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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
Senator Terry Link, Waukegan, Illinois, presiding.

The Journal of Wednesday, January 9, 2008, 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:

2008 State Board of Education Catalogue of Reports, submitted by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Charter Schools Annual Report for School Year 2006 – 2007, submitted by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Broadband Access Plan for Passenger Rail, submitted by the Department of Transportation.

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

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT  
STATE OF ILLINOIS**

EMIL JONES, JR.  
SENATE PRESIDENT

327 STATE CAPITOL  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

January 9, 2008

Ms. Deborah Shipley  
Secretary of the Senate  
403 State House  
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Madam Secretary:

Please be advised that I have re-appointed Senator Carol Ronen to the following Senate Standing Committees, to be effective immediately.

Licensed Activities, Chair  
Human Services  
Insurance  
Local Government

Sincerely,  
s/Emil Jones, Jr.  
Senate President

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**SENATE RESOLUTION 424**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Richard Alford Bury of Gurnee.

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**SENATE RESOLUTION 425**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Timothy J. Goodwin of Kenosha, Wisconsin, formerly of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 426**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernard Oaks of Canton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 427**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Vivian Delores Stimac of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 428**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of D. Kent Trone of Troy.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 429**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Judith Ann Farmer of Brighton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 430**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Eileen Czablewski.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 431**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gregory L. Andracki of Trevor, Wisconsin, formerly of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 432**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernie B. Martin of Prairie View.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 433**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James E. Wright of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 434**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Juanita Leatha Wimberly of Evanston.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 435**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Linda Sroka of Niles.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 436**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John D. Downing of Canton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 437**

Offered by Senator Collins and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Steven James Lyons.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 438**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Joseph O. Madison of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 439**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Judge Joseph James Barr of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 440**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Spencer William Lewis of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 441**

Offered by Senator Wilhelmi and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Matthew E. Fracaro, Jr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 442**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of William W. Schooley, Jr., of Granite City.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 443**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James A. Evans of Naperville.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 444**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Helen Marie Antonini of Pekin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 445**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Judge Lloyd A. VanDeusen of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 446**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Aimee Lacombe Twadell of Gurnee.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 447**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Helen L. Boak of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 448**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Josephine B. Werenski of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 449**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Lorraine F. Ratliff of Zion.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 450**

Offered by Senator Bomke and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Suzanne Skeeters of Springfield.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 451**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Roosevelt Thomas.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 452**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Emily Krupa (nee Steplyk) of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 453**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Robert P. Will, Jr., of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 454**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Charles Branch, Jr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 455**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Eileen Czablewski.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 456**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernice V. Sally.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 457**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Illinois Army National Guard Private First Class Ashley Sietsema of River Grove.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 458**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John "J.D." Edwards.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 459**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marion Earl "Bud" Sever of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 460**

Offered by Senator Meeks and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Theodore "Theo" Stephens of Dolton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 461**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Thomas Montalbano, Sr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 462**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marietta L. Pillow.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 463**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Jerome Lilly of Peoria.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 464**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Leo C. Hamlin of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 465**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Michael Aery.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 466**

Offered by Senator Forby and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gene A. "G.A." White of Marion.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 467**

Offered by Senator Forby and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gerald "Jerry" Bailey of Herrin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 468**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Kathleen A. Needham of Waukegan and Lake Arrowhead (Rome), Wisconsin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 469**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Alfred "Shorty" Hurndon, Jr., of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 470**

Offered by Senator Crotty and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of U. S. Army Private DeWayne Lenell White of Country Club Hills.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 471**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Loice Woods.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 472**

Offered by Senator Clayborne and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Lisa Kay Franke-Haida of Belleville.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 473**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Tyronne Greer of Springfield.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 474**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Anna Belle Gravenberg Worrill.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 475**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Paul E. Forby of Benton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 476**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Dr. Donn F. Bailey of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 477**

Offered by Senator J. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Mary Frances bowers of Memphis, Tennessee, formerly of Centralia.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 478**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John Lukehart of Oak Park.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 479**

Offered by Senator Collins and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Nellie Nettles of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 480**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Joy Deborah Fisher.

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 74**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Illinois Army National Guard Specialist Ashley Sietsema of River Grove.

