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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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 Pastor Ronald Young, Victory Church, Swansea, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR RONALD YOUNG:

(Prayer by Pastor Ronald Young)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 7th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 140, offered by Senator Murphy.

Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 7, offered

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by Senator Bush.

And Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 8, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

They are all substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Bills. Lisa E. Yuscus, affiliated with Blueroomstream.com, requests permission to videotape. Leave is granted. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Republicans would like to caucus immediately, for about thirty minutes, in Leader Radogno's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Emilee Fannon, WCIA, requests permission to video and audio. There being no objection, leave is granted. Caucus is in order. Republicans are requesting thirty minutes. Before we stand at ease, we would like to have the Committee -- Assignment members come to the Anteroom immediately for Assignments before the caucus. (at ease) Senate will come to order. Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARMON:

For purposes of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed with your introduction.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'm very pleased to be joined on the Senate Floor today by my Page for a Day, Abra Kaplan. She's a senior at Oak Park-River Forest

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High School, where she plays on the softball team, is involved with mock trial, and a volunteer at the Infant Welfare Society, which does great work in Oak Park. She's headed off next year to Bates College in Maine, where she's going to study economics and political science and continue her softball career. She's a very bright young woman. I'm so glad to have her here. Her parents, Gary and Krista, are with us in the President's Gallery. And I just ask all of you to join me in welcoming all of them to the Senate Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Congratulations. Welcome to the Senate. Wish you all the best in college. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Re-refer from Public Health Committee to Assignments Committee - Senate Resolution 8; Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3, Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 8, and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 10.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 8.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 11.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

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As a reminder, Senate Republicans are in caucus. Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair to take up Floor action when we -- when the Senate reconvenes.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 141 through 144, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions Consent Calendar. Will all Members please come to the Senate Floor? All Members, please come to the Senate Floor? We will be taking final action. Justin Fowler, State Journal-Register, requests permission to photograph. There being no objection, leave is granted. Michon Lindstrom, WAND, requests permission to videotape. There being no objection, leave is granted. Senator Jones, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed on your personal privilege.

SENATOR JONES:

I would like to take a brief moment to express -- thank you, Mr. President. We all have been seeing in the news, on CNN and in the -- in the news what's going on down in New Orleans. They have

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had several tornadoes, yesterday, over in the east in New Orleans that has destroyed many homes that was built after Hurricane Katrina. As you all know, I have a lot of family members down in Louisiana. They've been sending me videos of the destruction. And I don't know how many lives they've lost, but I would like to ask for a moment of silence for the people in Louisiana.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Jones requests a moment of silence. Will all Members in the Chamber and in the galleries please stand for a moment of silence? (Moment of silence observed) Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BENNETT:

For the purpose of an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just wanted to welcome today a guest that we have to the Senate Chambers, a constituent of mine, Lee Roberts. He's a veteran of the United States Army. He's from Rantoul, and for thirty-three years, he was an industrial arts teacher in the Champaign, Illinois school district. So if you'll all give a warm Senate welcome to Lee Roberts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Welcome to the Senate, sir. And thank you for your service to our country. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

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Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I'd like to introduce the -- the -- my colleagues to Ms. Sandra Robinson. She's an account supervisor with GoldStar Communications. And they've been working with me on the sugary {sic} (sugarless) Wednesdays initiative. So I'd like to welcome her to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Welcome to the Senate, ma'am. Thank you for all that you do. Jon Jenkins, WICS-TV, requests permission to videotape. There being no objection, leave is granted. Senate Bill 3. Senator Cullerton. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Senator Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton, on your amendment.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

This Floor amendment is at the request of the Farm Bureau that deals with the drainage districts. I can probably explain more on 3rd. I request...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senator Cullerton, on Senate Bill 3. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3 is the government consolidation bill. Back in 2013, one of the first bills I passed that I helped craft with the former Senator Dan Cronin, who is now Chairman of the DuPage County Board - and we had full support of many of my colleagues on the other side - dealt with government consolidation. So far, DuPage County has enacted that and it's been successful enough that last year we passed so that Lake and McHenry County could do the same thing that DuPage County does. Senate Bill 3 actually enacts the provision that will allow the other ninety-nine counties to do the same thing. So we're moving forward with the government consolidation. As we talk about lowering property tax bills, in DuPage County, the number one complaint we hear from constituents is property taxes. Local governments, there are seven thousand local governments. Each one of 'em can take an increment out of your property taxes. As we consolidate and move those together, I feel it is our best way to start addressing that and it also moves us forward in this State,

