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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 all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Padget."

Padget: "Let us pray. Dear Heavenly Father, we come before You today, praying that on this day, You give us wisdom and guidance. Let us also pray for the men and women in all branches of our Armed Services. And Lord, humble us to remember that yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift and that is why it's called the present. These things we ask in Your Son's name, Amen."

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

Wallace - 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: "Nicely done, Representative. Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Bost."

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

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Beiser is excused today."

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Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 112 Members present, and the House has a quorum. The Chair recognizes Mr. Welch."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Welch: "I'd just like to welcome to the House of Representatives, from the great 7th District, the Village of La Grange Park, my honorary Pages for today, Jackson and Josie Reid (sic-Chadesh). Please give them a round of applause, please."

Speaker Lang: "Good morning. Welcome to the House chamber. Mr. Harms."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Harms: "Above me in the gallery today, if they would stand up, are my parents Jeff and Pam Harms and it is also mother's birthday. If we could give them a Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Happy Birthday. Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Oh."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, we... we'll get back to you. Sorry. Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Rise to a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Moffitt: "And on the order of honorary Pages, I'd like to introduce an honorary Page that I have here today, and his grandparents brought him. And I taught school with his grandfather. But Alex, down front, Alex Paul. Thank you for being a Page today. Would you make him welcome?"

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Speaker Lang: "Good morning, thank you. I thought that gentleman next to you was your Page. I wasn't sure. Representative Pihos."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Pihos: "I'd like... I'd like to introduce to the House Hayden Hurst. Hayden is from Downers Grove. She goes to Herrick Middle School. And also welcome her mother Laurie to the General Assembly."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to both of you. Mr. Clerk, please put the following Resolutions on the board: House Resolution 1211, 1328, 1329, 1330, 1331, and 1332. The Chair recognizes Representative... Mr. Clerk, are you... The Chair recognizes Representative Bellock on these Resolutions."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. And it's my honor today to have 80 members from the Hinsdale Central High School. Their feat and major accomplishment, if everybody could listen, is they won six state championships. And all of those teams are down here with us today. So, we don't have time to read the official Resolutions, but I'd actually like to just state the team, and have the team members stand for one minute. The boys' golf team won the state championship. They're surrounding all of us, all the way around. Would they stand? The girls' golf team won state championship. And some... 30 of the seniors from all the teams are over there too, in the Speaker's Gallery. Then we have the boys' tennis team won the state championship. Then we have the girls' tennis team that won the state championship. Then we have the boys' soccer team that won the state championship. And last, but not least,

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this is the first team I invited down, the boys' cross country. And then all these others won the championship since then. So, the boys' cross country team. And the courageous people that brought them down last night, 80 high school kids, are Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law, the athletic director... director Dan Jones, and the assistant principal Mark Kolkman. So, I ask all of you to give them a big round of applause. Thank you. Senator Connelly is here too. His niece was on the girls' golf team."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davidsmeyer. Representative Bellock moves for the adoption of the Resolutions. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And all six Resolutions are adopted. Congratulations to Hinsdale. On the Order of Second Reading... On page 2 on the Calendar, there appears House Bill 6304. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6304, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. This Bill was read 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 Hollman: "House Bill 6304, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hammond. Out of the record. Chair recognizes Representative Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would you please move that Bill back to Second?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please put House Bill 6304 back on the Order of Second Reading. Do you have an Amendment for us today, Representative?"

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Hammond: "No, I do not, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "The Bill will be held on the Order of Second Reading."

Hammond: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "House Bill 4042, Representative McAsey. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4042, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Do you want this on Third? Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 3976, Mr. Phelps. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3976, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. And no Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps."

Phelps: "I'd like to take that out of the record. I was looking for 3975, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Please take 3976... please take 3976 out of the record, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Mr. DeLuca."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

DeLuca: "I see that Senator Connelly is on the floor here. And you had mentioned that his daughter was on the state championship golf team. Just wanted to mention, I have golfed with Senator Connelly, and she certainly did not learn how to golf from him."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, House Bill 3975. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3975, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Floor Amendments. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Phelps."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to take Floor Amendment #1 and 2 and adopt them and move it to Third so we can have a debate, please."

