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Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Keith Perry, who is an ordained Lutheran Minister from Elgin. He serves as a hospice chaplain for Harbor Light Hospice in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. Reverend Perry is the guest Representative Moeller. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend Perry."

Reverend Perry: "Thank you and good morning. Let us pray. Oh, God, Creator and sustainer of everything that we have, we ask You to look with mercy today on everyone who rules over us in this state. Guide our leaders that You have put in place in the direction You would have them go. Give them strength and the will to stand up for issues that are right and important to You and important for Your people. Send forth Your spirit today, make it a source of wisdom and strength, order and integrity. May Your blessing rest upon all of our leaders here today. Inspire them with the courage to make laws for the good of all, and especially for those who are not able to help themselves. We pray, also, for our economy that you might continue to raise up people of skill and wisdom who will affect our financial future. Give our leaders foresight so that provision might be made for our state and our country's future, not just its present. And today, Lord, also in the midst of the many tragedies that are so difficult for us to understand extend comfort to the families and friends of Egypt Air. And in time may they find peace and continued purpose in their life. So, bless this day, bless the work You have put

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before these, Your leaders. In the name of our Lord God,
Amen."

Speaker Lang: "Be led in the Pledge by Representative Fine."

Fine - 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."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that
Representatives Monique Davis, Ford, and Sims are excused
today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brown."

Brown: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect
that Representative Jeannie Ives is excused this morning.
Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 114
Members in the chamber and there is a quorum. The Chair
recognizes Mr. Wehrli."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Wehrli: "I am joined today by my 12-year-old son, Luke, he's in
sixth grade at Lincoln Junior High and he's down here today
on a little field trip to learn a little bit about what we
do. So, if we could welcome my son, I'd appreciate it."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. We're happy you're here today. Mr.
Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

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Sandack: "I have a... I hope I see her. Where did Isabella go? I have a... oh... oh, she's right here. Isabella, come over here a second. I have a Page with me today; she's already being put to work. My... join me in welcoming my Page, she's from Bartlett, Illinois, Isabella Malachowski. Her parents are right there, David and Maria. Isabella likes softball, basketball. She's a 6th grader at St. Isadore in Bloomingdale. And as you can see, she's industrious and ready to go to work. Let's give her a nice Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Hello. Thank you for being here. Mr. Davis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Davis, W.: "Would the students and chaperones from Prairie Hills Junior High in Markham please stand up? Ladies and Gentlemen, around the Capitol the entire day you will see young people wearing orange shirts like these today. The Illinois Legislative Black Caucus has sponsored, for the second year in a row, Civic Engagement Day where we have invited students, teachers and parents from Member districts... schools in Member districts to come down to better understand the civics process, what we do here in Springfield. The group that I have standing behind me are from my district and they are Prairie Hills Junior High in the City of Markham. But I would also invite all the young people that have orange shirts today to stand up. So, when you see them around the Capitol please thank them for being here. These are what we ask of our students when they come to Springfield to learn about the civics process, the legislative process. So, please show them some courtesy as we all do when we have young people here in

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the Capitol that are trying to learn about what we do and why we do it. Please give them all a great round of applause."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. We're so glad you're with us today. Thank you. Thank you, Representative. Mr. D'Amico is recognized."

D'Amico: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

D'Amico: "I just want to announce, last night we had the House-Senate softball game and I'm proud to say that the House kept the trophy here in the House. So, all of those practices that we had really paid... really paid off last night. And everybody really took... played a big part in our win. I want to thank all the cheerleaders, all the fans, they were second to none. And I also want to thank our sponsor, Kevin Riggs, from the Saint Louis Regional Chamber of Commerce. They do a great job sponsoring that every year. And thanks again for everyone coming out. And let's look forward to next year again defending the trophy. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. The cheerleaders were spectacular, there's no question about that. Representative, did I hear someone hit a grand slam in that game? It's not what I saw. Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We also have with us... I was remiss when I was giving remarks this afternoon at the Lincoln statue, I did not specifically acknowledge Quest Charter School from Peoria, Illinois. Please stand up and take this warm, welcoming from the Illinois General Assembly House of Representatives."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you for being with us."

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Gordon-Booth: "Thank you for being here. But we also, just coming now in the door, we have the young men and women who hail from our great Representative... Representative Carol Ammons' students from all over Champaign-Urbana. Please also welcome the students from Champaign-Urbana as well. Representative Carol Ammons' district."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you for joining us, all of you. Mr. Harris."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Harris, D.: "Actually, Mr. Speaker, two points. One very briefly, a compliment to the head of the House baseball team. You did not hear it was a grand slam, but he did hit an inside the park homerun, Representative D'Amico so."

Speaker Lang: "Well done."

Harris, D.: "And I... and I would also like to take... it's a great privilege for me as an Arlington Heights resident, as in a member of the... of the Our Lady of the Wayside Parish, to welcome the seventh graders from Our Lady of the Wayside Parish who are up in the gallery today with Mrs. Boarini, their leader. And welcome to Springfield and I hope you enjoy your... here... your day in the State Capitol. Let's give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Have a great day here. Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead."

Bradley: "I'd like to introduce my Page for the day. It's Tyler Carroll from down in my district. And he's joined here today by his grandmother, Kitty Lane. How about a round of applause for Tyler and Kitty."

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Speaker Lang: "Thanks for joining us. Happy you're here. Mr. Sommer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Sommer: "I, too, would like to introduce my Pages. Down front are Jack Hobson and Collin Roche from Morton, Illinois. Jack's father, Link Hobson, is the Circuit Clerk of Tazewell County and he joins us in the back of the chamber. Please welcome him to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard. We're glad you're with us today. Mr. Brady."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please."

Brady: "I, too, would like to introduce my Page and intern for the summer in my district office, Mr. Mike Neuwohner, who will be an incoming senior at Illinois State University. Please welcome him to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you for being here. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2016: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2410, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2820; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 6169, House Bill 6266, Senate Bill 1564; approved for consideration, referred to Third Reading is Senate Bill 805. Representative Rita, Chairperson from... Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing Oversight reports the

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following committee action taken on May 19, 2016: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 240. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2016: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 232, Senate Bill 466, Senate Bill 574, Senate Bill 2301, Senate Bill 2306; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2734, Senate Bill 2929; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 1161, House Resolution 1182, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 320. Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2016: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 399, Senate Bill 2468, Senate Bill 2533, Senate Bill 2797, Senate Bill 2824, Senate Bill 2825, Senate Bill 2989, Senate Bill 3063; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2047, Senate Bill 2216, Senate Bill 3095, Senate Bill 3412; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 144, House Resolution 69... correction... House Resolution 960, House Resolution 1183. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2016: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 384, Senate Bill 2300, Senate Bill 2677, Senate Bill 2839, Senate Bill 2845; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 140, Senate Bill 807, Senate Bill 2138."

Speaker Lang: "Page 14 of the Calendar, Order of Resolutions, House Joint Resolution 138, Mr. Davidsmeyer. The Body will rise."

Clerk Bolin: "House Joint Resolution 138, offered by Representative Davidsmeyer."