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

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 481**

WHEREAS, An estimated 1,044,936 people in Illinois had been diagnosed with asthma during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 680,417 people in Illinois were diagnosed with asthma in 2003; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 21,649 hospitalizations in this State were due to asthma or 17 per 10,000 people in 2003; and

WHEREAS, In this State, an estimated \$237,654,449 were direct charges for asthma hospitalizations in 2003; and

WHEREAS, In Cook County, 317,906 adults and 121,610 children have been diagnosed with asthma; and

WHEREAS, More than half of all children in Chicago with asthma have had a severe asthma attack in the past year and nearly one-third had episodes in which they thought their lives were in danger; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 40% of people visiting selected Chicago Emergency Departments for asthma attacks had 3 or more other Emergency Department visits in the previous 12 months; and

WHEREAS, Asthma is the number one cause of school absenteeism for children in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The burden of asthma falls disproportionately on the African-American and Latino populations, and especially on children of ethnic minorities; and

WHEREAS, The asthma death rate for African-Americans in this State is 4 times the national average; and

WHEREAS, 15.1% of African-American persons in Illinois had asthma in 2000; and

WHEREAS, 12.3% of Latino persons in Illinois had asthma in 2000; and

WHEREAS, In Illinois, asthma accounted for 20,708 asthma hospitalizations or 16.5 per 10,000 people and 247 deaths or 2 per 100,000 people in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Asthma accounts for one-quarter of all emergency room visits in the U.S. each year; and

WHEREAS, Adults 18 years of age and over who were currently employed missed 10.1 million work days due to asthma in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 4 million children missed a cumulative total of 12.8 million school days due to asthma in 2003; and

WHEREAS, The annual cost of asthma is estimated to be nearly \$18 billion; and

WHEREAS, A clean environment and appropriate asthma care are critical to the quality of life of our citizens with asthma; and

WHEREAS, Access to care for ethnic minorities is often hampered by socioeconomic disparities, shortages of primary care physicians in minority communities, language and literacy barriers, and cultural beliefs about the role and usefulness of medicine; and

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WHEREAS, As much as 40% of the risk of asthma in minority children is attributable to exposure to residential allergens that could be reduced, if not eliminated; and

WHEREAS, If left untreated or poorly controlled, asthma can cause irreversible damage to the lungs; and

WHEREAS, 11 Americans die from asthma each day, which is more than 4,000 each year; and

WHEREAS, Puerto Ricans have the highest asthma mortality rate of any racial or ethnic subgroup; and

WHEREAS, African-Americans are 3 times more likely than Caucasians to die from asthma; and

WHEREAS, The death rate for children under 19 years old due to asthma has increased by nearly 80% since 1980; and

WHEREAS, Many asthma deaths are avoidable with proper treatment and care; and

WHEREAS, The State bears a responsibility in matters of public health and the well-being of Illinois citizens and that includes the quality of life for our citizens with asthma and those citizens who are at risk for asthma; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan identifies goals for combating the asthma epidemic and recommends advocating for access to treatment and education for all persons with asthma, using data to identify and evaluate asthma interventions and assess the impact of asthma outcomes; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan recommends facilitating the provision of asthma education for people with asthma and those involved in the care of people with asthma, promoting asthma awareness, education, and screening programs in communities; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan recommends identifying effective methods of accommodation in the workplace for employees with asthma that will help prevent them from work-related exacerbations, increasing awareness among administrative, management, and human resource personnel concerning occupational asthma, including risk factors, impact, prevention strategies, and management; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan recommends developing a statewide communication network to effectively advocate for the positions of the local asthma coalitions, encouraging childcare providers and schools to obtain an appropriate written asthma action plan for every child with asthma; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan recommends identifying asthma education programs for the childcare, school, and college communities and supporting the development of indoor air quality and environmental improvements in childcare and school communities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that that we urge the Illinois Department of Public Health to implement the recommendations within the Illinois Asthma Partnership Strategic Plan and continue to work in the best interests of the public health of our citizens with asthma, especially those minority populations who are at a greater risk for asthma; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Minority Coordinating Council be tasked with delivering an annual report addressing program successes, new trends, data, and issues surrounding minority populations suffering for asthma; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Minority Coordinating Council is encouraged to share this report and the State's successes with other states as a best practice model for other states.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 482**

WHEREAS, Illinois Route 173 is a major thoroughfare in the northern portion of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The designation of one of the United States Army's units is the 173rd Airborne Brigade; and

WHEREAS, Many of the men and women who have served in the 173rd Airborne Brigade have been the sons and daughters of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Jacob M. Lowell of New Lenox was the first Sky Soldier of the 173rd Airborne Brigade to have been killed in action in its current deployment; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that Illinois Route 173 be designated as the 173rd Airborne Brigade Highway in honor of the brave men and women of the United States Army 173rd Airborne Brigade; and be it further

