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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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 Dr. Driss El-Akrich from the Islamic Society of Greater Springfield in Springfield, Illinois.

DR. DRISS EL-AKRICH:

(Prayer by Dr. Driss El-Akrich)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Cunningham, would you please lead us?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 26th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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 HARMON)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 471 and 472, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members.

They are both death resolutions, Mr. President.

And Senate Resolution 473, offered by Senator Manar and all Members.

All three of them are death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 470, offered by Senator Harmon.

And Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 13, offered by Senator Bivins.

They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 317, Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 589, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 771, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 902, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1085, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1391, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1531, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1585, along with Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1585, Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1688, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1811, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1818, and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1821 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 942, Senate Amendment 1

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Senator Landek, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Bill 15 -- 1453 Do Pass; Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 263, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 282, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 984, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 986, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1527, and Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1936 Recommend Do Adopt; and Senate Resolution 370 Be Adopted.

Senator Mulroe, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 314 and Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1286 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Holmes, Chairperson of the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 265 and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1461 Recommend Do Adopt; and Senate Resolution 277 Be Adopted.

Senator Koehler, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment and Conservation, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 611, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1029, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1561, and Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1775 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Morrison, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 320, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1322, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1400 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator McGuire, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 448 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1865 Recommend Do Adopt.



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Senator Raoul, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 567, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 584, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 885, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 928, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1020, Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1319, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1459, Senate -- Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1647, and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1657 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Reading of Senate Bills for the first time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2193, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2194, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2195, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2196, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2197, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2198, offered by Senator Oberweis.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2199, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2200, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2201, offered by Senator McCarter.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2202, offered by Senator McConchie.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2203, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2204, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2205, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2206, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 169.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 682, 698, 1253, 1849, 2462, 2963, 2977, 2989, 3033, 3163, 3244, 3601, 3744, 3806, and 3904. Passed the House, April 26th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 169, offered by President Cullerton.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 223, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 682, offered by Senator Manar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 698, offered by Senator Aquino.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1253, offered by President Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1849, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2462, offered by Senator Biss.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2783 {sic} (2738), offered by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2794, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2963, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2977, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2989, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3018, offered by Senator Schimpf.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3074, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3084, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 3163, offered by Senator Bennett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3244, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3601, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3744, offered by Senator Hunter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3904, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 3910, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we will be turning shortly to final action. I'd ask all Members within the sound of my voice to be at their desks. We will be turning shortly to final action. In the meantime, I'm going to ask all the members of the Committee on Assignments to assemble in the President's Anteroom. Will all of the members of the Committee on Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom immediately? Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 474, offered by Senator Harmon and all Members.

It is a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Senator Weaver, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR WEAVER:

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A matter of personal privilege, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I've got a pretty special day here. If you three wouldn't mind rising just for a second. And I've slept with this woman for thirty-one years and married her at that time. It's been a real pleasure. And she's got with her two people today. But the reason they came down is -- she's been teaching a culinary class at our local alternative school and Adriana Sanchez and Rose McClain were two of her star students. The reason they were able to come down is because they've gotten good grades. They've learned how to show great respect in the classroom and their attendance is really good and these two young ladies have really done good things to get their life on track and ready to get out in the workforce. And want to just give them a round of applause from our Senate for being here and their good work.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you for sharing, Senator, and let's give our guests in the gallery a -- a welcome to Springfield. Senator Hunter in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Collins, what is the purpose in which you rise?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Madam President. It's so good to see you in the Chair. This is...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you very much.

SENATOR COLLINS:

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...a point for personal privilege, please. Point of personal privilege. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your point.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you. Today, as we celebrate the ninth annual Islam Muslim Action Day, I have the honor to recognize a group from the Chicagoland area, the Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago. They are seated behind me to my left and I would like for all our -- my colleagues to welcome them to the Senate today. Would you please stand and be recognized?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate. Thank you. Senator Koehler, why do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you. I want to introduce my Page for the Day. It's Amber Eash, who is currently a senior at Limestone High School. She will be attending ISU this fall, where she plans on majoring in Insurance and minoring in Political Science. She's also going to be interning for my office this summer. Please give a welcome to her. And I'll introduce her dad, too, Roy Eash, who is a -- a carpenter and a good friend. They're from the Peoria area. So please help me in welcoming them to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator Hutchinson, what purpose do

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you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

It's so nice to see you sitting in that Chair for a few minutes. Look at you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you, madam.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Okay. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have a beautiful Page that's with me today, who's been asking amazing questions, and I'm just having a ball with her. She comes from the Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago. And it is Illinois Muslim Action Day today. Her name is Sara Ashraf - is currently a senior in College Preparatory School of America. After graduation, Sara wants to study Computer Science. She's currently a secretary in the Girls' Student Council and a Service Officer in the National Honor Society. She is not only involved in many other extracurricular activities, but also volunteers in her community. Among some of the most -- her most insightful experiences include: Helen Plum Public Library, DuPage Convalescent Center, ICNA Thrift Store and Food Pantry, and as a teacher's assistant. Sara enjoys traveling, reading, and engaging in philosophical conversation, and now asking very, very insightful political questions. Please join me in welcoming my Page for the Day, Sara.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator Morrison, why do you rise?

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SENATOR MORRISON:

I rise for the purpose of an introduction, please, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I'm also delighted to have with me today a Page from the Islamic Foundation School. She is a junior. Her name is Uzma Jafry. She enjoys playing and watching basketball and volleyball. She's from Naperville, but this morning she visited with lobbyists, went to committees and found out how we try to do our work here. So please join me in welcoming her to the Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator Silverstein, what purpose do your rise?

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Purpose of announcement. But you can't forget the group here in Chicago {sic}. I'd like to recognize the -- Islamic Society of Greater Springfield here today. Thanks for Nia for recognizing them. If they could please stand and be recognized.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to Springfield. Please rise and be recognized. Thank you. Leader Harmon, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

For purposes of an introduction, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the



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Senate. I, too, have a Page today from the Illinois Muslim Action Day crowd. Saja Jaber is a senior at the Aqsa School in Bridgeview, Illinois, in Senator Landek's district. She has positions with the Service Club, Students for Social Justice Club, the Media Club, and the National Honor Society. She is the Editor-in-Chief of the student newspaper, the Plaid-Skirt Papers, which I thought was a wonderfully clever name for the newspaper. She has been a delightful addition to my day, shadowing me through committee hearings and in meetings in my office, and I've really enjoyed her visit so far. I'd ask you all to join me in giving her a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator Cunningham, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

For the purposes of an introduction, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your introduction, Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

I, too, want to join the cavalcade of Senators introducing our Pages here today. I'm joined by not only my Page, but my constituent, Nada -- Nada Alaraj. Nada is a resident of Palos Park and a junior at Carl Sandburg High School. She's contemplating a career in either medicine or law. She can't make up her mind, so she's actually told me she's thinking about doing both. So she has a lot of -- a lot of studying ahead of her. But until then, I'd like to ask everyone to welcome her to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to Springfield. Senator Harmon in the Chair.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

For the purpose of an introduction. I'm sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your...

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Not going to work. I'm sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please proceed.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you very much. And I'm -- I'm going to ask her to stand. I have a dynamic young lady here with me today that is shadowing me around. She's getting quite a -- a handful of learning experience based on my day today. But Aleena Ahmed is from Chicago, Illinois. She's a senior, graduating in the Class of 2017 at Islamic Foundation School. She previously attended Taft High School from her freshman year to her junior year. Aleena was an International Baccalaureate Diploma Program-bound student previous in {sic} (to) her transfer to Islamic Foundation School. She's an active member of her school debate team and earned several speaking awards. She also holds an active position in the Student Government. She is the President of the Culture Awareness and Racial Equality Club, President of her Youth and Government delegation through the YMCA. She's a very active member of the National Honor Society chapter. She's a mentor and tutor in her school mentoring and tutoring programs for at-risk freshmen and currently an active volunteer with DuPage Pads. She has -- which has {sic} (is) the largest provider of intern {sic} (interim) and

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permanent housing for those who have -- don't have -- who don't have. Along -- she's a member of her high -- her school's UNICEF club, plays volleyball in the position of an outside hitter, and Lacrosse as a right wing - not right wing the other word - right wing defender. She plans -- she plans to be politically involved as she enters college and hopes to major in Political Science. Her plans for the future are centered on the belief of helping the world around her and bringing justice back to America's justice system. She is an incredible young lady and I see a very future politician in the making right here. Let's give her a nice welcome to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR HUNTER:

In honor of Muslim Action Day today, serving as my Page for today is Ali Mahmoud. Ali is from Hanover Park and is currently attending the University of Chicago {sic} (UIC) and is studying Political Science and Sociology {sic} (Psychology). He graduated from Schaumburg High School among the top quarter tier of graduating -- of his graduating class. He was the captain of the Varsity Scholastic Bowling {sic} (Bowl) team, an AP scholar with Honor, and participated in other organizations as well. After graduation, Ali plans on joining the Peace Corps and ultimately intends on working with the U.S. State Department. Please welcome

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Ali to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Senator Biss, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BISS:

For purposes of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point.

SENATOR BISS:

I also am -- have the good fortune to be joined by a Page for the Day who is here as a part of Illinois Muslim Action Day. Jannah Zahdan grew up in the Chicago suburbs. She's a senior - graduating a year early, actually, so you could -- might want to call her a junior, depending on how you do these things - at Aqsa School in Bridgeview. She's going to be attending Saint Xavier University, majoring in Communication Science. She's the president of their Service Club at the Aqsa School and she holds campaigns where she's supported a whole lot of causes. She was organizing a series of fundraisers and awareness seminars on the issue of breast cancer and also won the Youth Service Medal of Honor Award. She's obviously a very community-minded and bright young woman with a wonderful future and I hope you can all join me in giving her an extremely warm welcome to our State Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator McGuire, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you. I, too, am honored to have a Page for a Day as part of Illinois Muslim Action Day. To my left is Malaak Yehya. I have to draw a deep breath before I recite all of Malaak's accomplishments. Malaak lives in Palos Hills. She is a junior at Aqsa School in Bridgeview. She is secretary of the Service Club, where she has organized numerous campaigns to raise money for breast cancer screening, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and other causes. She's captain of the Palestinian dance team. She recently earned her black belt in Taekwondo. She babysits for members of her family. She volunteers at any opportunity that presents itself. She will be applying to the University of Illinois at Chicago. She hopes to become a physician and work for Doctors Without Borders. Please give a warm Senate welcome to Malaak Yehya.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Van Pelt, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR VAN PELT:

A point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR VAN PELT:

I would like to introduce my Page for a Day today. Her name is Ummekulsum Abdulbaseer. She's seventeen years old, grew up in Chicago. She is graduating -- plans to graduate from the Islamic Foundation School in Villa Park. I'm so proud of her 'cause Ummekulsum won her school science fair and moved on to the regional

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science fair, where she won gold, and then she moved on to the State science fair, where she won gold again during her freshman year. She's also a member of the National Honor Society and has been there ever since she's been a sophomore. Ummekulsum is a volunteer at the Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital in Wheaton, Illinois, and she plans on pursuing a career in Neurology and also she is seeking a minor in Neuroscience. So I'd like everyone to welcome her and congratulate her on all her winnings that she's done throughout her life.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Senator Harris, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARRIS:

Purpose of an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please make your introduction.

SENATOR HARRIS:

Today I have with me for my Page for the Day, Miss Sara Siddiqui, who was raised in the western suburbs of Chicago and is currently a junior, enrolled at the Islamic Foundation School. Sara is listed on the Principal's List of the school for maintaining a GPA of above 4.5. She received medals in the WYSE program for chemistry in the -- category, while advancing to the State level. She has also won gold at the regional and State levels for the IJAS science exposition for her research in clean water. She also participates in the National Honor Society chapter of her school. She works as a volunteer at the Elmhurst Memorial Hospital, while -- receiving guests and guiding them around the hospital. Her peers, instructors describe her as having a good

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work ethic and a great ambition. After graduation, Sara plans on majoring in Chemistry and minoring in either Biology or Psychology. She plans on being a physician. So I would like to give her -- a warm Springfield welcome to Sara, as my Page of the Day.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you. A point of personal privilege and introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please make your introduction.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Well, thank you. In keeping today also, I am thrilled to have with me Fareed Nizamuddin, who is a member of the Islamic association as well. He has been a -- a participant at the Muslim Student Association since a freshman. He is now a senior at Lake Park High School in Roselle. He takes AP classes. He's in business and marketing club, the DECA club at the school. His favorite class is Microeconomics. I thought it very interesting the distinction between the micro and macro and perhaps it's something he could discuss with Senator Biss at some point. He's -- may attend UIC or DePaul. He's studying Psychology. Also on the tennis team, in the AP classes. And please join me in welcoming Fareed today as a Page for the Day.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Welcome to Springfield. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. For the purpose of an introduction.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you. Like my other colleagues, I would like to join in singing the accolades of all our Muslim American visitors today. My Page for the Day is Ayoub Razick. He's also my constituent from Hickory Hills and is a junior at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School. Ayoub is president of Stagg's Business Club and is vice president of his school's Muslim Student Association. He is a member of his school's debate and speech teams, receiving numerous awards in regional and State-level debate competitions. Ayoub is skilled at speaking, rhetorical analysis, and critical thinking. Ayoub has a strong interest in social studies and plans to study Political Science during his postsecondary education. Please join me in welcoming this young -- handsome young man to the Illinois General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Welcome to Springfield. Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR McCARTER:

One of our talented staff, Erik Dillman, his son is here today, Connor, sitting right up here to the right, and Connor's eleven years old. He's a fifth grader, goes to Blessed Sacrament. And tonight he's trying out for the Scott Gallagher Soccer Club as a goalkeeper and that's in Collinsville down in my -- my home area,



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where my wife is from, and this is a top-notch club and -- and this is a fine young man. We just want to welcome him today. Welcome, Connor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Connor, welcome to the Senate. Good luck to you tonight. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to State Government Committee - Senate Resolution 427; Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 28. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 634, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1125, and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1687.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're turning to final action. We're -- we're going to begin today on page 37 of your printed Calendar. On the Order of Secretary Desks -- Secretary's Desk, Resolutions is Senate Joint Resolution 28. Senator Bertino-Tarrant, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, would you please read the resolution?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 28, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator, on your amendment.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the resolution. I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 28. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Then, Mr. Secretary, could you please read the resolution?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 28, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on the resolution.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Joint Resolution approve - asks for the approval of all waiver requests for the spring School Code waivers. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, as this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds... I'm

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sorry, pursuant to the School Code, a roll call vote will be required. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 28 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 55 voting Aye, none voting No -- there are 56 voting Aye, none voting No, and none voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution 28, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're turning to Senate Bills 3rd Reading on the -- page 24 of your printed Calendar, beginning near the bottom of the page. We're starting with Senate Bill 1561. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Koehler seeks leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 1561 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1561. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler, on your amendment.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler moves for the adoption of Senate Bill 1561 - - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1561. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1561. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1561.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. As amended, this is a recommendation of the National Waste and Recycling Association and represents a compromise between the organization and the counties, especially Cook County. As introduced, it further clarifies how Solid Waste Planning and Recycling (Act) is to address regulation on certain pollution control facilities. I want to thank both the organization and the counties for coming to -- together to make a compromise and have a -- this will be an agreed bill. So the only thing left at this point is to read into -- legislative intent, some language, and Senator Bush, I think, is prepared to do that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BUSH:

Questions for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Bush.