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BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of Illinois Route 267 as it runs between Interstate 72 and Nortonville Road as the "Officer Scot Fitzgerald Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name "Officer Scot Fitzgerald Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of Officer Fitzgerald, Secretary of the Department of Transportation Randall S. Blankenhorn, South Jacksonville Mayor Steven L. Waltrip, and the South Jacksonville Police Department."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today we have the honor of celebrating and memorializing the life of a hero. Today we honor the service of Francis Scot Fitzgerald. Scot was a young man who had dedicated... who had dedicated his life to the service of others as a police officer with the South Jacksonville Police Department, a former Scott County Sheriff's Deputy, a former Winchester and Bluffs police officer an EMT in the Murrayville, Woodson and Winchester areas. Scot also served as a volunteer firefighter for the Murrayville Fire District, a member of the Morton County 9-1-1 board and was recently selected as a member of the special response team in Morgan County. Back in early March while

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responding to a call, we lost Scot way too early at the age of... at the age of 32 we lost this young man. With all of his service, he was also a dedicated father, husband, son, and brother. He was described by others as 'an awesome family man'. Today we're joined by Scot's family right up here to my right, his wife Dani, his young children, Colton and Fynlee, his parents, Fitz and Becky, his mother and father in law, Bill and Darlene. While the south Jacksonville region mourns the loss of Scot, we've never been stronger as a community. The support for Scot's family has been amazing. And we pledge our continued efforts so that will not end. To remember and memorialize Scot's life, this great hero, I offer HJR 138 to name a portion of Illinois Route 267 from I-72 to Nortonville Road the 'Officer Scot Fitzgerald Memorial Highway.' I know that we did not have the opportunity to say goodbye, I believe that's because Scot is still here watching over us until we meet him again. May we always remember the sacrifices of our hero, Scot Fitzgerald. I ask for your support of House Joint Resolution 138. And I ask for a small moment of silence. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Resolution will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the Resolution is adopted. Thank you, Mr. Davidsmeyer. Page 2 of the Calendar, House Bills-Second Reading, House Bill 750, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 750, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. This Bill was read a second time a previous day.

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No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative William Davis, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Ladies and Gentlemen. House... excuse me... Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 750 is an initiative of PACE, the suburban bus company. They have been aggressively trying to update their fleet with new cost saving natural gas buses. Unfortunately, because of some of the budgetary challenges that we have here in the State of Illinois they have been unable to continue to purchase these natural gas buses and put them on the street. So, what Amendment #1 does is give PACE the authority under their current bonding authority to be able to use their bonding authority to make capital purchases, specifically to purchase buses so they can continue to update their fleet. Many of the buses that they have are outdated or have outlived their otherwise normal usage and they are looking to try to aggressively replace those buses. One of the questions in committee indicated that the life of the bonds that would be sold for this purpose will not... will not... will not go to the 25-year life of the bond, but will be about 10 years which is about what the... just under the average life of the bus may be. There was no opposition in committee, but I'll be more than happy to answer any questions. I ask for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Demmer: "Representative, just a point of clarification. Does this change the maximum limit that PACE may incur in debt?"

Davis, W.: "No."

Demmer: "Doesn't change the current borrowing limit at all? It's currently at 100 million and it stays at 100 million?"

Davis, W.: "It stays under 100 million."

Demmer: "Okay. Thank you."

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

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

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

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 750, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I think I gave a thorough explanation of the purpose of the Bill on... when we addressed the Amendment. Again, this does not increase their overall bonding authority. They will still work within the statutory limits that have been imposed upon them. But again, this is an effort to try to replace older, failing regular gas buses with new natural gas buses. They have started that purchase and want to continue to make those purchases to replace their fleet. So again, if... I'll be more than happy to address any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 87 voting 'yes',

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27 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 3 of the Calendar, House Bills-Second Reading, House Bill 5764, Mr. Andrade. Mr. Andrade. Out of the record. On page 3 of the Calendar, House Bills-Third Reading, House Bill 5580, Representative Wallace. Representative Wallace. Out of the record. On page 7 of the Calendar, Senate Bills-Second Reading, Senate Bill 210, Representative Bourne. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 210, 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 211, Mr. Cabello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 211, 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 212, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 212, 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 238, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 238, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 320, Representative Feigenholtz. Representative Feigenholtz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 320, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Feigenholtz."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 reconstitutes on a partisan basis members of this task force and just a little bit of cleanup language. I'd be glad to answer any questions. "

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

Dunkin: "Just a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Dunkin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, with us in the gallery today directly behind me..."

Speaker Lang: "Sir. Sir, we're not on that order now. We're running Bills. So, we'll get back to you. Thank you. Those in favor of the Lady'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. Now, Mr. Dunkin."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker for your indulgence. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, behind me we have an eighth-grade class in my district from Fiske Elementary. Won't you please give them a warm welcome and round of applause."

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Speaker Lang: "Welcome to the House chamber. We're happy you're here. Senate Bill 392, Mr. Turner. Mr. Turner. Out of the record. Senate Bill 462, Mr. Andrade. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 462, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Andrade."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andrade."

Andrade: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 462 is an agreed Bill. It corrects a drafting error presented in the underlying Bill. Is there a House Floor Amendment 2, first?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, how many Amendments are filed to this Bill?"

Clerk Bolin: "Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 has been approved for consideration. No further Amendments have been filed."

Speaker Lang: "So, we're on your Amendment 2, Sir."

Andrade: "So, Floor Amendment 2 is an agreed Amendment that accomplishes four things. It corrects a drafting error present in the underlying Bill. It adds hearing instrument dispensers to the list in the current law who may certify that a person has a hearing or speech disability. It integrates all components of House Committee Amendment #1 and provides for various technical and conforming changes."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Reaves-Harris, do you rise to speak to this Amendment?"

Reaves-Harris: "No, I was requesting a point of personal privilege. So, I'll wait until..."

Speaker Lang: "We'll... I'll get right back to you."

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Reaves-Harris: "That's fine."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Chair recognizes Representative Reaves-Harris."

Reaves-Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to also welcome two schools that I have from my district, Jacob Beidler as well as Tilton. They're in the gallery to my right. They're part of the eighth-grade civic engagement youth that the Illinois Black Caucus is sponsoring. I think this is an important initiative give... given the budget cuts that the school district is facing in the City of Chicago that we're able to sponsor young people to come down to our Capitol to see our government in operation. So, welcome both of the schools. And if everyone can give them a welcome to Springfield, I would appreciate it."

Speaker Lang: "Well, thank you, Representative. And welcome to the House chamber. Thanks for joining us. Senate Bill 579, Representative Hernandez. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 579, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2137, Representative Cabello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2137, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2160, Mr. Bradley. Mr. Bradley. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2196, Representative Hernandez. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2213, Mr. Zalewski. Mr. Zalewski. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2282, Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2355, Mr. Unes. Mr. Unes. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2355, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2393, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2393, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation... Second... a Bill for an Act concerning education. 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 2407, Representative Gordon-Booth. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2407, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2433, Mr. Zalewski. Mr. Zalewski. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2522, Mr. Mitchell. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2522, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Chair recognizes Representative Lilly."

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Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Lilly: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly, I would like to introduce the eighth-grade graduating Class of 2016 from Joseph Lovett Elementary to Springfield. Can you give them a round of applause."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard. Thank you for joining us. Senate Bill 2531, Mr. Welch. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2531, 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 2567, Mr. D'Amico. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2567, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2584, Mr. Riley. Mr. Riley. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2585, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2585, 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 2589, Mr. Acevedo. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2589, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2600, Mr. Welch. Read the Bill, please."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2600, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2746, Mr. Guzzardi. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2746, 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 2819, Representative Nekritz. Representative Nekritz. Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2819, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2833, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2833, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2835, Representative Scherer. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2835, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2840, Mr. Franks. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2840, 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 2910, Representative Bryant. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2910, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2947, Mr. Anthony. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2947, 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 2982, Mr. Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2982, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3007, Representative Hernandez. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3007, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. 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 3082, Representative Feigenholtz. Read the Bill, please."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3082, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3104, Representative Jesiel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3104, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3130, Mr. Butler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3130, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. 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 3335, Representative Mussman. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3335, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Mussman."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mussman on your Amendment."

Mussman: "Sorry. The Amendment makes it so that our EMS drivers are allowed to deliver epinephrine out of vials, ampules, and preloaded EpiPens. That's all it does."

