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Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Pastor Scott Oberle who is with the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Downers Grove. Pastor Oberle is the guest of Representative Sandack. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor."

Pastor Oberle: "Let us pray. God of every nation and tongue, we gather in these great halls where the collective wisdom of the people of this great State of Illinois has been represented long before any of us stood here today. Where leaders have debated and compromised and seen our nation through a Civil War, determined that the freedoms and rights of all people mattered, whatever the color of their skin. But today, God, we gather at a time where our people's confidence is shaken. From every home and alley, house of worship, factory, and small town farm, people in this great state have seen our infighting, partisan bickering, corporate greed, and backroom deals that are killing our state and destroying the confidence of our people. I say this not to shame any of our Representatives this day, for your service and sacrifice are greatly appreciated, but to speak truth even to power and even when it may not wish to be heard. God, I pray for compromise. That all the people of this great state would be served as a widening gap between the rich and the poor increases, and those who live on the margins have little support. Where those in prison, the young men and women whom I serve, whose recidivism rate is so high even those who struggle for a new future to come back into society still

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carry a sentence for life and the stigma that goes with it. For our mentally ill and for my children and yours who look to our reliance on fossil fuels, big oil, and coal, and I wonder what our future holds for them in terms of short-term economic gain, at what price to our children's future. God, the long road may be more difficult. It may take more vision, it might be more trying, but grant this great House of Representatives, who represent all of our people from the greatest to the least, courage, strength that all the people in this state might be represented with dignity and equality for all. In Your name we pray, Amen."

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

Beiser - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Lang: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie. Mr. Brown."

Brown: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please excuse Representatives Sullivan and Tryon for this afternoon."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Let the record show that Representatives Monique Davis, Reaves-Harris, Sims, and Soto are excused."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. We have 112 Members answering the roll and we do have a quorum. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn, Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2016: recommends

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be adopted, referred to the floor, is Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2306; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House.. correction.. Senate Bill 273. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 1258, offered by Representative Barbara Wheeler. House Resolution 1265, offered by Representative McAuliffe. And House Resolution 1266, offered by Representative McAuliffe. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Chair recognizes Representative Willis."

Willis: "Thank you. Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, please."

Willis: "I'd like to introduce to the floor my Page today, Nate Krzeminski. He is here with his entire family, his parents, his sister, and his grandmother. Nate is a fifth grader at Isaac Fox School. So, I'd like to have everyone welcome him to the Capitol, please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to the House Floor. And to your entire family, thank you for being with us. Mr. Butler."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Butler: "I'd like to thank Representative Sente for restocking the Twizzlers back here today. And so because of that, I'm going to make her an official cochair of the Twizzlers Caucus. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Excellent news, I'm sure. Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please go ahead."

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Sandack: "Thank you. I'd like the General Assembly... the House to welcome my Page for the day, Sean Letourneau. Sean is a seventh grader, Our Lady... Our Lady of Peace, excuse me, in Darien. He likes Xbox, volleyball. He's dressed like... probably he's overdressed this chamber, but he looks like a businessman, so he's ready to do business and do the people's business. Above us is his dad, John, also from Darien. Let's give them both a nice, warm Springfield welcome, please."

Speaker Lang: "We appreciate you both being here. Thank you very much. Mr. Wheeler."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Wheeler, K.: "I'd like to welcome to the House of Representatives a fellow public servant from my home township, Mr. Matthew Prochaska, who is on the Kendall County board. Thanks for coming down, Matthew."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you for being here with us today. Mr. Andersson is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Andersson: "Thank you, I'd like to welcome my Pages for today. I've got two: Tegan Zoepfel and Kaelin Zoepfel. Tegan is a junior at Oswego High School and Kaelin is a sixth grader at Thompson Junior High. Happy to have them here serving us. And also happy to acknowledge their dad, up in the gallery to my left, Jeff Zoepfel, who is also the village manager... village administrator of the Village of Montgomery. Please give them a warm welcome."

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Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thanks for being with us. Representative Jimenez."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Jimenez: "I'd like to introduce the Body to my Page for the day. She's going to be a senior at Auburn High School, Rachel Van Bebber is here today. Can we please give her a warm welcome?"

Speaker Lang: "Happy you're here, thank you. Members, page 9 of the Calendar, Senate Bills-Second Reading. The first Bill on this order is Senate Bill 140, Mr. Brady. Mr. Brady. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 140, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 232, Mr. Andrade. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 232, 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 399, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 399, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 466, Mr. McAuliffe. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 466, 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 1564, Representative Gabel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1564, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. Amendment #1 was adopted previously. No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2047, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill, 2047 a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 2160, Mr. Bradley. Mr. Bradley. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2196, Representative Hernandez. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2301, Representative Conroy. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2301, 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 2410, Representative Bourne. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2410, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Bourne, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Lang: "Representative Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment 1 is technical in nature. It changes two years within the li... I'd ask for its adoption."