RESOLVED, That those who have served in the 173rd Airborne Brigade, at their request or at the request of an immediate family member if deceased, may have their names designated along Illinois Route 173; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Highway and the names of those who have served in the 173rd Airborne Brigade; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, in recognition of the men and women of the 173rd Airborne Brigade, those available upon the end of the Brigade's current deployment be invited to the State of Illinois to attend this designation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 483**

WHEREAS, The Illinois Measure of Annual Growth in English (IMAGE) Test is administered to students with limited proficiency in English to measure individual student achievement relative to the Illinois Learning Standards; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Education ruled that the IMAGE Test did not serve as a valid measure of assessing students' abilities under federal law; and

WHEREAS, The State Board of Education has not produced an acceptable replacement test to administer to students who are learning English; instead, the State Board of Education recently announced that the IMAGE Test will not be given in 2008 and that students with limited proficiency in English will take the same assessment test as English-speaking students; and

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WHEREAS, Discontinuing the IMAGE Test or failing to implement a similar alternative examination will negatively impact students, schools, and districts throughout the State; assessment data may be swayed by poor test scores of students who simply do not understand English, resulting in schools or districts failing to meet federal standards; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the State Board of Education is urged to request a one-year extension from the U.S. Department of Education so that the IMAGE Test may be administered in 2008; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the U.S. Department of Education is urged to grant the extension to the State of Illinois, thereby ensuring that the most accurate assessment of student progress is obtained; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if the U.S. Department of Education grants the State of Illinois an additional year to use the IMAGE Test, then the State Board of Education is urged to develop an alternative test for use in subsequent years that will meet federal requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the State Board of Education and the U.S. Department of Education.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 484**

WHEREAS, The Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans, located in Wheaton, Illinois, has been established as an Illinois not-for-profit corporation and has been designated a 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service; and

WHEREAS, The Midwest Shelter was officially opened on January 20, 2007, and has been in continuous operation ever since; and

WHEREAS, That organization's purpose is to provide transitional services to homeless veterans of the United States military so that they can return to useful and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, The problems of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan continue to reveal serious problems of mental illness, substance abuse, alcoholism, unemployment, and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, There is an obvious and growing need for such a facility for veterans returning from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs in the past has provided some funds to the Shelter from the Illinois Veterans Assistance Fund; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate recognize that the State has a major responsibility to its growing number of veterans who have served, and will be serving, in the United States military services; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly urge the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs to provide technical and financial services to the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans so it can continue to provide needed services to homeless veterans of the United States military as soon as possible; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

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

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 75**

WHEREAS, The components of international education include the following:

(1) programs that teach foreign languages, increase international awareness, address global economic and political issues, and provide substantive learning about other countries and cultures;

(2) the exchange of U.S. and international students and scholars participating in study abroad programs and serving as cultural ambassadors between countries and cultures; and

(3) multi-national and cross-cultural collaborations in research, which lead to new knowledge and advancements in science and breakthroughs in technology, business, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, The State's economic development and workforce are intrinsically linked to international issues, as Illinois is one of the largest export states in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Global business and finance, foreign trade, and tourism are key sectors of the Illinois economy; and

WHEREAS, It is vital that the State of Illinois recognizes how international education programs contribute to our State's preparedness and future competitive advantage in these arenas; and

WHEREAS, Higher education should ensure that Illinois graduates have the knowledge and cross-cultural skills necessary to function effectively in the global workforce; and

WHEREAS, higher education in Illinois should emphasize academic programs with an international focus, including area studies, foreign language instruction, and study abroad opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Illinois institutions of higher education welcome international students and scholars and recognize that these students increase campus diversity, enable more enriching learning environments, contribute their talents and perspectives, strengthen our campuses, and enhance students' awareness and understanding of others; and

WHEREAS, Illinois higher education should aim to educate graduates to be internationally aware and have competencies to address global challenges in business, economics, environment, politics, and social welfare; and

WHEREAS, The United States' national security, economic interests, competitiveness, and future capacity for leadership, as well as the same interests of the State, depend significantly on our ability to provide students and future leaders with the best education possible; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has played a significant role in the establishment of the national Paul Simon Study Abroad Act [U.S. H.R. 1469 S.991] to create a more globally informed American citizenry by increasing funding and opportunity for Americans to study abroad; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State have sponsored International Education Week to increase national awareness of the importance of international education; Illinois institutions should proudly participate in these annual events and increase access to and expand study abroad opportunities for students in diverse academic fields and from all economic backgrounds; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that the State of Illinois recognizes that international education is an essential component of higher education and