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."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3354, Mr. Turner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3354, 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 3401, Mr. McAuliffe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3401, 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. On page 5 of the Calendar, Senate Bills... excuse me, page 4 of the Calendar, Senate Bills-Third Reading, Senate Bill 2439, Mr. Zalewski. Out of the record. Please read that Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2439, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We did this Bill last year, the Governor had concerns. However, I think that given the... given the way that the... that the dynamic is I'm hopeful that we can impress upon him the... the importance of the issue. It allows a town in my district, Bedford Park, to have their firefighters enter into an IMRF SLEP Fund, which is a higher contribution for them. And it prevents Tier 2 firefighters from having to work into a period that's unsafe for residents in Bedford Park. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wallace on... are you rising on this legislation? Mr. Demmer, are you rising on this legislation? Please proceed, Sir."

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Demmer: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Demmer: "Representative, I... I know the Governor vetoed identical language earlier and... and there was never a call to override that Veto in the House. What... did you have a change to see the Governor's Veto message? What were his reasons for vetoing this?"

Zalewski: "I think the Governor believes in the power of referendum. I think he believes in local control. What I would say in this instance is this is an excellent example of local control because the village board still has to pass this ordinance to do so. The referendum that he's concerned with went 18 years back. And to me it... that was before Tier 2 was in place. So, we... we enacted Tier 2, we have firefighters under the current system that could work to an unsafe age. They carry ladders, they have to run in and out of buildings. It's important to know Bedford Park is a... is a area where there is a lot of industry, there's a lot of freight trains going through with fuel. We don't want firefighters in that area being... being jeopardized with their own safety or the safety of others. So, I'm hopeful he reconsiders it. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Demmer: "So, this... this Bill may not have a direct fiscal impact to the state, but it's... it's likely this would have a fiscal impact to... to local governments and to IMRF. Is that right?"

Zalewski: "No. I don't think so, Tom, because they would pay more into their system. And IMRF was not opposed to this Bill. There's only two firefighter funds in... in the state that belong to IMRF, the rest are downstate funds. You don't... we

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don't... I don't want to create a new downstate pension fund for Bedford Park. I'd rather have them in IMRF and try to do it this way."

Demmer: "But it would lead to a higher contribution into their pen... into the pension fund which would put local government into the position of having to make a decision about, well, do they increase property taxes, do they make a cut in another service? I mean, it's going to put some financial pressure on the locals, right?"

Zalewski: "If they choose to enact the ordinance. All this Bill does is authorize them to choose to enact the ordinance."

Demmer: "And the... the choice to enact the ordinance is a vote that happens by..."

Zalewski: "The board... the Board of Trustees."

Demmer: "...by the board. And they'd have to have a corresponding tax increase to pay for that."

Zalewski: "No. I don't... There doesn't have to be a tax increase. They would... their contributions would go up and they would make a decision of whether employer contribution, how they could judge it. But my understanding is the village is in favor of this. So, if... if they weren't able to cover this, they wouldn't have allowed the Bill to get this far. I have a good relationship with the mayor of Bedford Park. He knows how a phone works. If he were worried about the costs here, he would not have allowed me to carry this Bill."

Demmer: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Morrison."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Morrison: "Thank you. So Representative Zalewski, can you talk again about the referendum? Why... why hasn't the village brought this up in a recent referendum?"

Zalewski: "I... I think, Tom, the answer to that question is, they feel as though it's the safest route for them to put their firefighters into the SLEP Fund and create the statutory authority to... for their village board to authorize an ordinance. You know, I... we're... we're down here saying what we can do to make local government more efficient and better at governing. And to me, this seems to be the most efficient way to give the village its... its menu of options. I... I... that's just my own opinion. You... you may disagree."

Morrison: "Okay. But it's... since it is the local residents who are going to be affected by this in the greatest manner, don't you think that they should weigh in on it? That's, I guess, the question."

Zalewski: "I think they elect their board. I think they elect... they... they come to a conclusion about who their mayor is. Vil... Bedford Park, again, is a small suburb with a large land mass. So, it's not as if they can... it's not as if there's this hue and cry to have this massive election to deal with this when in reality you're talking about a very tiny suburb that happens to have enormous responsibilities for a fire department. So, there's a relativity piece here that I think the Body needs to know about."

Morrison: "All right. Well, I'm going to ask the Body to vote 'no'. And thank you for answering my questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "A question of the Sponsor, please."

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, I notice that in our analysis it said this is identical to Senate Bill 763, which was passed earlier... or passed last year and was sent to the Governor. The Governor vetoed the Bill. Is that correct?"

Zalewski: "He did. He did."

Harris, D.: "Was there any message from the Governor? Was there a Veto message attached to the veto of his..."

Zalewski: "My rec... my recollection and I'd mentioned this to the Representative from Dixon, he... the Governor believes in local control. He believes in the referenda process. I think here... the nuance here is, they want the referenda... he cited the referenda they went to 18 years ago when the Tier 2 didn't exist. We since have enacted Tier 2. The benefit for Tier 2 for firefighters requires them to work to an unhealthy age unless they enter the SLEP Fund. This SLEP Fund which we authorized the board to let them do requires a higher contribution, but a lower age. That's what we want... the... that's the policy choice we're enabling Bedford Park to make. They could say no. They could say they don't want to do this for their fire department. The alternative for us is to create a separate downstate firefighter fund for them. And I don't think the Body wants to do that."

Harris, D.: "Okay. Thank you for the explanation, again."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Andersson: "So, Representative, I'm... I'm very curious about the current process. My understanding is that at present they can

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run... can run a referendum to do what your Bill would accomplish. Is that correct?"

Zalewski: "They... they could, Representative. I... again, I... I would harken back to what we've said about Bedford Park which is that it's a large land mass town with a very... relatively very small population. To me, it makes no sense, being respectful of that dynamic, to make them go to an election process. When in reality, we can authorize this statute and let their village board make that decision for them."

Andersson: "Have they attempted to... have they tried to run a referendum?"

Zalewski: "They went to a referendum a long time ago. My understanding is 18 years ago. And in that instance they... they lost. But since then we've enacted Tier 2, which is a different benefit than Tier 1. These... this Bill, if enacted by the village board, would allow them to enter into the SLEP Fund at a higher contribution, but working fewer years."

Andersson: "So, my understanding is Bedford Park has a population of about 600 people. Is that correct?"

Zalewski: "That seems high, but you... I'll go with... that's okay."

Andersson: "Seems high?"

Zalewski: "Yeah."

Andersson: "Okay."

Zalewski: "I... what's... what's a hundred... what's a hundred among friends?"

Andersson: "There you go. So, it's a... it's fairly small, I mean, in population numbers?"

Zalewski: "It is. Oh, it's very... yes, it's very small by population. The way Bedford Park sets up is, it's a town south

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of 65th where there's a lot of industry and freight running through. There happens to be a residential piece on the west end of the town. What I would say is, these firefighters are responsible for a great deal of responsibility given the industry, the chemical companies, the freight and it makes no sense for... to me, my own personal opinion, they should not be in the... in the regular Tier 2 fund. They should be in the SLEP Fund. The alternative for them... by the way, if we're going to talk about referendum, is to create a downstate fire fund. They have that ability. I don't think it makes any sense for us as the General Assembly to try to create yet another pension fund. This is a better option. It's a more efficient option."

Andersson: "Thank you for the answers to the questions. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. It seems to me that if there is the ability to run a referendum and if, in fact, circumstances have changed since the last time they ran the referendum when it failed, it would be appropriate for the village to try to run it again. And when you think that it's a village of five or six hundred people, that's not very hard to communicate that message to those people. So, if the Representative is correct and this is a good idea that makes sense, isn't that the very definition of more direct democracy to allow those people, those few people, to have a direct vote on whether or not they want to create this? It... it seems to me that there is an existing methodology for taking care of this. I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt."

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

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Moffitt: "Representative, approval has to be given by the local municipality, right? No one's forcing them, this is permissive?"