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. Senate Bill... Senate Bill 2533, Representative Kelly Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2533, 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 2734, Representative Gabel. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2820, Representative Nekritz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2820, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Nekritz, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 is identical to Senate Bill 2822 that came out of committee. It allows the Cook County... I believe, the Cook County Fire Pension Fund to digitize its records rather than having them on microfiche."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2825, Representative Mayfield. Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2825, 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 2839, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2839, 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 2845. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2845, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2929, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3018, Mr. Unes. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3018, 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 3063, Mr. Kay. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3063, a Bill for an Act concerning land. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3095. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3095, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. 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 3412, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3412, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted.. was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Please hold the Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Page 2 of the Calendar, House Bill 581, Leader Currie. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 581, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted previously. No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 581, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "This is the Bill intended to prevent a next Good Friday Massacre. You'll remember that last year without any notice many social service agencies found themselves suddenly

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without adequate contracts with the State of Illinois. This would require state agencies to notify providers of social service contracts 30 days ahead of time before they cancel the contract. I don't think operating in midstream as the administration did during 2016 is the right answer. I would be happy to answer your questions. I think this is a good way to run a railroad. And I'd appreciate your support."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Will the Majority Leader yield for a few questions?"

Speaker Lang: "Lady yields."

Sandack: "Thank you. I would agree with you, it's not the right way to run a railroad. More, I think, importantly, it's not a good idea not to have a budget. And so we've been unfortunately running the railroad in the absence of a budget for over a year now, Representative. And so, while I certainly agree with the sentiment you're trying to advance, doesn't this necessarily, yet again, put the cart before the horse?"

Currie: "Not at all. This doesn't say that you can't cancel a contract if there is no money to pay for it. It just says that the people with whom you make the contract are deserving of notice. If we can't figure out that we don't have money 30 days down the road then I would say this is not at all the way the state should operate."

Sandack: "Well..."

Currie: "Families know if they're about to run short of cash, governments know as well. I think it's unconscionable to say to human service providers without one day's notice we're just going to cancel you. What this says is give us... give

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them 30 days so at least they know... they know how to respond to that fiscal problem."

Sandack: "The service contracts tend to be subject to appropriation, isn't that right?"

Currie: "And this doesn't interfere with that. It just says if you're... if you're paying a contract and now you've decided you don't have the money to do it..."

Sandack: "Representative, I'd like an answer to my question if it'd be okay?"

Currie: "...give them notice. Just give them notice."

Sandack: "Well, that's fine, but I'd like an answer to my question if that would be okay with you. These service contracts are subject to appropriation. Isn't that correct?"

Currie: "That is correct and if the agency does not have an appropriation, then it should not be signing a contract. This is basic Accounting 101. If you know, you don't have..."

Sandack: "Well, Madam, wait a minute. Basic Accounting 101? You've been in the Legislature for so long, come on, we haven't done anything close to basic accounting since maybe, well, before my time. And in the last 12 years with unbalanced budgets that spend more than they bring in. So, yes, I'm all for basic accounting and basic commonsense. And all I'm asking is, isn't this Bill, again, necessarily tying the hands of the administration when we don't even have a budget?"

Currie: "Not at all."

Sandack: "They can't even manage what they've got..."

Currie: "Not at all..."

Sandack: "...with no budget."

Currie: "It doesn't..."

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Sandack: "Of course it is."

Currie: "...it does not hamstring the agencies at all. It just says give us 30 days' notice. Doesn't require the agencies to do anything that they are not doing today. It just says give notice, 30 days' notice is not too much, I think, for social service providers to ask."

Sandack: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. The Majority Leader acknowledges that these service contracts are subject to appropriation. That's where we should be thinking this through, and we should be working on a balanced budget. We haven't spent any time in this House working on a budget. And instead, we keep spending more money we don't have and hamstringing our agencies with rules that make it impossible to do what they're trying to do which is continue to plod along in the absence of a budget. This is nothing more than a political Bill. It's more of the same 'gotcha' stuff. Why aren't we working on a budget? Come on, it's past the time to start acting responsibly. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Leader Currie, what is the typical term of a state contract for social service providers?"

Currie: "I should imagine most of them are for a year, some may be multiyear contracts. They are, of course, subject to appropriation. The only point with this Bill, it isn't to say that agencies have to sign contracts with any social service provider. It just says if the agencies knows that it's not going to be able to pay up, give that provider 30-day notice."