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that international education programs help ensure that students are prepared to meet the challenges of a global society; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage and recommend that students, faculty, administrators, and policy makers promote international education as part of the curricular and extracurricular life at Illinois colleges and universities, and that the State supports international educational endeavors which contribute to the global awareness of community members, business leaders, educators, public officials, and all of the residents of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to Symon G. Ogeto, Illinois State Whip for NAFSA - The Association of International Educators.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

**SENATE BILL NO. 1871.** Introduced by Senator Wilhelmi, a bill for AN ACT concerning appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1872.** Introduced by Senator Harmon, a bill for AN ACT concerning elections.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1873.** Introduced by Senator Clayborne, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1874.** Introduced by Senator Forby, a bill for AN ACT concerning appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1875.** Introduced by Senator Demuzio, a bill for AN ACT concerning appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1876.** Introduced by Senator Rutherford, a bill for AN ACT concerning education.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1877.** Introduced by Senators Demuzio - Forby, a bill for AN ACT concerning finance.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1878.** Introduced by Senator Martinez, a bill for AN ACT concerning employment.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1879.** Introduced by Senator Collins, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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**SENATE BILL NO. 1880.** Introduced by Senator Haine, a bill for AN ACT concerning appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1881.** Introduced by Senator Haine, a bill for AN ACT concerning criminal law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1882.** Introduced by Senator Silverstein, a bill for AN ACT concerning criminal law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1883.** Introduced by Senator Althoff, a bill for AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1884.** Introduced by Senator Bomke, a bill for AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1885.** Introduced by Senator Bomke, a bill for AN ACT concerning public aid.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1886.** Introduced by Senator Radogno, a bill for AN ACT concerning education.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1887.** Introduced by Senator Haine, a bill for AN ACT concerning criminal law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1888.** Introduced by Senator Bomke, a bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1889.** Introduced by Senator Maloney, a bill for AN ACT concerning government.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1890.** Introduced by Senator Haine, a bill for AN ACT concerning finance.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1891.** Introduced by Senator Koehler, a bill for AN ACT concerning State services.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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**SENATE BILL NO. 1892.** Introduced by Senator Wilhelm, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1893.** Introduced by Senator Koehler, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1894.** Introduced by Senator Althoff, a bill for AN ACT concerning local government.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1895.** Introduced by Senator Althoff, a bill for AN ACT concerning civil law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1896.** Introduced by Senator Althoff, a bill for AN ACT concerning employment.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1897.** Introduced by Senator Crotty, a bill for AN ACT concerning government.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1898.** Introduced by Senator DeLeo, a bill for AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1899.** Introduced by Senator Risinger, a bill for AN ACT concerning safety.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1900.** Introduced by Senator DeLeo, a bill for AN ACT concerning insurance.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1901.** Introduced by Senator Risinger, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1902.** Introduced by Senator Risinger, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1903.** Introduced by Senator Trotter, a bill for AN ACT concerning health.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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**SENATE BILL NO. 1904.** Introduced by Senator Haine, a bill for AN ACT concerning civil law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1905.** Introduced by Senator Collins, a bill for AN ACT concerning civil law.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1906.** Introduced by Senator Crotty, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

#### **READING BILL FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES A FIRST TIME**

**House Bill No. 119**, sponsored by Senator Ronen, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

#### **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Senator Crotty, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, to which was referred the Motions to Concur with House Amendments to the following Senate Bills, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Motion to Concur in House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 513; Motion to Concur in House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 775

Under the rules, the foregoing motions are eligible for consideration by the Senate.

Senator Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 1334

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

At the hour of 12:37 o'clock p.m., Senator Hendon presiding.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS ON SECRETARY'S DESK**

On motion of Senator Link, **Senate Bill No. 513**, with House Amendment No. 2 on the Secretary's Desk, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Senator Link moved that the Senate concur with the House in the adoption of their amendment to said bill.

And on that motion, a call of the roll was had resulting as follows:

Yeas 56; Nays None.

The following voted in the affirmative:

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Althoff	Forby	Link	Sandoval
Bomke	Frerichs	Luechtefeld	Schoenberg
Bond	Garrett	Maloney	Sieben
Brady	Haine	Martinez	Silverstein
Burzynski	Halvorson	Meeks	Sullivan
Clayborne	Harmon	Millner	Syverson
Collins	Hendon	Munoz	Trotter
Cronin	Holmes	Murphy	Viverito
Crotty	Hultgren	Noland	Watson
Cullerton	Hunter	Pankau	Wilhelmi
Dahl	Jones, J.	Peterson	Mr. President
DeLeo	Koehler	Radogno	
Delgado	Kotowski	Raoul	
Demuzio	Lauzen	Righter	
Dillard	Lightford	Ronen	

The motion prevailed.

