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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Rabbi Barry Marks, Temple Israel, Springfield, Illinois.

RABBI BARRY MARKS:

(Prayer by Rabbi Barry Marks)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Please remain standing for the Pledge Allegiance. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Lisa Yuscius of Blueroomstream.com seeks permission to videotape. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, January 24th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 76, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members.

And Senate Resolutions 79 -- 77 through 79, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 623, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 624, offered by Senator Anderson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 625, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 626, offered by Senator McCann.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 627, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 628, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 629, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 630, offered by Senator Aquino.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 631, offered by Senator Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 632, offered by Senator Righter.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 633, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 634, offered by Senator Bennett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 635, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 636, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 637, offered by Senator Van Pelt.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 638, offered by Senator Van Pelt.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 639, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 640, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 641, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 642, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 643, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 644, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 645, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 646, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 647, offered by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 650, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 651, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 652, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 653, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 654, offered by Senator Biss.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 655, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 1000035

Governor's salaried appointment

Assistant Director, Illinois Department of Commerce and  
Economic -- Economic Opportunity

Brittany Ladd

Appointment Message 1000036

Governor's salaried appointment

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Director, IEMA

James Joseph

Appointment Message 1000037

Governor's salaried appointment

Director, Division of Banking, Illinois Department of  
Financial and Professional Regulation

Kerri Doll

Appointment Message 1000038

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Member, Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium  
Authority

Jane Condon

Appointment Message 1000039

Governor's salaried appointment

Secretary, Department of Innovation and Technology

Hardik Bhatt

Appointment Message 1000040

Governor's salaried appointment

Member, Illinois Labor Relations Board

Kathryn Zeledon Nelson

Appointment Message 1000041

Governor's salaried appointment

Member, Pollution Control Board

Katie Papadimitriou

Appointment Message 1000042

Governor's salaried appointment

Member, Illinois Racing Board

Thomas McCauley

Appointment Message 1000043



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Governor's salaried appointment

Director, Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs

Erica Jeffries

Appointment Message 1000044

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Dan Caulkins

Appointment Message 1000045

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Joseph Dively

Appointment Message 1000046

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Phillip Thompson

Appointment Message 1000047

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Governors State University Board of Trustees

Carney Barr

Appointment Message 1000048

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Governors State University Board of Trustees

Cornelius Griggs

Appointment Message 1000049

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Governors State University Board of Trustees

Patrick Ormsby

Appointment Message 1000050

Governor's non-salaried appointment

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Trustee, Governors State University Board of Trustees  
Masah Renwick

Appointment Message 1000051

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Member, Quality Care Board

Joyce Rahn

Appointment Message 1000052

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Illinois State University Board of Trustees

Robert Dobski

Appointment Message 1000053

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Illinois State University Board of Trustees

Julie Jones

Appointment Message 1000054

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Illinois State University Board of Trustees

John Rauschenberger

Appointment Message 1000055

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Illinois State University Board of Trustees

Sharon Rossmark

Appointment Message 1000056

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Dennis Barsema

Appointment Message 1000057

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees

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Veronica Herrero

Appointment Message 1000058

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Northern -- Northern Illinois University Board of  
Trustees

Timothy Struthers

Appointment Message 1000059

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Eric Wasowicz

Appointment Message 1000060

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Marsha Ryan

Appointment Message 1000061

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Western Illinois University Board of Trustees

Lyneir Cole

Appointment Message 1000062

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Western Illinois University Board of Trustees

Catherine Early

Appointment Message 1000063

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Western Illinois University Board of Trustees

Todd Lester

Appointment Message 1000064

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Trustee, Western Illinois University Board of Trustees

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Steven Nelson

Appointment Message 1000065

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Member, Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium  
Authority

Thomas Osterberger

Appointment Message 1000066

Governor's non-salaried appointment

Member, State Board of Education

Ruth Cross

Appointment Message 1000067

Executive Ethics Commission salaried appointment

Illinois Power Agency

Anthony Star

Appointment Message 1000068

Treasurer's non-salaried appointment

Treasurer's -- Treasurer's Personal -- Personnel Review Board

Tamara Howard

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice come to the Senate Floor immediately for final action? Will all Members at the sound of my voice come to the Senate Floor immediately for final action? Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? The Committee on Assignments, please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be

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Approved for Consideration - House Joint Resolution 7.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd ask for attention of the Body. Today, Members of the Senate, many are gathered from my Senate district and the Senate district of Senator Tom Cullerton at the Wheaton Bible Church to celebrate the life of Bloomingdale police officer Raymond Murrell, who was killed in the line of duty on January 17th. He was twenty-seven years old. Ray joined the Bloomingdale Police Department in March of 2016, after serving as a Cook County correctional officer, and quickly became one of its brightest stars. He'd been there barely a year when he received an award for saving someone's life who was having a heart attack. Ray loved serving the people. He was the epitome of what a law - law enforcement officer should be - a caring trusted associate to those who he worked with and a generous caring friend to the countless people with whom he came into contact with every day with the intent of making Bloomingdale a safer and better place to live. His presence in Bloomingdale had an immediate impact on the lives of its residents, whether they -- whether he knew it or not, and certainly his fellow officers and -- and village employees. Today we honor Officer Raymond Murrell, who left us far too early, but did so doing what he loved best - serving the people of Bloomingdale. Each encounter with Ray always left you with a sense