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I've got a sheaf of papers here from the Good Friday Massacre, the Good Friday cuts that came last year when agency after agency found all of a sudden it wasn't going to be able to meet payroll. It was not going to be able to provide services. I think those agencies deserve a winding-down period. Nothing in this Bill requires the state agencies to enter into contracts. It just says, you've got to give people notice before you decide that you're not going to be able to meet a contract."

Breen: "See... and... but you see but this is the problem. Under Section 10(a) as I see it, it says that the provision of social services may be terminated by either party to the agreement for any reason on 30 days' notice. So the State of Illinois... so... so for a contract that we've signed for a year and that we have fully appropriated for at this General Assembly, we can stick it to a social service provider with only 30-days' notice."

Currie: "No, no, no, no..."

Breen: "They could've signed that contract..."

Currie: "No."

Breen: "...staffed up their agency for the full year and 30 days later, they've got to fire everybody. That's what this Bill reads at least under 10(a). Either party to the contract may eliminate."

Currie: "Either party today to a contract and nothing changes in this Bill because of it. Either party can cancel a contract because of failure to perform."

Breen: "Right. But there's no failure to perform in here."

Currie: "If an agency isn't doing what it's supposed to do..."

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Breen: "It says for, let's see, for any or no reason. So... so if... if Lutheran Social Services staffs up for a full year to provide foster care services for us, and we decide, you know what... or a Governor or someone down the road decides, you know what, I don't like the Lutheran Social Services. I can cancel them with 30-days' notice, even though they've staffed up, they were prepared to serve me for the full year."

Currie: "You're reading from current law, I believe."

Breen: "No, no, no. Well, I mean, if it is, I'm reading your Amendment. Your Amendment 2, section 10(a). Any grants, agreements, service agreement, or contract to a state agency, and an authorized service provider."

Currie: "My understanding is that that is current law. The question is, does the provider get any notice before the state decides it's going to cancel? And you were here for the... the Good Friday cuts, you were here when agency after agency was told..."

Breen: "But if it's... if it's current law, why are we writing it into your Bill? I mean, this is a new Section. I mean, this is new law."

Currie: "My point is that already the state can decide to cancel a contract. The important thing about this Bill is that there is a notice provision for all those social service providers who suddenly find the rug pulled out from under them."

Breen: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. We obviously have a difference of opinion here. But all I know is, it's an old legal principle that the State Legislature doesn't do anything without some effect. If we include language in a Bill that does something, we mean it. It says right here that we could

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stick it to a social service provider for any reason or no reason upon 30 days' prior written notice to that social service provider. You know, maybe that's the current law, maybe it isn't, but we're adding it to the law and it shouldn't be there. When we sign a contract that should mean something. So I would urge a 'no' vote on this emphatically. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Demmer: "Leader Currie, I think there's been a couple of time frames that have been thrown out during the course of this debate. The one that you've cited a couple times is a 30-day notice provision. Isn't it true there's also a notice provision in this Bill of 120 days?"

Currie: "To the General Assembly but not to the individual provider of services."

Demmer: "And what triggers the 120-day notification requirement?"

Currie: "If the state agency decides it's going to suspend, terminate, or whatever because of a failure of appropriation because of a lack of state funding, then the agency should give the 120-day notice to the General Assembly, to the Speaker of the House, to the President of the Senate, and the Minority Leaders."

Demmer: "Would the... that provision of the contract be triggered upon a proposal for state funding that would be insufficient to support operations or only when such an Appropriation Bill became law?"

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Currie: "This would not have retroactive effect if that is your...
is your point."

Demmer: "No, my question is..."

Currie: "But this one..."

Demmer: "...there are budget... there are budget proposals early in a
year. If those budget proposals are seen to be insufficient,
would notice be triggered by that event or only upon those
Bills becoming law?"

Currie: "I would think only upon those Bills becoming law."

Demmer: "So, isn't it true that we could find ourselves in a
situation in which the General Assembly has not appropriated
sufficient funds, the Executive Branch is simply trying to
manage the programs to live within the appropriation that was
granted by the General Assembly, only to find out they have
a 120 day notification requirement. Which means that because
the General Assembly is the one who made the appropriation,
the Executive Branch cannot exceed that appropriation. The
cut after 120 days in order to balance the total for the
entire fiscal year, the cut in the last half of the fiscal
year would have to really be twice as significant as it would
be if they could make that change at the beginning of the
fiscal year."

Currie: "Well, first of all, agencies do not have to make
contracts if they don't think they have the resources to
fulfill them. So, we're not talking about..."

Demmer: "Well wouldn't you agree that in this..."

Currie: "...some... some world in which agencies without having any
idea of what their resources are, are encouraged to make
contracts with social service providers. I don't think any

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agency should do that unless it believes it will have the resources to meet the terms of that contract."