Speaker Lang: "Is there any objection? Seeing no objection on Amendment 1, those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. On Amendment 2, please put that on the board, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment 2 has been approved for consideration."

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

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

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

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3975, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps on the Bill."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3975, as amended, makes a very small but very important adjustment to a good law that we all passed together on the smart grid. It encourages our major utilities to invest in our electric infrastructure of our State of Illinois. The program is working great, and I'm going to be

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brief, because it makes one minor change. It takes the sunset from 2017 and moves it to 2019. That's it. All the reviews... the regulatory Bills are still in there. We're just moving the sunset. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps moves for the passage of the Bill. 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? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Currie, Davis, Wallace. Mr. Davis. Please take the record. On this question, there are 87 voting 'yes', 24 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Hays, for what reason do you rise, Sir?"

Hays: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Hays: "It is my pleasure to introduce Kate Meins. Kate is Paging today. She is a constituent of Representative Dan Brady, and she is a graduate student at Illinois State University. Please give her a warm welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to Springfield. We're happy you're here. House Bill 3603, Mr. Clerk, on the Order of Third Reading. Mr. Sims. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6303, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sims."

Sims: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 6303 amends the Tax Inc.. Increment Financing Allocation Act by extending the tax for the West Lansing

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District. I know of no opposition. And ask for your favorable consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. There being no debate, please be reminded, Members, this Bill requires 71 votes. 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? It's Friday, Members, record yourselves. You're right. It's Thursday, record yourselves. Whatever day it is, record yourselves. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 6291. It's on the Order of Second Reading. It's Mr. Fortner's Bill. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6291, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. This Bill was read 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 for a third time."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 6291, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Fortner."

Fortner: "Thank you, Speaker. House Bill 6291 extends the TIF for the City of Batavia. All letters from affecting taxing bodies have been supplied. I'd appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. There being no debate, and please be reminded, Members, this Bill

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will require 71 votes. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Tryon. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 6 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 649. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 649, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. Committee Amendments #1 and 2 were adopted previously. Floor Amendments #4 and 5 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #4 is offered by Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski on Amendment 4. Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 1740, on the Order of Third Reading, Mr. Turner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1740, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 1842, Representative Jakobsson. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. My understanding is there are Amendments, Representative. Do you wish to move this back to the Order of Second Reading?"

Jakobsson: "Yes."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please put this Bill in the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1842, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendments

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2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Beiser."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, are you handling this for Mr. Beiser?"

Jakobsson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment, it adds a... a new part to this Bill. Already in the Code there's a... very clear instructions for when a municipality county district dissolution of a mass transit district takes place. But there isn't anything in the law that talks about the dissolution process for a participating area district. And so, with this Amendment, it would make it clear what the rules are for that. And it would be codified in the statute."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jakobsson."

Jakobsson: "This was Amendment 3 that I was referring to. And just table Amendment 2."

Speaker Lang: "So are you withdrawing Amendment 2?"

Jakobsson: "I want to table... yes. Table Amendment 2."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw Amendment #2. Representative Jakobsson has explained Amendment #3. Is that correct? On the Amendment, Mr. Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Does... does this Amendment replace the language?"

Jakobsson: "What language? Yes, it's a gut and replace."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Will... will the speaker yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Chapa LaVia: "Representative, can you explain what it does?"

Jakobsson: "Yes. As I said, currently the statutes makes very clear when the Board of Trustees of a District determines

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there's no longer public need for those transportation services, how to dissolve that. But there isn't anything in the statutes dissolving... for a dissolution process for a participating area, and that's what it's called, participating area district. And a participating area is one that's created by a municipality or a county. And so this would add to the statutes very clear instructions."

Chapa LaVia: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jakobsson, to close."

Jakobsson: "I ask for an '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 Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1842, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jakobsson."

Jakobsson: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Acevedo, Williams. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2905, Representative Kifowit. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2905, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day."

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

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

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2905, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "This is a Bill that... changes a loophole in our law. In effect, if it's a disabled veteran that's 100 percent disabled and a charitable organization builds a house for them, the disabled veteran could not claim the property tax exemption that they're allowed. And this fixes that."