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SENATOR BUSH:

So, for the purpose of legislative intent, is the intent of SB 1561 to prevent a county from enacting or permitting a regulatory scheme for solid waste facilities that have appropriate permits from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 39 of the Environmental Protection Act?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

The answer is, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Is it the sole objective of -- of this legislation to simply prohibit Cook County-type solid waste permitting ordinances from being adopted by other counties without impacting one way or another whatever statutory authority otherwise exists with respect to counties' solid waste management plans?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

And the answer is also, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you so much, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1561 pass. All

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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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1561, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1573. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1573.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends the Public Aid Code and exempts the adult Medicaid limit of new eyeglasses every two years if that person had surgery and needs a different prescription.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1573 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1573, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1576. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1576.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Your eyes do not deceive you. This is a -- this is a bill that both me and Senator Holmes are sponsoring. This bill is a repeat of last year. We're doing it again. No language has changed. It -- it passed unanimously last year. It allows a special permit to be issued by IDOT during a declared harvest emergency that would allow transportation of agriculture commodities and would waive the vehicle's registered weight limit. There's no opposition to this and I ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1576 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1576, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Turning to the top of page 25 on your printed Calendar. Senate Bill 1577. Senator Morrison. Senate Bill 1579. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1579.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This provides that the Department of Agriculture shall make available a electronic format of record -- of all record brandings. This is a -- right now, they do it in a book. This is going to put it in electronic form. Again, know of no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there -- is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1579 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1579, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. WCIA requests permission to videotape the proceedings today. Seeing no objection, permission is granted. Senate Bill 1580. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read -- well, Senator Anderson requests leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1580 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1580. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Anderson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson, on your amendment.

SENATOR ANDERSON:



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Thank you, Mr. President. They're technical corrections. I'd like to move it to 3rd -- move it and discuss it on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1580. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment's adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1580. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 1580.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson, on the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill provides that the Department may provide an -- in-depth investigations of accidents involving Department employees. The two amendments that were filed, the one was to do a correction to get {sic} the opposition of Secretary of State; the other one was to get {sic} opposition of the Trial Lawyers. Again, no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none,

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the question is, shall Senate Bill 1580 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 54 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1580, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1581. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1581.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is my last bill, for a while anyway. Yeah, thank you. This reduces the fines for vehicle wheel and axle loads to the gross weight limit violations in the Illinois Vehicle Code by reducing the following: For the first three hundred and thirty dollars in fines, the surcharge rate will be fifteen dollars per forty of fines, and for any subsequent amount above three hundred and thirty dollars, the surcharge will be reduced to ten dollars per forty in fines. This is an initiative of the Mid-West Truckers Association and the Farm Bureau. Again, no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is -- I'm -- I'm sorry. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RAOUL:

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I rise in support of the gentleman's bill. This is part of a negotiation that took place with the...(inaudible)...prior law enforcement reform bill. And I -- I ask my colleagues to support the gentleman's bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1581 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 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1581, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1584. Senator Harris. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1584.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Harris.

SENATOR HARRIS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1584 is a cleanup trailer bill to Public Act 96-1310. It sets the fees for the pesticide product Act and there are no new fees included in this legislation. I request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1584 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

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who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1584, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1585. Senator Martinez. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 1584 -- 85. Mr. Secretary -- Senator Martinez requests leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 1585 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1585. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Martinez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez, on your amendment.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. And I'll be happy to discuss the amendment on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1585. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1585. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1585.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1585 extends the sunset of the Physician Assistant Practice Act from January 1st, 2018, to January 1st, 2028. As amended, it makes technical and clarifying changes to update the Act with current practices of the Department of Professional Regulation. It also makes the following changes. It replaces supervising agreements between licensed physicians and physician assistants with collaborative agreement. It clarifies the -- the maximum number of collaborative agreements a physician may hold with physician assistants. It also allows physicians to delegate the prescriptive authority of Schedule II controlled substances to physician assistants and allows any hospital affiliate to give prescriptive authority of Schedule II controlled substance to a physician assistant. It also requires the establishment of fifty hours of continuing education for a -- for physician assistants' licensure renewal. And, finally, it specifies the current certification by National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants is not required for the renewal of a PA licensure. This has been a -- a work in progress. We have worked hard. We finally brought it all together and this is the final product. I hope I can get everyone to vote on this bill. Thank you...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Martinez. Unfortunately, it's not quite yet the final product. We had a second amendment hiding up here. So you don't need to present that all again, but you now request

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leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 1585 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, permission is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1585. And, Mr. Secretary, there's another Floor amendment pending, correct?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Martinez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1585. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1585. Mr. Secretary, would you read the bill again?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1585.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez, back on 3rd Reading and no need to repeat your wonderful summary of the bill again.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Are you sure?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

I'm sure.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

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Okay. I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any conversation? Any questions? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1585 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1585, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1586. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1586.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1586 amends the Crematory Regulation Act. It would enable the Department of Natural Resources to set rules for the scattering of ashes in specially designated areas of State parks. I know of no opposition. Would appreciate the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1586 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1586, having received

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the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1588. Senate Bill 1591. Senate Bill 1592. Senate Bill 1593. Senator McConnaughay. Senator McConnaughay. Senate Bill 1597. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1597.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Is it 1597 or 1598? I don't know. I got...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

This is 1597. 1598 is next on the Calendar and we can...

SENATOR LINK:

No...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Let's take 1597 out of the record, Mr. Secretary. Senator Link, you'd like to proceed with Senate Bill 1598? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1598.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. Now on the bill that I recognize. This -- this is -- this bill is just allowing the sunset to --



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leave for the agreement bill on residential property on the naval base facilities in Lake and Cook County. I know of objection to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1598 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1598, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1600. Senator McGuire. Senate Bill 1605. Senator Nybo. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1605.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a -- another initiative of our DuPage County State's Attorney. And basically, this is to prevent zoning petitioners from withholding evidence during a zoning hearing. So it's going to amend the County Codes {sic} (Counties Code) to provide that a -- a zoning decision is subject to de novo judicial review of the record of that proceeding. Basically, any evidence that -- that is going to be introduced needs to be introduced at the proceeding in front of the zoning board and not after -- not at any subsequent proceedings that may

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be reviewing their decision. So, basically, it's to prevent sandbagging in subsequent proceedings. In other words, introducing evidence after the initial proceeding. So, would appreciate the support of the Body and happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1605 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1605, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1647. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Silverstein seeks leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 1647 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1647. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Silverstein.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Silverstein, on your amendment.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This just -- replaces the word "retired" with "former or deceased" judges. I'll explain the whole bill on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Silverstein moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1647. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay.

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The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1647. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1647.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This would expand the Judicial Privacy Act to include former or deceased judges.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1647 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1647, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1648. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1648.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This is an -- technical agreement between two agencies, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. It amends the Environment {sic} (Environmental) Protection Act to clarify that Exceptional Quality biosolids are subject to IEMA's authority under the Nuclear Safety Law of 2004. I know this is a great concern to many of us in this Chamber. Don't ask me what any of that means. There's no opponents and I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1648 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill -- 1648, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harris, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARRIS:

Purpose of an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please make your introduction, Senator.

SENATOR HARRIS:

Well, today I have the extreme pleasure of introducing my seatmate's Page for the Day, Mr. Malik Azeem Siddique, who is a sophomore right here in Springfield -- is a sophomore at Glenwood

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High School. He's here for the IMAD, Islam/Muslim in Action Day {sic} (Illinois Muslim Action Day), here at the Capitol, and he's the Page of Senator Andy Manar, who's joining us today. So give a warm Springfield welcome to Malik.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. We're now at the top of page 26 of our printed Calendars. Senate Bill 1652, Senate Bill 1653, Senate Bill 1655 - we'll return to those. Senate Bill 1657. With leave of the Body, we'll return to that as well. Senate Bill 1663. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 1668. Senator Bivins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1668.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of IDNR and IDOT to property conveyances. It authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to make certain real estate conveyances in McHenry, Lake, Pulaski, Cook counties, subject to specified conditions, and also authorizes the Department of Transportation to make real estate conveyances in Ogle County, Pike County, Madison County, St. Clair and Woodford, subject to -- specific conditions. I know of no opposition and appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1668 pass. All

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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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1668, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I'm sorry, Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to turn back right now to Senate Bill 1663 that we just skipped over. Senator Clayborne is ready to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1663.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1663 amends and allows a public community college district to accept up to thirty credit hours transferred by a student from a non-degree granting institution that is regulated by the Board of Higher Education if the student has completed a program in medical assisting, medical coding, dental assisting, HVAC, welding, or pharmacy technician. I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1663 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 57 voting Aye, none voting

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No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1663, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Let's pick up again, Mr. Secretary, at Senate Bill 1670. Senator Bennett. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1670.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. 1670 would allow individuals that apply for boards and commissions under the authority of the Governor's Office to voluntarily self-identify their sexual orientation to allow for greater diversity and transparency. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1670 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 46 voting Aye, 4 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1670, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1671. Senator Tracy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1671.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

One moment. Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

...of the Body. Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends the Public Community College Act and what it simply does is allow a community college to be listed without naming all specific counties that it serves. This was brought to me by my community college in Quincy, John Wood Community College, because they serve over nine counties and it is -- they're unable to type it into some of the forms on a computer. So I would invite any questions and appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1671 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1671, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1676. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1676.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1676 is the initiative of the Home Health Care Association of America. It amends the Home Health, Home Services, and Home Nursing (Agency) Licensing Act and it prohibits health care providers that receive State funds from referring patients or family of a patient to an unlicensed home health -- or home service provider. I know of no opposition. Would appreciate the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1676 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 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1676, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1688. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Raoul requests permission of the Body to recall Senate Bill 1688 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1688. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Raoul, on your amendment.

SENATOR RAOUL:

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Thank you. Floor Amendment No. 4 is a line and technical amendment requested by the Retail Merchants Association. Explain it as I explain the full bill on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Raoul moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 1688. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment's adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

...Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1688. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1688.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you. Senate Bill 1688 creates a transparent and fair licensing process which looks at an applicant's rehabilitation, along with their criminal history. It promotes confidence in career exploration among qualified individuals with a criminal record by removing the misconception that a prior conviction is a permanent and mandatory bar. And the -- it does nothing to change the -- the current mandatory bars where -- where there's a specific link -- nexus between the criminal history and the licensing. I

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ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1688 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 43 voting Aye, 8 voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1688, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1690. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1690.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1690 is an initiative of the Illinois Probation and Court Services Association. Provides that an individual shall be allowed to have an attorney present during their bail hearing, and if they cannot obtain counsel, the court shall appoint a public defender or licensed attorney to represent them. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1690 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 55 -- 56 voting Aye, none

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voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1690, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1691. Senate Bill 1692. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1692.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, is there an amendment pending on that bill? Sorry, Senator. We're just making sure our paperwork is in order. Do -- do you believe you have an amendment on this one? We don't... You do? Let's take this bill out of the record for the moment, Mr. Secretary, while we get our paperwork caught up. Senate Bill 1693. Senator Tom Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1693.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1693 permits deceased individuals with a history of military service to have included or amended to include on their death certificate their veteran status, branch of military they served in, and period of time that they served. This was one of the recommendations that came out of the suicide prevention task force and it was an actual recommendation from the DuPage County Coroner, Richard Jorgensen. I ask for an

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Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1693 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1693, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1694. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1694.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is an initiative of the Illinois Credit Union League and it's an agreement between them and the Professional and Towing Recovery Operators of Illinois {sic} (Professional Towing & Recovery Operators of Illinois). The amendment makes it an agreed bill. What this does is it sets forth the process and the procedures by which a financial institution can recover a vehicle they have an interest in. There's no opposition at this point and I ask for a Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1694 pass. All those in favor,

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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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1694, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1696. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1696.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1696 creates the Illinois Muslim American Advisory Council to advise the Governor and the General Assembly on policy issues impacting Muslim Americans and immigrants.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1696 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 40 voting Aye, 9 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1696, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1697. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1697.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1697 creates a provision which allows an employer to implement a policy which supersedes a religious expression to maintain workplace safety of food -- or food sanitation. But basically the bill was a provision that allows an employer to have individuals express and exercise their religion by wearing their religious garb.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1697 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 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1697, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we're going to return to page 17 to Senate Bill 982. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 982.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 982 makes a change in the Election Code to enact an important transparency measure in the State of Illinois to protect the voters of our State and, in fact, of our country from very, very dangerous potential conflicts of interests, like those that we're experiencing right now, unfortunately, I might add. It simply says that in order to appear on the general election ballot for President or Vice-President, you must have released five years of your tax returns. I think this gives the voters the ability to evaluate the candidate's standing before them for the most powerful office in the history of the world and to evaluate their finances. And I would certainly encourage your support and be happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, I'm sorry. This bill is -- is out of sequence, so you caught me off guard on this one. Can -- can you offer again what's the problem that you're attempting to address with this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

The problem I'm attempting to address is that we have a system



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wherein there are -- there's a strong alleged constitutional protection that stops officers of the federal government from profiting personally from their service in office and yet it is very, very difficult to enforce. This is difficult for the public to understand it and it's difficult, most importantly, for the electorate in a November presidential election to evaluate potential conflicts of interest when it -- as regards to the candidates before them. By releasing five years of tax returns, I believe that candidates for President will enable voters to make the decision with full information, will be -- they'll be able to evaluate potential conflicts of interests, and they'll be able to make other evaluations about financial decision-making and -- and priorities and values that might be crucial in that decision. I think, frankly, right now in this country, we're seeing serious peril that we're undergoing as a result of the fact that information was not available this past November.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

And -- and, Senator, how -- how, again, is this bill going to get that information disclosed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

The bill simply requires that in order to appear on the ballot for President, a candidate must have disclosed five years of tax returns to the Secretary of State, who would then make them public.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

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SENATOR NYBO:

And -- and how and when is that disclosure made?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

So I'm just reading here from the second half of page 3 of the bill. The "when", it must be made "at least five days prior to the date set for certification of the ballot for the general election". And it's -- then later on it says, they have been filed with the Secretary of State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Okay, but, Senator Biss, certifications for general elections are usually conducted - actually, not usually - they are conducted after primary elections. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

So -- so, as a result of this bill, we're -- we're creating the -- and -- and if a candidate fails to comply with this provision of this bill that you're -- that you're proposing, they are ineligible to be on the ballot in Illinois as a presidential candidate. Right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Absolutely.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

So -- so, Senator, as a result of this proposal, in Illinois we could go through the process of conducting a presidential primary election and selecting the candidate who -- who, as a result of the party process, will appear on the ballot for a major political party, but in Illinois, now we're going to enact an additional requirement that that candidate selected through the primary process will no longer be eligible to appear on the general election ballot and will in fact be removed from being considered here in Illinois?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Yes, that's right. And you'll recall a discussion we had on this topic when this bill was in committee. Let me say a few things on this point. Number one, I thought that I ought to enact the most modest, small step imaginable, the least onerous expectation upon candidates imaginable. So one could have gone much further and said, hey, in order to -- to appear on the primary ballot, you have to insert five years of tax returns with your petition. I wouldn't have minded that. That would have been fine. But I thought, hey, let's let candidates off the hook a little bit. Let's let them go through the primary process, knowing in advance that should they win the primary, they'll then have to

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release their returns to appear on the general election ballot, but they can hedge their bets and say I'll only do that once I win. But then you'll further recall that I offered you in committee that I would be willing to amend the bill and say that you would have to insert your tax returns with your petitions in order to appear on the primary ballot, as well as the general election ballot, and said that if you're prepared to come on as a cosponsor of that bill, I'd be happy to make that amendment. That offer still stands, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator Biss, I appreciate that offer. Thank you. Can -- can you give me any other requirement that -- that we impose upon a candidate who's been nominated through the primary process, any other condition that we impose after they've been selected and nominated by their party to appear as a candidate for President, any other candidate that we -- any other criteria or condition or requirement that we impose after they've been selected?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

No, I can't, because, as I said, this is the least restrictive, least onerous possible way to write this bill. But, again, if you want to do it in a stronger way, so long as you're prepared to be a cosponsor of that modified bill, I'm happy to work with you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Nybo?

