to the county clerk's office, who issued the notice improperly. We've been advised by their bond council that we would need to validate that vote as it would prohibit him, without this legislation, from issuing a qualifying opinion that this... that this bond issuance is in compliance with State Law."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman'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 record yourselves, Members. Brady, Hammond, Tryon, Unes. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 89 voting 'yes', 24 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving back to page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of House Bills-Second Reading, there appears House Bill 3836, Speaker Madigan. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3836, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Speaker Madigan."

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Speaker Lang: "Speaker Madigan on the Amendment."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I would move to adopt the Amendment on Second Reading, put the Bill on Third Reading, and debate the Bill on Third Reading."

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. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3836, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Speaker Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill is concerned with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. We all know, people come from all over the world to Springfield to experience and learn at the Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. It is one of Illinois's greatest resources. Today, the library and museum are under the Historic Preservation Agency with an executive director and an advisory board appointed by the Governor. This Bill would make the library and museum its own independent agency, a freestanding, independent agency. It would transform the advisory board into the governing board with the 11 positions appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation. Each member must have knowledge and ability in matters relating to history, research, cultural institutions, archives, libraries, business, or education. Going forward, the board... the board, rather than the Governor, will appoint the executive director. The Bill does not alter

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the current function of the library and museum. It simply recognizes that it is a significant entity that should have the ability to thrive on its own. I'd like to address several questions that were put in the committee. Number one, the language gives the library and museum the authority to enact administrative rules. The rules promulgated by the agency would be required to be approved by JCAR, similar to any other agency. Next, the new agency will be subject to the same procurement rules as all other state agencies. They will continue to work with the chief procurement officer to ensure items are procured properly. Next, the advisory board expects this change to become revenue neutral. Again, the Bill does not impact the function or the duties of the library. Thus, it should not have a fiscal impact. Next, the change will not impact the library and museum's ability to attract grants. In fact, it may actually assist the process given that we are eliminating one layer of bureaucracy by removing it from the direction of the Historic Preservation Agency. Finally, in response to discovering this new agency would have approximately 70 employees, one of the Members of the committee inquired how this compared to other agencies. You may be surprised to learn that 40 state agencies have 74 or fewer employees. The smallest agencies have fewer than 5 employees. The new agency will compare in size to the Board of Elections, which has 70 employees, and the Office of the Executive Inspector General, which has 75 employees. I would be available for questions."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Durkin."

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Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just have a few brief questions. This is obviously some... number of us have been asking questions internally about this and I think there may be some confusion also. But my first and foremost question, and I hope you'd be able to give some specifics, is just why are we doing this? Or what's the problem? That's what I'd like to know."

Madigan: "The problem is that you have a world renowned institution which is not able to function freely. It's required to check in with another agency of State Government, which has become very burdensome."

Durkin: "Okay. Now, there currently is an advisory board that looks over the museum right now. Is that correct?"

Madigan: "That is correct, yes."

Durkin: "And with this legislation, would they be removed from those posts?"

Madigan: "The answer is yes, in this sense. The Bill provides that going forward, why, there would be an actual Board of Trustees that would have responsibility for the operations of the library and museum. The Governor would appoint the future members of that board, subject to Senate confirmation. If the Governor were to ask my opinion, if, I'd recommend that he appoint all of these people that are on the advisory board, because if you read through their background, they're extremely well-qualified."

Durkin: "I guess that's the next question I had, is what are the... are there any qualifications that these individuals, these new trustees, would have that's laid out in the legislation?"

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Madigan: "Yeah. The language of the Bill would provide that members must have recognized knowledge in history, research, cultural institutions, archives, libraries, business, or education."

Durkin: "There's no compensation for this position... this position as trustee, correct?"

Madigan: "That's correct."

Durkin: "No benefits at all from the state."

Madigan: "The answer is yes. The answer is no."

Durkin: "Okay. All right. All right. Now, I think some of us have asked the question of whether or not this could be a vehicle, the way it's drafted, I guess... it came in kind of at the eleventh hour... whether this would authorize this new board to create or construct a new library, which may not be a... I think you know where I'm going with this."

Madigan: "Yeah. This will not be used for the Obama Library."

Durkin: "Thank you. That was what I was trying to delicately get to. But I have no further questions. I will support your... this Bill, House Bill 3836."

Madigan: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

Sullivan: "Thank you. Will the Speaker yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Speaker yields."