Speaker Lang: "You heard the Lady's ex... explanation. 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 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2915, Mr. Bradley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2915, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "This is an initiative of the Attorney General's Office that would allow for the corroboration between the Attorney General's Office and the Department of Revenue with information necessary to prosecute collections on the... the tobacco settlement. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. Those in favor of the... Mr. Sandack."

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Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Actually, I didn't. So, if I may, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Thank you. I... Representative, I couldn't hear you. I apologize. Would you please, just, reiterate what it is you said? Be quiet, Mr. Franks."

Speaker Lang: "Can we ask the Members to lower the conversation level? We have a few Bills left. Let's finish them. Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "Can you ask Representative Franks to quit heckling me?"

Speaker Lang: "I will not do that, Sir."

Bradley: "It... it's necessary in order to prosecute some of the collections under the tobacco settlement for the Attorney General's Office to confer with the Department of Revenue. There was previously a court order that had to be put in place because this wasn't clear. This would clarify... codify the court order."

Sandack: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Does that... does that complete your questioning, Sir? Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mautino. Mr. Mautino. Please... please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2979, Mr. Mautino. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2979, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous

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day. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2979, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you. This legislation is similar to House Bill 2355. It passed this chamber and the other chamber unanimously. What it does is uses the National Conference of Insurance Legislators model and it exempts travel agents from limited lines licenses. We needed to do a technical fix on the Bill that went to the Governor. And that's this language. It is agreed to by all parties. It has passed unanimously. I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Acevedo, D'Amico, Hernandez. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3171, Mr. Harris. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3171, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a piece of legislation that was brought to me by a family from Carol Stream. It regards the unintended consequence of an Act we took several years ago. In... in the

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SMART Act reform, it has had the unintended consequences of essentially imp... you know, forcing children with traumatic brain injuries to not be able to leave the facilities in which they are being treated, and which they reside, and having home visits with their families. This is the bed hold issue. So it would allow persons with diagnoses that are traumatic brain injury, and there is a technical definition within the Bill, to have the ability to visit their families at home without the risk of losing their placement in their treatment facility or putting an undue cost on their families. And it... it... it's a wonderful gift we can give some families for the holidays this year. And I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock on the Bill."

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

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman yields."

Bellock: "I just want... I'm going to support the Bill. I just wanted to go over a few questions that we asked in the committee because a lot of people think that we took away the bed holds when we did the SMART Act. So, we already have reinstated the bed holds for ICFDDs, correct?"

Harris, G.: "We made... we made an exemption for persons in ICFDDs previously. That was for a class of facilities. This exemption is for... we did not contemplate that persons with traumatic brain injuries might be treated in other facilities. So this would add an exemption just for that diagnosis."

Bellock: "Great. And this weaves in the legislation that it's 10 days per month. Is that correct?"

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Harris, G.: "Yes. And so the overall cost to the State of Illinois if you... even if you wanted to consider it a cost, would be about \$90 thousand. But it would be the world to these families."

Bellock: "Right. Thank you very much. To the Bill. I'm in full support of the Bill. And this a critical issue for parents and loved ones of people that have traumatic brain injuries to be able to take them home to their homes and lead a quality of life that they deserve. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Flowers."

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

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman yields."

Flowers: "Representative, I, too, want to thank you for carrying this piece of legislation. But more importantly, do you think we should repeal the SMART Act? Because there has been quite a few unintended consequences as a result of what we've done. And a lot of people are still hurting because..."

Harris, G.: "I... I think that there are some pieces of it, Representative, that we have found worked as we intended, others that have unintended consequences. And I think we've taken action to roll those portions back. And if others come to our attention, we should act on them as well."

Flowers: "Well, I think what we should do and... again, because of the unintended consequences, because you cannot save money at the risk of denying people the services that's medically needed. And that's basically what the SMART Act has been doing. And that's the reason why we had to put back the dental, put back in the eyes because you're adding... So piece, by piece, by piece. So, maybe what we should do is go back

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and review it along with the economy to see what it deals... what it is that should be and can be repealed because, once again, we cannot save money off the backs of sick and poor people. And again, I rise in support of Senate Bill 3171. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris, to close."