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which is an initiative of our side of the aisle, your side of the aisle, the second floor, and the other Chamber. We've passed multiple government consolidation bills as we try to move this State forward. Seven thousand local -- units of local government is far too many and we could reduce that by a significant number if every county in the State can follow the DuPage County model. I would ask for a Yes vote and I'll entertain any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have a question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Senator, does this contain the language that this bill takes effect if, and only if, a number of other bills take effect?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. That is my point. This is part of a package of bills that the Senate President and I, along with many, many people in this Chamber, have been working on. They were always considered to be a package of bills, several taking effect if, and only if, the others take effect. My concern with taking this vote right

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now is less on the substance of the bill, although there's always the possibility it could be improved as we continue to negotiate, but there are parts of this package that are definitely not yet settled. By cutting loose pieces of the package, we're basically taking those things off the table and saying we can no longer improve those. There's room for improvement. We need to settle the issues that we're still working on, including workers' comp, the school funding bill. And I think it's not inconceivable that there could still be tweaks to the others. For that reason, I think they need to remain a package. That's what we've talked about from day one, and at this point, we don't have agreement on the package. I would request that the folks on this side of the aisle vote Present on this for that very reason. It should be part of the package. This is in no way to say that we're walking away from this. We are still working on it, but we view it as a package and would ask that you honor that view as well. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton, did you want to respond? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, we -- we talked about this in depth in the -- the committee and I -- I appreciate you providing all the answers. Let -- can you just clarify for me what taxing bodies this bill does apply to and whether or not it does apply to consolidation or

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elimination of school districts?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Senator. It does not deal with the elimination of school districts. I have actually had conversation with our -- with Tony Smith about -- talking about school districts; however, this bill does not deal with that. This bill deals specifically with county-appointed taxing districts. In DuPage County, that could lead to the airport authority. That could lead to some sanitary districts. That could lead to unmanned fire districts. Other counties -- actually, we passed legislation last year that required every county in this State to send in reports of what they were responsible for appointing. I believe we have eighty-seven out of the hundred and two counties have sent those reports in. So I can specifically give you, if you're worried about where your district is, what your county has reported to us, but it can vary from county to county, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

All right. Thank you. I just want to make that clear. I -- listen, I -- I'm going to vote No on this bill and I want to make it clear why. My opposition is not the bill itself. It -- it -- it is a reform. Any reform is good. The further it goes, the better -- the bolder, the better. My problem is that this is attached to Senate Bill 9, which is a tax increase, a punishing tax increase, on the people that I represent. Here's the problem: This "grand bargain" is no "grand bargain" at all for those people.

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You know, attached is an insulting call for the taxpayers to pay for the past sins of the Legislature. We've budgeted backwards here. We've determined how big we want this government to be and now we're asking for the taxpayers to make up for the irresponsible financial -- financial decisions that have been made over the last few decades. You know, we -- when I -- when I left here, I said that we have to work on making this government smaller and more affordable to the people. We're still following the same strategy. We've determined how big it's going to be and now we've filled in the gap with the sacrifice of two weeks' pay from the people we represent. We need to spend time looking at cuts before we go forward with this "grand bargain". So, for that reason, I urge a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, I rise in support of the legislation. Mr. President, this bill was filed on January 9th in the form it's being voted on now. There's been no suggestions of any changes to this bill. I believe it incorporates a couple of bills that passed almost unanimously in the Senate last year. It is tied to a package and that package is a package that balances our budget. Every day we delay - I've been telling editorial boards - costs eleven million dollars. We promised that we would vote on this package by the end of last month, so it's time to start voting, and for that reason, I support Senator Cullerton's bill and I would hope that everyone would vote for it, since it's what the public wants in terms of making it easier to consolidate local governments. Thank

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you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