Demmer: "I'm not sure if anybody knows what kind of resources would be available. Especially given the current situation we find ourselves in. I think that... Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. This Bill calls into questions two different time frames. We have a 30-day notice provision. We have 120-day notice provision. We have a question about when that notice provision is triggered. What we have here is another example of the General Assembly who has the appropriation authority, and the Executive Branch who has the authority to manage programs within that appropriation. We're setting up a conflict. We're setting up an irreconcilable conflict in which the General Assembly could not appropriate sufficient funds. The Executive Branch would try to live within that appropriation, yet they'd be delayed for 120 days so when they finally got around to being able to do that, we'd see twice the level of cuts that we may intend. This is further hamstringing and tying the hands of one of the... many of the state agencies who simply try to live within the boundaries that the General Assembly sets for them. This could cause a whole host of problems. Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Kay."

Kay: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A few questions of the Lady?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Kay: "Leader Currie, I'm curious. Would it have been appropriate for the captain of the Titanic to give 30-day notice to those people who ultimately had to jump from the boat?"

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Currie: "I don't think the problem there was a lack of resources, unavailable amount of state money."

Kay: "Well, just a yes or no would be good."

Currie: "I'm sorry. Was that a second question?"

Kay: "No. Yes or no, should he given 30-day... 30-days' notice or no?"

Currie: "Representative, that question has nothing to do with this Bill. So, if you'd like to talk..."

Kay: "Well, sure it does."

Currie: "...about that Bill that would be..."

Kay: "Should we... well, sure it is. This is nothing but a political grandstand. So let me ask you this question. Is there something that we should do for the taxpayers of the State of Illinois to give them notice that we haven't and couldn't and today still can't pass a budget? Should we give them 30 day notice so they know?"

Currie: "You're welcome to do that, Representative. I'm concerned about those agencies..."

Kay: "No, I under... I'm asking you though, Ma'am. I'm asking you."

Currie: "Representative, this is a Bill that would provide notice to providers of services to clients of the state."

Kay: "Okay. Do you recognize... do you know what an intergovernmental agreement is?"

Currie: "Yes."

Kay: "Do you realize how many intergovernmental agreements are involved in the Bill that you're speaking of today that couldn't be canceled with a 30-day notice?"

Currie: "No. This is only about contracts not intergovernmental agreements."

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Kay: "Well, those are contracts, Ma'am. Those are contracts. And we're tied up throughout the state with various intergovernmental agreements that come to play with the very Bill you speak of today. How do you think you're going to breach that gap?"

Currie: "In the first place this is social service providers, not intergovernmental agreements."

Kay: "Thank you, Leader."

Currie: "Nothing to do with governments in this Bill."

Kay: "Thank you, Leader. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. We're trying to pass a Bill in theory is impossible to pass. And so I would just recommend to our Members that they vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Sente."

Sente: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm having trouble figuring out what's the problem with this Bill. Because standard contract language... standard contract language between any two parties is the ability for mutual provision in writing to make changes to the contract and notify each other of any type of a change. So if this is good for business, I think we should be treating our social service agencies in a similar manner. I support this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Leader Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you Speaker, Members of the House. First, all the contracts do provide as I understand it that they can be canceled by either party and that is current law. If you want me to change that and say that the state once in a contract has to stick with it for the next 10 years, I would consider that. The point here is to avoid the problems that many social service providers... hundreds of them faced when their

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contracts were canceled without any notice. All I want to do with this Bill is make sure that we're able to provide the kind of accounting... fiscal oversight, fiscal accountability that we owe to the citizens of Illinois. The citizens who are served by these providers, the people who work for these providers, these providers themselves. This is not complicated. It doesn't require the state to spend one penny more than the state would plan to spend today, but it does say there will be transparency, accountability and none of these providers will be left high and dry in future contracts with the State of Illinois. I urge your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 71 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bills-Third Reading. Senate Bill 2876, Mr. Sandack. Good Republican Bill to start this round of... Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2876, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's been a long time, since I think there's been a Republican Bill, so thank you for calling it. And I appreciate the House's indulgence with respect to Senate Bill 2876 which simply adds the criminal offense of money laundering to the list of offenses that can be procedurally joined. This law... or this Bill is supported by the Attorney General, the DuPage State's Attorney, and the

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state... Illinois State's Attorney Association. Essentially, it's believed that this was simply left out as one of the causes of action that could be joined procedurally to make prosecution of money laundering a heck of a lot more easy. It went through committee without dissention. I asked for your affirmative vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sandack, you did so well on the last one, we'll call Senate Bill 2880. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2880, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2880 is an especially good Bill. It also came out of the Judicial Criminal Procedure... or Criminal Committee unanimously. What it seeks to do is amend the Code of Civil... Criminal Procedure to allow for the taking of a child victim or developmentally-delayed victim testimony via one way closed circuit television in an aggravated battery or aggravated domestic battery offense much like the law that exists right now with respect to various sex offenses. This is constitutionally permitted. The accused still has access to his or her attorney in the room and can access counsel at any time. This simply lets child victims and developmentally-

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delayed victims not be physically confronted at the spot of their testimony. This is a good Bill. I ask for your affirmative vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2889, Mr. Fortner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2889, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Fortner."