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. On behalf of Jeff Carr and his son Adam, and all the other families like them throughout the state, I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3265, Mr. Bradley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3265, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a cleanup Bill for the 9-1-1 rewrite, and the process that we've begun. It effects Adams County and allows them to receive their part of the distribution. So, I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bradley has moved for the passage of the Bill. 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? Have all voted who wish? Ives, Nekritz. Nekritz. Please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby

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declared passed. Senate Bill 3397, Mr. DeLuca. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3397, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. DeLuca."

DeLuca: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. Senate Bill 3397 deals with the private label credit cards and would clarify existing law allowing a retailer that offers a store credit card, known as a private label credit card, to consumers that is administered by a third party to obtain a credit or refund for the sales tax submitted to the state after a consumer defaults on payment. Under current law, when a sales transaction is completed using a private label credit card that is administered by a retailer and the customer subsequently defaults on the payment, the retailer is allowed a refund on the sales tax it paid to the state on the purchase. When a customer does not pay for merchandise received, the retailer gets back the sales tax that has been sent to the state because no sale is deemed to have occurred. I would ask for a 'yes' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. 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. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3509, Mr. D'Amico. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3509, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. D'Amico."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment to Senate Bill 3509 is technical by nature. I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. 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? Evans, Hernandez, Kosel. Representative Kosel. Please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Returning to Senate Bill 649. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 649, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. Floor Amendments 4 and 5 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #4 is offered by Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Mr. Speaker. I would.. I wish to withdraw Floor Amendment #4."

Speaker Lang: "Amendment 4 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #5 is offered by Representative Zalewski and has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Mr. Speaker, I wish to adopt Floor Amendment #5. It deals with a small issue relating to boards and commissions that is technical in nature."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment will 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: "Senate Bill 649, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 6... 649 is an extension of the Medical Practice Act along with some changes to the Act, that are, I would consider, moderately technical in nature that both the department and IMS have agreed to. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "The Chair recognizes Mr. Reis."

Reis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Lang: "State your inquiry."

Reis: "What is the status of House Committee Amendment #2?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Amendment #1 and 2 were adopted previously. Floor Amendment #5 was just adopted today."

Reis: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields, Sir."

Reis: "Representative, has House... does your Amendment gut and replace the previous Amendments?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Reis: "So, nothing in this final legislation has anything to do with fracking?"

Zalewski: "No."

Reis: "That's all I needed to know. Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'... Chair recognizes Mr. Franks. In the nick of time, Sir."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "I'm not sure exactly what the Bill does. Because as I'm reading the analysis, and it's voluminous, I understand that House Floor Amendment becomes the Bill. Is that simply extending the sunset for the Illinois Medical Practice Act?"

Zalewski: "Along with some moderate changes, Jack, dealing with endorsements, licensure issues. There's a change of the board... one of the boards in the Act."

Franks: "Now, I saw on the original analysis there was a multitude of opponents. Was that on the underlying Bill? Was that on any of the Amendments? Are there any opponents to Amendment #5 or Amendment #4?"

Zalewski: "No. No. Amendment 5 becomes the Bill. There are no opponents to that Bill... that Amendment."

Franks: "Now, Amendment #5. Does that amend House Floor Amendment #4? With the analysis that we have here concerning House Floor Amendment #4 be indicative of what's in 5, except for technical changes?"

Zalewski: "Yes, with the exception of the issue dealing with the board. There's a... there's a change that we didn't like, frankly, in the terms of tenure of one of the boards. So we made that technical change and went right to the floor with the #5."

Franks: "And what is that change with the board?"

Zalewski: "It deals with the service tenure. We... we would have had a situation where people wouldn't have been able to serve

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on the board because of the way the statute reads regarding 10 successive years. We didn't like that. We... we withdrew that language."

Franks: "And why didn't you like it? I'm just... I'm trying to understand the issue here."

Zalewski: "I think I... we were told that that would be a technical change. That policy... putting that policy in would be a technical change. And we didn't like that idea, so we wanted to review the matter further."

Franks: "Okay."

Zalewski: "So by withdrawing that issue, we are able to more study who should be on these boards and what their tenure should be."

Franks: "And which boards do this... does this deal with?"

Zalewski: "These are... these are internal boards in the department that monitor disciplinary issues with respect to doctors and medical professionals."

Franks: "I didn't realize that the DFPR had individual boards."