And the Senate concurred with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 2 to **Senate Bill No. 513**.

Ordered that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives thereof.

At the hour of 12:40 o'clock p.m., Senator Link presiding.

On motion of Senator Haine, **Senate Bill No. 775**, with House Amendment No. 1 on the Secretary's Desk, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Senator Haine moved that the Senate concur with the House in the adoption of their amendment to said bill.

And on that motion, a call of the roll was had resulting as follows:

Yeas 57; Nays None.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Althoff	Forby	Link	Ronen
Bomke	Frerichs	Luechtefeld	Sandoval
Bond	Garrett	Maloney	Schoenberg
Brady	Haine	Martinez	Sieben
Burzynski	Halvorson	Meeks	Silverstein
Clayborne	Harmon	Millner	Sullivan
Collins	Hendon	Munoz	Syverson
Cronin	Holmes	Murphy	Trotter
Crotty	Hultgren	Noland	Viverito
Cullerton	Hunter	Pankau	Watson
Dahl	Jones, J.	Peterson	Wilhelmi
DeLeo	Koehler	Radogno	Mr. President
Delgado	Kotowski	Raoul	
Demuzio	Lauzen	Righter	
Dillard	Lightford	Risinger	

The motion prevailed.

And the Senate concurred with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to **Senate Bill No. 775**.

Ordered that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives thereof.

**HOUSE BILL RECALLED**

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On motion of Senator Martinez, **House Bill No. 1334** was recalled from the order of third reading to the order of second reading.

Senator Martinez offered the following amendment and moved its adoption:

**AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO HOUSE BILL 1334**

AMENDMENT NO. 2. Amend House Bill 1334, AS AMENDED, by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is amended by changing Section 52 as follows:

(110 ILCS 947/52)

Sec. 52. Golden Apple Illinois Future Teacher Corps Partnership Program.

(a) In order to encourage academically talented Illinois students, especially minority students, to pursue teaching careers, especially in teacher shortage disciplines (which shall be defined to include early childhood education) or at hard-to-staff schools (as defined by the Commission in consultation with the State Board of Education), to provide those students with the crucial mentoring, guidance, and in-service support that will significantly increase the likelihood that they will complete their full teaching commitments and elect to continue teaching in targeted disciplines and hard-to-staff schools, and to ensure that students in this State will continue to have access to a pool of highly-qualified teachers, the Commission shall combine best practices and methods and programmatic functions of the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program and the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching's Golden Apple Scholars program into one program, a public/private partnership, to be known as the Golden Apple Illinois Future Teachers Corps Partnership.

(1) This consolidated program shall be fully operational before July 1, 2010. The existing programs, the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Program and the Golden Apple Scholars program, shall continue to exist and be governed as they have under this Section before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly and any associated administrative rules, but shall also begin a transition period commencing on the first day of the 2008 fiscal year and ending on the last day of the 2011 fiscal year.

(2) During the transition period, the Commission shall, in consultation with the Golden Apple Foundation, establish rules governing the transition period and related fund transfers and to facilitate coordination and implementation of the consolidated program. Eligible students in this State may continue to apply for Illinois Future Teacher Corps scholarships under the current rules governing such applications during the transition period. Fiscal Year 2010 shall be the last year that such scholarships are available.

(3) The Commission shall, by March 30, 2008, develop an estimate of General Revenue Funds that it expects will remain unexpended at the end of FY 2008 from the FY 2008 appropriation for the Illinois Future Teacher Corps. No later than April 15, 2008, the Commission shall cause to be transferred funds comprising 85% of this estimated amount to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching. The Commission shall subsequently transfer funding from the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching on the following schedule and in the following amounts:

(A) FY 2009: an amount equal to 58% of the total combined appropriation for the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching and the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program;

(B) FY 2010: an amount equal to 80% of the combined total appropriation for the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching and the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program;

(C) FY 2011: the entire appropriation shall be designated for the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching.