Fortner: "Thank you, Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 2889 simply provides that for notices to taxing districts that there is an appeal that would change an assessed valuation by more than \$100 thousand that notice which is required need not go by mail but could be done by email with the consent of the parties."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2894, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2894, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Martwick."

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2894 is an initiative of IMRF. And what it

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does is it removes the one-year limit on backdating a surviving spouse benefit in the Pension Code. Under the current law there is a sort of a one-year moratorium, and after one year the surviving spouse cannot go back to get a benefit. The number of people who actually apply for this benefit is infinitesimally small. They're prohibited from getting a benefit that not only they are entitled to but that IRMF has already calculated in. So this technically really doesn't cost IMRF any money. And it's a way of providing a survivor benefit that was earned to someone who deserves it.

I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Moffitt: "Representative, I see there's one listed as an opponent, DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference. This really isn't increasing any liability for the fund is it? It's just that for whatever reason if someone didn't apply this gives them a little more time to what they could have had if they'd applied right away."

Martwick: "That... that is correct. I don't have that opponent listed, but I'll... I don't know why they would be. IRMF's own testimony was that the cost of this was already contemplated in the members' dues. And in the rare cases... and this is so, so very rare that this happens where someone misses the opportunity, those actually wind up being a windfall for the fund. And the fund says that's not fair. We've got the money to cover this. This is no cost to us. We should get the benefits to the surviving spouse."

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Moffitt: "Okay. I appreciate that further explanation."

Martwick: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Mr. Martwick, I understand the Bill. It seems to me that what you're trying to say is that a decedent who had paid into a pension and had paid in and chosen the death benefit for the spouse. So, this is something that they'd already paid in for, correct?"

Martwick: "That is correct."

Franks: "And what we found here in a small number of instances is that the surviving spouse didn't apply for those benefits that have already been paid for and earned within a one-year time. Is that correct?"

Martwick: "That is correct, yes."

Franks: "This is simply taking away the one-year time frame. It's not increasing any liability. It's just allowing surviving spouse to get what he or she would be entitled to pursuant to contract."

Martwick: "That is correct."

Franks: "So, there's no hit on the... on the Pension Fund at all."

Martwick: "None whatsoever."

Franks: "I think this is a great Bill. And I think it'll help protect people who probably for some reason or another couldn't or didn't want to file, they might not have been able to physically or mentally. And it might be very difficult for the family, so they shouldn't be penalized again. So I

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think this is a very important Bill. And I appreciate you bringing it forward."

Martwick: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brady."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Brady: "Representative, just a question. Did IMRF share with you what were some of the reasons why that within a year's time frame that maybe a surviving spouse did not apply?"

Martwick: "They did. They said that there are, I mean, many different instances. Sometimes it's just that the surviving spouse wasn't even aware. Whether they are emotionally distraught and they just don't get around to the paperwork. But in most instances, the vast majority of surviving spouses that apply after the one year, the vast majority of those, which is already a small number, apply within a couple of months after that twelve month period has expired. It is the rare case, I think they've had one person, who'd applied for a survivorship benefit that was six years later."

Brady: "So is there nothing from IMRF that would trigger that to an individual spouse who survives? In other words, what I'm saying is, if there's some other type of coverage, pension, some other notification to IMRF, is there some kind of communication that comes out of IMRF to the surviving spouse? Say, oh, by the way, there's also a survivor's benefit here that you would be entitled to."

Martwick: "I'll be completely honest with you, Representative, I don't know the specifics of how... what they send out in terms of notice. But what they said was that in the vast majority

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of these instances, you're dealing with people who may have had a survivorship benefit and changes of address because of the death or again, just emotional distress. They just didn't get around to it. But the majority of those people are applying within in a couple of months. So instead of 12 months, they're applying 13, 14, 16, months later and they're terminated. So..."

Brady: "And I appreciate the Bill. And I would ask to be a cosponsor with you. What I'm trying to get at is, in my other profession, when we notify Social Security so that surviving spouse knows. We do it electronically nowadays..."

Martwick: "Right."