Zalewski: "Oh, yeah."

Franks: "Are you saying like there might be something for medical field, maybe something for the legal field?"

Zalewski: "I... I think these are peer review boards."

Franks: "Peer review boards?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Franks: "Okay. So you're making nonsubstantive technical changes to give them more flexibility on these boards?"

Zalewski: "I am. To say that was the proposal, but we didn't necessarily agree that this should be part of this Bill in the Veto Session, so we took that part out."

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Franks: "I see. So it's more technical in nature at this point?"

Zalewski: "Yes."

Franks: "I thank you for explaining that."

Zalewski: "Yeah."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski, to close."

Zalewski: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Jones, Wallace. Mr. Jones. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Mr. Harms."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Harms: "I had another guest come into the Speaker's Gallery. Tom Bennett, who is Representative-elect for the 106th District. If we could give him a Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome, Sir. Senate Bill 1740, Mr. Bradley. Mr. Bradley. Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. I spoke too soon. Mr. Clerk, Senate Bill 1740. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1740, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "This is a cleanup Bill regarding erroneous exemptions. The main change is that it would clarify the notice of intent to put a lien. And it would also allow the Cook County Assessor's Office to recoup administrative costs from the

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beneficiaries of the correction of the error. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves for the passage of the Bill. 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. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, Senate Joint Resolution 76, Mr. Davidsmeyer. Out of the record. Mr. Clerk, HJR111, Mr. Costello. Mr. Costello, please proceed."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. House Joint Resolution 111 designates the portion of Interstate 255 within the Cahokia city limits as the 'Monroe Flynn Memorial Highway'. Many of you may be familiar with ex-Representative Flynn. He served from 1971 until 1995, 24 years in this Body. He was the chairman of the Financial Institutions Committee, cochair of Counties & Townships and Legislative Information Systems. He was a charter member of JCAR, and as a matter of fact, the weekly JCAR publication was for a time called the Flynn Report. I thank you. And I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt"

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had the privilege of serving with Monroe Flynn. And for those of you that didn't know him, it seems only appropriate at this time that... Mr. Speaker, I move for adjournment. He was the one that would always do that at the appropriate time. So, I do that at the appropriate time, but he was a great guy to work with. I think this is a

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very fitting tribute. And he was here to represent the people.
Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Resolution... Excuse me. Those in favor will vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Evans, Flowers, Mautino. Mr. Mautino. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the Resolution is adopted. Senate Bill 2711, Representative Chapa LaVia. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2711, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. This Bill was read 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 Hollman: "Senate Bill 2711, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. You're looking mighty fine today, just saying. Members of the General Assembly in the House, my august Body, we're going over the waivers again. And once again, if you vote for this Bill, you're in favor of the modifications to the waivers in which we passed in our committee unanimously."

Speaker Lang: "Excuse me, Representative. I think you're describing..."

Chapa LaVia: "Oh, I'm sorry."

Speaker Lang: "...the wrong piece of legislation."

Chapa LaVia: "I'm sorry. Which one is this one?"

Speaker Lang: "This would be Senate Bill 2711."

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Chapa LaVia: "Oh, the professional development. Okay."

Speaker Lang: "Start over."

Chapa LaVia: "So, I'm sorry. I apologize. So... yeah... exactly. That's what it does. There's two things that we've changed what House Floor Amendment does that becomes the Bill. It changes the fact that... that if you're... you can use out-of-state teaching experience to qualify as an... experience for principal endorsements. Next year, what you'll find is we're going to be expanding this because of the teacher endorsements, also. But this just clears up that language that we... we can use the experience of your out-of-state teaching as teaching experience for principal endorsements here in the state. And then also, the second part of the Amendment, which becomes the Bill itself, is the language also designates the IRC, which is the Illinois Resource Center, as the entity approved to provide professional development services for English... English language learners. And presently, in the State of Illinois, that is the only location that does this service. And we wanted to codify that in there. I'll take any questions. 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 take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, House Joint Resolution 107, Representative Chapa LaVia. Representative, you're on."

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Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker, and Members of the General Assembly in the House."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, I understand this has an Amendment. Is that correct?"