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SENATOR NYBO:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, let me help you out. There is no other criteria, any other requirement that we impose on -- on candidates after they've been selected as a representative of their party to appear on the ballot for President. I -- I share your concern that in -- in conducting elections for the highest office in this country that -- that we should have the best process possible. However, what you're attempting to do is -- is so unique, it would be the only condition that we oppose -- that we impose after the candidate's been selected. They're -- candidates aren't even required to -- to submit birth certificates or driver's license or -- or -- or -- or anything showing that they're registered to vote. I mean, this is the only thing that we would be -- be imposing after they've been selected. Senator, your bill has the possibility of removing a candidate who has been considered and nominated by a major political party from appearing on a ballot here in Illinois. You know, I appreciate a lot of what you try to do down here. This -- there's so much more -- so many more important issues that we could be focusing on while we're down here. This is not something that I can support. I think we've got some good media pops out of this, but for the Members of the Body who are serious about conducting good elections and good government, this is not moving us in the right direction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Rooney, for what purpose do you

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rise?

SENATOR ROONEY:

To the bill, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR ROONEY:

Mr. President, I've -- I've been a term limits supporter for decades, and in 1995, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that states cannot make any qualifications for people to get on a federal ballot, other than those specified in the Constitution. And so I've been told for decades the State cannot apply term limits to federal officials, because it's putting an extra qualification that isn't required by the Constitution. So I don't see any reason why the logic wouldn't hold for another federal official. It seems to me that it's not in keeping with settled law of the land for twenty-five years. I won't vote for the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, first of all, what -- what kind of information do you -- would -- would you hope people would find that would be particularly relevant?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

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SENATOR BISS:

Well, one of the beautiful features of democracy is we all, as voters, get to make up our minds, based upon our own priorities and our own interests, but I think that understanding where someone's resources, where someone's income, especially investment income, comes from can be potentially enormously illuminating about many things, including and especially conflict of interests.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

So you -- you think people might judge them on how much income they have or perhaps even how little income they've had?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Perhaps some would make that judgement. I don't know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Let me ask you this, would -- would it make sense for you -- to you as well that we might require a physical examination? Would that be something else that we could ask for? I mean, 'cause if someone's in extremely bad health, they may not be able to be counted on for a long term.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

I will tell you that I don't have any interest in advancing legislation like that, but if that's something you want to do, I'd

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be happy to read it and think about it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

...the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCARTER:

This is -- I understand that -- you know, we all -- we all use -- we all -- all pose questions to get people -- people's feedback so that we can connect with them and send 'em a email, and I will say that this has achieved that for sure, because I got your email as well from numerous people. I did not click on it to see who was in my district for fear that I'd be on your list as well. But this is -- this is not serious. This is politicking. Vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I personally wish that President Trump had released his tax returns. I think it would have been the right thing to do, but it didn't happen. I do believe there are circumstances under which a candidate for President might not release those tax returns and I don't believe that we should pass legislation requiring them to



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do so in order to appear on the bill {sic}. I also believe that maybe I have more faith in -- in our voters generally getting it right than our sponsor of this bill does, because I believe voters should, in fact, punish a candidate who does not provide his tax returns. I think that should be one of the considerations that they make in determining who they're going to vote for. I believe the sponsor just made the -- the statement that voters get to make up their own minds and I agree with that. I believe that we as voters should all get to make up our minds. Whether a candidate has released tax returns or not, should be one of the factors that we take into consideration when we decide to -- to vote, but -- but to have the Legislature make that requirement is, I believe, a mistake. I urge a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BUSH:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR BUSH:

I -- I'd like to thank the sponsor for bringing this bill forward for us to vote on. Seeing someone who's running for President's tax return is something we expect. It's sad that we feel we need to pass a law to make sure that we're going to see that information. To elect someone to the highest office in the United States, we have a right to know about their dealings in and outside of the country. And it is truly the best way for us to get that information. And I cannot imagine that a candidate who

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has gone through the primary process is going to then not submit their tax returns, so that they can indeed be on the ballot in the State of Illinois. There are those electoral votes that are very important, so I don't believe we're going to lose them from the ballot in Illinois. And if we do, I would suggest that there is information they don't want us to know or they'd release the tax returns. So thank you for bringing the bill forward. I urge an Aye vote and I am saddened that it's a law that I believe we need to pass, because you over there, just like us over here, and everyone else has a right to know as much as possible about the financial dealings of the man or woman - I hear someday - that has been elected to represent us and to make sure our country is safe and protected. So, thank you very much and thank you for bringing the bill forward. And this isn't politics; this is something we need to pass because of what -- the behavior we have seen in this last election. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Our final speaker, Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I actually have a question of the sponsor, but I -- I've got to disagree with the previous speaker that this -- this -- this is politics and this is all about politics, but part of politics is about being informed, being informed in politics. And I agree with the -- with my colleague on the other side of the aisle that our current President should have disclosed information that would have aided voters in their decision-making. And the voters can punish if they're provided with information and -- and not provided with an excuse as to why information is not -- or actually being okeydoked, being misled to believe that the information will be

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provided somewhere during the course of the election in time enough to make a decision. So my question to you, is there any exception for disclosure of -- of the tax returns if somebody's undergoing an audit?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you for that question, Senator. In fact, because there is no reason, either reason of custom or legal or regulatory reason, for that to be a legitimate exception, therefore, there is no such -- such exemption that appears in this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

To the bill. Again, Ladies and Gentlemen, and -- and this is not partisan. I think there was an expression of support for the notion that this fundamental information for the highest office in the land is something that we should, as citizens, have in our possession before we make a determination as to whether we're going to support somebody to be a -- the -- the most powerful person in the world. That's a serious consideration that should be a fully informed one. And it doesn't matter whether it's a Democrat or Republican or Independent, we need to be privy with such information so we can pass judgment on -- on -- on -- on the individual, and -- and the reference to birth certificates on the other side of the line -- aisle made me think that it's being made partisan and it's a -- it's a protect -- the positions that are going to be taken by those who oppose this are in support of the gentleman who did not disclose his tax returns. And so I urge all

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of you-all who believe that voters should be fully informed to vote Aye on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Biss, to close.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Members, for the constructive debate. I want to address the concern raised by the gentleman from Rolling Meadows, which I would characterize as an important and serious and valid concern, but one with which I very strongly, though respectfully, disagree. Listen, the Supreme Court has been clear. We cannot put another requirement on who may run for federal office, but we can put a requirement on what steps you have to go through in order to run for federal office. So I would agree that if -- if this bill were to say, hey, your tax returns must say a certain thing, your income must be a certain thing, that would be overturned by the Supreme Court. That would be a requirement upon what sort of person may run for President that we don't get to add. On the other hand, this is a requirement that says, of all the people who get to run for President, who are determined by the U.S. Constitution and the U.S. Constitution only, what paperwork do they have to do. We already tell them they've got to file more than five thousand signatures. We already tell them they've got to file a statement of candidacy with their address on it. We tell them these things and no one challenges that. This is another requirement. It doesn't say who may run. It says what you've got to do in order to appear on the ballot since you've decided to run in accordance with your right given to you by the U.S. Constitution. Now, to the rest of the debate, there was a -- a lot of kind of insinuation that this is, you know, I -- I think it

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would probably be fair to say, that this is cheap politics. I think that the gentleman from Elmhurst's concerns give a pretty - - clear indication of where the politics is. There's an effort to find an excuse not to vote for this bill. There's an effort to find an -- an argument that, oh, it's because the disclosure required by this bill is in the fall, as opposed to before the primary, that therefore we can't vote for it, otherwise we could. You know that's not true. You know that's not what's going on, and if anybody on that side of the aisle has some technical changes that they want made to this bill after we hopefully pass it, now I'll work with them and the House sponsor to make sure those changes are made and I look forward to having a unanimous bipartisan bill when it comes back. But in the meantime, I would just say, look at the front page of the national newspapers and tell me that we don't have a problem here. Look at the front pages of the national newspapers and tell me that we don't have the right to know, as citizens, about the rampant potential conflicts of interests that could exist in a candidate for President and the operation of the federal government. This is about transparency. This is about good government. This is something we need. It's something I wish we'd had a year and a half ago. Please vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 982 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 32 voting Aye, 19 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 982, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR NYBO:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR NYBO:

Mr. -- Mr. President and colleagues, I would like to have the opportunity to introduce my - quote, unquote - "Page for a Day". This is -- behind me - and, David, please come up here - this is -- this is David T. Brown. He's a familiar face to -- to many in this Chamber. He's -- he's a -- a colleague of mine at the law firm at which I practice. He's actually the -- the chairman of the firm. He's also the former chair of the Jewish United Fund and the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago. He's very active in civic affairs in the State of Illinois. And most importantly to me, he's a very good friend and mentor. So even after a debate where we go after each other on the issues, it's important to remember civility, and at the end of the day, we are, for the most part, all friends with one another, and I know that Mr. Brown here is good friends with Senator Biss. And so if you'd welcome me here -- or -- or help me welcome him to the Chamber, and if you have an opportunity to stop by and say hello, please do. David T. Brown. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the Senate, Mr. Brown. It's good to see you. Back on the regular Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading at the top of page 27 on your printed Calendar, Senate Bill 1700. Senator McConnaughay. ...Bill 1702. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1702.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of the Illinois Hospital Association to extend the hospital credit for five years, from December 31st, 2017 to 20 -- to December 31st, 2022. The tax credit is only for the private for-profit hospitals. I know of no objection to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1702 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1702, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1703. Senator Anderson. Senate Bill -- 1705. Senator Hutchinson. Senate Bill 1707. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 1714. Senator Clayborne. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1714.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill

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is very simple. It requires any consultant who provides services to a pension fund in Illinois must disclose if they have any connection with any investment firms that they recommend to a board.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1714 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1714, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we're going to turn just a couple bills back up the page to 1705. I hadn't seen Senator Hutchinson indicating she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1705.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. Senate Bill 1705 amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. It adds to the list of types of families the Department of Human Services is minimally required to cover in the Child Care Assistance Program to include families that are not Temporary Assistance for Needy Families recipients that need child care assistance to participate in education and training activities. Happy to answer any



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questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates that she'll yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, is there -- is there a cost to this -- this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Yes. DHS, for fiscal year '18 -- their introduced budget estimates 37.1 million. Illinois Action for Children estimates that would be much -- significantly lower, largely because of how many families lost child care assistance and will not be returning to the program -- due to the fact that they either lost their jobs or they dropped out of school. So the continued combination of people who lost their MAP grants, are not in school, cannot continue to do this, coupled with the hit from being excluded to child care programs for full-time education things, really crippled the program in a lot of different ways. So the advocate's estimates as to the cost are significantly lower than that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I think one of the concerns we have -- and we -- we have

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always supported the child care program. We think that's an important transitional program. But at a time that the -- the State can't pay its current bills, the idea of expanding a program further for a cost of -- even if it's less than thirty-one million, if it's twenty-five million, it's still difficult at a time that we are telling people that we can't pay their bills that we're going to expand spending in other programs and especially without even having a budget done. Maybe if we get a budget done and there is money left over, then we can look at what the priorities are and this certainly is an important program. But I just don't know how today we can stand here and say that we think it's a good idea to spend tens of millions of dollars more when we're in the kind of financial shape we're in right now. So, I would -- I would urge a No vote until we can get a budget done and see if we have the resources left over to be able to fund a program like this. Thank you, and thank you for taking the time to bring that forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you. Senator Hutchinson, do you wish to close? Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you. And -- and, Senator Syverson, I -- I do appreciate that sentiment. I think a lot of us are feeling extremely torn about programs and things that we care about. I would point out two nuances to that argument. Number one, DHS has already stated publicly this is a priority for them. They will include it into their '18 budget. The reason we'd like to do this statutorily is because the way they were removed happened by rule and this bill is actually written subject to appropriation. So we won't be expanding it until we have a budget, because we can't expand it

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until we have a budget. And the point about this is so that the rules for eligibility include people who are going to school full-time. And that is -- as most of us know through all of these child care fights, that was a tenant of the Contract with America that was actually negotiated with Newt Gingrich and the Congress under Bill Clinton at the time. That was a -- this was one of those programs that came out that everybody universally loved. So the idea was you want to incentivize people to continue working, you want to incentivize people to go to school, so that one day they don't need programs like this. And so when we went through our initial destruction of the program, to take out people who were full-time students as eligible for this program is problematic at best and disingenuous at worst. So, at this point, I would like to -- reintroduce this category of folks as to the criteria, and please understand that this is subject to appropriation. There will be no expansion without a budget, which is why we've been here fighting and I've been reading budget stories every chance I possibly can for the people who need us to do just that. So, please, help us continue telling people to do what we needed them to do, which was stay in school, go to work, and we're going to give you a hand up, not a handout. This is for all of our kids and I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1705 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 41 voting Aye, 12 voting No, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1705, having received the required constitutional majority, is

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declared passed. Returning to the regular order, we're at Senate Bill 1720. Senator Biss. Senate Bill 1730. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1730.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, as amended, it allows car rental companies to void a damage waiver if the vehicle is stolen and the renter does not return the car's ignition key and identifying a -- key tag; two, file a police report within twenty-four hours of discovering the theft; and three, fully cooperate with the rental company and law enforcement or any other authority in all matters connected to the investigation of the stolen vehicle. Because of this amendment, I know of no other opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that he'll yield. Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Thank you. Senator Muñoz, this -- the -- the final version of this bill requires, if I am correct, that all -- that this

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cannot be voided unless all of these provisions are not filed.  
Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

That is correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

I want to thank Senator Muñoz for his work on this. I think that we have really some good protections for consumers in there while addressing some really -- some issues that we currently have with crime, been -- these thefts of rental cars. And so I want to thank him for his cooperation on that and I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Muñoz, do you wish to close? Please hold, Senator. Sorry, Senator. We're just making sure our paperwork is in order before we put the bill up for a vote. Thank you, Senator Muñoz. All of the amendments have been adopted. We wanted to make sure our paperwork is in order. Do you wish to close? Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to thank Senator McConchie and -- and everyone who helped as well. I ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1730 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 54 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting -- 1 voting Present. And Senate Bill 1730, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1737. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1737.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. 1737 amends the Illinois Insurance Code by codifying the NAIC model reinsurance law. Reinsurance is essentially an insurance for insurance companies and protects an insurer against unforeseen or extraordinary losses. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1737 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1737, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate

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Bill 1739. Senator Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1739.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1739 expands the eligible applicant pool for the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship program. This initiative is from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission as a result of them receiving multiple questions from applicants and teachers, as well as conversations with the P-20 Council about the challenges facing high schools that want to offer dual credit but lack appropriately degreed teachers. I'd be happy to answer questions. The bill did pass out of committee with all Aye votes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Lightford. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1739 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 56 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1739, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1746. Senator Rose. I'm sorry, Senator Rose. If you'd bear with me. Senator Lightford, for what purpose do you

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rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Point of an announcement or -- I...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

A point of personal privilege, I believe, Senator.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Please, Mr. President. I'm still...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

...trying to figure out what just happened there a moment ago. I think Senator Collins rubbed off on me and Senator Linda Holmes. I meant to vote Aye on my bill a moment ago. On Senate Bill 1739, please record me as an Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The record will reflect your intent to have voted Aye, Senator. Thank you. Senator Rose, you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1746.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill strengthens the definition of "fictive kin" by adding the phrase "significant" {sic} (significant and) to the close personal relationship ties of the bill. This is, I believe, an agreed bill. This is the language



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that came to us from the Cook County Public Guardian's Office and I think everybody's okay with it now. So, hopefully, it'll pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1746 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? Please take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 1746, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Schimpf, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed.