First, I'd like to thank the President for his statements and also -- the fact is, is this has been a -- a hot button issue since I came down here. When I was the President of the Village of Villa Park, we actually consolidated services throughout, whether it be -- dealt with tree trimming. Any local municipal mayor will tell you that they have found a way to streamline services. The reason we did this in DuPage County was because it was effective and we had bipartisan support and many people on that side of the aisle as my chief co-sponsors on this legislation. This was a DuPage County bill. It has been successful. We are incrementally moving this forward. This is a incredibly good piece of legislation that I can see you may not want to vote for because it's tied -- or anything else, but many people have said down here, don't let the imperfect stop something that's good for this State. This is good for this State. You all know you can go home and tell your county governments, now is the time to move forward consolidating local government. Seven thousand units of government in this State - seven thousand units of local government. We can start over. We can start fresh. If every county does exactly what DuPage did and reduces within three to four years just ten, ten small units of local government, we will reduce our size by over a thousand. Imagine all of you being able to go home and tell your constituents, remember four years ago when we had seven thousand units of local government, today we have six, and then in two years we could run another bill that allows them to do another ten. And

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you can go back after that and say we have five. That is a win for you and your district. That is a win for the State of Illinois. That is a win for the property taxpayers of this State. So I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3 pass. 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 36 Ayes, 14 voting Nays, 7 voting Present. Senate Bill 3, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I just recognized one of our esteemed presidents of our university in the gallery ahead of us. Please welcome President Dr. Jack Thomas from Western Illinois University and thank him for his presence here on today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guest in the gallery please rise? Welcome, Doctor. Senator Haine, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HAINE:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

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SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to take a few moments to introduce some of my grandchildren. As you are aware, my family and I are embarked on a project to save Social Security and this is part of that ongoing effort. So, I have, of course, my wife, Anna; and my third daughter, Mary Burkett and her husband, Peter Burkett, and their children: James Orlando Burkett, who wants to be a trial lawyer, well-named for it; Rosaria Elizabeth Burkett; Stella Burkett, one of the redheads; and Fay Burkett; and little Edward Falcon Burkett, named after a famous British explorer who died in Antarctica. My son-in-law has been there several times; he's a geophysicist. And then three other grandchildren: James Stirton, Anna Stirton, and Mary Stirton. And we thank you. They came here really to see to it that the budget is done.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Welcome to the Senate. You have a beautiful family, sir. Senator Harris, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARRIS:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR HARRIS:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have with me two esteemed guests. To my left is Mr. Devin Hale. He's a 4.0 student at Washington Middle School here in Springfield. He also plays basketball, football, and baseball. He plays AAU basketball and is a great honor student at his school for the last three years. And to my right, I have a special -- another special guest, who

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I've seen grow and develop, Miss Cheron Mims. Cheron's a graduate of Thornton High School, my alma mater, as well as a student currently at Northwestern University, where she'll be graduating this spring. She's a special story to me because she also worked at -- at one of my establishments in high school. So to see her come from high school, to graduate high school, to go off to college and now to be graduating from Northwestern is special. That's why I do this job, to make sure that others like her have an opportunity and it's also just refreshing to me that I have someone now who just told me she's majoring in political science and anthropology. So she told me, "Hey, Senator, you got a few more terms and then I'm coming for the job." So she's a constituent, someone who I can see taking my job one day, and I'm going to be there to mentor and tutor her for the position. So I will give -- Ladies and Gentlemen, give her a round of applause for Cheron Mims and Devin Hale.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guests -- welcome to the Senate. Congratulations to both of you. Senator Martinez, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

For point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

I, too, want to have the Senate welcome the Interim President of my alma mater, Northeastern (Illinois) University, Interim President Richard Helldobler, who is right here on {sic} the President's gallery. Please welcome him.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guest please rise? And welcome to the Senate. Senator Cunningham, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

A point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, sir.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, want to join the cavalcade of introductions here and introduce a group of students in the gallery on the Democratic side from St. Xavier University, which is in my district on the south side of Chicago. They're in Springfield today to lobby in favor of MAP grants. So I'd like to ask everyone to give them a round of applause.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise? Welcome to the Senate. Welcome to the Senate. Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I would like to, first of all, introduce my daughter, Julie, who is here with us. Daughter Julie was the first female statewide chess champion in Illinois history, winning the junior high championship about twenty years ago or so, and that's why I'm wearing my chess tie today. And I would also like to introduce grandsons, Max and Ryan, who are here to visit us today. I have