Zalewski: "That's correct, Sir."

Moffitt: "So, we're... passage of this would actually make the process local control what fits for them. In other words, we're not saying one size fits all, but we're saying... we're giving the local government some more tools to work with."

Zalewski: "This is an efficient, flexible way to handle a very unique problem given that Bedford Park belongs to IMRF."

Moffitt: "Right. And I have been looking and I cannot find any opponents to this legislation. Are there any?"

Zalewski: "Not to my knowledge."

Moffitt: "I only find proponents."

Zalewski: "The best kind, proponents."

Moffitt: "That's right. And the firefighter, the fire chiefs, they... all the public safety... the various public safety groups are for this. Obviously, they feel that's in the best interest of the long-term safety and even claims on these funds if they want to do things that will actually make them more solvent funds, by looking at the age that which they have to work. Is that correct?"

Zalewski: "Correct, Sir."

Moffitt: "So, that really could be in the best interest of the taxpayer right there."

Zalewski: "I... I'm with you, Don..."

Moffitt: "Okay."

Zalewski: "...a hundred percent."

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Moffitt: "I think this is a good piece of legislation. It deserves your 'yes' vote. I urge an 'aye'."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski to close."

Zalewski: "As Mr. Moffitt said, this is a good piece of legislation supported by the fire chiefs, firefighters. It's an efficient, flexible way for local government to handle its pension costs other than creating a downstate fund. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

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. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 88 voting 'yes', 23 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Representative Wallace."

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

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead."

Wallace: "I want the chamber to please acknowledge the 8th graders, Class of 2016, from Flinn Middle School, Rockford, Illinois. Rockford is a wonderful, wonderful place. Give these young kids a round of applause. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Welch."

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

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Welch: "I'd like to take the opportunity to welcome teachers Lisa Weber, and Reuben Owens from the Maywood Education

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Association and 45 wonderful, bright students from Erving Middle School to Springfield. Let's give them a round of applause."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to the House chamber. Thank you for being here. Thank you, Representative. Page 3 of the Calendar, House Bills-Second Reading, House Bill 5764, Mr. Andrade. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5764, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. The Bill was read for a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5764, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andrade."

Andrade: "Thank you, Chairman, Members and Ladies and Gentlemen. I'm here today to present House Bill 5764. There are more than 35 thousand community care... home care providers across the State of Illinois who offer critical personal care, medical care and homemaking services to over 80 thousand seniors at risk of being forced into nursing homes. Providers are integral to helping seniors maintain their independence and continue to live in the comfort of their homes and communities. Without the CCP, many seniors who could not afford quality home care services would be forced into nursing facilities, which would cost the taxpayers much more, probably even triple or four times as much as this program currently exists. This Bill should also be looked at as a business Bill. And I will explain further once I... I proceed.

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Turnover rates in the home care industry are notoriously high, almost 62 percent nationwide according to some estimates. Low pay in such a high demand industry is not good for the economy. Despite exploding demand due in large part to the aging boomer generation, health care industry employers cite the shortage of workers as one of its biggest concerns as it's also one of the biggest. CCP providers have not received a wage increase since 2010. The average Illinois home care provider makes \$10.42 an hour and most don't work full-time as a nature of their work. Often results in most providers being unable to obtain consistent full-time work and actually probably over 50 percent of these employers actually receive some form of public aid. House Bill 5764 provides for a rate increase phased in steadily over four years that is sufficient to pay Department of Aging home care providers at a wage of 15 an hour at the end of 2020. House Bill 5764 also codifies the existing... existing health insurance program for the Department of Aging home care providers at no new cost, no new cost to the taxpayers of Illinois. Thank you very much. If there's any question please..."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Representative, at the end of your introduction you said it would be no new cost to the taxpayers. I know there was a fiscal note put on your Bill. What was the amount... what's the expended... expected cost increase over four years, if your Bill becomes law?"

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Andrade: "So, Representative, at the no new cost part was just for the Department of... the health insurance part."

Sandack: "Oh."

Andrade: "Yes, there will be a cost. There is a cost now... the Governor wants to change this program from CCP to CRP, Community Reinvestment Program. So, you know what, I agree with him. We should be reinvesting in this program. Regardless of the structural changes, we have to figure that if we reinvest in this program now currently we will keep people out of seniors' homes. Now, there was... there's some little discrepancy as to the cost of this. Here it's... I have it at over four years, the fiscal note is 662, but the fiscal note that you have I believe the Gentleman might have been... well, it's over 1.1 billion. Now, I don't know if he was watching Dr. Evil when he was thinking of 1.1 billion, but I still haven't been able to get the exact break down of the 1.1 billion."

Sandack: "So, at a very minimum we agree that this expense increase over four years will be at a minimum of \$675 million and may exceed... and maybe more, up to perhaps a billion point... a billion-plus dollars."

Andrade: "It can. It can. Well, what's happening is that the... the senior population is increasing dramatically. And so, for every person that we put in a senior home, we could keep three at home. So, that's why I'm saying this is a reinvestment program. One of the things that I would... I saw the Governor speak at U of I Alumni Association, he believes that... now here, some people... this Bill out of the 30 thousand employees there is over 10 thousand that are not even nonunion. There's

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over 20 thousand nonunion and these employees do not... do not receive any pensions. So, this would be something that the Governor probably might look at. You know, 10 thousand employees are nonunion, 20 thousand employees are union. You have the business community asking for stability that their workers need to know that they will be provided a health care insurance and will be provided a living wage. There's no way that someone can save in a 401(k) or any deferred program at \$10 an hour, let alone 15 an hour. So, we want people to invest on their own. And I think this is a way for people to actually invest on their own. If we increase their wage, these people do not have... do not have pensions. So, I think this is the least we can do is provide them health insurance and provide them a living wage over a certain time that the employers actually back this. The providers back this Bill because it gives them the opportunity to attract new employees. And it gives them an opportunity for their employees to get off public assistance."

Sandack: "Thank you, again, for that very elaborate answer, Representative. I was... and I appreciate it. I was focused, frankly, on the costs. What you have is a floor at 675 million and what the fiscal note purports to be a billion point one. And... and you elaborated a little more on what you believe to be the good aspects of the Bill and how, arguably, it could be cost effective, but we don't have any analysis on... on... on what may be we save in this. We only know what we believe the cost is going to be. And so I asked a couple of your colleagues yesterday, with respect to similar Bills, aren't we putting the cart in front of the horse? I think someone tabulated

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yesterday's three Bills at over \$480 million of expenditures. Of course we haven't got a budget, so we're continuing and frankly, I'm going to be pointed here. This comes from your side of the aisle. There's these program enhancements, well intended to be sure, but they're coming with no funded mechanism to pay for them. And one of your colleagues said, when we get to the budget we can talk about it then. And again, no disrespect to what you're trying to do, we're doing it backwards. We keep bringing these Bills forward, they're not funded. How do we pay for your Bill over four years, Representative?"

Andrade: "So, one of the questions that you brought up yesterday was are we going in front of the... the horse before the cart? So, one of the things is these Bills and these pay is negotiated with the providers. So right now, the market is asking for us to increase the wage. The Governor speaks about that... that the right to work for nonunion employees creates jobs that raises the minimum wage. You know, he spoke just that out at U of I. So, one of the things that I'm saying is, right now the providers... the providers are asking us to help them to promote good jobs and to promote a job to keep them. So, the pay..."

Sandack: "Well, Jaime, of course they're asking. They want more. They want to... I mean, there's providers for social service programs, infrastructure units. Everyone wants a higher rate of either reimbursement or to pay more. I get that. And I don't begrudge them that. The question though is, again, we're not budgeting and we're trying to... and you're suggesting, like you had three colleagues yesterday, to spend more money

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and then worry about the budget later. That's how we got into this mess. If you truncate the last 20 years. That's a problem. It's not good math."