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Yes, Mr. President, I'd like to draw the Members' attention to the -- to the gallery behind the majority. We have a group of young ladies from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. They are here with the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, which is a -- a great program. They're part of the Women in Leadership, Public Service and Civic Engagement. These ladies have spent the day up here in workshops with women-elected officials and policymakers to learn more about the legislative process and the current issues that affect our everyday lives. I've -- I would ask that we all give them a warm Springfield welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Will our guests in the gallery please rise? Welcome to the Senate. Senate Bill 1747 -- 47. Senator Righter. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1748. Senator Righter. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1749. Out of the record. 1750. Out of the record. 1751. Out of the record. 1753. Senator Martinez. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1754. Senator Martinez. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1756. Senator Schimpf. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1756.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Schimpf.

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1756 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Veteran {sic} (Veterans') Affairs. The bill amends the -- the Flag Display Act. Currently, statute requires that the Illinois Department of Veteran {sic} Affairs must notify the Governor's Office if an Illinois resident is killed in action. This bill provides that if that notice has already been provided by another entity, such as the U.S. Department of Defense, the obligation is fulfilled. This was an agreed-upon bill and I am unaware of any opponents. I respectfully ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1756 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1756, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1757. Senator Schimpf. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1757.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Schimpf.

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Thank you, again, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1757 is also an initiative of the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs. The bill amends statutory references of the Illinois Veterans' Commission to -- changes them to the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs. The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs is the successor to the Illinois Veterans' Commission. This updates references within the Illinois Compiled Statutes. This was an agreed-upon bill. I'm unaware of any opposition and I would respectfully ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1757 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1757, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill

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1758. Senator Cunningham. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1758.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1758 is an initiative of our State Treasurer Mike Frerichs. It amends the State Treasurer Act and it adds computers and other tech equipment and services, as well as expenses for special needs services, to the list of qualified expenses under Illinois college savings plans, like the Bright Start program. Know of no opposition. Would be happy to answer any questions and I'd ask for the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1758 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 57 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1758, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll be returning to page 26 and going to Senate Bill 1657. Mr. Secretary, read.. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1657 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 1657. Mr.

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Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

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?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1657.

(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. As you know from prior debates, the gun violence, especially in the Chicago area, is rampant. And we know that of the guns recovered from crime scenes in Chicago, sixty percent come from

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gun dealers trafficked from out of State and forty percent come from gun dealers here in Illinois. In the last General Assembly, Leader Radogno carried a bill that cracked down on the sixty percent of guns trafficked in from out of State. At that time, we talked about this bill as a companion bill to that, an effort to provide State licensing of gun dealers in Illinois. This is a major problem in my district and in many of your districts. What we are looking for is the tools for the State Police and local law enforcement and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to have the tools to regulate Illinois gun dealers to keep guns out of the hands of criminals. This is a difficult and controversial bill, I know. I have done the best that I could to amend the bill to eliminate opposition. We have secured the neutrality of the gun manufacturers and their suppliers. There are clear exemptions in the bills {sic} for them. We've exempted out the sporting goods stores that sell guns only incidentally as a small percentage of their business, in large part because they are not the source of guns used in crimes. We've exempted out transfers by collectors. We've exempted out sales by small dealers, who have federal licenses, but don't transfer more than ten guns a year. This is not a perfect bill, but it is a good-faith effort to try to crack down on that handful of gun dealers who are responsible for a disproportionate number of the guns that are used in crimes in Illinois. I want to just point out one statistic - of that forty percent of guns recovered from crimes that trace back to an Illinois gun dealer, almost half traced back to just three gun dealers in suburban Cook County. And I wish that there were a way that we could focus our regulation on those dealers alone, but we can't. The federal law doesn't

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allow us to be that precise with the gun trace data. So we are asking for modest and relatively inexpensive regulation of all typical gun dealers in Illinois. And on behalf of all of my constituents, especially those on the west side of Chicago who are living with the plague of gun violence every day, I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senator Harmon, I -- I will make this relatively brief considering the -- the controversy and magnitude of the bill. It's my understanding that the bill, as amended, exempts certain types of gun dealers from the State licensing requirement. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, the bill, as introduced and as amended, provides a long list of exemptions - thirteen in total - that I believe are prudent and responsible efforts to focus on the source of guns that end up in the hands of criminals.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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Can you walk through - and, Senator Harmon, I don't want to -- I do not want to be dilatory here - the exceptions or at least the highlights of some of those who are exempt from the -- the State licensing requirement under your bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Of course. I will try to cover them all and do it in a bit of shorthand so that it's understandable. We exempt sales of fewer than ten firearms per year by a -- a dealer. We exempt temporary transfers for use, for instance, at a -- a shooting range; transfers of firearms among immediate family members; transfers by persons acting under operation of a court order or the law; transfers of -- on behalf of folks liquidating a part of their collection or all of their collection; transfer of firearms that have been rendered permanently inoperable to a historical society; transfers by law enforcement or correction agencies acting within the scope of their duties; a transfer by a -- a firearm from somebody who's had their FOID card revoked, turning it into law enforcement; transfers of curios and relics, antique weapons; transfers by manufacturers; transfers that -- of the parts and pieces of a gun that go into the manufacture of a gun; and transfers of firearms by dealers for whom less than twenty percent of their annual sales come from the sale of firearms.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

The last one, Senator Harmon, is interesting to me. You're



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exempting out entities whose less than twenty percent of their overall sales is firearms. Why?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Two reasons, Senator - one of policy and one of politics. The first is, as a matter of -- of policy, there is not a demonstrable record of guns used in crimes being traced back in large numbers to sporting goods stores or to big box stores that sell a lot of different things. And then simply, as a matter of politics, I am doing my best to eliminate as many opponents to this bill as I can in order to pass the bill and to focus on the real source of guns that turn up in crimes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senator Harmon, first, I want to thank you for that concise and completely honest answer on that issue. But, Ladies and Gentlemen, the fact that the - quote, unquote - "big box" gun dealers -- the "big box" gun dealers do not fall under this requirement is a problem. It's a problem for the small businesses who are gun dealers in this State, not giant manufacturers - the -- the Dick's Sporting Goods or someone like that - but rather, you know, your -- more likely to be your locally owned entities

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whose sales are more than ten guns per year, but they -- their gun sales make up more than twenty percent of their overall sales. This is an unfair, undue burden on them, while we are letting the larger dealers, the ones who probably could most afford the duplicative licensing system that is on the board here, letting them out underneath that requirement. This is inequitable. I would urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you. To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, a couple of weeks ago, I advanced a bill that -- that you worked very difficult -- worked hard on for a number of years, and in explaining it, we talked about how the problem of fighting gun violence is multifaceted. This is a huge and important tool right here. And we've had a lot of debate over the years on a lot of different gun bills. This does not provide any burden on a -- on the responsible gun owner. Let's -- repeat that. This provides -- this -- no burden on the responsible gun owner. And the unconscionable tolerance for the violence that I know I experience in my district, but that's seeping out into many of you-all's districts that -- where you may not experience it now, but it's going to come visit you unless we work together to pass reasonable measures like this to combat gun violence. I appreciate the articulation of the concern about the big box gun stores, but they aren't the bad actors. We know who the bad actors are and so

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it's okay for us as policymakers to tailor legislation to target the bad actors. That's what our responsibility is, to save lives. Now we could prioritize the advocacy of lobbyists who will come to your office and threaten you or you could prioritize saving lives, adding another tool -- tool to the toolbox to actually save lives. I had, this past week, a plumber come to my home and explain to me that there was a shooting down the block from him from somebody, who had easy access to guns, who shot somebody simply because the guy wouldn't give him -- allow him to smoke his joint. That's the type of ridiculous violence we're experiencing because it's so easy to access these guns, because these gun dealers, not the big boxes, but these gun dealers are bad actors. And, again - I want to say it for a third time - this does nothing to burden the responsible gun owner, nothing to burden the responsible gun owner. I urge your support on this bill so we could try to save some lives in this State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question -- one question of the sponsor, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Leader Harmon, there is -- a moment ago, you said something about that there's two answers, being policy and one being politics. I apologize that the -- the conversation level, I missed the second part. What was the -- the politics reason behind that inclusion?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, as we all do, I'm simply trying to eliminate opposition to my bill. And I -- it's a concession that I do -- I am very sensitive on this point, though, and I want to be clear with the Body. It is not, in my view, a -- a good solution to a political problem. I would prefer we regulated everyone. But to the -- the point that has been made, on the economics of this, this is not a burden on a -- a law-abiding gun dealership either. It's a very modest regulatory scheme. It -- compared to the competitive advantages that a big box store has simply in purchasing, this is not going to materially change that disadvantage that a small gun dealer has. So, I understand the sensitivity, but I -- I want to emphasize the disparity between the large international big box stores and the mom-and-pop store, whether it's a gun dealer or otherwise, is -- is far greater than any modest burden imposed by this minimal regulatory scheme.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. And, Senator -- Leader Harmon, I -- I -- I appreciate the answer, but with all due respect, I mean, I represent a lot of small mom-and-pop folks who this is their

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income, and they fight those burdens all the time and they fight against the big box stores, they fight against mail order, they fight against whatever they fight against. But, you know, in -- in my neck of the woods, I got an awful lot of good people that this is their income, this is their livelihood, and now we're giving 'em one more reason, one more problem, to say that they're not going to be able to compete against Walmart. And, you know, I find this so -- debate so interesting. So many times that we stand here and -- for nearly a decade, the City of Chicago throws out everything they can to keep Walmart out of the City of Chicago, and now we're going to impose rules to make it harder for the little guys, the mom-and-pops, to compete against Walmart. And -- and not only just make it harder, I mean, we're specifically exempting Walmart. I mean, that -- that is a -- a -- a fundamental unfairness well beyond any of the Second Amendment issues or other things that might be brought up here on behalf of legitimate law-abiding sports men and women who live in my district and live across the State of Illinois. This is just -- I mean, I just don't know how you can say we're going to have one set of rules for "mom and pop" and then we're not even going to make the big boys have any set of rules. The second thing, and -- and, you know, I'm going to point this out, because there's this notion that somehow people aren't licensed already. If you're going to transfer firearms, you have to have a federal firearms dealer license. Now there are some exceptions to that, I grant you that, from relative to relative, inheritance, things of that nature. You know, but your bill sits here and talks about -- I think it's -- is it seven or ten? I forget. Which is seven or ten firearms, you're going to have to a license, in a year -- if you're going to transfer

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more than seven or ten firearms in a year. You know, we went to local sportsmen's auction back home two weeks ago and this is a fund -- fund-raised money for kids in shooting sports to get outdoors, stay off the streets, hunt, be with their parents, be with guardians that care about them, that are going to show them how to keep their nose clean. It's a legitimate group for -- for -- for kids. I've been to other ones where it's about habitat. It's about the environment. We're going to raise money to go in and do a pheasant habitat or, you know, wild turkeys or -- or ducks or whatever it is in -- but it's for the environment or for the kids. They're all 501 charities for -- for -- for one of those two purposes. And every one of those, every one of those, one of the main things they do is they raffle a gun, actually many guns, many guns, and you buy tickets and that's part of the fundraiser for the habitat restoration project or the youth hunt, whatever it is. I've never been to one yet, I've never been to one yet - and I've been to a bunch of 'em - that sitting at the table at the end of the night there wasn't an already federally licensed firearms dealer completing the transaction, not one. So why do we need more of this? Why do we need more of this regulation? Why are we going to punish the people that follow the rules already? And I -- I -- we all live in the space we live in and so I, like Senator Righter, I respect your completely honest and transparent answer about why we've exempted out the big boys, but gosh darn it, I don't represent the big boys. I represent the mom-and-pops, who are trying to put food on their table. And by the way, they don't just put food on -- their table, they sponsor those youth raffles. They sponsor those youth hunts. They sponsor the habitat restoration. That money stays locally in our communities. And

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for all those reasons - Mr. President, I appreciate your indulgence - I'll be voting No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to respond quickly. First, I -- I will concede that there is a level of federal regulation, but I would tell you that it is inadequate. ATF that regulates the gun dealers, at least until whatever recent surge there may have been from Washington, had twenty inspectors to cover all of Illinois and northern Indiana - twenty. There are more kids killed in Chicago on a bad weekend than there are ATF inspectors in the entire State and in northern Indiana. To the point of the big box, Senator Rose, if you and Senator Righter, who have raised that concern, will stand up on the Floor and pledge to me you will vote for this bill if I amend it to take out the big boxes, I will pull the bill out of the record and I will take that provision out. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Well, I have a great deal of respect for the sponsor, but when -- when are we going to denounce the theory that more regulation is going to cure the gun problem that we have? We have more regulation in the State of Illinois when it comes to our