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five children, four of whom live in Illinois. Julie and her family moved to California. They started a business in Warrenville, Illinois, but, unfortunately, decided that the business environment in the Silicon Valley for the company that they were building was more appropriate than the Illinois business environment and moved their business to California, which has distressed me greatly, because they're too far away to visit as often as I'd like to see them. Nonetheless, we love them very much. We appreciate their coming here. And Ryan had a school project where he was asked to do a report on a state other than California. He chose Illinois, so he's here today to learn more about Illinois government. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guests please rise? Welcome to the Senate. Senate Bill 8. Senator Harmon. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 8 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 8. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon, on the amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The amendment to the bill is a -- a -- an amendment to add some provisions requested by the institutions of higher education in the State that are subject to the Procurement Code. I'm aware of no opposition and I move for the adoption of the amendment.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. On the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 8. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 8.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 8 is a procurement reform bill that Senator Althoff and I negotiated last year. It is in largely the same shape that it was when it was on 3rd Reading in May of last year. There have been some minor amendments made to accommodate the interests of higher education procurement advocates. And I would take this opportunity to make the counterargument to the argument Leader Radogno made with respect to Senator Tom Cullerton's bill. I think it's important with a bill like this that we pin it down. There will always be pressure to tweak this or to tweak that. This bill has been ready to go for almost a year. If it's not now, then when? So I encourage everyone to vote Aye for this bill. It is a bipartisan compromise bill of Senator Althoff. I applaud her

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for her leadership on this issue. We've addressed concerns raised by the administration, by the Chamber of Commerce, by all sorts of stakeholders. This bill is ready to go and I ask for your Aye votes. Happy to entertain any questions you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Again, on this bill, it is definitely part of a package. It is connected with language that says that if, and only if, these other bills pass, this one will pass. I just think this needs to go forward as a package. I think that was our agreement. It is, again, by no means to say we're walking away from further negotiations, but I do feel this is a breach of what the agreement was in terms of voting now, as opposed to when the package is done. I would encourage people to vote Present. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Leader, I -- I disagree. We've been at this for weeks and every week there's a new excuse, a new reason to wait a week, to wait a day. This bill has been ready to go since the spring of last year. It is a package. These bills are tied. No one bill will become law unless they all do, but we can't vote on all thirteen of them at exactly the same time. There is absolutely nothing wrong with chipping away at this. Let's send a marker. Let's show the world we're serious about this agreement and it's not just talk. Let's vote on a handful of these

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bills, move them along on their way. We'll continue to work on the remainder. But if not now, when? And if not this plan, what's your alternative? I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator Harmon, thank you for proposing a bill. Above all, thank you to Senate President John Cullerton and Senator Radogno. I -- I really appreciate all the time and all the effort they've put in trying to come together with a compromise. It's absolutely the right thing to do. We must move forward. There are parts of these twelve bills that I think make sense and, quite frankly, this is one of them. There are parts of these bills that I am strongly opposed to, unless we get some significant modification and improvement. I wish that we could continue to negotiate until we can get to a -- a -- a greater agreement. Maybe that's never possible, I don't know. But I wish that -- that we would have agreement to vote on the bills as a package and I have been convinced to vote Present, rather than Yes, on this bill, even though I think it's a good bill, because we need to pass them as a package. And I would ask Senate President and Leader Radogno to get back together and see if we can move forward on -- on a greater compromise. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon, to close.

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SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Please, let's pass two or three or four or five of the easy bills in this package. We can continue to negotiate on the hard ones, but to just sit on your hands and say, I'm going to vote Present, is inexcusable. We haven't had a budget in two years. We all want to work together and we can keep working together. I know that Leader Radogno and the caucus on that side of the aisle is genuine in their intent to try to pass this package, but why not start? Why not come and join -- join us in voting Yes? We'll be able to come back to the hard bills. I guarantee it. There is nothing that says we shouldn't move the first pieces of this package out of this Chamber. Let's show the world that we're serious about this and we're not just talking, because we've been talking an awful lot. I ask for some Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 8 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 34 voting Aye, 14 voting Nay, 11 voting Present. Senate Bill 8, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 10. President Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 10 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 10. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, on the amendment.