(a-5) The ~~5~~ Commission shall, each year, receive and consider applications for scholarship assistance

under this Section. An applicant is eligible for a Illinois Future Teacher Corps scholarship under this Section when the Commission finds that the applicant is:

- (1) a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen;
- (2) a resident of Illinois;
- (3) a high school graduate or a person who has received a General Educational Development Certificate;
- (4) enrolled or accepted for enrollment at or above the junior level, on at least a half-time basis, at an Illinois institution of higher learning; and
- (5) pursuing a postsecondary course of study leading to initial certification or

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pursuing additional course work needed to gain State Board of Education approval to teach, including alternative teacher certification.

(b) Recipients shall be selected from among applicants qualified pursuant to subsection (a) based on a combination of the following criteria as set forth by the Commission: (1) academic excellence; (2) status as a minority student as defined in Section 50; and (3) financial need. Preference may be given to previous recipients of assistance under this Section, provided they continue to maintain eligibility and maintain satisfactory academic progress as determined by the institution of higher learning at which they enroll.

(c) Each scholarship awarded under this Section shall be in an amount sufficient to pay the tuition and fees and room and board costs of the Illinois institution of higher learning at which the recipient is enrolled, up to an annual maximum of \$5,000; except that in the case of a recipient who does not reside on-campus at the institution of higher learning at which he or she is enrolled, the amount of the scholarship shall be sufficient to pay tuition and fee expenses and a commuter allowance, up to an annual maximum of \$5,000. For recipients who agree to teach in a teacher shortage discipline or at a hard-to-staff school under subsection (i) of this Section, the Commission may, by rule and subject to appropriation, increase the annual maximum amount to \$10,000. If a recipient agrees to teach in both a teacher shortage discipline and at a hard-to-staff school under subsection (i) of this Section, the Commission may increase the amount of the scholarship awarded by up to an additional \$5,000.

(d) The total amount of scholarship assistance awarded by the Commission under this Section to an individual in any given fiscal year, when added to other financial assistance awarded to that individual for that year, shall not exceed the cost of attendance at the institution of higher learning at which the student is enrolled.

(e) A recipient may receive up to 4 semesters or 6 quarters of scholarship assistance under this Section.

(f) All applications for scholarship assistance to be awarded under this Section shall be made to the Commission in a form as set forth by the Commission. The form of application and the information required to be set forth therein shall be determined by the Commission, and the Commission shall require eligible applicants to submit with their applications such supporting documents as the Commission deems necessary. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, following the completion of the transition of Illinois Future Teacher Corps funding to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching's Golden Apple Scholars program, all applications for scholarship assistance under this Section shall be in a form determined by the Golden Apple Scholars program.

(g) Subject to a separate appropriation made for such purposes, payment of any scholarship awarded under this Section shall be determined by the Commission. There shall be a separate appropriation made for scholarships awarded to recipients who agree to teach in a teacher shortage discipline or at a hard-to-staff school under subsection (i) of this Section. The Commission may use for scholarship assistance under this Section (i) all funds appropriated for scholarships under this Section that were formerly known as ITEACH Teacher Shortage Scholarships and (ii) all funds appropriated for scholarships under Section 65.65 of this Act (repealed by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly), formerly known as Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarships.

All scholarship funds distributed in accordance with this Section shall be paid to the institution on behalf of the recipients. Scholarship funds are applicable toward 2 semesters or 3 quarters of enrollment within an academic year.

(h) The Commission shall administer the scholarship program established by this Section until the transition of Illinois Future Teacher Corps funding to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching's Golden Apple Scholar program is completed and shall make all necessary and proper rules not inconsistent with this Section for its effective implementation.

(i) Prior to receiving scholarship assistance for any academic year, each recipient of a scholarship awarded under the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program ~~this Section~~ shall be required by the Commission to sign an agreement under which the recipient pledges that, within the one-year period following the termination of the academic program for which the recipient was awarded a scholarship, the recipient: (i) shall begin teaching for a period of not less than 5 years, (ii) shall fulfill this teaching obligation at a nonprofit Illinois public, private, or parochial preschool or an Illinois public elementary or secondary school, and (iii) shall, upon request of the Commission, provide the Commission with evidence that he or she is fulfilling or has fulfilled the terms of the teaching agreement provided for in this subsection.

(j) If a recipient of a scholarship awarded under the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program ~~this Section~~ fails to fulfill the teaching obligation set forth in subsection (i) of this Section, the Commission shall require the recipient to repay the amount of the scholarships received, prorated according to the

fraction of the teaching obligation not completed, plus interest at a rate of 5% and if applicable, reasonable collection fees. The Commission is authorized to establish rules relating to its collection activities for repayment of scholarships under this Section. Payments received by the Commission under this subsection (j) shall be remitted to the State Comptroller for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, except that that portion of a recipient's repayment that equals the amount in expenses that the Commission has reasonably incurred in attempting collection from that recipient shall be remitted to the State Comptroller for deposit into the Commission's Accounts Receivable Fund.