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Second Amendment than just about any other state. We have a FOID card that is a duplicity from the federal law. Now we're putting another duplicity, a -- a regulatory duplicity. This -- this isn't going to prevent gun crime. As the previous speaker just said, any gun that was sold by an authorized dealer, those -- those aren't the guns used in crimes. The guns used in crimes are bought illegally. I just -- I -- I wish we could have an honest conversation and denounce the idea that more regulation is going to -- is going to solve it. That's obviously, through -- through logic and proof - in the City of Chicago, mind you - that that is not the case. Chicago has more gun crime than anywhere else in the United States and it has the most gun regulation. So if you want to vote for this bill for whatever reason you have, go right ahead, but don't do it because you think it's going to stop gun crime. It's the most ridiculous thing -- the most ridiculous argument we have here and I wish we would stop it. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, help me understand what the -- what will be the added cost as a result of this bill to a -- to a gun dealer?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:



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Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator, for the question. The licensing fee will be set by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation {sic} (Department of Financial and Professional Regulation). I trust that the Governor's department will set a relatively low fee. If you look at fees across other professions, they -- especially at this level of -- of sort of a -- a retail or a retail service, they are really relatively low. So I -- it is not specified in the bill. It will be set by rule, but I do not expect it to be burdensome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To -- to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCARTER:

You know, this -- this unknown causes a problem because, you know, we may -- you may believe that because we have a Governor at this time that may set a -- a low fee that is not a hurdle for staying in business. A Governor in the future may not think that guns should be around at all and that fee would go up to a point that would take them immediately out of business. If -- you know, I -- I think if this was -- if we had thought through this a little more, maybe there would have been amount. But here's -- here's the problem: Again, like one of the previous speakers, the -- the people that you're overregulating or the -- these small legitimate gun dealers in my district, these are not -- and to -- to tag on one -- what one of the other speakers said, this is not where criminals go to get guns. And these folks are just trying to make

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a living. They're not getting -- they're not getting rich at this; they're just taking care of their families. And in addition, we're -- we're not -- you know, gun violence is -- is -- is an awful thing and I -- and I heard -- one of the speakers said -- mentioned the unconscionable tolerance for violence. You know, just because someone may be against this increased regulation, as I am, doesn't mean I fit that qualification. Now just because gun violence hasn't touched my family directly, doesn't mean that I'm tolerant of violence. I think that's -- I don't think that's accurate, but I'm -- I'm not going to -- I don't want anybody judging my intentions here, just like I'm not going to judge yours, 'cause I haven't had the same experiences that you've had. But, to -- I have to stand up today and protect those small, legitimate, many family-owned gun shops in my rural district. And you, making the effort to do something good - I -- I -- I understand that - are really just putting them out of business. And I've heard from them and they've -- they can't -- they can't -- I mean, these are -- these are folks that are going to have to look for something else to do, 'cause they're going to be out of business. I -- I urge a No vote and I urge that we -- none of us be tolerant of violence, even if it hasn't come to our home yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McConchie, for what purpose you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Thank you. Senator Harmon, you, I think, mentioned in the

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beginning that forty percent of the illegal guns in Chicago come from three dealers. You can correct me if I misheard you on that. Can you tell me approximately the -- the number of firearms that are sold by those dealers that are of most concern to you and -- and the reason why you're bringing this forward?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm trying to get some of the details. Let me be very clear, though. Forty percent of the guns recovered from crimes in Chicago trace back to Illinois gun dealers. Of the total, seventeen percent, or almost half of that forty percent, trace back to just three dealers. I do not know their total sales volume, but over a five-year period, that's -- I -- I will -- I will check the number and get back to you if -- if I'm wrong, but my recollection is somewhere between three and five thousand guns traced back to those three dealers over a five-year period.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

So, can you then -- you -- you said that you've exempted the -- the -- the very large dealers who's less than twenty percent of their sales come from firearms because, you know, that they show there's not a lot of -- of these type of guns end up in the City, if I heard you correctly. Why is that you've then gone all the way down to ten firearms a year, which has -- would affect large numbers of very small dealers, many of whom are in other parts of the State and are unlikely to ever have, you know, their firearms

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ever travel into these violent areas?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. We are exempting not large dealers, but folks that deal in guns as -- incidental to a larger business, a sporting goods store or a department store. And that is, as you said, because those guns don't have any record of being traced back to crimes in large numbers. I'm trying to build support for the bill, Senator. There are folks that wish we didn't exempt the first ten guns for a small dealer and would like us to regulate them all. If -- if you are telling me that if I increase that ten to twenty or fifty or one hundred, you will vote for it, I'm happy to consider that amendment. I don't believe I'm going to gain many votes if I increase the threshold for small sales from ten a year to something north of there. But tell me if I'm wrong.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

So, why is that we couldn't just draft this in some respect to address the -- the three dealers that -- that you're referring to?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

I am so glad you asked that question, Senator, 'cause that was my initial idea. Let's just regulate the gun dealers who've -- who have had hundreds of guns traced back from crime scenes to -- to -- to their source. Can't do it. You know why? 'Cause the

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NRA owns Washington and they have made sure that we cannot use federal trace data for any purpose other than the direct crime for which it's being investigated. I would love to do that. I would love to regulate the dealers who are selling guns to criminals in large numbers, but we can't, because we -- we are prohibited by federal law from using that information in that way.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Thank you for -- again, I'll echo what my colleagues have said in regards to the attempt to try to address the issue here. Unfortunately, I think that, again, this is very expansive towards some very small dealers with indeterminate costs to be able to know how much this is going to be, whether or not this would end up as a result of significant numbers of very small dealers, perhaps in very rural areas of the State, of being forced out of business, maybe not under this Governor, but under a future Governor. And given that, I -- I think, unequal playing field, I -- I encourage a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have some questions for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. And I really am on the fence on this. I certainly recognize we have big violence issues, particularly in the Chicago metro area, and we need to do everything we possibly can to address that. So what I'd like to know is, one, how does this proposal - how would it actually take guns off the street? How would it help the problem, practically speaking?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you for the question, Senator. It would give law enforcement and the State tools it does not have today to interact with gun dealers and to go back and say, for instance, "You know, three hundred guns we've recovered from crimes in the last three years traced back to this store. Can you tell us why? Can you show us your records? Can you show us to whom these guns were sold?" Is there a pattern of selling to the same people over and over again? Is there a pattern of straw purchasers that you should have identified? That's the tool we're looking for. That's the tool we don't have today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Does it do any other things? I -- I guess I was told, and I want to check this, that it would require people who work in gun shops to have FOID cards. It would require security systems so that guns would be less likely to be stolen -- stole.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you for the question, Senator. We have been so deep in the philosophy of this bill that we have not been talking about some of those specifics. But, yes, it would require a licensing scheme where gun dealers that -- need -- need to have their employees with FOID cards and background checks. There would -- there is some tracking of the sales and videotaping on the premises if you have a -- an actual store, rather than a -- a dealer that works without a store. Were there other things that you wanted to -- to dive into on that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Well, no, but I'm just trying to strike a balance in my own mind, because I do certainly have a lot of sympathy for the regulatory burden that this is going to place on downstate gun shops that probably are not part of the problem, and how can we narrow it, you know, to the area where we're having the issue? Because I think if they have to store -- in addition to the licensure fee, if they have to install security equipment, that's an additional expense. I, frankly, think everybody who works there probably ought to have a FOID card. But is there any way we could have like tiers of it as -- you know, that we could make it easier for the -- the downstate smaller operations not to be as impacted as some of these large folks in the problem areas?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you for an excellent idea. Again, there have been some frustrations in trying to use the tools we have today to do that sort of tiering, but I think that we can and I would work with you, if this bill passes, to work with the Department. I think we could do tiered licensing fees based on volume. I think you could certainly make sure that the license fee for a smaller dealer pales in comparison to someone that's selling thousands of guns a year. I think we could do that. I would like to refine this very much. I've been frustrated that, given the restrictions of federal law, some of those obvious tools to do that are kept from us, but I do think administratively the Department can attack that issue. I also want to say, I hope that -- that most of the twenty-four hundred gun dealers in Illinois are, in fact, law-abiding gun dealers and that we can track so many of these guns to a handful of suburban stores - it raises a red flag. But remember how many guns are trafficked in from Mississippi or Missouri or Alabama or Indiana. You carried that wonderful bill last year that dealt with gun trafficking. It's not certain to me that a gun dealer in far southern Illinois might not be the source of gun -- guns that end up in -- used in crimes in Chicago. I hope that if we are consistent and diligent in our regulation of Illinois gun dealers, we will mitigate that possibility. I would love to work with you to do more on out-of-state guns coming in too. We just have limited tools, as Illinois legislators, in attacking a problem in Mississippi or in Indiana.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Well, I, too, would really like to work on that, because I



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think there is a balance to be had here. I really do. But I would feel a lot more comfortable working with you before we pass it than after we pass it. So, I certainly would commit to vote for something that addresses some of the concerns legitimate that have been -- been raised. So, I mean, I'd love it if you'd pull it out of the record and we could try to work some on it, otherwise I -- right now, I'd have to vote No because I really am sensitive to the regulatory burden.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. I was going to save some of this for my closing, but I think this is the appropriate time to -- to raise it. We have to do something. Every time we try to do something, no, it's not good enough. I introduced this bill in 2003. I've introduced it in every General Assembly since then and it's never good enough. And we never get cooperation from the NRA and from the folks that protect the gun industry. We've reached a point where the manufacturers are neutral on this bill. We've gone an awful long way, but I'm not going to get a lick of cooperation from the NRA if we can't pass this out of the Senate. We do that, I will sit down with 'em again and I will be happy to try to work with them on some more compromises. But we need to move this bill and I would certainly hope you'd reconsider your position, Senator Radogno, and vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Well, could we do it -- I mean, we've got thirty days left,

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and I do think it's urgent and I think that the increase in violence is making it more urgent every day. And I certainly understand your frustration. Would you be willing at least to see if we could sit down with them quickly within the next week and do that - I'm sure the Senate President might allow an extension on this - and see if we can come up with something that is a little more workable? I -- I want to support something like this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Senator Radogno, I know that you are sincere and genuine in your statement and your willingness to work with me, but I have been sold that bill of goods by the NRA for fifteen years. And at this point, I'm not prepared to take it out of the record. I'm disappointed that you won't be able to support it, but if this bill passes the Senate, when this bill passes the Senate, I'm still happy to sit down with you and with anyone else and try to make sure it's an even better bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR NYBO:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR NYBO:

Leader, you and I have had a lot of conversations about a lot of different subjects. If there's anybody in this Chamber whose request to continue to work on a bill I think should be respected, I think it's Leader Radogno. I think it's a -- a reasonable

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request and I'd ask you to take it under consideration again and think about who's making the request.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon, to close.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I introduced this bill fifteen years ago. It was part of Mayor Daley's package of gun bills and I was an enthusiastic sponsor and I had sponsored all the other bills - one gun a month, the assault weapons ban, all of these things. I will tell you, because of my colleagues in this Chamber, my views on guns have changed dramatically over those fifteen years. I grew up in a town without guns, at least no guns that we knew about, but I learned from Senator Sullivan and from others -- from Senator Forby, folks who are no longer with us, that in their homes, guns were a tool. Everybody had guns. You got one when you were twelve or ten for hunting and they're not scary. It's just something that's in my house. I understand that and I have learned to appreciate that. I really have. And I don't -- I no longer subscribe to those simple popular political bills that just say we're going to -- we're going to cease -- you know, you can't buy more than one gun a month. That's not going to solve the problem, but somewhere between a gun manufacturer and a crime scene is somebody pretending to be a law-abiding gun owner who's not. Somebody in the legitimate stream of commerce buys a gun with the intent of giving it or reselling it to criminals. And the incentives are skewed all over the place. Every gun that's recovered from a crime scene is another gun that's got to be purchased from the gun manufacturers. You go to one of these suburban gun dealers and

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you -- what do you -- what do you hear? They push you to buy a gun and they push you to join the NRA. And meanwhile, a few blocks from my house, kids are getting shot on a regular basis, not just in the City of Chicago, but in Oak Park. And I'm lucky. I have colleagues in this Chamber who see kids get shot in front of their house - and, God damn it, we do nothing! Over and over and over again, we do nothing. I'm not asking for much. I'm asking to give local law enforcement the tools to go into the bad actors and say, "Why'd you sell fifty guns to one guy last month?" Is that so much to ask? The federal gun dealer license costs two hundred dollars, ninety dollar renewal. I don't see the State being even that expensive. We're not going to put people out of business, believe me. There will always be guns for sale. Can you help us in our neighborhoods, where fourteen-year-olds are shooting each other because guns are so easily available? We got to do something. This isn't perfect. I've talked about it in committee several times. One of, I believe, Franklin Roosevelt's sayings, "When you're facing a problem, do something. If it doesn't work, do something else." I'd like to do something, finally, after fifteen years. Can you please help me and vote Aye?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1657 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 30 voting Aye, 21 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1657, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go back to our regular order, page 28, Senate Bill... Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR ANDERSON:

I'm -- want to ask for a roll call verification on that last vote, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Anderson has requested a roll call verification. Will all Members please be in their seats? Will all Members please be in their seats? Senator Anderson has requested a roll call verification. The Secretary will read the affirmative votes.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Following Members voted in the affirmative: Senator Aquino, Bennett, Biss, Bush, Castro, Clayborne, Collins, Cunningham, Harmon, Harris, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Landek, Lightford, Link, Martinez, McGuire, Morrison, Mulroe, Muñoz, Murphy, Raoul, Rooney, Sandoval, Silverstein, Steans, Trotter, Van Pelt, and Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Does Senator Anderson question the presence of any Member voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Senator Silverstein, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Can we check the men's restroom, please? Wasn't feeling too well. Senator Silverstein. Senator Anderson, do you question any of the other -- presence of any other Member voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Mr. President, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

On a verified roll call, there are 30 Ayes, 21 Nay, 1 voting

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Present. Having -- having received the required constitutional majority, Senate Bill 1657 is declared passed. Page 28 on the Calendar, Senate Bill 1759. Senator Cunningham. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1759.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1759 amends the Sex Offender Registration Act. This is an initiative that was brought to me by several members of the Chicago Police Department Sex Offender Registration Unit. They wanted our help in clearing up some uncertainty in the -- in the law in the wake of a couple of Appellate Court decisions. To that end, the bill seeks to clarify the differences between the terms "report" and "register" in the law, as well as the definition of the term "fixed residence". It also allows the DOC-issued ID cards to serve as a accurate photo identification for an offender when he or she registers with the police. I know of no opposition of the bill. I'd be happy to answer any questions and I ask for the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1759 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting

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Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1759, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1760. Senator McGuire. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1761. Senator Biss. No, correction. Senate Bill 1773. Senator Harmon. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1773.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Out of the record. We'll come back to that. Out of the record. 1774 out of the record. Senate Bill 1775. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1780. Senator Anderson. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1781. Senator Collins. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1781.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1781 is a trailer bill to House Bill 6328. Basically, extends the sunset date for the Cook County pilot program which requires an expungement fee to be waived for certain individuals, from January 1st, 2018 to January 1st, 2019. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1781 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1781, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to Senate Bill 1780. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1780.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I -- I apologize, I -- I didn't see it come up. This Senate Bill 1780 allows the Office of the State Fire Marshal to administer grants outside of the General Revenue Fund grants. This allows the Office of the State Fire Marshal to reimburse members of the Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Committee, instead of the Office of the Governor. I know of no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1780 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 55 voting Aye, 0 voting



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Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1780, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1782. Senate Bill 1783. Senator Stadelman. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1790. Senator Stadelman. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 1790.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1790 would allow emergency refills of expired prescriptions. A pharmacist would be able to dispense these prescriptions when certain criteria are met. The motivation for this legislation is actually personal. I have a thirteen-year-old son at the time who is a type 1 diabetic, and on the weekend and when we were on vacation, he suddenly tells us that he has no insulin, he's out of needles, and that was a potentially life-threatening situation because we were not able to reach a doctor over the weekend to try to get the authorization for the refill. I felt like there are a lot of people that potentially are in that situation. So Senate Bill 1790 is a result of an agreed bill process with the Pharmacists Association and the State Medical Society that would, again, allow pharmacists to refill a prescription without doctor authorization provided that certain conditions are met and that the bill limits these emergency prescription refills to the -- to the supply needed during the emergency period, not exceeding thirty

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days -- thirty days. Again, this is an agreed bill process. Again, I think we -- it's a reasonable resolution to prevent a potentially life-threatening situation. I know of no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote. Happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

It's a -- question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, I support this. I know we had this discussion, but I can't remember, does this allow for -- or is there a position -- a way we can clarify the ability for a person to have unlimited number of refills? So, instead of a person going back to the doctor and getting a -- a prescription for it, would this allow that thirty day to -- to be continuous? And I don't know, if it's not addressed, maybe that could be either addressed in the rule process or addressed in the House if that's not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you for the question. It's not addressed in this legislation. If it's -- I'm certainly willing to have it addressed in the rules process. That may be the solution. I guess the question becomes -- I think in -- for the majority of situations, majority of the people, this once authorization will take care of the problem and most people after that will get the authorization.