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SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, I would move to adopt the amendment and discuss the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 10. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 10.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill, as amended, creates a mechanism that will allow home rule municipalities an opportunity to dedicate tax revenues for bonds in order to secure a lower interest rate for borrowing. It will allow the home rule municipality to authorize the State to transfer the amount in the agreement to the trust-like fund - that's what's called a special purpose entity - instead of to the municipality. This bill was meant to extend the ability of these municipalities throughout the State. It'll allow them to borrow at lower interest rates and to help local governments save money. It in no way - and this language was negotiated with -- at the suggestion of the

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Republicans, so we added it - "in no way shall the pledge and agreements of the State be interpreted to construe the State as a guarantor of any debt". So it's really a -- a very straightforward bill. It will help local governments. We are planning on -- on other pieces of legislation to freeze their property taxes. They'll need this type of relief. This is limited to the home rule units, but it's a very straightforward bill and I would be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Once again, I think what we're finding here is not so much that we're unwilling to vote on this particular piece of legislation, but it is part of a package that there still is some substantial disagreement. We had talked about moving forward with the package of bills. I understand you view that differently, but, again, until the entire package is ready, I would prefer that we vote Present on -- on these bills. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 10 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 36 Ayes, 13 Nays, 10

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voting Present. Senate Bill 10, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 11 is a recall. President Cullerton wishes to proceed. President Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 11 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 11. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, on the amendment.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Wish to adopt the amendment and debate the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary -- on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, read Senate Bill 11.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 11.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton.

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SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I know that in the first few bills that the Republicans have so far voted Present, but I wish they would take a -- an exception to this bill. There's a little history here. This is a pension reform bill. This is a bill that I negotiated with our Governor. He has asked me on numerous occasions, "Where's your bill?" "Please introduce your bill." "Vote on your bill." And we put it in this package for that purpose. Now, I don't want to misquote him, so I want to remind you, for those of you who were at the State of the State Address {sic}, this is what he said and I'm going to read from the transcript. He turned and said, I want "to take a personal moment. First, I would like to express personal congratulations to President Cullerton for his extraordinary leadership. He's got one heck of a hard job, I know, and we all owe him an incredible debt of gratitude for his leadership. President Cullerton, thank you. Leader Radogno, you have been a wonderful Leader for the Minority Caucus. You've {sic} done a great job bringing people together, trying to find solutions, trying to find compromise. We owe you an incredible debt of gratitude, all of us here in the Senate and across the State of Illinois. Thank you, Leader Radogno. God bless you. And I want to say a personal thank you to every Senator here today. We live in challenging times. You know what, you're puttin' it out there. You're servin' the people of Illinois. I believe very much what Teddy Roosevelt said more than a hundred years ago, how special it is, how necessary and important to be in the arena covered in blood, covered in mud, covered in sweat, gettin' hit and attacked and sufferin', but there workin', in there battlin'." So, we're calling the bill that the

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Governor has asked us to call. And it's contentious, because the unions are not supportive of this bill. But we believe it's a constitutional effort to reform our pension system. And, hopefully, it'll be bipartisan. It employs contract principles to reduce one of the existing pension benefits of people who have a -- a Tier 1 pension benefit. And the way it would work would be for people who are Tier 1, they would be given an opportunity to reduce their future pension benefit, take a Tier 2 pension, but then have guarantees, guarantees that all their future pay raises are pensionable, give 'em a refund of ten percent of what they've paid in so far, getting a pay raise by not having to pay as much in, in the future. Twenty-five percent of all our employees are -- are Tier 2 already. For those people who are retired, they're not affected by this bill. For those who are about to retire, they're not affected by this bill. And this bill will save, once implemented, about a billion dollars a year and most of that money will go back into the education system. So, I believe, that it is constitutional. The unions say it's not. If they're right, it's not tied to anything. The constitutionality is not tied to anything in this package. They can file their lawsuit and if they win, God bless 'em. But in the meantime, it's a -- it's something which would end up saving money. Any -- any loss in benefits for the workers is way in the future and they get an immediate check in the mail. They get an immediate -- increase in their pay. And I then believe that we'll save over a billion dollars a year, which we can pump back into education. So, I think this should be an exception. This is the bill the Governor's been asking for. He's praised us for this effort. I thank him for that. We're here. We're on the Floor, we're in the arena, we're sweatin', we're

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fightin', let's -- let's vote. Let's not wait. You know, Senator Radogno and I have been out there, going to editorial boards. We said in a press conference, we need to act very expeditiously. This is not something we're going to let drag on. Hopefully, we set a hard deadline and hopefully that's before February 1st. Well, Ladies and Gentlemen, it's after February 1st. We're here. Everybody's here. We got the bills, we're teed up. Let's go. If there's two bills that have to be negotiated, we'll have 'em done tomorrow. I'd ask for an Aye vote. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to speak to the bill. I, frankly...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