(k) A recipient of a scholarship awarded by the Commission under the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program ~~this Section~~ shall not be in violation of the agreement entered into pursuant to subsection (i) if the recipient (i) enrolls on a full-time basis as a graduate student in a course of study related to the field of teaching at an institution of higher learning; (ii) is serving as a member of the armed services of the United States; (iii) is temporarily totally disabled, as established by sworn affidavit of a qualified physician; (iv) is seeking and unable to find full-time employment as a teacher at a school that satisfies the criteria set forth in subsection (i) and is able to provide evidence of that fact; (v) is taking additional courses, on at least a half-time basis, needed to obtain certification as a teacher in Illinois; or (vi) is fulfilling teaching requirements associated with other programs administered by the Commission and cannot concurrently fulfill them under this Section in a period of time equal to the length of the teaching obligation. Any such extension of the period during which the teaching requirement must be fulfilled shall be subject to limitations of duration as established by the Commission.

(Source: P.A. 93-21, eff. 7-1-03; 94-133, eff. 7-7-05.)

Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Section 3-648 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/3-648)

Sec. 3-648. Education license plates.

(a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special registration plates designated as Education license plates. The special plates issued under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division and motor vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire according to the multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

(b) The design and color of the plates shall be determined by a contest that every elementary school pupil in the State of Illinois is eligible to enter. The designs submitted for the contest shall be judged on September 30, 2002, and the winning design shall be selected by a committee composed of the Secretary, the Director of State Police, 2 members of the Senate, one member chosen by the President of the Senate and one member chosen by the Senate Minority Leader, and 2 members of the House of Representatives, one member chosen by the Speaker of the House and one member chosen by the House Minority Leader. The Secretary may allow the plates to be issued as vanity or personalized plates under Section 3-405.1 of the Code. The Secretary shall prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412 of this Code.

(c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged a \$40 fee for original issuance, in addition to the appropriate registration fee. Of this \$40 additional original issuance fee, \$15 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund, to be used by the Secretary to help defray the administrative processing costs, and \$25 shall be deposited into the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund. For each registration renewal period, a \$40 fee, in addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be charged. Of this \$40 additional renewal fee, \$2 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund and \$38 shall be deposited into the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund. Each fiscal year, once deposits from the additional original issuance and renewal fees into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund have reached \$500,000, all the amounts received for the additional fees for the balance of the fiscal year shall be deposited into the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund.

(d) The Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund is created as a special fund in the State treasury. Ninety-five percent of the moneys in the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund shall be appropriated to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission for scholarships under Section 52 of the Higher Education Student Assistance Act, and 5% of the moneys in the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund shall be appropriated to the State Board of Education for grants to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching, a recognized charitable organization that meets the requirements of Title 26, Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Code. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this subsection (d), beginning in the 2008 fiscal year, funds for the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program and the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching shall be apportioned according to Section 52 of the Higher Education Student Assistance Act.

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(Source: P.A. 92-445, eff. 8-17-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02; 92-845, eff. 1-1-03; 93-21, eff. 7-1-03.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law."

The motion prevailed.

And the amendment was adopted and ordered printed.

There being no further amendments, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

### CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL ON CONSIDERATION POSTPONED

On motion of Senator Hendon, **House Bill No. 656**, having been read by title a third time on January 9, 2008, and pending roll call further consideration postponed, was taken up again on third reading.

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

Yeas 30; Nays 25; Present 1.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Clayborne	Garrett	Martinez	Schoenberg
Collins	Harmon	Meeks	Silverstein
Cronin	Hendon	Millner	Trotter
Crotty	Hunter	Munoz	Viverito
Cullerton	Kotowski	Noland	Wilhelmi
DeLeo	Lightford	Raoul	Mr. President
Delgado	Link	Ronen	
Dillard	Maloney	Sandoval	

The following voted in the negative:

Althoff	Forby	Luechtefeld	Sieben
Bomke	Frerichs	Murphy	Sullivan
Bond	Holmes	Pankau	Syverson
Brady	Hultgren	Peterson	Watson
Burzynski	Jones, J.	Radogno	
Dahl	Koehler	Righter	
Demuzio	Lauzen	Risinger	

The following voted present:

Haine

This bill, having received the vote of a constitutional majority 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 and ask their concurrence therein.

### PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 485

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernice Caldwell of Alton.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 486

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gerald Fravle of Rosewood Heights.

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**SENATE RESOLUTION 487**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Harold E. McDaniels of Carlinville.

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

**INTRODUCTION OF BILL**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1907.** Introduced by Senators Kotowski - Harmon - Millner - Garrett - Schoenberg, a bill for AN ACT concerning local government.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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**SENATE RESOLUTION 424**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Richard Alford Bury of Gurnee.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 425**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Timothy J. Goodwin of Kenosha, Wisconsin, formerly of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 426**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernard Oaks of Canton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 427**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Vivian Delores Stimac of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 428**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of D. Kent Trone of Troy.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 429**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Judith Ann Farmer of Brighton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 430**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Eileen Czablewski.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 431**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gregory L. Andracki of Trevor, Wisconsin, formerly of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 432**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernie B. Martin of Prairie View.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 433**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James E. Wright of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 434**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Juanita Leatha Wimberly of Evanston.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 435**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Linda Sroka of Niles.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 436**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John D. Downing of Canton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 437**

Offered by Senator Collins and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Steven James Lyons.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 438**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Joseph O. Madison of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 439**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Judge Joseph James Barr of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 440**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Spencer William Lewis of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 441**

Offered by Senator Wilhelmi and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Matthew E. Fracaro, Jr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 442**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of William W. Schooley, Jr., of Granite City.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 443**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James A. Evans of Naperville.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 444**

Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Helen Marie Antonini of Pekin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 445**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Judge Lloyd A. VanDeusen of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 446**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Aimee Lacombe Twadell of Gurnee.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 447**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Helen L. Boak of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 448**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Josephine B. Werenski of North Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 449**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Lorraine F. Ratliff of Zion.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 450**

Offered by Senator Bomke and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Suzanne Skeeters of Springfield.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 451**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Roosevelt Thomas.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 452**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Emily Krupa (nee Steplyk) of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 453**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Robert P. Will, Jr., of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 454**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Charles Branch, Jr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 455**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Eileen Czablewski.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 456**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernice V. Sally.

**SENATE RESOLUTION.457**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Illinois Army National Guard Private First Class Ashley Sietsema of River Grove.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 458**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John "J.D." Edwards.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 459**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marion Earl "Bud" Sever of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 460**

Offered by Senator Meeks and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Theodore "Theo" Stephens of Dolton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 461**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Thomas Montalbano, Sr.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 462**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marietta L. Pillow.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 463**



Offered by Senator Koehler and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Jerome Lilly of Peoria.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 464**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Leo C. Hamlin of Wood River.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 465**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Michael Aery.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 466**

Offered by Senator Forby and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gene A. "G.A." White of Marion.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 467**

Offered by Senator Forby and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gerald "Jerry" Bailey of Herrin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 468**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Kathleen A. Needham of Waukegan and Lake Arrowhead (Rome),  
Wisconsin.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 469**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Alfred "Shorty" Hurndon, Jr., of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 470**

Offered by Senator Crotty and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of U. S. Army Private DeWayne Lenell White of Country Club Hills.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 471**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Loice Woods.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 472**

Offered by Senator Clayborne and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Lisa Kay Franke-Haida of Belleville.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 473**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Tyronne Greer of Springfield.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 474**

Offered by Senator Hunter and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Anna Belle Gravenberg Worrill.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 475**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Paul E. Forby of Benton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 476**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Dr. Donn F. Bailey of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 477**

Offered by Senator J. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Mary Frances bowers of Memphis, Tennessee, formerly of Centralia.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 478**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John Lukehart of Oak Park.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 479**

Offered by Senator Collins and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Nellie Nettles of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 480**

Offered by Senator Kotowski and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Joy Deborah Fisher.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 485**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bernice Caldwell of Alton.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 486**

Offered by Senator Haine and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Gerald Fravle of Rosewood Heights.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 487**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Harold E. McDaniels of Carlinville.

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 74**

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Illinois Army National Guard Specialist Ashley Sietsema of River Grove.

The Chair moved the adoption of the Resolutions Consent Calendar. The motion prevailed, and the resolutions were adopted.

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the adoption of their amendment to a bill of the following title, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 1685

A bill for AN ACT concerning elections.

Which amendment is as follows:

Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1685

Concurred in by the House, January 9, 2008.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

At the hour of 2:06 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that pursuant to the directive of the President, the Senate stand adjourned until Wednesday, January 16, 2008, in perfunctory session.