Brady: "...so if there's benefits that they're entitled to or a surviving spouse, they're notified by Social Security. So I'm just looking for maybe if there's some mechanism down the road to electronically know, IMRF or any other type of large municipal pension system, you know, that the deceased has occurred and they'd be entitled to other benefits. So again, I certainly support your Bill and will look forward to trying to do something like that in a bigger picture to try and eliminate this. Thank you."

Martwick: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2900, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2900, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill extends the Practice Act for the... it's statutory cleanup for the Physician's Assistant Act. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 110 voting 'yes', 1 voting no. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sandack, for what reason do you rise?"

Sandack: "I had a question of the Sponsor. You didn't see my light. I was late, but I had the light on before you moved. I apologize for my tardiness."

Speaker Lang: "And I apologize to you, Sir. Senate Bill 2907, Representative Wallace. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2907, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "Thank you. This is a Bill that will allow for an increase in the threshold for criminal damage to property before the charge becomes a felony. We're moving it from \$300 to \$500 in damages. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you. Will the Lady yield for a few questions?"

Speaker Lang: "Lady yields."

Sandack: "Representative, are there any opponents to your Bill?"

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Wallace: "No."

Sandack: "And what... why the three to five? What would... where did that number come from?"

Wallace: "Well, the \$300 has been in statute for quite some time. So we're trying to move to make us more consistent with some of the national standards. States around us are at about 500 some are upwards to 1000, 1500 before it's a felony. We just want to make sure that we don't have too many discrepancies between what we do here and what's done in the Midwest."

Sandack: "So, the Retailer's haven't opposed this?"

Wallace: "No, I have no opposition."

Sandack: "State's Attorneys haven't opposed this?"

Wallace: "No opposition."

Sandack: "And this is consistent with the Governor's plan of trying to reduce prison populations by making certain crimes not a felony but rather a misdemeanor."

Wallace: "Precisely. He and I agree on some things."

Sandack: "It's a good thing. Thank you, Representative."

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? The switches are right where we left them on Thursday, Ladies and Gentlemen. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sandack, the next four Bills have Republican Sponsors. Senate Bill 2910, Representative Bryant. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2910, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bryant."

Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And to the Bill. This... this is a Bill from the Senate. It's actually just a cleanup Bill on noxious weeds. It allows the Department of Agriculture to issue a letter when someone is noncompliant and some changes to some technical terms. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Fine. Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2918, Mr. Reis. Mr. Reis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2918, a Bill for an Act concerning Safety. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reis."

Reis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. Senate Bill 2918 is an initiative of the Department of Agriculture and it increases the licensure for pesticides from three... one year to three years. It does increase the fees by three, but it is not a fee increase. It's the same as it was before. And any unused portion of a three-year certificate is able to be transferred to another person. This brings the department in line with the pesticide certification which is also three years. I'd be happy to answer any questions. And ask for your 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 82 voting 'yes', 29 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2944, Mr. Brady. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2944, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brady."

Brady: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2944 simply makes a technical change to bring Illinois in compliance with the accreditation requirement for the National Association of Insurance Commissions Model Act. What is does is in 2015, Risk-Based Capital for health organizations became an accreditation requirement. This language brings Illinois in line with the NAIC Model Act by adding health organizations under the company's action level section in the Illinois Insurance Code. I changed to the Illinois Insurance Code for bringing them in line in the State of Illinois. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Do we have at this time a Risk-Based Capital minimum required in the State of Illinois?"

Brady: "I'm sorry, Jack. I didn't hear all your question."

Franks: "Right now do we have a Risk-Based Capital minimum required in the State of Illinois?"

Brady: "Not to my knowledge, no."

Franks: "So what is this Bill doing?"

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Brady: "This Bill... at the beginning of 2015 through the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Model Act, it became an accreditation requirement through their particular organizations. And Illinois was not in compliance to be to add a base capital for health organization. And so this language would simply make that accreditation requirement for the future. It's an initiative from the Department of Insurance of the State of Illinois."

Franks: "So right now we're not in compliance with Federal Law. Is that what you're saying?"

Brady: "That is... that is correct. For what they have told me from what the Association Act... Model Act adopted. And so by doing this, it would bring Illinois in line."

Franks: "Okay. 'Cause I was just wanting to find out whether this was a reduction of the Risk-Based Capital. And that's what I want to make sure that it's not a reduction in the amount of the capital requirement."

Brady: "I do not believe it is, Jack, but I'll be happy to double-check here in a minute."

Franks: "Can you... can you let us know? Because that's my... my idea is I want to make sure that the insurance companies actually have more capital not less."

Brady: "Sure."

Franks: "So if you could make sure that that's the..."

Brady: "I... I will..."

Franks: "...what's happening with this Bill, then I'm happy to support it."