Andrade: "So, I wasn't here in the past 20 years, just two years."

Sandack: "Me either, by the way."

Andrade: "Right. So, I wasn't here. What I do know is that as... as the Governor says Community Reinvest Program, you have to spend money to reinvest in the program. So right now, we are... we... I'm asking the Governor to invest in this program. And so, I believe that we invest in this program any... we will save money in the long run. So, for any part we have to reinvest. And I ask him to, you know, I'm more than willing to sit down with him and show him that his CRP actually... this Bill fits into his fiscal year 2000 budget. We'll be saving more. I mean, we have to reinvest. And I believe this is an investment for business communities and I believe this will, if he believes that... that those 10 thousand nonunion jobs... he says, he just said the other day when he was at U of I that the market will increase the pay. Well, hypothetically, if he's right then these... these 10 thousand nonunion positions, that's what's happening right now; they're increasing the wage."

Sandack: "Thank you, Representative, for answering my questions. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I... I appreciated the Gentleman's intentions. I think the three colleagues of his... of ours yesterday and this Gentleman's Bills would total somewhere close to \$3 billion in new expenditures. And while the market may take care of it, we've been generally doing this and I'm going to... the Gentleman's right, neither he nor I have been

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here for 20 years, but we are where we are and we must stop the practice of spending money we don't have, good intentions notwithstanding. We should be using this time, right now, to talk about a comprehensive budget. Then and only then should this Gentleman's Bill be presented to see where it fits in the pecking order of priorities and affordability. We will have spent... we pass this Bill and you go home to your constituents and say, we've spent 3 billion more than we can actually afford. It's a mistake. It's continuing bad practices. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brown."

Brown: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please excuse Representative Mitchell for the remainder of the afternoon."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Mr. Fortner."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Fortner: "Representative, as I understand the Bill there's sort of two parts. One is a series of increases to the basic pay structure for these workers and the other part has to do with a portion for the enhanced... the enhanced care payment, which is related to the health insurance. Is that... am I getting that part right?"

Andrade: "That is correct."

Fortner: "So, let me... I'd want to talk, not about the health insurance part 'cause I think you've addressed that in part to the previous speaker, but just to the base wage portion. As I read it, we're looking at over a series of five years increases of \$1.25 per hour over the first four with a target of \$1.00 per hour in the fifth year? Is that..."

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Andrade: "Correct. Yes."

Fortner: "When I..."

Andrade: "It's phased in over four years."

Fortner: "Yeah, phased in over four years. So, when I look at that in terms of a percentage wage increase, again, I'm just talking about the base... the base value. I get in the first year, that's a 6.9 percent increase. The second year, 6.5 percent increase. Drops down to 5.8 and 5.3 in the out years. But we're averaging in excess of 6 percent a year over four years. That strikes me as a very high annual increase in wages. When I look at, you know, the kinds of contracts, the kinds of wages people... whether it be our other state workers are getting the kind of percentages that they're getting as increases, the kinds of increases that my constituents are finding themselves getting in the private sector. An average of 6 percent per year for four years is a very, very large number and... and I just want to know why... why are we averaging such a high rate?"

Andrade: "One thing to consider..."

Fortner: "This is well faster than inflation."

Andrade: "...one thing to consider is that I would cut... put that over the years that they have not received an increase since 2010."

Fortner: "Right. But... but let's look at... fine. That's five years. If I look at the inflation rate... if I go back to 2010 and say how much would you have to pay just to catch up? And I would understand if your Bill was designed to say, let's get them caught up for those five years. Over that period I would have taken... let's just use the round number of \$20 an hour. I know

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that's a little higher than the current number, but just to take a round number. You would be looking at an increase of about 50 cents... 50 to 60 cents an hour that would be the catch up. And I would understand if that was what the proposal was. Will say, hey, it's been five years there's some real inflationary increase we would expect these workers to get. But we're not talking 60 cents, we're talking double that and that's just in the first year. I certainly, unless something really dramatically happens in the world, which of course we can't predict and if it did we should be as a Body coming back, we don't see signs of inflation running at 6 percent a year this year or next year. So, this just strikes me... it goes way beyond what you would do to catch up. I get that part of it. And I guess I wonder why not just let's do the part to catch up? That would make sense. And put that in Bill form rather than have numbers that, you know, really you can't justify with the kinds of contracts our other workers are getting."

Andrade: "So, a couple things. Right now, the business providers cannot keep their employees. So, with the contract negotiating the business employees... that they support this Bill. The business owners support this Bill. And as the rate increases, also the federal amount will be also increased that they reimburse us. And so, one of the thing is if you can't keep an employee, the market is demanding the wage to go up. Every time you have to train a new employee, the cost is even greater. There... you end up with over... if you have over 60 percent of people that quit their job within two, three, you know, probably months because this is not a... this

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is not a pretty job. There's many things that these employees have to go through and the market is demanding that this be paid at this rate."

Fortner: "Well, I... I understand the concern with some of the high turnover that may be present here, but I just think that this kind of... not just a one-year correction to address the market, but this Bill is making a prediction about the market going forward four years. A prediction at a rate that is well in excess of double the rates of inflation we've seen over the last five years. I would have a great concern. I would urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, to the Bill. My guess is the Bill's going to pass and my guess is that most of the Republicans will probably vote 'no'. And why is that? Well, look at the Bills that we passed yesterday and this Bill here. And I guess, you know, the Republicans we don't like direct service providers. We don't like children, we don't like the developmentally disabled, we don't like the autistic people. We don't like any of those folks, right? That's why we vote 'no' 'cause we don't like any of those folks. And it couldn't be further from the truth. And no one is saying that you're accusing us of that. But... I... I try not to phrase my comments in partisan terms, but to my distinguished colleagues on the other side of the aisle, is there no fiscal reality taking place here? Yesterday we passed Bills that probably exceeded 600, 700 million dollars in... in expenditure authority. Now even if half of that was covered by Medicaid, we're still 300, 400 million dollars in

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expenditure authority. This Bill, by the Sponsor's own admission, could cost as much as \$600 million. My friends, it's not that we don't want to provide these services; it's not that we don't want to provide the support. We understand the plight here, but there is a very basic question, how do we afford this? And yes, there... there is certainly savings to the state as has been argued by some of my colleagues, that by providing these services and keeping people in their homes and not having them come to... to facilities run by the state it's less expensive. I don't argue with that. However, I don't believe that there is any way in the world that we can save the types of dollars that we have authorized with the Bills that we passed yesterday and that we are about to pass here. It's... it's lala land, that the dollars have to come from somewhere and it's not that we don't support these individuals. We want to support these individuals, but all of this has to be done in the larger context of what's our revenue coming in, what are our expenditures going out, how can we blend in increases in pay for all of these people? And as was noted by one of my previous colleagues, the increase in pay here over five years is 30 percent. A 30 percent increase in pay in five years. Now, the... the General Revenue Fund of the State of Illinois on average increases by two to two and a half percent per year. And by the way, if you talk to COGFA for this year it may only increase by one to one and a half percent, which is what's happening with the Gross National Product... Gross Domestic Product across the nation. The economic activity is slowing down. Illinois is not immune for that... from that. So these huge expenditures of dollars,

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where... where does the revenue come from? My friends, I don't question the Gentleman's intentions. The Gentleman... the Gentleman's intentions are... are well... are pure... they are. He wants to do the right thing. And that's not the issue. The issue is, look what we did yesterday. Look what we're doing here today. And reality at some point has to set in. It has to set in. I'm assured this Bill, I'm confident this Bill is probably going to pass. My guess is as I started out in saying, most of the Republicans are probably going to vote 'no'. And it's not because we don't want to help these people. It is not because we don't recognize they need an increase in pay. It's because there is a fiscal reality here that we need... we need to be cognizant of. Thank you very much. I... I urge a 'no' vote and I appreciate your time."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Dunkin: "Representative, who brought this Bill to you?"