Chapa LaVia: "House Floor Amendment #1, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Chapa LaVia: "It deals with school... Oswego District 308. And what we've done here, on the guidance from our... our... our chamber across the way, is instead of waivering a five-year term we've put it to a two-year limit. So this is what the Amendment does for that. Which would change language in the next Bill that we're going to be hearing. Now, the reason why we changed it from five, which the school district wanted, to two, in my eyes, is that we'd like to gather as much information on their... the teaching through the Internet for classes. And this is also supported by the school... school board there, and the unions there. So, it's a great collaboration. We want to see it as it grows, and we want to make sure that they come back so we can see their data."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment will say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Are there any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, to close on the Resolution."

Chapa LaVia: "I just ask for its approval. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Resolution will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, the Chair was in error. Please put House Joint Resolution 107 back on the board. This requires a Roll

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Call vote. Those in favor of the Resolution 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 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the Resolution is adopted. On page 5 of the Calendar, under the Order of Amendatory Veto Motions, there appears House Bill 4606. Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This passed overwhelmingly through the House and unanimously through the Senate. What it does is it expands to the rest of the state what has been in place for about 12 years in Cook County, Lake County, McHenry County, Kane, DuPage, and Will County. And it ensures that if you adhere to statutory operation location requirement for facilities that recycle construction waste... waste will not have to have local siting approval. The Governor amendatorily vetoed it, and required a notice requirement for counties before they could put this in place. That is not the case in Cook, Lake, McHenry, Kane, DuPage, or Will. And we would just like the entire state to be uniform. This will keep about 75 percent of construction waste out of landfills. It's environmentally friend... friendly. And that's why I think it overwhelmingly passed. I ask for a 'yes' on... on overriding the Amendatory Veto."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves to override the Governor's Amendatory Veto on House Bill 4606. This requires 71 votes. The Chair recognizes Mr. DeLuca."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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DeLuca: "So there's no other debate on this Bill, Mr. Speaker? Representative Hoffman, I know that we've had some conversation about this. I've expressed some of the concern that I have regarding this. And we know that there is a loophole that exists, that I brought to your attention regarding this that the proponents of the legislation have acknowledged. I have provided some simple language that would correct the problem that the proponents have also acknowledged. Are you not willing to hold off on this, based on those conversations?"

Hoffman: "Well, I... I'm not seeing any language specifically, but I believe that the concerns that you have regarding zoning we could take care of next Legislative Session. This basically... why the Governor did what he did, I'm not sure. I just want to make it consistent throughout the state. One consistent policy throughout the state that would allow for the recycling of these construction materials and keep them out of the landfills whenever possible."

DeLuca: "And you know, my comments are no criticisms of these facilities. These... these facilities are a good thing. We're talking about taking material that would otherwise go into a landfill and we're recycling it. That's... that's good. The problem here, that I would hope that the Members would recognize here, is that we are eliminating the setback. We are eliminating the setback that exists in areas where there's no zoning. So, in a sense, one of these facilities, if this Bill is passed at is... as it is currently written, they could be located immediately adjacent to a residential neighborhood. It could be next to a school or a church. And

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that's the loophole that I'm referring to that the proponents recognize. They... they understand that it's there. And they're willing to address it later on. I think that's a little risky, especially if one of these facilities are located next to a residential neighborhood in your district. Representative Hoffman, are you aware of the... the different percentages of material that these facilities... what... what they're allowed to accept in terms of C&D and non-C&D?"

Hoffman: "But... if you want to debate the underlying Bill, I guess we could. But we're... this is to override a Veto, a Veto that makes no sense. And the Bill passed unanimously. Or not unanimously, overwhelmingly, 91 votes. And 55 votes in the Senate. Now, your issue with regard to zoning, I think, Representative, is not well-founded. Because it specifically says that these facilities will still be subject to local zoning ordinances land use requirements. If there is no local zoning... if there is local zoning, the 1320 feet still applies, if there is local zoning. If there is no local zoning, then there... then the issue is moot because there is no local zoning. So, there's nothing that designates residentially zoned property. So, I'm failing to understand your point."