Sullivan: "Speaker Madigan, in discussions yesterday the present chair, Steve Beckett, went through some reasons why this would be a good idea to separate this from the Preservation Agency. Can you elaborate on some of those reasons? I think it would be beneficial to the Body to understand some of the problems that has precipitated this legislation coming forward."



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Madigan: "Mr. Beckett currently serves as the chair of the advisory committee. He... he's very dedicated to the operations of the library and the museum. He knows, and he would be in a position to testify, that the... the library and the museum today needs to fill certain very high-level positions, positions that require an excellent background. And they'd like to move forward and complete that hiring because it would permit them to better manage the library and the museum, be better able to provide that it becomes even a better attraction for Springfield and Illinois. And they find that the current arrangement, where they have to check in with another state agency, just impedes their ability to move about the business of doing their responsibility, which is to find good people to run that library and museum."

Sullivan: "Wouldn't it also be fair to say that there sometime is a conflict between those that want to run the library and those that want to run the Historical Preservation Agency?"

Madigan: "The answer is yes."

Sullivan: "Okay. Lastly, I know we... I asked you about the fiscal note and there has been a fiscal note filed here. Can you explain... I know you said there was no fiscal impact. The fiscal note says 2.4 million. Can..."

Madigan: "Yeah."

Sullivan: "...you elaborate on that?"

Madigan: "We disagree... excuse me. We disagree with that..."

Sullivan: "Okay."

Madigan: "...fiscal note. And we'll be prepared to contest that."

Sullivan: "Are you prepared to contest it right now for the betterment of the Body?"

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Madigan: "Well, number one, we don't know the specifics that would provide the basis for the fiscal note. And the best evidence I could offer at this minute is that, again, Mr. Beckett would disagree with that fiscal note."

Sullivan: "Okay. Thank you for your comments."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "I find history and museums and the preservation of them very, very important, so I'm not necessarily opposed to your Bill. I just want to know is there... are there systemic problems happening under his... the Historic Preservation Agency that may be impacting other entities that they control that we should be concerned about, since you're bringing this up? Or is this an entirely different issue?"

Madigan: "I'm only familiar with the difficulty of the relationship between the library and the museum and the Historic Preservation Agency. I'm not familiar with any other matters that would relate to the Historic Preservation Agency."

Ives: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor will yield."

Harris, D.: "Representative, you just referenced the difficulty between the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the, I guess, the board of the library. What... may I ask, what are some of those difficulties?"

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Madigan: "They generally... Excuse me. They generally relate to the... to the desire of the people at the library and the museum to move about their business and to manage both of those institutions with dispatch. And as I referenced earlier, there's certain hiring that they would like to do today, all very high-level positions. And they find themselves in a position where, rather than being able to proceed, find people, hire people, they have to check in with this other agency."

Harris, D.: "So, there may be some hiring concerns. So now, when we make this transfer, who's actually going to run the library? Is it going to be this board that... that exists currently?"

Madigan: "Not the board that exists currently because the current board is an advisory board. The legislation would provide that there'd be a Board of Trustees that legally would have responsibility for the operation of the library and museum. And then that Board of Trustees would select the executive director, which is a change from the current arrangement where the Governor appoints the executive director, subject to Senate confirmation."

Harris, D.: "Right. However, all of the members of the current board, as I understand it, would be switched over to the new board. Is that correct?"

Madigan: "The answer to your question is yes."

Harris, D.: "And the... so, the... I'm assuming, then, the current chairman of the advisory board will then become the chairman of the new board, presumably."

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Madigan: "Mr. Harris, the current chairman of the advisory board, pursuant to the legislation, would serve as the chair of the Board of Trustees. However, the Governor would be in the position to appoint someone else, subject to Senate confirmation."

Harris, D.: "Well, I think we all know that the Governor has many boards and commissions that he needs to fill vacancies on and sometimes those appointments don't come very quickly. Let me ask you, the current chair is Mr. Beckett. Is that correct?"

Madigan: "The answer is yes."

Harris, D.: "And he's a very knowledgeable individual in... in historic matters and I'm sure serves the... the board well. Is it the board that then will run the... the library and is it the board that then will determine who gets hired and who doesn't get hired?"

Madigan: "The answer is yes."

Harris, D.: "Is Mr. Beckett full-time?"

Madigan: "Today, no. And it's not contemplated..."

Harris, D.: "And will he be full-time after he is the new..."