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of pride that he was a great man and a great representative of Bloomingdale. Besides his love of being a police officer, he loved his family and family was critically important to him. You could tell that Ray was loved by his family by the number of family members who attended his swearing-in as an officer in Bloomingdale and the pride on his father's face when he pinned the number 145 on Ray's chest. Today, we express our sympathy to his family, his family on the Bloomingdale Police Department, the people of Bloomingdale, Mayor Franco Coladipietro, and the Village Trustees. The Village of Bloomingdale now has a guardian angel and his spirit will continue to live in all who knew him and those he touched in some way. Officer Raymond Murrell's end of watch may have been January 19th, but he will live in the hearts of those he touched forever. Mr. President, I ask that we all rise and have a moment of silence to honor the life of Officer Murrell. (Moment of silence observed)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Supplemental Calendar No. 1, which has been distributed to all Members' desks - Supplemental Calendar 1, on the Order of Resolutions, is House (Joint) Resolution 7. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 7, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon moves the adoption of House Joint Resolution 7. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

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Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have two remarkable young ladies with me today. They actually came down to hear the Governor's State of the State, but both of them were entries into my "What Does Memorial Day Mean to You?" And they are best friends and one of 'em won first place and one of 'em won second place, so they came down to be together today to hear the Governor. They both attend Emmons School. They're in eighth grade. I asked them to write something about themselves and I got Erin loved -- her favorite animal is a duck and Kaley said her favorite animal is a polar bear. I obviously should have given them better direction. Their mom and dad are up in the gallery behind -- in the President's Gallery behind the President's Chair. Might we recognize them and hope that they have a wonderful experience listening to the Governor today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. We'll be going to page 3 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 14. President Cullerton. President Cullerton indicates he -- he wants to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 14.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

President Cullerton, on your bill. Could we please have it

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quiet on the Senate Floor? This is final action. President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is a bill that we actually passed -- identical bill that we passed the last day of Session. I believe it was close to unanimous. And this came out of the Executive Committee yesterday. It's a pension bill that deals with the Chicago Municipal and Laborers' Pension Funds. The -- currently, the employer contributions are not sufficient to maintain the funds' solvency. This would require two existing City revenue sources, which have been increased already - increased water and sewer tax and the 9-1-1 surcharge - to be paid into the funds, in addition to the current property tax levy that goes there. This then increases the employer contributions to the funds. There's a five-year ramp. And then there's an actuarially required contribution. This pension system does not have an arc and so this then would get to ninety percent funded over the terms of the arc. Be happy to answer any questions. We've already passed it 41 to 0. We'd like to pass it -- that was in the last General Assembly, so now we want to pass it in this General Assembly. Happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 14 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 38 Ayes, 11 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 14, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. To fulfill our



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responsibility under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purposes of acting on the appointments set forth -- Appointment Messages 990316, 325, 330, 332, and 373.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz moves the Senate to resolve itself in Executive Session for the purpose of acting on Appointment Messages just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is resolved into Executive Session. Mr. Secretary, on page 4 of the Senate Calendar on the Order of Executive Appointments is Appointment Message. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Message of 990316.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, Maureen Pulia.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those

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in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990325.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, Douglas Steffenson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 48 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990330.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments

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recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Workforce Investment Board, Alicia Martin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 28 Ayes, 18 Nays, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected refused to give the advise and consent by record vote, the Senate rejects the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Message 990332.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. Secretary -- Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, Christine Ory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote of -- the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Message 990373.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, Paul Cellini.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination made. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. I move that the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz moves the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. The Senate arise {sic} from Executive Session. Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MORRISON:

Mr. President, I rise on a point of personal privilege to make an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your introduction.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I'm delighted to have with me this morning Jean Franczyk. If you would please rise? Jean is the new President and CEO of the Chicago Botanic Gardens {sic} (Garden). She was greeting Members this morning in the Rotunda. Besides the Gardens {sic}, which you probably are aware are in Glencoe, in my district - I'm very proud of - there are also thirteen sites which are urban farming; twelve are in the City. So please help me in welcoming Jean to the Senate Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. I just want to remind all Members of the Senate that upon the conclusion of the Governor's State of the State Address, we will be reconvening on the Senate Floor for Floor action, approximately 2:30. So, remember, don't get lost. The following Senators are appointed to the Committee on Escort to escort the Governor to the House of Representatives for the Joint Session: Senator Aquino, Senator Castro, Senator Murphy, Senator

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Fowler, and Senator Rooney. When their -- when the Senate recesses, I ask the committee to meet at the rear of the Chamber. The Senate stands in recess to the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will the Senate please come to order? Will Members please be in {sic} their desk? Members at the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 80 through 83, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 84, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 656, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 657, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 658, offered by Senator Landek.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 659, offered by Senator Hastings.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 660, offered by Senator Hastings.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 661, offered by Senator Hastings.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 662, offered by Senator Hastings.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 663, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 664, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 665, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 666, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 667, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 668, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 669, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And Senate Bill 670, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Silverstein, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Just to be friendly to you, Mr. President. Announcing a Democratic Caucus upon adjournment, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Also, the Senate Republicans would like to caucus upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Both requests are in order. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 9 a.m., 26th day of January 2017. The Senate stands adjourned.