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But in case that thirty-day window expires and they're in that same situation again, I guess you're -- you don't want to be in position where you're preventing someone from getting potentially lifesaving medication. One of the criteria that's involved is that a pharmacist's professional judgment determines that interrupt -- interruption of therapy or medication would produce undesirable consequences or patient suffering. So we do not want to be in a position of making that judgment if -- if there would be a second time that emergency authorization would be needed. But, you know, if it becomes a problem down the road, I'm certain to revisit legislation, but maybe the rules process will help provide further clarification.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I think that raises then a -- a follow-up question that -- that what -- what you explained is the pharmacy -- the...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

So the...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sorry, Senator. Go ahead. You -- finish your question.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

So I -- I guess the concern is, there will be, I think, very few pharmacists that would be a -- would be afraid to say I'm not going to fill that under that law in case there was a legitimate reason. So -- and unfortunately, we pass a lot of bills down here that go after those -- the small amount of people that do abuse

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things. So, I don't know, again, it may have to be clarified. I just look at what is the worst possible scenario and -- and that could be a person abusing it by going in there and saying, "I want to get this renewed again", and the pharmacist being afraid not to in case the person does have a -- a reaction and they weren't given that medication, that the litigation would be pretty extensive for that pharmacy for doing that. So... But, again, I think it's a great idea. I just -- and I don't know if it has to be done by -- if rule can address that or if there has to be something done with an amendment later to address it. But I just raise that as a potential problem. So, thank you -- thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Stadelman, to close.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

I do appreciate the point and the question. I just want to clarify that the -- the pharmacist must inform the patient that prescriber authorization is required for future refills, so the point is made. Again, I appreciate the concerns, but, again, this is good legislation. This potentially saves a life down the road. So I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1790 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1790, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1795. Senator Stadelman. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1795.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1795 addresses the problem of blighted and abandoned properties in neighborhoods. Under the State's Blight Reduction Program, before any property can be demolished, a local government or a nonprofit partner must purchase the -- the property for a price sufficient to discharge liens and redeem unpaid taxes. Of course, the problem is, is if that property owner cannot be found, there are problems in trying to acquire that property. That grant money cannot be used in the situation and the eyesore sits in the -- in the neighborhood. So what this does, it addresses the problem by allowing properties acquired through the Blight Reduction Program to be free and clear of unpaid taxes and liens. Again, it's -- the goal is to help expedite the process of local governments and nonprofits getting rid of these eyesores. I'm happy to answer any questions. I ask for an Aye vote. I -- I'm not aware of any opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1795 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 52 voting Aye, 0 voting

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Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1795, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1796. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1799. Senator Mulroe. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1799.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1799 provides that juveniles must appear in front of a judicial officer within forty-eight hours of being taken into custody, including weekends and court holidays. Currently, it's forty hours, but excludes Saturday, Sunday and holidays, which would -- in some cases, the juvenile could be in there for over eighty hours. In Cook County, it's currently the juveniles appear before a judicial officer within twenty-four hours, which is an ideal goal, but impractical in some areas of the State. That's why we picked forty. The bill also allows chief judges of the circuit court to create a rule permitting the minor to appear in court by means of a two-way audio-visual communication. I'm happy to take any questions. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1799 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1799, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we will be going back to Senate Bill 1720. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1720.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1720 deals with the issue of wage theft. Obviously, most businesses in Illinois are honorable and don't participate in wage theft. The problem, though, is that of those who do, of the few that do, most are not detected. And so this bill seeks to create a -- a further disincentive on those businesses that would consider this practice and it does two things. Number one, it says that such a business is, subsequent to conviction, prohibited from doing business with the State for five years. And second of all, it increases penalty somewhat for such businesses as well. This is an important problem and hopefully this bill would be a step in the right direction. Would -- happy -- happy to take any questions and would be appreciative of your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR HOLMES:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Senator, this bill that you are proposing, does this actually expand the definition?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Not at all.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes, to the bill. I want to bring up..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

...bill, Senator.

SENATOR HOLMES:

...I want to bring up some point that people may not be thinking about. I mean, obviously, when we look at wage theft, we look at the harm it does to the actual employee, but there is also a broader effect that that has on all of the rest of us in the economy, because what happens is very often when you have these issues of wage theft, you're also talking about people who are already earning lower wages and what happens is then, when those people end up not making the wages they should be making and they're making even less than that, that gives them less money to put back into the economy. So that has an impact on all the rest of us. I think there's -- there's a number here that I read that



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I thought was a little bit astonishing, is that Illinois spends six billion a year on public assistance to people in working families. So I think what we want to make sure we're doing is, we want to make sure that our working families are not needing public assistance and those unscrupulous employers who do end up cheating their employees are in essence cheating all of the rest of us that live in Illinois. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Biss, we had a long discussion in committee and I think it's time to revisit that discussion. Give me an example of wage theft.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Let's say a employer doctors time sheets to change the record that indicates that a worker's been on the job for a half hour less every day than that worker actually was there and therefore reduces wages by -- by a half hour's worth each day.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Is that an in-house lawyer or a contract lawyer?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

I'm sorry, I think you misheard. I said "employer", not lawyer. I understand that you have a kind of paranoia that we're often attacking lawyers, but I -- I said employer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Senator Biss. Even better. So this -- let's just say ABC company doesn't -- someone in ABC company has doctored the time sheets. Let's just say that. Or maybe -- let me ask you this: Could someone be in violation of the Wage Payment and Collection Act/Minimum Wage Law through inadvertence, Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

..Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

I would be curious to hear the example you have in mind.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Somebody makes a mistake and they put three hours versus five hours' work. It's an inadvertent mistake by a bookkeeper. Is that -- is -- is that the type of wage theft that would -- that would bring this type of claim?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Well, first of all, there's the word -- the phrase "willful or repeated" {sic} (repeated or willful) in the bill, which I think

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is important, but I would also say that theft is theft. And so, in a situation where wages are taken inadvertently and then returned, there's not a problem. In a situation where wages are taken allegedly inadvertently, but the worker winds up without the wages, that's an act of theft, no different than I inadvertently stole money out of your wallet right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Actually, your bill says willfully...(microphone cutoff)...repeatedly. So, if someone inadvertently makes the same -- repeats that mistake, they would be subject of -- they would be subject to being a Class 4 felon. Isn't that correct, sir?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

That's right. So, if someone -- if an employer on multiple occasions supposedly accidentally steals their employees' wages, then I think something real bad has happened.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Well, let's -- let's get to the bottom of the bill -- or the bottom of my concern. Who is the defendant in your claim? Is it the bookkeeper, who might be a single mother, who's got the babysitter calling her saying, you got to get out of here -- you know, you got to come back. It's the end of the day. They make -- they make a mistake. Is it the CEO, who doesn't even know that this is going on? Is it -- who is the party defendant that is

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going to be subject to a felony - a felony - in your bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

You know, Senator, I think you have articulated a really important problem we have when it comes to corporate accountability in America, because it's easy for everyone to point at somebody else, but at the bottom line, there has to be an effort to hold someone accountable, and if there isn't some kind of penalty in place, I think we can expect this type of practice to continue far more often than it ought to. And typically in these situations, the effort would go to find the highest possible place where there has been a decision being made. So, for example, if the bookkeeper is being ordered to do this by his or her superior, the superior, I think, in most cases would be the person who is pursued by the prosecution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

I know it's getting late. It's 3rd Reading deadline and tomorrow's canceled, so I'll get to the bottom of it. And I appreciate the Senator answering the questions, but the -- the same questions were asked in committee and they've not been answered, which is namely, who is the party defendant in this case that could be subject -- could be subject to being a felon based

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on inadvertent conduct? And also, under administrative agencies that do not have the same burden of proof, the same offers of proof that you do in a criminal court? And -- and I -- I just find this troubling. This -- this Body, particularly this Chamber, has done more to work on -- on criminal justice reform over the past three months than any other Chamber probably in the Midwest, if not the country, and this turns that whole spirit on its head. We're now going to try to find people to make felons, even for inadvertent conduct, and I -- I implore all of you to vote No to this rotten bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Once again, Senator, I think you've come up with a severely flawed bill. You know what? Inadvertent mistakes qualify. A second inadvertent mistake is classified as repeated and is a Class -- Class 3 felony, the same as aggravated battery. The first time it's a Class 4. It's the same as aggravated assault or stalking. I mean, as -- as if -- I mean, and -- and that fine, remember this, twenty-five-thousand-dollar fine on a Class 3. As -- as if the situation in this State isn't bad enough with pathetic growth rate, mass exodus of those with capital leaving the State, you want to put more people at risk? Again, once again, severely flawed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, would you describe for us what happens now, without this bill, under the circumstances that you were describing, where an employer willfully misrepresents hours worked and is -- is truly doing some bad things?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Senator, and I really appreciate the question. I think you're getting to the bottom of this issue in a -- in a very helpful way. Right now, an employer who would be in trouble under this bill is already in trouble, is already pursued through the criminal justice process and there's a misdemeanor claim. And what this bill does is it increases the penalty somewhat, by one step, and additionally says that such a company then can't do business with the State of Illinois. We're not changing, as the previous questioner asked, we're not changing the definition of what counts as wage theft. We're not making it easier to prosecute. We're not making it easier to convict. We're not even making it easier to catch people. We're saying that in the relatively rare instances when someone is caught, there's a somewhat bigger penalty so as to have a disincentive. And why is that important? Because notwithstanding the highly complex and - - and -- and fantastical examples given by some of the previous questioners, what happens in real life today isn't that people are

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punished for doing something inadvertently, isn't the bookkeeper, who made an honest mistake, is being pursued, what's happening instead is that businesses -- the few businesses that do this typically get away with it. And what we're trying to do is say, hey, we want a disincentive so that even fewer businesses do it, so that, by the way, the great majority of businesses that don't do it, that play by the rules, that do what they ought to do, don't have to fight on an uneven playing field.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, if you're saying that people can violate the law now and get away with it, I don't know why they couldn't violate the law and still get away with it after this bill. This bill is -- is not creating a different category. It's increasing the penalties, and I understand that. And, quite frankly, I could understand increasing the penalties under the description that you were providing where somebody is willfully wantonly trying to truly cheat an employee. I have no patience, no respect for anybody that would do anything like this and I don't think anybody in this room does. However, if you'll remember in our discussion in committee, the example that you gave, I believe it was you, was quite different from that. You gave as an example a situation where an employer believes an employee is an independent contractor, but later on it's determined that the employee is an employee and not an independent contractor. That would subject the company or somebody within the company - we're not sure what - to criminal prosecution over a -- a difference of opinion, basically. And that's why I object to this. When -- when you

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start to call those types of actions wage theft, you've already reached a conclusion that the employer has somehow done something horribly wrong. If they've done something horribly wrong, we want to punish them. Where they have a difference of opinion, however, I believe it should operate as it does today, where this gets resolved in small claims court. I believe our system works well as it is and we ought to continue in that regard, rather than doing one...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator, close. Can you wrap it up, Senator?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

...rather than doing one more thing that implies that entrepreneurs and business people are bad and that we should punish them even more severely with criminal prosecution. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you. To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR TRACY:

As the previous speakers have -- have mentioned, inadvertent mistakes repeated in nature can lead to some employer becoming a felon. If this were saying only willful actions will lead to becoming a felon, that would be fair, as -- as Senator Oberweis mentioned. We don't want to tolerate that kind. But the language of this bill is not written that way. It says that if a person has admitted guilt - fine, that would be a willful action, but --



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or liability. We request a lot -- or we impose a lot of obligations on employers. I've seen a situation many times where employers are asked to collect child support payments. Their bookkeeper programs it in to their database and -- and runs that payroll weekly. But sometimes they get that calculation wrong or sometimes that child support amount changes and it's an inadvertent mistake. It goes on for a period of time. That employer, who never directly did that, could become a felon, a Class 4 felon for this simple error. That was not willful. We're asking him to do things that it could be classified, one, as wage theft and then the employee -- or the employer could become a convicted felon. Again, it's bad policy. It says "repeated or willful". I ask the sponsor to consider clarifying this so we don't capture the innocent employers. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Castro, for what purpose you seek recognition?