Andrade: "SEIU."

Dunkin: "Which local? SEIU? Are you familiar with the salaries of the leadership?"

Andrade: "Yes, Sir. I heard yesterday when you spoke to Ms. Harper."

Dunkin: "Right. What's the salary of Keith Kelleher? He's the... who's the President of SEIU."

Andrade: "I believe you said yesterday over six figures."

Dunkin: "Okay. A hundred and seventy six thousand dollars. We're talking about salaries of employees for who are making \$9, some 12, 13 dollars an hour. The salary of Keith Kelleher of

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SEIU, service employee in the national union, is almost a hundred and eighty thousand dollars. And this was in 2013. What's the salary of Jaquie Algee?"

Andrade: "I don't even know who she is."

Dunkin: "Okay. Well, she's the vice president of the union that asked you to bring this. Her salary is over a hundred thousand dollars. Any idea of what the salary of the secretary?"

Andrade: "I do not."

Dunkin: "Well, let me give you the list since you don't know."

Andrade: "Thank you. Thank you very much."

Dunkin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this is amazing that we have these... these wonderful Bills that deal and address some of the people who work with some of our most vulnerable citizens across the state. And I've been a part of supporting these individuals who provide an invaluable service. But the fact of the matter is, you have people who'll come down here and front and use those individuals who work hard as homemakers, child care providers, who make minimum wage across this state. But yet, their salaries are a hundred and seventy six, a hundred eighty thousand, hundred and fifty four. Let me read them to you. Let's put this into context since we're saying they need a raise. And I agree they do need money. Even though we don't know exactly where this money's going to come from. Let's talk about some of these individuals, specifically. And this is according to their website, by the way: Tim Healy, Vice President SEIU Local 1, \$140,00; Rita Caltrop, Director SEIU, \$130,000-plus; Myra Glassman, Secretary Treasurer of SEIU Healthcare, \$123,000; April Verrett, Executive Vice President, \$125,000; Nancy Cross, Vice President, \$120,000;

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Brenden... excuse me, Matthew Brenden, \$125,000, SEIU. Now mind you these are numbers from 2013. Let me continue. Laura Garza, \$130,000; Geraldine... Geraline Schneider, Accounting Manager, \$110,000; Gregory Kelly, Executive Vice President, \$105,000; Margaret Laslo, \$110,000, SEIU Healthcare; James Mohammed, Vice President, \$101,000; Leonard Jones, Vice President SEIU Healthcare, \$105,000; Vincent Persia, Vice President, 100-plus thousand dollars. I think you get my point. Representative, do you have... have you ever heard of the term 'poverty pimp'?"

Andrade: "Poverty pimp?"

Dunkin: "Yes, have you ever heard that term used before?"

Andrade: "I have not."

Dunkin: "You know, people come down here with their games, Representatives. But they... they fake on one end and they front on another end. These are corporate salaries. These are major salaries. This is close to the one percent as far as I'm concerned, very close to it. But they use homemakers, child care providers, people who take care of citizens that the state really can't afford to take care of. They're helped by their loved ones. If we pass this legislation will they get an increase in their 130, 150, 180 thousand dollars, Representative?"

Andrade: "Not that I know of."

Dunkin: "So, what if they do? Would you... are you comfortable with Keith Kelleher making almost \$200,000? Well, that was in 2013..."

Andrade: "Well..."

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Dunkin: "...three years ago. Are you comfortable with him making that type of money?"

Andrade: "What I am comfortable with is knowing that... they actually worked against me. But I don't care if they worked against me the previous time."

Dunkin: "Excuse me?"

Andrade: "What I do... what I do know is that when I have the opportunity to increase the living wage for workers then that's what I'm proceeding with. I mean, I... I got to say if they make \$180,000 a year, you might want to hand in for one of those positions."

Dunkin: "You know, Representative, it's not funny or it's not... it's not cute..."

Andrade: "I'm just..."

Dunkin: "...to talk about how SEIU comes down here and they make six figures... in the upwards of six figures, but they use relatives of ours, people in our district who make minimum wage, minimum wage. My question is real simple, would you or do you support Keith Kelleher getting over two hundred thousand or close to it if we pass this legislation? Are you in favor of Jaquie Algee making a hundred and forty-plus thousand dollars a year working with people who make the lowest amount in this state? Are you comfortable with them getting a possible raise if we pass this legislation?"

Andrade: "What I'm comfortable with is to make sure that what's written in this Bill gets passed. I am not a mind reader; I am not a physic. What I know is what I can read and I what read is that these home care makers that don't receive a pension, may not have insurance, so what I want to do is to

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make sure they have insurance, codify that they have insurance. Now I can sleep consciously knowing that I'm going to raise it to \$15 an hour. Now other people need to look at their conscious and see if they believe they make too much or not. What I know is I have to, in my community and the surrounding community, I have to make sure that these business providers can keep these employees, to keep these people out of nursing homes."

Dunkin: "Representative, and I agree with you. My question's real simple. This is a budgetary Bill, correct? And we're talking about money, we're talking about salaries. We're talking about raising these workers pay up to about \$2, two dollars, so, they can make the bare minimum yet still. And I've supported them every year for thirteen and a half years, Representative, before you got here. I cosponsored a lot of this legislation. As a matter of fact, yesterday I voted for their increase in salary. But my question is, because I don't know the answer, will Keith Kelleher and Jaquie Algee and Geraldine... Geralyn Schneider and Gregory Kelley who make all... all of them make six figures or more, will their salary increase as a result of this legislation passing?"

Andrade: "With this legislation passing, no it's not written in the Bill."

Dunkin: "So, you have no idea if they'll get maybe \$200,000 or get a \$10,000 bump?"

Andrade: "Absolutely not. What I do know is that someone making..."

Dunkin: "Are you comfortable... is... is that okay for them to make this type of money? We don't make that. The Governor doesn't even make that. They... the constitutional officers..."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin..."

Dunkin: "...don't make that money."

Speaker Lang: "...Mr. Dunkin, it's time to bring your remarks to a close, Sir. You've asked the same question about eight times. He's answered your question. Let's move on."

Dunkin: "Rep... Mr. Speaker, you know what, I'm just trying to get answer. He won't answer."

Speaker Lang: "He doesn't have an answer to your question. Let's move on."

Dunkin: "To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, all of us want to help citizens here in this state who need help. Who truly need help. But if we don't know the answer of people who come down here cloaked in their purple attire, but yet their big corporate executives, union bosses who in my estimation pimping the lowest paid people in this state, it is sad and pathetic. These salaries are sad and pathetic. And with us not knowing whether they're going to get an increase of another \$10 thousand, you know people who... these people make \$20 thousand and above a month, \$8 thousand and above a month. They come here and they bus people in who make less than minimum wage. So we need to make sure that our eyes are wide open and that we're not gamed as they have continued to game us. Shame on them for hiding behind low-income individuals and shame on them for not taking care of their own workers who all of us desperately need to take care of the citizens here in this state. I think we need to keep our eyes open and vote 'no' on this sham of a Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mitchell."