Brady: "I believe that was the whole crux of bringing more and by passing this throughout the states as a National Model Act."

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And that's why Illinois needed to come in compliance or they won't have more."

Franks: "Okay. Thank you."

Brady: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "So I don't know when you're going to get back to him, because 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. Smiddy. 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 2947, Mr. Anthony. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2947 a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Anthony."

Anthony: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 2947 simply changes the reference from Emergency Medical Technician to Emergency Medical Services Personnel. Currently, that's a discrepancy in how individuals are sentenced. This is not a penalty enhancement. It came out of the committee 15-0. I know of no opposition. And I seek 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? Mr. Guzzardi, Mr. Jackson. Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes'; 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2974, Representative Hurley. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2974, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2974 is an initiative of the Secretary of State. It just does a couple things. One, it exempts low-income seniors and persons with disabilities from a three dollar surcharge. And two, provides that vehicles owned by public school districts are only required to register at one time. No oppositions. I'm here for any questions. And appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Acevedo, Hernandez, Smiddy. Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2975, Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2975, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 2975 creates the Agriculture Education Teacher Grant Program to fund service costs for agriculture education teachers. Furthermore, Senate Bill 2975 explicitly includes agriculture education as a course of study eligible for teacher shortage scholarships. It is subject to appropriation. It passed the Senate 58-0 and passed committee unanimously. I ask for your 'yes' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Bennett, Gabel, Hays. Take the record, Mr. Clerk. 111 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2982, Mr. Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2982, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Burke."

Burke, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2982 is an agreed Bill that would add cleanup language in the Roofing Industry Licensing Act which adds the definition of roof repair so that it would be consistent with the definition in the International Building Code. There is no opposition, and it has the support of the Fire Service and the roofing industry. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Demmer: "Representative, earlier I believe this Bill had some opposition. Has all of that been taken care of through an Amendment?"

Burke, D.: "Yes."

Demmer: "So there currently is no opposition on this as is..."

Burke, D.: "That is... that is correct."

Demmer: "...on the floor before us. Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hays."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Hays: "Representative, just to be clear. This Bill would not have any bearing on the owner of either a business or a residential dwelling, roofing their own home or business. Is that accurate?"

Burke, D.: "That is accurate."

Hays: "So, what would be kind of the line of demarcation, if you will, where the licensed roofer would be required?"

Burke, D.: "As you understand, there are some very technical aspects to let's say replacing a roof or creating a roof and it involves the use of equipment that could be highly combustible and dangerous. We would want to ensure that any individual operating that particular type of equipment be properly trained and certified to do it. The discussion of whether or not one could make repairs to their own roof came up in committee. And yes, in fact, those owners are able to make those minor repairs, but it's certainly our intention that they not engage in the practices that I just described."

Hays: "So if... minor patching and repair, if it goes beyond that, they're tearing the entire roof off, they're going to reroof, they're putting on a metal roof, et cetera, that... those kinds of activities would be kind of the gist of what you're trying to..."

Burke, D.: "Exactly."

Hays: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 95 voting

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'yes', 17 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2994, Mr. McSweeney. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2994, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McSweeney."

McSweeney: "Senate Bill 2994 would require counties to provide information on units of governments in which they appoint members to. It's simply an attempt to provide more information, transparency, advance a discussion on eliminating unnecessary levels of government. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3003, Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3003, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 3003 does two things. It establishes a youth-only turkey hunting season which shall include two consecutive weekends. It also combines deer and turkey landowner permits under one form. I thank you and I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Burke. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3005, Representative Cassidy. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3034, Representative Mayfield. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3034, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Thank you. This is an initiative of Lake County. And what this Bill does it will provide that jurors will be able to donate their juror fees to the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center. It's a great Bill. There's no opposition. And I recommend 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? Mussman. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3082, Representative Feigenholtz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3082, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Illinois Podiatric Organization and the State Medical Society. It resolves an issue about... to clarify and unequivocally set a standard about where a podiatrist can

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perform an amputation. There is no opposition. I'd appreciate support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On the question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3104, Representative Jesiel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3104, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Jesiel."

Jesiel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What Senate 30... Senate Bill 3104 would do is amend the State Construction Minority and Female Building Trades Act to provide that the failure to submit required apprenticeship hours for minorities and females as a violation of the Act. So it would create some penalties. The IDOL is seeking to put some teeth into the Act. So that's what the penalties are for. It passed committee unanimously. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Franks. Please take the record. On this question, 111 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3129, Mr. Anthony. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3129, a Bill for an Act concerning law enforcement. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Anthony."