Madigan: "No."

Harris, D.: "So, how often does the board meet?"

Madigan: "We think they meet once a month, but they can meet at the call of the chair also."

Harris, D.: "So, we have a major facility in the State of Illinois that is a tourist attraction, without a doubt, being now... going to be run by a board that meets once a month. I'm not sure how that speeds up the hiring process. Does Mr. Beckett, who is skilled in historical matters, does he have any

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awareness whatsoever... do we know if he has any awareness of Rutan and how personnel get hired in the State of Illinois?"

Madigan: "If he doesn't, we'll give him the memo that we circulated to Members of the General Assembly."

Harris, D.: "Okay. All right. How many other... how many other agencies are there that... that are not directly responsible to the Governor, which is what we're doing here, correct?"

Madigan: "Well, I know of two. One would be the State Board of Elections. The other would be the Liquor Control Commission. And my memory is that the State Board of Education is similar to what is being proposed in this legislation. So my understanding is that the Governor appoints the members of the State Board of Education, subject to Senate confirmation, and then that board selects the chief school superintendent, Mr..."

Harris, D.: "And those... the ones that you just enumerated, they have some regulatory authority, do they not?"

Madigan: "Well, the State Board of Elections has regulatory authority. The... the Liquor Control Commission also."

Harris, D.: "Right."

Madigan: "Board of Education probably has a mix."

Harris, D.: "Thank you very much. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to the Bill. I honestly do not understand why the Sponsor feels as though this has to be done now. We are turning over this... the... the running of this library, a jewel in our crown here in Illinois, to a board of... of individuals that are knowledgeable in and on historic matters, but meet once a month. They are not knowledgeable on personnel matters, which seems to be one of the issues that the... the Sponsor is

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concerned about, about hiring practices over there. We're... we're giving them the same authority, if you look at the legislation, that the State Board of Elections, the State Board of Education, the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Civil Service Commission, the Pollution Control Board, the Department of State Police Merit Board, the Illinois Racing Board, and the Illinois Power Agency have. They are in that same category which they... these are all regulatory... regulatory agencies. I don't understand why the Abraham Lincoln Historic Library has to be in that same category. Why do they have to have the same authority? I have a concern about the... the power to make administrative rules, even though he talks about these rules having to go before JCAR. The library itself has now been in existence for 10 years, for 10 years, yet it is not... it's a library and museum. The museum and library has yet to be accredited. Has yet to be accredited, which means that they cannot receive pieces of historical items from other libraries because they are not an accredited library or museum. This needs a lot of work before we just make this change which pops up in a day and a half. I certainly respect the... the Sponsor's intention to make the change, I just don't understand the change and I don't feel that the way it's being made has been given enough discussion, enough thought. And I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Will the Speaker yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Speaker yields."

Williams: "Mr. Speaker, I visited the library for the... or the museum yesterday for the first time, actually, I'm sorry to

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say. It was really stunning, beautiful. I was so impressed with the exhibits, the programming, et cetera. My concern is, will this change impact the function of the library, in terms of the services, the programming, the exhibits, what it provides, or is this simply a business... more of a business-oriented change? I just... from a visitor's perspective, there didn't seem to be anything that needed to be addressed."

Madigan: "My expectation is that this will facilitate the improvement and the betterment of the library and the museum."

Williams: "So, it's going to be more... so, the functioning of it, but the actual, you know, content and everything else is subject to... it's not going to be controlled by the board. That's still with the... the function which remains with the staff of the library. That part is not going to change."

Madigan: "The proposed arrangement here is like the arrangements in a lot of places including the major universities of the state. So, there's a governing board and then, in the case of the universities, there's a president, the chancellors. Here you'd have an executive director. And the expectation would be that the people at the Lincoln Library and Museum would function the way people, say, at the university, they'd work together. So, the legal authority begins with the board. The board hires an executive director or a president in the case of the universities. The expectation is they'd work together. And there are certain day-to-day activities which are under the control of, say, the executive director, but on major questions, all those matters must be brought up before the board to get their authority and their approval."

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Williams: "Okay. And the executive director, as far as you know, is remaining there?"

Madigan: "She'd like to remain, yes."

Williams: "Okay. All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brauer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Madigan yields."