SENATOR CASTRO:

...bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR CASTRO:

You know, I've -- I've heard a lot of arguments on -- on the other side and -- and I can appreciate where everyone's coming from, but, however, if you have a bookkeeper that constantly makes errors, it's time to get a new bookkeeper. This bill makes sure Illinoisans -- Illinois workers, especially low-income workers, and these are who are impacted the most by wage theft, because they get their overtime robbed or they have their hours changed, these are the folks that get impacted the most and we should

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protect them, and those employers who willfully violate the law should be punished to discourage it, because, you know what, those folks contribute to our economy. They have less money because they're being robbed. Who loses? Illinois loses. So I urge an Aye vote to support the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

You wish to close, Senator? Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you for the debate. A few things. First of all, there seems to be some concern about inadvertent, but repeated violations. Look, "repeated" means it happens, you're convicted, you're punished, and then afterwards you do it again. It's just not that someone makes the same bookkeeping -- bookkeeping -- bookkeeping mistake twice in a row. I think let's -- let's be clear about that. I just think we should look at the reality of the situation here. Throughout this discussion - throughout the discussion that we had on the Floor, in committee, before committee, since committee - no one has brought me an example of someone who was unjustly penalized for wage theft, nobody. I've -- I've not been shown a single example. On the other hand, we know that this happens and we know that there are times that companies get away with it. We're just trying to level the playing field somewhat. It's logical, it's sensible, it's fair. It's going to be good for workers and it's going to be good -- be good for the overwhelming majority of Illinois businesses that play by the rules and follow the law. Please vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1720 pass. All those in

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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 30 voting Aye, 22 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1720, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Righter, for what purpose you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would seek a verification on the most recent roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Righter has requested a verification. Will all Members please be in their seats? And before we do the verification, I'm letting everyone know we're going to put the timer on. We still have a lot of bills to get through. To be fair to everybody, I didn't think that the discussions were going to go this long. We're going to have the timer put on for every bill, starting next one. The Secretary will read the affirmative votes.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Members voting in the affirmative: Senator Aquino, Bennett, Biss, Bush, Castro, Clayborne, Collins, Tom Cullerton, Cunningham, Harmon, Holmes, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jones, Koehler, Lightford, Link, Manar, Martinez, McGuire, Mulroe, Muñoz, Murphy, Raoul, Sandoval, Silverstein, Steans, Trotter, Van Pelt, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Does Senator Righter question the presence of any Member voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Clayborne, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Clayborne. Senator Clayborne's in the rear of the Chamber, right there. Is there any other Member? Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Lightford. She is in her chair, Senator. Any other Member?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

No, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

On a verified roll call, there are 30 Ayes, 0 {sic} (22) Nays, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, Senate Bill 1720 is declared passed. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed on your personal privilege.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, I just happen to have the future State Senator of the 48th Legislative District, Leo Solomon, here. He is the son of my Legislative Assistant, Natalia. He's a student at Rochester Elementary School, who plays football and soccer, but he's told me his intention is to unseat Senator Manar when he becomes of age. So, I -- I'd like to -- for you all to give him a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Welcome to the Senate. Senator Jones, for what purpose you

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seek recognition?

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed on your announcement.

SENATOR JONES:

Today -- one of our staff members, Damani Bolden, is leaving us this week. Tomorrow is his last day. As you all know, Damani is -- he's been a part of my staff ever since he graduated from the University of Illinois. He's moving back to Chicago to move on to bigger and better things, but I'm quite sure we will all see Damani's face around here in the near future. So please congratulate him, as tomorrow is his last day and we won't be in Session tomorrow. Good luck, Damani.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Thank you for your service to the Senate. Wish you all the best. Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

I'd like the record to reflect I would have been a No vote on Senate Bill 1720, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The record will reflect a No vote on Senate Bill 1720. We have the timer on, Ladies and Gentlemen. We will now proceed through the rest of the Calendar. Senate Bill 1804. Senator Syverson. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1804.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1804 deals with video gaming and it does a number of things. First, it increases penalties for violations. Second, it increases the terminal handler's fee of the annual -- their annual fee to one hundred dollars, from fifty dollars. And then after lengthy negotiations with Laura Murphy, we have added a registration fee for first-time locations for two hundred and fifty dollars as well. So this is a revenue generator. I'm not sure if it'll close the budget gap, but it is a -- it cleans up a number of those issues and be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, on that question, shall Senate Bill 1804 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 51 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1804, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1805. Senator Syverson. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1805.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. -- thank you, Mr. President. I forgot to mention on the previous bill, there was -- we did include Senator Link's gaming bill as part of that as well, but thank you for your vote. On 1805, this is -- this only adds the veterans' preference to the Riverboat Casino {sic} (Gambling) Act. We have other preferences on there and -- and veterans was admitted in the past and it just adds veteran preference to it. Know of no opposition and ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1805 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 50 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1805, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1807. Senator Harmon. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1807 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 1807. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon, on the amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor

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Amendment No. 4.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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:

Floor Amendment No. 5, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 5.

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, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1807.

(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. As you may know, municipalities typically give a franchise to one



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waste hauler to haul, for instance, your municipal garbage. They come around once a week and pick up your garbage. A few municipalities have given a franchise to construction and demolition debris haulers. So if you remodel your kitchen once every fifteen or twenty years and you have a -- a -- a dump -- dumpster in front of your house and you fill it up with the remnants, when that gets hauled off, you would have to use the franchised hauler. We understand that the municipalities have done that, and in this bill, we say, going forward, no more municipalities can do that, because it's just not a service - that fits the model of a natural monopoly. We are grandfathering those municipalities that have already entered into the franchises so that they can continue to do so, but we're trying to make sure that going forward the markets are competitive and that all the haulers can compete. I have been able to negotiate with the stakeholders to eliminate opposition from all but a couple of the municipal solid waste agencies that governments have come together. We're happy to continue conversations with them, but we have not yet made progress towards a final compromise. I'd like to send the bill over to the House. It's a good bill in its current form. I'm happy to see if we can make it a better bill, but I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1807 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1807, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1811. Senator Althoff. Senator Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1811 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 1811. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment 2 does become the bill and I'll explain it on 3rd.

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, Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1811.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This legislation was

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requested by Teladoc, and that's a company that actually provides telemedicine services, so we've created the Telehealth Act. This Act clearly authorizes licensed health care professionals in Illinois to practice telehealth services. It clarifies the telehealth services are limited to the professional's scope of practice under their license. It clarifies the telehealth services are to be provided under the same standard of care as in-person services. It amends the Medical Practice Acts to clarify telemedicine, which is also telehealth, can be practiced in the State of Illinois. I'm very proud of this legislation. I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1811 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1811, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1818. Senator Althoff. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Oh! Senator Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1818 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1818. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Althoff, on your amendment.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

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Mr. President, I'd like to adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

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, Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1818.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, again, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1818 is actually a -- regulatory rollback for Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Act. Amendment 2 that we had just adopted removes some components of the Act, notably the supervisory association manager and community association manager firm licenses, and it reduces future barriers to entry into this profession, which help create -- which helps create jobs and reduces the Department's future costs. It also enables the Department to effectively regulate the CAM service provider, thus protecting the consumer better. Like to thank Representative Elaine Nekritz, who has been my partner on all of these condo

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association bills. She is carrying the bill in the House and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1818 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1818, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1821. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1833. Senator Mulroe. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1833.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1833 corrects a drafting omission that was made in Public Act 98-0978. It amends the Illinois Insurance Code to restore permission of -- for large commercial insurance customers to buy their insurance from insurers regulated in Illinois with requiring -- without requiring certain policy forms be filed with the Department of Insurance. I know of no opponents. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1833 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye.

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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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1833, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1834. Senator Mulroe. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1834.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, again, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1834 amends the Collateral Recovery Act. It clarifies that companies that auction vehicles that have been repossessed or serve as middlemen between financial institutions and repossession companies do not have to comply with the requirements of the Collateral Recovery Act that applies to repossession companies. I know of no opposition. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1834 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1834, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1838. Senator Manar. Out of the

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record. Senate Bill 1839. Senator Manar. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1840. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1842. Senator Raoul. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1843. Senator Raoul. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1845. Senator Hunter. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1845.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. 1845 allows the Department of Children and Family Services to implement a differential response program. I passed this bill several years ago. It was signed into law; however, the previous administration decided that they -- they weren't interested in the bill, so the new director would like to bring this important initiative back, and so this is definitely a initiative of the Department. And it basically gives support to families that -- that are in their care. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1845 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1845, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll be going back to

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Senate Bill 1842 for Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1842.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1842 provides that a person commits the offense of aggravated kidnapping, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, and -- unlawful use of a weapon when the person commits the prosecuted {sic} act and -- and affixes or manipulates a mask, cloth, or garment in order to conceal his or her identity -- that an enhancement will take place.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

There any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1842 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1842, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Back to page 30. Senate Bill 1846. Senator Hunter. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1846.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)



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Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you. Thank you, once again, Mr. President. This is a recommendation of the -- one -- some of the constituents in my district and basically amends the School Code to collect -- to include collection of data regarding asthma. Right now, we have -- we have a -- a -- a data mechanism in place to -- to collect data on obesity and disability, but now we're looking at gathering more data on asthma so that we -- we can improve the conditions of people with asthma in the State. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1846 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 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1846, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. As many of you may or may not know, today is the last day for my Legislative Assistant, Paige Windgassen, and I wanted to thank her for all her help, as I am a new -- new Senator. She also served for several years under Senator Noland. She's on to a career at the American Heart

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Association. So please wish her well, and if you have a chance, stop by after we're done today just to say goodbye. Thank you so much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Thank you for your service. Wish you the best. Senate Bill 1848. Senator Hunter. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1851. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1851.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends the Public Aid Code and what we're doing is changing the references to "long-term care facilities for persons under twenty-two years of age" to "medically complex for the developmentally disabled facilities". I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1851 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1851, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1856. Senator Bivins. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1856.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1856 provides that if the Illinois Department of Labor ascertains the prevailing wage for a public body, then the public body can satisfy the newspaper publication requirements in the Act by posting the Department of Labor's hyperlink to their website. It's an initiative of the Park District Association and the objection was removed with the Senate Floor amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1856 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1856, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1865. Senator Rose. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill. Oh! That is a recall. Senator Rose seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1865 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1865. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Rose, on your amendment.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. If we can adopt the amendment, we will debate it on 3rd, please.

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, Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1865.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's always nice to see you, sir, in the Chair. Senate Bill 1865 would require each public university and community college to submit its policies on crediting for prior learning initiatives for students. With the amendment, I believe it's an agreed bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill

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1865 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 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1865, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1866. Senator Rose. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1866.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a repeat of a bill we had last year that didn't make it through the -- the House process, but it allows -- it -- it allows the agency to "may" assess a fee, as opposed to "shall" assess a fee. In practicality, they really aren't assessing the fees anyway, so they want the flexibility to go ahead and not fee anybody. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1866 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 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1866, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Lightford in the Chair.

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Senator Steans, on Senate Bill 1870. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1870.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you. So nice to see you in the Chair, Madam President. This bill's an initiative of DCFS. It includes proof that an infant's umbilical cord tissues containing any amount of controlled substance among items that may constitute as evidence of neglect of that child. That's the way hospitals now frequently do their testing. And I would encourage an Aye vote. Thanks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1870 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1870, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I just want to let you guys know we're going to pick up the pace so that we can be done here. So please be ready to vote. Senator McGuire, on Senate Bill 1871. Out of the record. Senator Fowler, on Senate Bill 1876. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. First bill. There's a three-minute timer on the first bill. Sorry. Please read your bill. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1876.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. It is an honor to be presenting my first bill today as a Member of the Illinois State Senate. This bill -- this bill simply -- Bill 1876 simply repeals the David A. Wirsing Food Animal Institute Act. The -- it's an initiative of the Department of Agriculture. The Illinois Department of Agriculture supports repealing the David A. Wirsing Fund [sic] (Food) Institute Act, as the Act has never been implemented. Repealing the Act avoids a potential audit finding for the Department. The membership of the board has never been fully established.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Are you done, Senator? Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

I -- I ask for the repealing of the -- of the -- the bill, 1876, and I ask for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Wow! Okay. Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HOLMES:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

He'll -- he'll try, Senator. He indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR HOLMES:

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I understand you're new here and perhaps you don't know a few things on this Floor. You are carrying a piece of legislation that deals with animals?

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Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

That is correct, ma'am.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Perhaps you may not be aware that there is a legislator on this Floor who tends to carry many of the animal bills and I don't know if you asked permission to carry an animal bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

I did not ask permission, but I know Senator -- Senator Anderson or -- or yourself, I'm sure, would be more than -- was more than pleased for me to be carrying this bill on your behalf.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator -- Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I am going to urge the Members of this Chamber to cry "fowl" on this to Senator Fowler and vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

A question of the Sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)



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Sponsor indicates he'll -- he'll give it a shot.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Senator Fowler, this is repealing the David Wirsing Act. Have you contacted Mr. Wirsing and asked him his feelings on this?

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Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Actually, I have not, only because that he actually passed away November the 16th, 2003. So, therefore, I was unable to do so.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

That's a pretty good comeback, but have you contacted their {sic} next of kin at least?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

I have not, but I know they'd be more than appreciative that we're here representing him today and, you know, and maybe we should even possibly have a moment of silence for him, since he passed away in -- you know, fifteen years ago, approximately.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Well, Senator, that's a -- a little too late. We're -- we're supposed to take care of all this in committee, and as a -- a new Member, you should know this. Obviously, you don't know how things work around here. I would -- I -- I would request a No vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Fowler, to close. Oh, I'm sorry, that's a late light. Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Madam President, just a parliamentary inquiry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

State your inquiry, sir.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

I am questioning whether Senator Fowler really represents the area that Gary Forby used to represent. I've understood every word he said.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The Chair would like to decline. Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

I'm much appreciative of that. Thank you so very, very much. I would like to say in closing that what an honor it is for me to be representing the State of Illinois as a State Senator of the 59th District and I look so forward to continuing our -- our long relationship in working together in -- in -- in support of this great State. Thank you so much. I request an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1876 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.. Oh, I'm sorry. Well, there is 50 voting Yea, 4 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1876, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. There are a lot of lights blinking

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and I understand you all want to be recorded as an Aye on that last vote. Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JONES:

Yes, Madam President, I would like to request a verification on that last roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Van Pelt, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR VAN PELT:

Like to request a verification as well and I would...(microphone cutoff)...for my vote to be Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect you intended to vote Aye. Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BUSH:

Something apparently went "fowl" for me also and I missed a vote. I would like to be indicated as a Yes vote on Senator Fowler's first bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect your intentions of voting Aye on Senate Bill 1876. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

Similar - similar defect here. I would like to be recorded as a Yes on that last vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect your intention, Senator. And, Senator Schimpf, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Madam -- Madam President, I was spellbound by Senator Fowler's oratory and could not turn around fast enough to change my vote.