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

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Mitchell, C.: "Do you know how much Dan Proft made last year? Don't answer that. I'll speak to the Bill. Look, there's been concern expressed a couple of times by folks on both sides of the aisle about how much these workers are making and there's been concern about whether or not we are going beyond inflation. But we're dealing with folks who on average make \$10.42 an hour. Who for the most part have not seen a wage increase since 2010. You're dealing with folks who are near the bottom of the economic ladder. And what we're trying to do is raise them to a minimum wage. Look, there is obviously financial concerns in this state there's no question, but we also have a question of priorities. And if we can get folks to a place where we don't have to potentially break down this program, send folks to nursing homes, which we know is a much more expensive option. If we can lower turnover and make sure that we can keep these businesses sustainable so that our older folks, not just in Chicago or in the upper reaches of the state, but all throughout the state can live and age in place with dignity, I think that is a very good thing. And that's all this Bill does. We've got a situation now where 50 percent of these workers are on public assistance, which is another cost to the state. If we can lower that amount by making sure that these folks are making a decent wage, it's something we ought to do. This Bill is a good Bill. It deserves an 'aye' vote. And I would ask the Body to vote 'aye'. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

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Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. And just a brief remark on the exercise that we just went through, not the previous speaker, but the speaker before. A Chief Executive Officer of McDonald's got a raise last year, his salary was increased 368 percent from 1.7 million to 7.9 million dollars. That man is standing in the way of paying his workers a living wage. I think that the working people who are represented by the service employees internationally ought to be proud that their leaders are advocating for a decent wage for them. And frankly, look there's... there's reasonable differences of opinion about how we ought to proceed with the budget. I understand. But to use the salaries of the leadership of a union as an excuse not to support this legislation, when the corporate salaries have been skyrocketing at astronomical rates while those same corporate leaders refuse to pay a living wage to their workers, that's... that's embarrassing. And that's not worthy of this chamber. If you want to vote 'no' on this Bill for ideological reasons or for reasons of process or procedure, by all means go ahead and do it, but I think that the working people of this state, the folks who are represented by the unions who are down here fighting for them, they ought to be proud of the job that those unions are doing. And I urge an 'aye' vote on this Bill. I think it's an important piece of legislation. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Riley."

Riley: "Mr. Speaker, my statements were already covered in the last two speakers. So, I withdraw."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Representative Flowers."

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Flowers: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. I would like to congratulate the Sponsor and because you're following the steps of the President, Sir. The President is increasing the minimum wage for workers across this country. So congratulations, you're in good company. Job well done. And I urge everyone to vote 'aye'. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andrade to close."

Andrade: "So in closing, I hold here Help at Home incorporated updated wage scale. Seniority, 0-6 months, \$10 an hour. After 21 years, they go up to 11.95 an hour. Twelve dollars an hour after 21 years to take care of someone... to take care of possibly your mom, your brother, your sister and your brother. Do you want... do you imagine the quality of worker we're going to get at \$10 an hour to take care of your family member? This Bill allows the business community, allows someone to live in dignity at their home. What I'm asking is a mere few dollars that will allow dignity to our seniors because eventually we will all be there. So, I ask not to take into consideration, you know, people get raises all the time, but if we... if the employers are not... the employers are asking us to help them to raise the wage. If the employers... we should look at this as a business Bill because this is 10 thousand... not a union Bill because 10 thousand employees are nonunion. And if anything, if we will help the 20 thousand that are union and you want to help the 10 thousand employees that are nonunion and across the aisle, please do. These employees do not receive pensions. No one can save a dollar for \$10-an-hour afterwards. And I think the Gentleman from behind whispering in my ear, I hope he can apply for one of those

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jobs. And we'll see what happens. Thank you very much. And 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? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 64 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bills-Second Reading, starting at page 8 on the Calendar, Senate Bill 392, Mr. Turner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 392, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2160, Mr. Bradley. Mr. Bradley. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2213, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2213, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2282, Representative Flowers. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2282, 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 2433, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2433, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2584, Mr. Riley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2584, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Turner in the Chair. On page 5 of the Calendar, on Senate Bills under Third Reading, we have Senate Bill 2440, Representative Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2440, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill simply extends for two years the current sunset date allowing school support personnel to receive a principal endorsement license. We had passed, in the last General Assembly, provisions that allowed certain support staff to get the principal licensure. Because the rules were delayed a little bit, some of the students didn't start their classes soon enough. And this gives more time for those students that are in the system to complete and to get that licensure. I ask for your support."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2440 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2440, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2465, Representative Cassidy. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2505, Representative Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2505, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2505 would allow students who score a 4 or above on the International Baccalaureate exam to receive college credit at state postsecondary institutions. This Bill actually is a follow-up Bill, companion Bill to the Bill we passed last spring for AP classes, which had the score at 3. We are asking in this Bill that the score be at 4 or higher for the IB and that our colleges and universities in this state give the credits to the students who've earned them under the International Baccalaureate. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2505 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2505, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2517, Representative Sullivan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2517, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sullivan."

Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2517 amends the Property Tax Code and provides that the chief county assessment officer shall return the assessment books to the board of review on or before the third Monday in June of the current assessment year or 90 days following that. What this does is, a few years back we forced township assessors to turn their work into the chief county assessment officer by June 15. What has happened is we didn't follow up and say when the county board.. the chief county assessment officer needs to turn his or her work into the board of review. So, we're just standardizing these practices and giving them more time to comply with the previous law. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2517 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2517, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2532, Representative Chapa LaVia. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2532, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. You look mighty fine."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative."

Chapa LaVia: "You're welcome. What are you doing... No, I'm not going to say that. The Bill I'm presenting today is identical to 5600 that came out of here in the 99th General Assembly from earlier this year, but we put Amendment into it that... it's purely a technical Amendment in nature. There was a misspelling and then also it's... what it does, it... in House Committee Amendment #1 does not contain a provision that specifies if a unit of military organization serves more than one county. What we're allowed is in a... in a county there could be 5 different AmVets and what we're saying in the original statute that each of them had representatives, but in this case, now, there'd be one representative that represent all 5... or 4 posts. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2532 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2532, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2593, Representative Andersson. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2593, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2593 amends the Property Tax Appeal process. It does two things: one, it allows electronic communication of filings between the

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Property Tax Appeal Board, the PTAB, and the local boards of review. The second, it allows at the discretion of the landowner who is appealing a decision that they may also use electronic communications in that process and that the final decision can be communicated with... can be communicated electronically. It's purely optional, can be changed or rescinded at any time by the petitioner, but it increases efficiency in communication and saves on paper. It's an initiative of the County Assessment Officers Association. We know of no opponents. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2593 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2593, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2612, Representative Demmer. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2657, Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2657, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Will Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 2657... 57... excuse me... represents the results of the Budgeting for Results Commission's recommendations for repealing Acts and funds that are no

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longer utilized. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2657 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2657, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Moffitt, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. An inquiry of the Chair?"

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Moffitt: "I think it was yesterday that we probably didn't see any Republican Bills called, and we've gone here with about four or five Republican Bills. I just... I hope this a trend that's going to continue. And maybe you should be in the Chair more often or something because I sure like the way it's going. So, thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Appreciate it, Representative. Leader Lang in the Chair."

Speaker Lang: "That'll teach ya. That'll teach ya. Mr. Moffitt, your light's still on."

Moffitt: "Speaker, I hope you will follow the example of the prior Speaker up there. I just... It's a great trend and who knows, we might even get to some budget issues and vote on them and some of the Republican ideas. So, I hope the trend continues. And there's even, you know, some of us have some Bills in

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Rules that maybe you could help us get out to be considered.
So, we'll be watching. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "We all know that... we all know that Leader Turner's
a much nicer person than I am, Sir. Senate Bill 2704,
Representative Bellock. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2739,
Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2743,
Mr. Burke. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2767, Mr. Mitchell.
Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2767, a Bill for an Act concerning
local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mitchell."

Mitchell, C.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is an initiative
of the Cook County Office of the President. And basically,
what it would say is it would allow counties to collect taxes
and fees in the same manner in which they collect fines,
sanctions and costs rather than having to go through a very
long, sort of lengthy administrative process. So it's mostly
a technical sort of... technical Bill that would administer a
new process. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sullivan: "Representative, I... this is an initiative of my county
as well. And when people see taxes and fees they get a little
skittish."

Mitchell, C.: "Yeah."

Sullivan: "This does not impose a new tax or fee? It just clarifies
how they can be collected. Is that correct?"

