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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Honorable Emil Jones, Jr., President of the Senate, presiding. Prayer by Nancy Flood, Baha'i Faith, Springfield, Illinois. Senator Maloney led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Friday, July 27, 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.

REPORT RECEIVED

The Secretary placed before the Senate the following report:

DOC Quarterly Report to the Legislature, July 1, 2007, submitted by the Department of Corrections.

The foregoing report was ordered received and placed on file in the Secretary's Office.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE FILED

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 1750

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 310

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the State of Illinois has as goals the elimination of poverty and of inequality; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, enunciates a national policy of Fair Housing without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, and handicap, and encourages fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Human Rights Act further safeguards the rights of all citizens of this State to freedom from housing discrimination due to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, physical or mental handicap, military status, sexual orientation, or unfavorable discharge from military service in connection with employment, real estate transactions, access to financial credit, and the availability of public accommodations; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of Illinois to establish Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action in all of its decisions, programs and activities and to eliminate the effects of past discrimination; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois' Annual Housing Plan identifies fair housing as a principal goal; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Fair Housing Act calls for affirmative action to further equal access to housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Provisions to affirmatively further fair housing are principal and long-standing components of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the Community Development Block Grant program, and require that recipients, including the State of Illinois, certify that they conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing and affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS, In spite of modest progress, segregation in housing, due in large measure to ongoing discrimination, is well-documented in the Chicago region and throughout Illinois, and research finds that opportunities to access the Chicago regional housing market varies for different racial and minority groups, including those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Other problems of poverty and inequality that the State wishes to ameliorate are exacerbated or reinforced by existing patterns of segregation; and

WHEREAS, Illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, that diminish the rights of some of our citizens diminish the rights of all of our citizens; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that in the pursuit of the goal and responsibility of providing fair and equal housing opportunities for all, the State of Illinois, in all housing, community development, and economic development grants and programs, shall promote fair housing, enforce fair housing laws, and apply an affirmative standard to ensure compliance with State and federal requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That members of the Illinois Senate are urged to attend and participate in public hearings on the subject of fair and equal housing opportunity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That local stakeholders, including governmental officials, community-based organizations, and fair housing organizations, are encouraged to attend the hearings; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Senate Committee on Housing and Community Affairs shall prepare and deliver a report of findings and recommendations to affirmatively further State programs based on information collected at the public hearings to the Illinois Senate and to the Governor no later than February 1, 2008.

Senators Forby - Burzynski 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. 309

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of James "Shib" Glenn Miller of Sesser, who passed away in the line of duty on July 27, 2007; and

WHEREAS, James "Shib" Glenn Miller was born on August 28, 1963, in Franklin County Hospital in Benton to Mary Eubanks-Miller Morefield and James Miller; he grew up in Sesser; he had a distinguished career with the Sesser Fire Department, where he worked as a volunteer firefighter for almost 22 years; he was a proud firefighter and gave of himself to keep the community safe; and

WHEREAS, He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Sesser; James also enjoyed spending time watching the St. Louis Cardinals, and was considered by many as one of their most loyal and enduring fans; and

WHEREAS, James Miller was preceded in death by his late grandparents, Cecil and Tincey Eubanks, Glenn Miller, and Floyd Coffman; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Don and Marion Byers, and his cousin Russell Miller; and

WHEREAS, James Miller is survived by his wife, Sherry Miller, and daughters, Misty and Jenny Miller; his father, James (Carolyn) Miller, and his mother, Mary Eubanks-Miller Morefield; his

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grandparents, Wanda Coffman and Art and Mary Todd; he is also survived by his brothers, Kevin (Becky) Miller and Steve Miller, and sisters, Missy (Rob) Knight, Megan (Zach) Rounds, and Mallory Miller; his nieces and nephews, Tim and Bethany Miller, Brittany and Mariah Miller, Kylan, Brianna, and Cyler Knight, and Maya Rounds; he is also survived by his dog, Lady; he is also survived by many aunts, uncles, and cousins; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of this brave firefighter, James "Shib" Glenn Miller; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of James "Shib" Glenn Miller as a symbol of our sympathy and deep respect.

The motion prevailed.

And the resolution was adopted.

At the hour of 2:36 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand at recess subject to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

At the hour of 3:00 o'clock p.m., the Senate resumed consideration of business. Honorable Emil Jones, Jr., President of the Senate, presiding.

READING BILL FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES A THIRD TIME

On motion of Senator Haine, **House Bill No. 1664**, having been printed as received from the House of Representatives, together with all Senate Amendments adopted thereto, was taken up and read by title a third time.

And the question being, "Shall this bill pass?" it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Yeas 40; Nays None.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Bomke	Haine	Luechtefeld
Bond	Halvorson	Maloney
Brady	Harmon	Martinez
Burzynski	Hendon	Millner
Collins	Holmes	Munoz
Crotty	Hultgren	Murphy
Dahl	Hunter	Noland
Demuzio	Jacobs	Pankau
Dillard	Jones, J.	Peterson
Forby	Koehler	Radogno
Frerichs	Link	Righter

This bill, having received the vote of three-fifths of the members elected, was declared passed, and all amendments not adopted were tabled pursuant to Senate Rule No. 5-4(a).

Ordered that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives thereof.

Senator Link announced a Democrat caucus to begin immediately upon adjournment.

Senator Righter announced a Republican caucus to begin immediately upon adjournment.

Risinger Rutherford Sandoval Sullivan Trotter Watson Mr. President At the hour of 3:03 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand adjourned until Tuesday, July 31,2007, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.