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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Senator Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson, Crete, Illinois, presiding.
Prayer by Pastor Jonathan Grubbs, First Church of God, Springfield, Illinois.
Senator Maloney led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Friday, July 20, 2007, was being read when on motion of Senator Hunter, 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.

REPORTS RECEIVED

The Secretary placed before the Senate the following reports:

DJJ Quarterly Report to the Legislature, April 1, 2007, submitted by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

DJJ Quarterly Report to the Legislature, July 1, 2007, submitted by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

The foregoing reports were ordered received and placed on file in the Secretary's Office.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE FILED

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

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Resolution 54

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 301

Offered by Senator Raoul and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Rufus Williams, Sr., of Chicago.

SENATE RESOLUTION 302

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Agnes Helmkamp of Edwardsville.

SENATE RESOLUTION 303

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Fred Ufert of Wood River.

SENATE RESOLUTION 304

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Royal Walter Lauing of Naperville.

SENATE RESOLUTION 305

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Roz Simon of Chicago.

By unanimous consent, the foregoing resolutions were referred to the Resolutions Consent Calendar.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 306

WHEREAS, The beaches of Lake Michigan provide a significant source of tourism income for the State of Illinois and other states bordering the Lake; and

WHEREAS, The British Petroleum oil refinery in Whiting, Indiana is planning an expansion that would increase the refinery's discharges into the Lake significantly, including 54% more ammonia and 35% more sludge on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, The total amount of ammonia that British Petroleum will be discharging into the Lake on a daily basis is 1,584 pounds and the total amount of sludge that British Petroleum will be discharging into the Lake on a daily basis is 4,925 pounds; and

WHEREAS, Ammonia promotes algae blooms that can kill fish and trigger beach closings on the Lake; and

WHEREAS, The sludge that will be discharged into the Lake by British Petroleum is full of concentrated heavy metals, including mercury; and

WHEREAS, Last year, 81% of Illinois beaches were declared unsafe due to algae and other pollution problems; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly urge the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois delegation to the United States Congress to block the permit allowing British Petroleum to increase ammonia and sludge discharges into Lake Michigan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to each member of the Illinois delegation to the United States Congress, to the President of the United States, George W. Bush, to the administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Stephen L. Johnson, and to the Great Lakes National Program Manager for the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Mary A. Gade.

INTRODUCTION OF BILL

SENATE BILL NO. 1857. Introduced by Senator Raoul, a bill for AN ACT concerning revenue. The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

At the hour of 2:15 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand adjourned until Tuesday, July 24, 2007, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.