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Mitchell, C.: "It's a matter of... it's a... it's a clarification of how the fees would be collected once the decision's already been rendered according to a Code violation."

Sullivan: "Okay. So, there's no new taxes or fees in here?"

Mitchell, C.: "That's correct, no new taxes or fees."

Sullivan: "I... I wanted to point that out just because this is a good initiative to streamline services and save money. And so, it's actually a good Bill and does not collect fees."

Mitchell, C.: "That's right."

Sullivan: "Thank you."

Mitchell, C.: "So, for purposes..."

Speaker Lang: "Those in..."

Mitchell, C.: "Sorry."

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. Representative Burke. Please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2777, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2777, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This legislation is an initiative of the Department of Juvenile Justice and continue... Oh, I love my picture up on the screen. Keep it just like that. It keeps the... it continues the efforts to right size the department and the population within that..."

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that is served by the Department of Juvenile Justice. There are really three areas of existing law that are changed here. The first is the Department of Juvenile Justice will have authority over releasing youth that currently have an indeterminate sentence. We are the only state in the country right now where both the... where the... where both juveniles and adults are... their release authority is determined by the same entity. That is currently the Prisoner Review Board. Again, we are a real outlier on that. And we would be better served having the Department of Juvenile Justice make those release determinations. Second, this would provide that 17-year-olds convicted as adults and initially held in a Department of Juvenile Justice facility and only transferred... that they would only be transferred to DOC after they turn 18. This is a flaw in the law that happened when we increased the age for juveniles in the Department of Juvenile Justice from 17 to 18. This is a clarification to make sure that they go... that they stay in DJJ until they are 18. And finally, it prevents... prohibits the commitment of delinquent youth to the Department of Juvenile Justice for certain nonviolent Class 4 felonies. And they would be much better served in the community for these kinds of offenses. And that's the goal of this legislation. I urge your support."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wheeler. Lady indicates she does not wish to speak. 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. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 65 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no', 1 voting

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'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Now, the Chair recognizes Representative Wheeler. Are you speaking at all today, Representative Wheeler? Your light's on. You can say, hello or something."

Wheeler, B.: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Sure."

Wheeler, B.: "Since I accidentally pushed my button, I'm going to go ahead and wish Dane Thull from our staff a happy birthday."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. And happy birthday. Out... Excuse me, Senate Bill 2782, Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2782, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Thank you. This Bill reinstates the way PPV leases are assessed until January of 2017. Currently the way they are assessed goes from January 26... 2006, I'm sorry, to January 1 of 2016. So, we are already passed that date so we're just asking to extend it to 2017 as well. We are currently... we've been very successful with these in my district. We have the navy base there and a lot of naval property. And we've been using this formula in our four city residential group as a means to provide a way of leasing out those properties. 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? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this

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question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2805, Mr. Hoffman. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2806, Mr. Tryon. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2806, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Tryon."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2806 amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a driver of a vehicle that approaches a railroad grade crossing under the circumstances in which a stop is required and it does not stop within 50 feet but less than 15 would be fined. And that fine would be \$500 and if it was a second offense, it would be a thousand dollars. This is in response to Illinois being the second highest number of traffic fatalities due to car, train crossings and people going around the crossings. If there are any questions, I would certainly answer them."

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 take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2817, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2817, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2817 addresses some issues within the Cook County Pension Fund. It really is very

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technical and clean up. It does five separate things. I'll just talk about a couple of them. One is, it creates a definition for what it means to be 'in service', which I think is an important definition for us to be including in statute. It allows the board to waive the requirement that a physician review the... the disability of an applicant when they... that applicant has already been approved for workers' compensation. And it removes a notary requirement for signatures on applications for beneficiaries for refunds of contributions. I'd ask for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With regard to Senate Bill 2777, I would ask the record reflect my intention was to vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intentions, Sir. Page 3 of the Calendar, House Bill 3554, Mr. Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3554, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Guzzardi."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

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Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I believe that we may just be adopting Floor Amendment 3?"

Speaker Lang: "Do you wish to withdraw 2?"

Guzzardi: "Yes, please."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, Amendment 2 is withdrawn. And Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Guzzardi and has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Forgive me for that moment of confusion. Floor Amendment 3 simply becomes the Bill and will address the... the technical nature of the concerns regarding payment of wage theft claims. I move for its adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan, do you wish to speak to the Amendment? 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: "House Bill 3554, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This Bill addresses a concern about collecting wage theft claims for undocumented employees. At the moment, the Comptroller's process for paying those claims requires that the employees have a Social Security number in order to meet the... to receive their claims. This process... the Bill outlines a process whereby the Department of Labor will make those claims

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directly to the Comptroller's Office so the employees can receive the wages that they are owed. This is a process that we negotiated out with the Comptroller and the Department of Labor. We've got agreement from all parties. I know of no opposition. And 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, earlier the department and the Governor's Office were opposed. Can you explain the detail... the changes that have been made to address their concerns? And I'm assuming at this point that their concerns have been addressed moving forward."

Guzzardi: "That's correct. Yeah, they were concerned in particular about some language that we had in the Bill in Amendment 2 that required... described exactly how they were to make a good faith effort in searching out these employees. We removed that language and just said they need to make the good faith effort. There's a tiny little bit of cleanup work we're going to do in the Senate, but the department's on board with it now."

Sullivan: "But the language that they opposed... that detailed specific things that would be a little bit burdensome for them have been removed in Amendment #2?"

Guzzardi: "That's been removed, yes. And the department's on board."

Sullivan: "I appreciate that. Thank you."

Guzzardi: "Of course, Eddie. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Will, I'm reading this and... Can you give me some background? What's the genesis of the Bill and why is it necessary?"

Guzzardi: "Sure thing. So, the concern is that right now undocumented workers... let's say they are victims of wage theft. So, I work for you. I work 40 hours; you only pay me for 20. We go to court. The court rules in my favor. You pay my back wages... my unpaid wages to the Department of Labor. And the Department of Labor gives them to me. That's a check to make sure that you're actually doing it, right? If the department can't find me, they deposit that money with the Comptroller into a fund. And then if I subsequently come to the department and say, hey, I want my wages, the department has to get that money from the Comptroller. But under the current procedures, the Comptroller requires a Social Security number from me, the employee, in order to process that check. And of course, if I'm an undocumented person, I don't have a Social Security number, but I'm still entitled to those wages. So, the... the Bill here would allow the Comptroller to issue the check directly to the department and then the department could give it to me."

Franks: "Okay. So, it's trying to heal some of the exploitative measures of employers and making sure people are getting what they're entitled to?"

Guzzardi: "It is absolutely right. It's a way to make sure that undocumented workers get the wages that they've earned."

Franks: "Thank you. Thank you for bringing this forward."

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Guzzardi: "Thank you."

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. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2410, Representative Bourne. Out of the record. Page 10 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2820, Representative Nekritz. Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2820, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Nekritz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Mr. Speaker, could we come back to... could you we come back to this?"

Speaker Lang: "We will try to come back to this. If not, we'll be here next week. Out of the record. Page 14 of the Calendar, Order of Resolutions, HJR127, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please proceed, Representative."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. You look mighty fine today. What we're doing is extending the deadline on this task force and adding two new members. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Lang: "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? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting

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'yes, 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1254, offered by Representative Lang. House Resolution 1255, offered by Representative Tryon. House Resolution 1256, offered by Representative Tryon. House Resolution 1257, offered by Representative Mayfield."

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. Members, I would like to announce that the Amendment deadline for all of your Bill is Wednesday, May 25. Wednesday, May 25 is the Amendment deadline, Members. And now, leaving perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til Monday, May 23 at the hour of 2 p.m. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned 'til Monday, May 23 at the hour of 2 p.m."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 6581, offered by Representative Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 2431, offered by Representative McAuliffe, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3112, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning government. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being

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no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."