Brauer: "Speaker, I have some concerns. I... I think it... it's probably... there's a lot of good things that could come out of this. One concern I certainly have is with Historic Preservation with the museum library on its own. Now that they will have maybe a larger focus on the budget aspect, things that will actually go, you know, the maintenance, the... just... just the... revenue to our other historic sites. Do you have that feeling, that we might have an increase in Historic Preservation within their budgets?"

Madigan: "Mr. Brauer, could you restate your question?"

Brauer: "The concern with a lot of people in Historic Preservations is that in the past, the museum library has taken up a large percentage of the budget and whenever they needed something, they've kind of had the first priority, the highest priorities in... in those budgets. And they feel that as New Salem is in my district, they've gone from 24 people down to 8 people in the last 12 years. So, I... I know that we've lost a lot of programs in that site because the feeling is, may... maybe some of the priorities went to the museum. And I guess I want to be sure that we're not going to lower the budget even farther, that we're going to be able to maintain and maybe improve."



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Madigan: "Well, Mr. Brauer, I'd like to respond to your question by saying this. If the people at the Historic Preservation Agency feel that more attention has been given to the library and the museum and if they're separated, as this Bill proposes, then the Historic Preservation Agency would be on their own. They wouldn't be tied to the library and the museum."

Brauer: "Well, and... and that's not people in the agency, that's my feeling."

Madigan: "Sure. Sure."

Brauer: "Okay."

Madigan: "But they... they'd be in a position to make their case on their own. They could come before the Legislature and the committees on appropriations and they could make their case."

Brauer: "Well, ...and the concern I have, if it does become on its own, because when I look at what has been appropriated the last several years, it's typically seven to eight million dollars that has gone to the museum library. Will that continue?"

Madigan: "My view would be that you take the current appropriation, separate out what has been going to the library and the museum, and that would continue to go to the library and the museum. The remainder would remain with Historic Preservation. It seems to me that we ought to be able to do a clear-cut division and let each agency go along in the future the way they have in the past."

Brauer: "Well, and... and the concern has been we've had substantial cuts in Historic Preservation Agency over the last decade."

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Madigan: "But I think you've had personnel cuts in almost every state agency. I would... I would think that if there have been personnel reductions in Historic Preservation, it relates to the overall budget problems that we've had for five to six or seven years."

Brauer: "Okay. Last question. And in our analysis it says that Historic Preservation maintains the legal, fiscal, human resource, and IT departments and we will not have that in... in this new agency. Will they share that? Will they have their own? How will that operate?"

Madigan: "Yeah. My intent, my desire would be that they would have their own functions at the library and the museum. See, my goal is to put that institution in a position where it can chart its own destiny, not be required to check in with some other state agency. That's my goal. I think that the people at the library and the museum deserve that. I think that if that were to happen, if it were to become a freestanding institution, we would facilitate the improvement of the library and the museum. And as raised by a previous speaker, why, hopefully we would be facilitating their accreditation and maybe even their acceptance into the national system."

Brauer: "To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think this is probably a Bill that its time has come. I think as the Speaker has said, when you look at the fact that this will operate on its own, they can have people hopefully that will have some higher expertise in the Lincoln heritage, that it makes sense to make this movement at this time. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Speaker Madigan to close."

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Madigan: "Simply to thank all of those that participated in debate 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 record yourselves, Members. Drury, Franks, Tryon. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 84 voting 'yes', 29 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills-Third Reading, there appears Senate Bill 122, Leader Turner. Senate Bill 2694, Mr. Drury. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2846, Mr. Mautino. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2846, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 2972, Mr. Crespo. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2992, Leader Currie. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3038, Mr. Sandack. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3038, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a trailer Bill of a trailer Bill. Essentially, this House passed unanimously the Amendments to the Workplace Violence Pro.. Prevention Act. This simply excludes certain labor organizations and cleans up some scrivener's errors in the Bill originally. I know of no opposition. It is agreed upon by all of the parties interested in the process. I'll take any questions."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman'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 record yourselves. Bradley, Mitchell. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3364, Mr. Reboletti. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3447, Mr. Crespo. Mr. Crespo, 3447. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3507, Mr. Kay. Please read the Bill."

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

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Kay."