...am surprised that this bill is coming up. The -- the first three truly, I would say, were -- are less important bills, more minor bills. Nonetheless, the agreement was that we would move these all forward together. This bill is very, very major and it also relates to the -- the revenue side, because we're counting revenue savings in it. It's intricately tied to other pieces of the package. I was unaware you intended to call this bill, which gives me pause. We've had a pretty good open, working relationship, but this is sort of out of the blue. We talked about calling, potentially, as we said, the low-hanging fruit, where

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there was agreement. This is a very major piece of legislation. It needs to be tied to the other pieces. So, I think this is a breach of our agreement and I would ask people to vote Present. We can certainly come back to it at another time if it doesn't pass. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, is -- is this bill connected to Senate Bill 9?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Connected to Senate Bill 9? Yes. When you say -- all -- all the bills in this package are connected. There's no revenue from this bill that's connected to the fiscal '18 budget, though. Any revenues that would come in under this bill, would be fiscal year '19 and past.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I have the same argument. This is connected to a punishing

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tax increase on the people in my district; therefore, I'll be voting No. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, well, I guess I was unaware that we weren't going to be voting this week. I thought it was clear that we were going to be voting, hopefully, even by the end of last month. So I think it's time to vote. This is a very important bill. I told you the special importance that this bill has to the Governor. This bill was directly tied to the Governor's veto of money for the Chicago Public Schools. So I understand if we're going to get pension parity, we have to pass this bill. That's why I'm advancing it over the objections of many of our strong supporters over on this side of the aisle. But it's the right thing to do and it's constitutional, and when -- when are we going to do this if we don't do it today? Let's go. Please vote for the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 11 pass. All those in... Senate Bill 11 pass. 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 18 voting Aye, 29 voting Nay, 10 voting Present. Senate Bill 11, having received -- having -- failed to receive the required constitutional majority, is declared failed. Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's been brought to my attention that my box didn't register my vote on Senate Bill 3. I'd like

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the record to reflect I wanted to vote Present. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Record will reflect a Present vote. Senator Bush, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BUSH:

I'd like to have the record reflect that, on Senate Bill 11, I intended to vote Present. I voted after. So if you would do that, I'd appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The record will reflect a Present vote on the last bill, Senate Bill 11. Supplemental Calendar 1. Senate Resolution 8. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 8, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 8 designates all Wednesdays in the month of February 2017 as "Sugarless Wednesdays", where Illinoisans can join the American Heart Association in cutting out sugary drinks and snacks from their diets to improve their health. And by the way, February is Heart Month. So think about it. One twenty-ounce soda contains more sugar than six glazed donuts, eighteen cookies, or two bags of chocolate candy. Sugary drinks are the number one source of added sugar in American diets.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Could we keep the noise down, please?

SENATOR HUNTER:

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To raise awareness of the harmful effects of added sugar in our diet, the American Heart Association and the Illinois Alliance to Prevent Obesity has joined together to ask the State of Illinois to go sugarless each Wednesday in February. So, I know you're asking, what does sugarless mean? Well, sugarless doesn't mean sugar free. It simply means no sugary drinks, such as soda and artificial fruit juices. And we ask that you reduce your consumption of sugary desserts and snacks just one day a week in February. That's all we're asking here today. So please sign the pledge card that was placed on your desk and wear your pin that we passed out as well. Thank you very much and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate -- the question is, shall Senate Resolution 8 pass. All those -- you guys got to put the light on before I do that. Go ahead, Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Mr. President, the light has been on for twenty or thirty seconds, so I -- I apologize if it wasn't seen. I rise in opposition to anything that would encourage people to not eat ice cream on Wednesdays.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Okay. All... No further discussion? Any other discussion? The question is, shall Senate Resolution 8 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Trotter in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Lee Milner of -- for the Illinois Times, has requested leave

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for -- to take photos. Seeing no opposition, leave is granted. To fulfill our responsibilities 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 purpose of acting on appointments set forth -- Appointment Messages 990367 {sic} (990361), 366, 368, 370, 371, 374, 375, and 376.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the 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 regular Senate Calendar is the Order of Executive Appointments. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Messages {sic} 90 -- 990361.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education, Kevin Daugherty.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate

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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 the question, there are 54 Yeas, no Nays, 5 not voting. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Message 990366.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Inspector General for the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, Theodor Hengesbach.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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 the question, there are 56 Yeas, 3 not voting, and none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990368.