Anthony: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly, Senate Bill 2130... 3129 creates the Police Dog Retirement Act. It provides that a police dog, which is deemed to no longer fit for public service, may be offered by the county, municipality, or state law enforcement agency to the officer or employee who had custody and control. Currently, they put it up for adoption and the officer has the chance to adopt it. This Bill will get rid of that portion of the Bill. I know of no opposition. I seek a favorable 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 take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3130, Mr. Butler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3130, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 3130 would clarify State Law to ensure that seed sharing libraries, seed exchange, and interpersonal seed sharing, we're talking backyard gardeners here, would not be subject to the requirements to Illinois Seed Law, which is really intended for large, commercial seed operations. This Bill is compromised legislation worked out since Senate passage. Provides for simple record keeping by seed libraries and

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organizers of seed exchanges just a year, species, or common name and source. It does not require record keeping by individuals. I'd like to specifically thank the Stewardship Alliance and the Farm Bureau for working together on this compromise legislation. The Department of Agriculture is neutral. And I know of no opposition. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd just like to compliment the Sponsor. At the beginning of this Bill, it was something that I wasn't sure we were going to get to this point. And Representative Butler did a great job of working with the Farm Bureau and the Department of Ag to make sure that we came to this point. I recommend 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.. Mr. Reis. Please take the record. There are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3164, Mr. Stewart. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3164, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Stewart."

Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 3164 is an initiative of the Criminal Justice Commission on Sentencing and Reform. It requires a judge to explain on the record any decision to incarcerate someone for a

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probationable crime. Passed the Senate unanimously, I know of no opposition. And I would ask for your support."

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. Feigenholtz, Guzzardi. Please take the record. There are 84 voting 'yes', 28 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3301, Mr. Fortner. Please read the Bill"

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3301, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Fortner."

Fortner: "Thank you, Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 3301 codifies a practice that Illinois has engaged in for the last 25 years. We've had a series of agreements between the Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education to provide for smooth articulation of coursework between those levels. This simply puts that practice to statute to create greater certainty. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

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? Franks. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 3335, Representative Mussman. Representative Mussman. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3354, Mr. Turner. Out of the

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record. Senate Bill 3401, Mr. McAuliffe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3401, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 3401 amends the Veterans and Servicemembers Court Treatment Act. It would allow for the Veterans Assistance Commission to also do this. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

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? Nekritz. Please take the record. There are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2970, Representative Lilly. Representative Lilly. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2970, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen. Today I present SB2970. This measure is an initiative of One Chance Illinois that seeks to enroll more low income and English learner students into the Gifted Education Program. If there's no question, I ask for you 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 112 voting

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'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Under Consideration Postponed, page 14 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 6291, Representative Nekritz. Out of the record. Page 11 of the Calendar. Senate Bills-Second Reading. Senate Bill 2306, Representative Gabel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2306, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 was approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Gabel."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gabel on the Amendment."

Gabel: "Actually, there's just... there's going to be another Amendment, so we can take this out of the record."

Speaker Lang: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Page 12 of the Calendar. Senate Bill 2929, Mr. Rita. Mr. Rita. Out of the record. Page 11 of the Calendar, Senate Bills-Second Reading. Senate Bill 2468, Representative Gordon-Booth. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2468, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Page 10 of the Calendar. Senate Bill 2160, Mr. Bradley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2160 a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Chair recognizes Leader Currie for a Motion."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move to suspend the posting requirements so that Senate Bill 2048 and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2048 may be heard in Executive Committee today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "We object, Mr. Speaker. I object to that Motion."

Speaker Lang: "This requires 60 votes. Those in favor of the Lady's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 67 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no'. And the lady's Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1259, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 1260, offered by Representative Zalewski. House Resolution 1261, offered by Representative Lang. House Resolution 1262, offered by Representative Acevedo. House Resolution 1263, offered by Representative David Harris. House Resolution 1264, offered by Representative Fortner. House Resolution 1267, offered by Representative Welch."

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, an announcement. A reminder that the deadline to file your Amendments for all Bills is Wednesday, May 25, at noon. Wednesday, May 25, at noon is the Amendment filing deadline. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "The Executive Committee will meet immediately after Session in Room 118. The Executive Committee is meeting in Room 118 immediately after Session."

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Speaker Lang: "And now, leaving perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til Tuesday, May 24 at the hour of noon. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 250, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 324, offered by Representative Manley, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 345, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning health. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction of Senate Joint Resolution 48, offered by Representative Skoog. This is referred to the Rules Committee. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2016: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 828; recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 20... correction... House Bill 1288, Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4515. Committee Reports. Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2016: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2048. Second Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 2048, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. This will be held on the Order of Second Reading. Introduction of Resolutions. Senate Joint Resolution 45, offered by

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Representative Hammond is referred to the Rules Committee.
There being no further business, the House Perfunctory
Session will stand adjourned."