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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Terry Link, Lake Bluff, Illinois, presiding.

Prayer by Reverend Fay Buttrick, First Congregational Church, Springfield, Illinois.

Senator Maloney led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Tuesday, April 19, 2005, was being read when on motion of Senator Silverstein, further reading of same was dispensed with and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Committee amendments to the House Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 783 Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 870 Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 2531

The following Floor amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 201 Floor Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1828 Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1965

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Clayborne, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment & Energy, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 414, 466, 1149, 1321, 1549 and 2580,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Clayborne, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment & Energy, to which was referred **House Bill No. 433**, reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Clayborne, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment & Energy, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 239

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator J. Sullivan, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 229, 445, 601, 942, 1181, 1182, 1339, 1486 and 3785,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator J. Sullivan, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation, to which was referred **House Bill No. 295**, reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Ronen, Chairperson of the Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred House Bills numbered 20, 172, 210, 398, 700, 759, 785, 808, 991, 1077, 1345, 1406, 1430,

1511, 1548, 2344, 2490, 2527, 3564 and 4067 reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Haine, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 59, 116, 197, 731 and 2375,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Crotty, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, to which was referred House Bills numbered 15, 114, 115, 203, 330, 339, 413, 594, 668, 720, 723, 729, 832, 1125, 1315, 1323, 1338, 1395, 1458, 1500, 1574, 2500, 2564, 2611 and 3538, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Crotty, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, to which was referred **House Bill No. 528,** reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Munoz, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 386, 544, 577, 956, 960, 996, 1316, 1358, 1386 and 3738,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Meeks, Chairperson of the Committee on Housing & Community Affairs, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 328, 515 and 603,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 156, 312, 404, 678, 733, 755, 1324, 2589 and 3680,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Pensions & Investments, to which was referred **House Bills numbered 227, 373, 741 and 3258,** reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Trotter, Chairperson of the Committee on Appropriations I, to which was referred **Senate Bills numbered 1520**, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1524, 1525, 1526, 1527, 1528, 1529, 1530, 1531, 1532, 1533, 1534, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1538, 1539, 1540, 1541, 1542, 1543, 1544, 1546 and 1547, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senators Cullerton and Dillard, Co-Chairpersons of the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred House Bills numbered 23, 29, 173, 180, 181, 215, 245, 381, 396, 444, 524, 566, 582, 598, 611, 617, 701, 763, 767, 783, 793, 806, 885, 887, 888, 892, 923, 950, 992, 1002, 1079, 1081, 1095, 1134, 1318, 1344, 1434, 1483, 1523, 1562, 1587, 1588, 2242, 2341, 2389, 2411, 2699, 3515, 3595, 3597, 3874 and 4020, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

REPORT FROM RULES COMMITTEE

Senator Viverito, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its April 20, 2005 meeting, reported the following Legislative Measures have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committees of the Senate:

[April 20, 2005]

Commerce & Economic Development: Floor Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 14; Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 909.

Executive: Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1965.

Licensed Activities: Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 201; Floor Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1828.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senator Geo-Karis and all Senators offered the following Senate Resolution and, having asked and obtained unanimous consent to suspend the rules for its immediate consideration, moved its adoption:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 162

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Archbishop Iakovos, who transformed the Greek Orthodox Church in the Americas while championing religious unity and human rights, on Sunday, April 10, 2005; and

WHEREAS, He was born Demetrios Coucouzis in Turkey and took the name Iakovos, which means James, when he was ordained a deacon in 1934; he spoke several languages and could hold children as well as adults spellbound by his sermons; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop Iakovos headed the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America, with an estimated 2 million followers, from 1959 until 1996; he met with Pope John XXIII after his 1959 enthronement, becoming the first Greek Orthodox archbishop in 350 years to meet with a Roman Catholic pope, and spent nine years as a president of the World Council of Churches; and

WHEREAS, He marched with Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. in Selma, Alabama, in 1965 and received the Medal of Freedom from President Jimmy Carter in 1980; he was as strong proponent of ecumenism; and

WHEREAS, He was instrumental in setting up dialogues between Orthodox churches and Anglicans, Lutherans, Southern Baptists, and other denominations; he met every president from Dwight Eisenhower through Bill Clinton, and was one of the U.S. Christian leaders who met with Pope John Paul II in a historic gathering in South Carolina in 1987; and

WHEREAS, During his long tenure as archbishop, he led the Greek Orthodox church out of immigrant isolation and into the mainstream of American religious life, playing a leading role in bringing English into the liturgy; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop Iakovos started a youth movement in the United States and created the Ionian Village in Greece, a summer camp that has been visited by more than 16,000 Greek-American children; and

WHEREAS, He sought to maintain Orthodox traditions such as opposing the ordination of women, while at the same time championing human rights and improved race relations; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop Iakovos is remembered as a superb archbishop who offered to the church an intense, continuous, multifaceted, and creative pastoral activity; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Archbishop Iakovos, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese

of America as an expression of our sincerest condolences in the passing of a great leader.

The motion prevailed. And the resolution was adopted.

Senator Garrett offered the following Senate Joint Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41

WHEREAS, Members of the United States Armed Forces and their families are stationed at various military installations throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, The children of those military families attend local schools operated by local public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The presence of a federal military activity in a school district increases enrollment in the district but also reduces the local tax base by removing property from the tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, School districts also lose tax revenues (i) through the provisions granted military personnel by the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act of 1940 and (ii) as a result of military families shopping in commissaries and exchanges and thus not paying local sales taxes; and

WHEREAS, Congress enacted Impact Aid legislation establishing the federal government's responsibility to provide financial assistance to school districts on which the government places a financial burden; and

WHEREAS, Impact Aid payments are provided from the federal Department of Education to local public school districts that educate "federally connected" students, and approximately 40% of those Impact Aid funds go to districts educating the children of military families; and

WHEREAS, Impact Aid supplements are made available from the Department of Defense to help school districts with significant concentrations of military students deal with the consequences of an inadequate local funding base, challenges associated with base closures and realignments, deteriorating families, and inadequate Impact Aid funding; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense Impact Aid supplement is needed to provide military children with the level of educational opportunity available to children in neighboring, non-federally impacted school districts; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge Congress to take all steps necessary, by means of substantive legislation and by means of appropriation, to provide adequate Impact Aid and Impact Aid supplement funding to the Department of Education and the Department of Defense to ensure that the children of military families attending local public schools receive the same level of educational opportunity available to children in neighboring, non-federally impacted school districts; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this Resolution be sent to the President of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

Senator Burzynski announced there would be a Republican caucus immediately upon adjournment.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Committee amendments to the House Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 55 Senate Committee Amendment No. 3 to House Bill 2531

The following Floor amendment to the House Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1562

The following Floor amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

House Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 14 House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1026

At the hour of 12:32 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, April 21, 2005, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.