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 Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education, Rylan Rusk.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator -- Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

There any discussion? Senator Oberweis, you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Yes, Mr. President. I have a question for the sponsor. Senator, I just want to make sure that the name is correct. I know a Ryan Ruskin. Are you sure that this is the correct name here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

It's on the board. What we have is Rylan Rusk. R-Y-L-A-N, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

...(inaudible)... Thank you very much. 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. The -- on the question, there are 59 voting Ayes, no Nays, and none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does --

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advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990370.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member and Chairperson of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board, Kathryn Olson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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 the question, there are 58 voting Yeas, 1 not voting. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990371.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board, John McGlasson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

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SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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. All opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. There are 56 Yeas, no Nays, no voting Present. A -- the majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990374.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Medical Licensing Board, Nicholas Parise.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question: Does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? On the question, there are 58 Yeas -- please, Mr. Secretary, take the

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record. On the question, there are 58 Yeas, 1 not voting -- no Nays, no Presents, 1 not voting. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990375.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Mid-Illinois Medical District Board, Roland Cross.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, 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? On that question, there are 59 -- please take the record. On that question, there are 59 Yeas, no Nays, no voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 990376.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a member of the Mid-Illinois

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Medical District Board, Mitchell Johnson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor, vote Aye. All opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted to -- who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Yeas, no Nays, no Presents. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. There will be a meeting on {sic} the Committee of {sic} (on) Assignments in the President's Anteroom. All the members please report to the President's Anteroom. Immediately upon adjournment, the Executive Committee meeting will be held in Room 212. The Licensed Activities and Pensions will meet immediately upon adjournment in Room 400. State Government will meet in Room 409 of -- of the Capitol Building immediately upon

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adjournment. The Senate -- Senate will stand at ease. (at ease)
The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - Senate Bill 709; refer to Appropriations I Committee - Senate Bills 597 and 740; refer to Appropriations II Committee - Senate Bill 583; refer to Commerce and Economic Development Committee - Senate Bill 867; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Senate Bills 189, 681, 702, and 840; refer to Education Committee - Senate Bills 668, 698, 704, 756, 757, 764, 767, 791, 863, and 865; refer to Energy Committee - Senate Bills 730 and 777; refer to Environment and -- Environment and Conservation Committee - Senate Bill 774 and Senate Joint Resolution 15; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bills 651, 662, 729, 739, 759, 762, 775, 780, 834, 835, 836, and 870; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Senate Bills 718, 734, 746, and 776; refer to Gaming Committee - Senate Bill 629; refer to Government Reform Committee - Senate Bills 701 and 773; refer to Higher Education Committee - Senate Bills 736, 837, 875, and 887; refer to Human Services Committee - Senate Bills 624, 696, 752, and 869; refer to Insurance Committee - Senate Bill 735; refer to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bills 640, 656, 699, 720 -- Senate Bill 720 through Senate Bill 728, Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 731, 758, 766, 822, 861, Senate Bills -- Senate Bill 862, Senate Bills 881 through 885, Senate Bill 890; refer to Labor Committee - Senate Bill 858; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - Senate Bill 708, Senate Bill 747, Senate Bills 768 through 772, 778, 779, Committee Amendment 1 and Committee Amendment 2 to Senate

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Bill 589; refer to Local Government Committee - Senate Bills 669, 695, 751, 851, 864, and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 196; refer to Public Health Committee - Senate Bill -- Senate Bills 741 and 868; refer to Revenue Committee - Senate Bills 631, 686, 742, 744, 845, 849, 850, 859, 871, 872, and Senate Resolution 113; refer to State Government Committee - Senate Bills 707, 763, 765, 886, Senate Resolutions 93 and 94; refer to Transportation Committee - Senate Bills 789, 874, and 880; and refer to Veterans Affairs Committee - Senate Bills 705, 860, and 866. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 6, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 7, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 8, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 9, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 11, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 12, and Floor Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 13.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate adjourns until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on the 9th day of February 2017. The Senate stands adjourned.