Kay: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 3507 limits connection fees charged by townships and municipal waterworks and sewage systems to one-sixth of the annual rate of the estimated annual charges for that class of service. Essentially, the Bill creates parity between... between the Municipal Code and Township Code regarding waterworks and sewer connection fees. It limits townships to charging one-sixth the annual rate for connection charges, increases the upper limit of the rate for municipalities, currently, only the cost to install and operate an automatic sprinkler system. This Bill emanates from a situation where subjectivity has led to a great deal of issue within one of the sewer townships in southern Illinois where one of the major builders in the area has been charged, not the upper limit of 3 thousand, but an arbitrary amount of \$65 thousand. I ask for an 'aye' vote. Be happy to answer any questions."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman'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? Chapa LaVia, Feigenholtz, Nekritz, Tabares. Please re... Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3558, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3558, a Bill for an Act concerning human trafficking. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill creates the Specialized Services for Survivors of Human Trafficking Fund. And this is a fund that we've reorganized in the Department of Human Services to make grants to provide specialized services to victims of trafficking. Makes some other changes. It has strong bipartisan support. And I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

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? Cabello, Crespo, Verschoore. Mr. Verschoore. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3574, Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3574, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield."

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Mayfield: "Thank you, Speaker. This Bill simply increases the weight limit for natural gas and propane trucks by 2 thousand pounds. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

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? Feigenholtz, Nekritz, Turner. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting this afternoon at 5 p.m. They're meeting at 5 p.m. The Transportation: Vehicles & Safety Committee is meeting in Room 115, Human Services is meeting in Room 122, Revenue & Finance is meeting in Room 118, State Government Administration is meeting in 413, Judiciary is meeting in C-1, Elementary & Secondary Education is meeting in D-1, and Business & Occupational Licenses is meeting in Room 114. Once again, these are all at 5:00."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Mr. Jefferson."

Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just wanted to remind the Members that tomorrow we're having the end of Session party at the Black Caucus house and we're inviting everyone to come over and have a great time tomorrow from 5:00 to 9:00. So, tomorrow afternoon, we would appreciate it if everybody could come over and have a good time. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Leader. Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "A personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

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Moffitt: "We're having that weight loss contest by Retrofit today and tomorrow down in the paramedic's office. It's the weigh... weigh-in. So, I hope you'll go weigh out or weigh in to try to win the contest before you go to the party tomorrow night. So, up 'til 5:00 today or 30 minutes after we adjourn and up 'til 5 tomorrow. Weigh in. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reis."

Reis: "Inquiry of the Clerk."

Speaker Lang: "Please state your inquiry, Sir."

Reis: "Today in Judiciary, there is a Senate Joint Resolution, I think, Mr. Speaker that you're carrying, but it doesn't have a number after it."

Speaker Lang: "Looks like an error, Sir. It's SJRCA75."

Reis: "Well, congratulations. We voted to postpone the rules so that a Bill could be heard in committee the same day. Good, fair debate."

Speaker Lang: "Reminder to the Members. The committees that are posted are posted for 5:00, 5:00. And.. Mr. Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Inquiry of the Chair, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Please state your inquiry, Sir."

Reboletti: "Mr. Speaker, I filed two Motions. I would ask if I could continue those Motions until tomorrow; otherwise, I'll refile them at the appropriate time."

Speaker Lang: "Give me a moment, Sir. Would you like to do them now, Sir?"

Reboletti: "I asked to... to continue those Motions until tomorrow, Mr. Speaker, if that would be appropriate."

Speaker Lang: "We will have them, Sir, at the podium."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Thank you. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, or the reminder that committees start at 5 p.m., Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned until Wednesday, May 28 at the hour of 11 a.m. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House does stand adjourned 'til tomorrow, Wednesday, May 28 at the hour of 11 a.m."

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 27, 2014: recommends be adopted for the floor is Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 6060. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendments #2 and 3 to House Bill 3638, Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4020, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4327, the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 5410, House Joint Resolution 97, House Resolution 1093, House Resolution 1099, House Resolution 1106, House Resolution 1114. Representative Bradley, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 352; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 336, Senate Bill 1825, Senate Bill 2612; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 100 and House Resolution 1157. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on the Judiciary reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: do pass



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Short Debate is Senate Bill 1051, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #75; recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3744. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 1119. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on Business & Occupational Licenses reports the following committee action taken on May 27, 2014: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 641. Introduction of Resolutions. Senate Joint Resolution 61, offered by Representative Tryon, is referred to the Rules Committee. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 6277, offered by Representative Andrade, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 6278, offered by Representative Soto, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. First Reading of these House Bills. Second Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 336, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 352, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1051, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 1825, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 2612, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."