DeLuca: "The point is, as... as many of you know in this room, I've been involved in the waste business my entire life. And although my family has never operated a C&D facility, I have been working with these facilities my whole life. And there's good operators and there's operators that cut corners. And what this will allow is, and this is the key point that I would ask everybody to pay attention to, is that 25 percent, 25 percent by law of the material that goes into these

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facilities does not have to be construction and demolition material. Are you aware of that, Representative Hoffman?"

Hoffman: "It's my understanding that 75 percent has to be recyclable."

DeLuca: "Exactly. That is correct. Which means that 25 percent of the material that goes into these facilities does not have to be construction and demolition material. So, my point is, when we're talking about eliminating the setback, this is where the concern comes in. One of these facilities..."

Hoffman: "Again, we are not eliminating the setback. We are not eliminating the setback."

DeLuca: "In a sense, we are."

Hoffman: "No, we're not."

DeLuca: "In a sense, we are..."

Hoffman: "No, we're not."

DeLuca: "...because we're removing local siting."

Hoffman: "It's... it's interesting that you care about counties that may... may not have zoning in place. Ninety-nine percent of the counties have zoning in place. If the zoning is in place, then you have to abide by the zoning laws. It's that simple. It's been going on for 12 years in your county, in Cook, Lake, McHenry, Kane, DuPage, and Will. And it's been wildly successful. Why don't you want to allow us to have it in downstate Illinois? Why don't you want to allow us to ensure that we're keeping this material out of the landfills? Your point is not well-taken."

DeLuca: "No, I'm not trying to prevent these facilities, as I stated, I support these facilities and they serve an excellent purpose. I just don't want any Representative to vote for

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this and then be caught in a situation where they find out that one of these facilities are being located right next to a residential neighborhood because the setback..."

Hoffman: "They can't."

DeLuca: "...could be bypassed. Just let me finish..."

Hoffman: "They can't because they must abide by the local zoning laws."

DeLuca: "Just let me finish my last comment. You're right, if there's no zoning. Exactly. If there's zoning, there's protected. These are the areas where zoning might not exist. And 25 percent of the material can be nonconstruction and demolition material and can sit on the property for 72 hours before it has to be removed. So, in a sense, one of these facilities can be located next to a residential neighborhood, have 25 percent of the material that's brought in be nonconstruction and demolition, can sit on the property for 72 hours before it has to be removed. That's if it's being monitored. That's why I don't think we should rush into this without that other language that we discussed being included in it. That's why I'm asking the Body today to either vote 'no' or vote 'present'. Let's come back in just a couple months with the language in there that addresses this concern, that addresses the loophole and have a clean Bill and the problem will be solved. I'll support it. I'll be a cosponsor. But the way this is currently written, this problem does exist, and some people might be caught in the... in the middle of it. So I ask for a 'no' vote, a 'present' vote, or you could feel free to take it out of the record. Thank you, Representative."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hoffman, to close."

Hoffman: "Thank you. With all due respect to the previous speaker, I just simply disagree. The... if there is zoning in place, you must comply with the zoning requirement. This passed with 91 votes, 55 in the Senate. Environmental groups are for it. If they were... if they were against it and believed what your argument is, then they... I would assume they would be against it. There are very few places in this state that don't have zoning requirements. If there are no zoning requirements, then you can't determine where a residential zoned area is. We're saying let's keep this out of the landfills. Let's have it be recycled. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves to override the Governor's Amendatory Veto to House Bill 4606. This requires 71 votes. Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Feigenholtz, Meier, Riley. Feigenholtz, Riley. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 80 voting 'yes', 31 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And the House does override the Governor's Amendatory Veto to House Bill 4606. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, First Readings."

Clerk Hollman: "First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 2557, offered by Speaker Madigan, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. This Bill is referred to the Rules Committee."

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

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Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1340, offered by Representative Sosnowski. House Resolution 1341, offered by Representative Currie. House Resolution 1342, offered by Representative Martwick. House Resolution 1343, offered by Representative Martwick. House Resolution 1344, offered by Representative Martwick. House Resolution 1345, offered by Representative Pihos. House Resolution 1346, offered by Representative McAuliffe. House Resolution 1347, offered by Representative Wheeler. And House Resolution 1349, offered by Representative Moylan. And House Resolution 1350, 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. We'd like the staff to retire to the rear of the chamber. Staff will retire to the rear of the chamber. Members will be in their chairs. Before we adjourn, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have a series of four Death Resolutions. The Members will be in their chairs. Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 1290. Mr. Sosnowski."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution..."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1290, offered by Representative Sosnowski."

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of South Beloit Mayor Michael M. Duffy, and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mayor Duffy as an expression of our deepest sympathy."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sosnowski."

Sosnowski: "It's with a sorrowful heart I stand before the Assembly today, but it was a great honor to be able to recognize Mayor Michael Duffy. I had an opportunity for many years to work with him. We're joined today in the gallery just to our upper right by Lori Duffy and his family. I appreciate their opportunity to be here and to recognize somebody who truly made a difference in the northern Illinois region. At the time of his passing, there was many notes and sympathies collected. And I wanted to take just a moment to read a couple words from some other folks who really encapsulated just the great man that he was. Words like wisdom, and compassion, and love for everything that he did. An exceptional person to work for. A great friend, great family member, great husband. A gentleman with a never ending smile. Ongoing kindness. Selfless service, never to be forgotten. And as a superintendent, he did not want to lose touch with his students and would regularly make a point of greeting them every morning as they entered the school building. One gentleman said Mike was a stick-to-your-guns kind of guy. And for those of you who know him, you would definitely call him a stick-to-your-guns kind of guy. But he also knew how to compromise. He did a wonderful job as mayor. He did a wonderful job as Superintendent of South Beloit School District. And he will be truly missed. We may have lost a wonderful man, and for that we can mourn, but the

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heavens above have gained an angel that will continue God's work. And for that, we can celebrate. I ask the chamber to please join me in a moment of silence."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Members. Mr. Cabello."

Cabello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have known Mayor Duffy for quite some time. He is an excellent man. First knew him when he was the Superintendent at South Beloit. He gave me a lot of good advice... advice that I use quite often. So... to the family. Even though he might not be here with us, when we have some difficult decisions, I constantly think of what he told me. He... he said look at every aspect. Make sure that the vote that you take, the vote that you cast, the decision that you make is the right one for, not you, but for the people that you are honored to serve. He is missed, but he's not forgotten. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Resolution will say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 1282, Mr. Harms."

Harms: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1282, offered by Representative Harms."

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of E. Leslie "Les" Conkling, and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Les Conkling as an expression of our deepest sympathy."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harms."

Harms: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'd like to take the opportunity to honor former State Representative Les Conkling who was born in Princeton on December 20, 1931 to Howard and Ella May Conkling. He graduated in 1949 from Princeton High School. He received his Associate's Degree from Oglesby Junior College. And his Bachelor's Degree in Teacher Education from Northern Illinois University. He did his postgraduate work at Indiana University, Louisiana Tech University and received his Master of Education from the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana. He married Sandra J.. J. Jacobs on June 6, 1956 in DeKalb. Les was a teacher, coach, and principal for the Kempton-Cabery and Tri-Point School districts for 30 years, retiring in May of 1990. He coached high school football at Kempton-Cabery High School, and was the first high school football coach and principal of the newly consolidated Tri-Point High School in 1969. He coached basketball, track, and baseball for Tri-Point High School. He was also a coach for Kempton-Cabery Little League and led the Kempton-Cabery Colts Summer League Baseball Team to multiple championships. Les was very active in the Republican Party. He was Ford County Precinct Committeeman for Mona Township from 1974 to 2004. And the Ford County Republican Chairman from 1979 to 1998. He was the secretary of Illinois Republican Chairman's Association from 1986 to 1990, and served as Illinois State

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Representative from July of 1991 to January of 1993 for the old 87th District. He served his community by being both a member of the Kempton Village Board and Kempton Fire Department for over 30 years. I would also like to acknowledge, up in the Speaker's Gallery, his son Howard, and Ted, with Valerie, Ted's wife, and their daughter Danielle. I would like for the chamber to have a moment of silence."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Resolution will say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. They 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. The other two Death Resolutions we'll take up when we return in two weeks. And now, leaving perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til Tuesday, December 2 at the hour of 12 noon. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 6324, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. This Bill is referred to the Rules Committee. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 1348, offered by Representative Thapedi. This Resolution is referred to the Rules Committee. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."