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I'd -- I'd like to be a -- a -- a Yes vote on that as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect your intentions. Thank you. We're moving fast, guys. Senate Bill 1880. Senator Link. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1880.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. This is a -- a bill for the LRB, the -- Legislative Reference Bureau, and it just asks for -- to publish their weekly reports online and it'll save a lot of money. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1880 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 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1880, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Holmes, on Senate Bill 1884. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1884.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Madam President, and nice to see you in the Chair. Senate Bill 1884 provides that a higher -- higher education research facility that utilizes cats and dogs for research and receives public funds that -- receives public funds have an adoption policy and they list it on their website. Also that they have an agreement to work with an animal adoption organization to adopt the animal once the research is done and their vet deems the animal adoptable. Yes, it's an animal bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1884 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. 1884, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Koehler, on 1887. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1887.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is an initiative of the County Assessment Officers. It amends the

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Property Tax Code, providing that homestead exemption for persons with disabilities, veterans with disabilities, and senior citizens will continue when the qualifying individual subsequently becomes a resident of the Supportive Living Program facility. This adds that to a list of six that is very similar, including nursing homes. There's no opposition, I'd appreciate a Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1887 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 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1887, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator McCann, on Senate Bill 1893. Out of the record. Senator McCann, on Senate Bill 1895. Out of the record. Senator Stadelman, on Senate Bill 1898. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1898.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1898 prohibits so-called non-disparagement clauses in consumer contracts. Some businesses have inserted gag clauses in very fine print in service agreements that bar people from criticizing products or services on online review websites. There have been cases across the

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country where some businesses have threatened legal action against complaining customers or slapped them with financial penalties. I think it's a freedom of speech issue. People should be able to provide their honest feedback on products or services without any repercussions. If you want to write a negative online review, you shouldn't face a lawsuit. I'm not aware of any opposition. Happy to answer any questions. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1898 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 49 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1898, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Weaver, on Senate Bill 1900. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1900.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Madam President. This is an agency bill. It amends the Diseased Animal {sic} (Animals) Act to remove the requirement for rules under the Act be printed in pamphlet form. It's now done on the Internet and is furnished to the public free of cost. It's intended to address an audit finding. It was

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unanimous out of committee. There's no known objections. I'd urge a Yes vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1900 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 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1900, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Brady, on Senate Bill 1902. Senator Brady. Out of the record. Senator Silverstein, on Senate Bill 1904. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1904.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. This changes the date by which the Department of Labor must publish the prevailing wage schedule -- I'm sorry, must publish the prevailing wage of -- for each county on the website by August 15th of each year, instead of July 15th.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1904 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who



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wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1904, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1905. Senator Silverstein. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Senator Silverstein -- okay. Mr. Secretary, read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1905.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. This would create the Collective Bargaining Freedom Act. It would prohibit local governments from enacting so-called right-to-work ordinances and vest authority to legislate on collective bargaining matters exclusively with the General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Parliamentary inquiry, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please proceed.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

It's my belief that this would preempt home rule, therefore I'd like a -- a ruling as to the number of votes required for

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passage.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

One moment, Senator. Senator McConchie, can you please identify where you see a home rule preemption in the bill? Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

...you -- thank you, Madam President. I'm looking at page 3, line 24, where it says no local government or political division {sic} (subdivision) is permitted to enact or enforce (any) local law, ordinance, rule, regulation, or the type {sic} (like that) by design (or) application prohibits, restricts, tends to restrict, or regulates the use of union security agreements between the {sic} (an) employer and labor organization as authorized under United States Code and then the reference.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There's no provision in the legislation that says it preempts home rule per Article VII of the Illinois Constitution and it's a thirty-vote requirement. Further discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President. Senator Silverstein, why?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Well, there's some inconsistency around the State about

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whether local governments can do this. Under the National Labor Board {sic} (Relations) Act, under 14(b), the states are -- are -  
- are given the authority to prevent these types of right-to-work acts, not local governments, so we're just being consistent to make it equally balanced throughout the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

You're aware, Senator Silverstein, that there is litigation ongoing right now in, I believe, two different federal Appellate Circuits with regards to this issue?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Yes, let's just clarify so the Body will know, there was a case brought by the Village of Lincolnshire that tried to enact these right-to-work ordinances. That was overturned in the federal District Court - Northern District. It's now up in the Seventh Circuit. The Sixth Circuit has come down with the opposite opinion. So there is -- there is some conflict in courts. I mean, that's what courts do, they try to resolve conflicts whether they can or not. But I don't see any prejudice in going forward with this legislation at this time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Yes, please, Senator, to the bill.

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SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Actually, I agree with Senator Silverstein with regards to if he wants to move the bill, he wants to move the bill. I think the prejudice is against the Illinois economy and people who work in this State. You know, not every -- not every corner of this State is the same. What would be best for citizens in Cook County might be different than it is in Peoria or Coles or anywhere else. And if there is a county or a number of counties in Illinois, particularly those that might lie along the border, let's say Illinois or Indiana or Illinois/Missouri or, quite frankly, in any of these states that are right-to-work states, and says, you know what, we are bleeding investment, we are bleeding jobs, we cannot keep up, we need to do something, change the economic environment here in our county to provide for more jobs in our county to keep people in this -- in this county, so they want to raise their families in this county, so we can get more tax revenue into the county, then why shouldn't they be allowed to do that? Why shouldn't they be allowed to do that? That's the central issue here, is whether or not you want to continue down the road of making Illinois an even less attractive place to invest. There is not much work to do here, but this is another shovel full. The economic forecast for growth in this State in the next fiscal year is .9 percent. We're all looking around saying, wow, we don't have any tax revenue to spend. This is a good reason why. Please no -- vote No. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. A reminder, the timer has been set. The time has expired. We'll reset it. So, the next presenters, make your points as quickly as you can, please. Senator McCarter, for

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what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Ladies and Gentlemen, I concur with the -- the previous speaker. You know, my district is not like yours. Our -- our -- we -- we actually represent different cultures of people. And in my district, being -- being surrounded by right-to-work states on both sides, I've -- I've got communities that would like this and feel that this is needed to make them competitive. Now, how the -- how this plays out in the courts, you know, whatever -- whatever is decided there, is the way they'll have to, you know, they'll have to live under that law, but it hasn't played out. It should be allowed to play out. And, you know, this -- no one -- no one is saying that anyone else's community has to do this. We should at least, however, allow communities that do choose to do this be allowed to. And I think, you know, again, correct the prejudices against those in my district who choose this. And -- and believe this is what they need to be competitive and they believe is best for their community. So I urge a -- a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Further discussion? Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR NYBO:

Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will. Senator Nybo.

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SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, as I understand, what -- what you're attempting to do here is you're going to say that the ability of local units of government to regulate union security agreements between employers and labor organizations will now be vested exclusively in the State government. But local governments retain the ability to regulate issues, such as minimum wage and leave benefits and a variety of other employment-related issues. So my question is to you, what is it about union security agreements that is different than issues like minimum wage and -- and leave benefits, such that we should do this with union security agreements and not for issues that otherwise pertain to employment like minimum wage?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

That's a good question, but I'm going to give you an answer you might not like. I'm not going to go to those other areas because they're totally irrelevant and do not deal with this issue. Under the National Labor Relations Act, under 14 (b), the states have a right to do this, not local government. I believe it's constitutionally sound and I think it's a good bill. Let it play out in the courts. If we're wrong, it won't be the first time, but I think we should just take the initiative and just follow the law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

...bill. Senator, I don't think you've got a good answer to the -- to that question, because there is no good answer to that

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question. We should be consistent. If we're going to prohibit local units of government for -- from regulating in the employment space on issues whether it's union security agreements or minimum wage or whatever, we should be consistent. We should do it consistently. This is piecemeal. This is targeted at something very specific and -- and I would urge a No vote on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Senator, there was a ruling by the Chair regarding the status of home rule, but I'm curious, just for legislative intent, is it your intent, as the sponsor of the bill, to, in fact, preempt home rule with this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Refer that to our -- Parliamentarian.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

I've already answered that question, Senator, but I can repeat it. Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

It's a -- it's a different question. I'm not asking for a Parliamentarian ruling. I'm asking for the legislative intent of the sponsor of the bill. It's a very distinct and different question that's being asked.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

It's my opinion it does not preempt -- home rule. Thanks. We also have an opinion from the Attorney General's Office that says the same. So I don't think anything is being -- has done anything wrong. It does not preempt home rule.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Could you explain to the Body your reason for not preempting home rule?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Let me -- I was just corrected. It does preempt home rule, but this is an area that we believe we can preempt. We have -- we... We have concurrent jurisdiction over this with the feds, so we can preempt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

I just wanted, you know, to understand here. The ruling by the Chair regarding the preemption issue is that this does not preempt home rule and require thirty-six votes?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator, yes, the ruling stands. Per Article VII, Section {sic} (g), not all home rule -- all bills preempting home rule requires a thirty-six vote, and this is a situation that does not.



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We're about twelve seconds on the timer. Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

All right. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Castro, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Madam President, I was going to say, call the vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein, to close.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

I would appreciate your support. I appreciate the lively discussion, but I do think we have authority to do this. We do have concurrent jurisdiction with the feds. I don't think there's a preemption issue and I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 1905 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 voting Yea, 15 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1905, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Manar, on Senate Bill 1933. Senator Manar. Out of the record. Senator Althoff, on Senate Bill 1936. The lady seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1936 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1936. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff, on your amendment.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Senate Floor Amendment No. 3 becomes the bill and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1936. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1936.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, again, Madam President. Senate Bill 1936 is our annual Dan Kotowski Budgeting for Results. I -- annual identified statutory mandates relief. Agencies are asked to consider outdated, duplicative, or unduly burdensome statutes on their agency operations. The mandates are thoroughly vetted by all four caucuses. The concluded results are in front of you. There are

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one hundred and thirteen inactive fund cleanup measures. They have no balances and there is no substantive language changes. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1936 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1936, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. Very nice to see you this afternoon, Madam President. I inadvertently hit the wrong switch a second ago and would have said No on Senate Bill 1905. Could the record reflect that, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Record will reflect your intention on Senate Bill 1905 to be recorded as an Aye {sic}. Senator Koehler, on Senate -- nope. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Madam President. On Senate Bill 1905, I had inadvertently voted the wrong switch. I request to be recorded as a No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please let the reflect -- the record reflect Senator Tracy's intention to vote No on Senate Bill 1905. Senator Koehler, on

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Senate -- 1943. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed.  
Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1943.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is  
the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Shh.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

...administrative cleanup bill. It amends the Illinois Public  
{sic} (Plumbing) License Law, the Environmental Protection Act,  
and the Environmental Toxicology Act, and it's to existing --  
clarify existing policies and delete obsolete policies. There's  
no opposition. I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the  
question is, shall Senate Bill 1943 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting  
Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1943, having received the  
required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator  
Nybo, on Senate Bill 1944. Gentleman indicates he wishes to  
proceed. Please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1944.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Madam President. This is an initiative of the Pharmacists Association to expand the prescription cap for obtaining hypodermic syringes and needles. It's going to make it easier for pharmacists to provide them -- to patients who need them and easier for patients who need them to obtain them. No opposition -- I'm not aware of opposition on this bill. Happy to answer any questions that might be out there. I certainly haven't spoken with anybody who's opposed to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1944 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1944, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mulroe, on Senate Bill 1946. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1946.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1946 sets forth a process to obtain a junking or salvage certificate for vehicles from the Illinois Secretary of State when the title has not been provided by the owner or lienholder to an insurer after full payment of a total loss claim has been made and when the owner of the vehicle initiates an insurance claim and thereafter abandons the vehicle located at a salvage dealer. I know of no opposition. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1946 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 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1946, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Collins, on Senate Bill 1947. The lady indicates she wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1947.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Madam President. Basically, Senate Bill 1947 encourages school districts to provide a system of support to

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students who are at risk of reaching or exceeding chronic absence level. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1947 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 50 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1947, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rooney, on Senate Bill 1968. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1968.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney's first bill. Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill is actually an initiative of the Illinois Community College Board. It clarifies two things in law about vacancies that occur on community college boards. One of 'em was a situation in which there was a vacancy in the chairmanship. The law was actually unclear as to whether or not the vice-chair automatically takes over or not. They wish that it would be clarified that the vice-chair does indeed take over. The second one was -- some of these terms are longer than others. Six-year term, there was a vacancy within the second year of the term, so the question was, when they fill the vacancy, does it just go to the next election or does it fill out the remainder

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of the term? And they requested the clarification that it be the remainder of the term. So this bill does those two things. I'm prepared for any questions if you wish, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney, that is a good year, 1968. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall... Oop, late light. Hold on. Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

All sorts of reasons. You were explaining some of those numbers, six years and four years. Can you clarify that a little bit, what you meant? Who serves -- who serves four years and what is this bill trying to address?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

Different terms around the State are set by individual districts, and so in the particular district that brought up this situation, there was a six-year term. And so very often when somebody creates a vacancy and there's an intervening election, sometimes the vacancy is only filled till that intervening election, and it's -- it's quicker. There's an election to replace the seat faster. This would say they get the remainder of the unexpired term no matter how much is left, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney, shorter answers, please. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

First of all, I think she was...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)



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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

...she was -- I think she was referring to your height. I would be offended if I were you. I wouldn't -- I wouldn't take that. I would oppose that. Can any of these -- can any of these individuals that are filling this position, can any of those be individuals that own gun stores?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senators {sic} Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

Yes, sir. There is no disqualification along those lines.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

One question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator Rooney, are you a high school economics teacher?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

I say that so often that, yeah, it annoys people. Yes, sir, I am.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Oh, gosh, I love that. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CASTRO:

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Senator Rooney, as an economics teacher, can you explain the economics of this bill, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

A short guy can have a short answer. There are no economics in this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I heard the term "term" used in the debate of this bill and I seem to recall you explaining earlier that you are a proponent of term limits. Can you tell me how many terms can somebody appointed to fill a vacancy serve after they've been appointed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

I am not aware of any community college district that has term limits.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Madam President, this gentleman earlier explained to the entire Senate that he is a proponent of term limits. He is sponsoring a bill that would allow community college board members

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to serve endlessly without term limits. I think he needs to take this bill out of the record and shorten the number of terms that community college board members would -- would -- would -- would be able to serve. So I request that you take this out of the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

A question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I just want to make sure, maybe you haven't been completely forthright with us. Is there not a part in this bill that you may be trying to get rid of the State bird, the State flower, and the State -- and the State food, and everything else that you apparently want to get rid of?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney.

SENATOR ROONEY:

I assure you, Senator, I am trying to get rid of almost all those things, but there is nothing in this bill that would do that, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rooney, to close.

SENATOR ROONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. I think we may have set a record for the shortest debate with the most mentions of the word "short". But, for real, I do appreciate the good humor of all my colleagues.

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Ever since I've been here, I've appreciated the good humor of all my colleagues, and I just want to say again, like I said on my very first day, it is indeed a joy to be here. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 1968 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1968, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bennett, on Senate Bill 1969. Senator Bennett. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1969.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Madam President. 1969 is an initiative of the Prairie Research Institute, as well as the University of Illinois. Essentially what it's trying to do is amend the Environmental Protection Act to address mosquito-borne illnesses, in -- in particular Zika and other -- and other such illnesses. It tries to limit how many tires someone can store on a residential property. It moves some money around from what was a flat fee for a considerable time to address these growing issues and epidemics. I previously knew of no opponents. It looks like there is one on the current, with the Illinois Trappers Association. I don't know

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why. They've not contacted me. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, we -- we talked a little bit about this in the committee. What -- what is the connection between the -- the money that people pay to -- to have their tires disposed of and -- and the -- and the -- and the need to recycle these tires? What's the connection and -- and why are you using that money to do what you're talking about?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

I appreciate the question, Senator. Unfortunately, tires, the shape of those tires - and I -- I know this is a -- a -- a -- a professional interest to you - tend to store water in their -- in their spaces and, of course, those are perfect nesting grounds for mosquitos. So in areas where large quantities of tires are located, ultimately many mosquitos can be -- can be bred, which only increases the -- the level of illness from these kind of diseases.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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To -- to the bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, this -- this is a -- perhaps this effort on another bill may be a good thing, to -- to deal with how to -- you know, how -- how to deal with these mosquitos, but this has -- this has nothing to do with what you do to recycle tires. Has nothing whatsoever to do. And there's been study after study done on this. You -- you can look 'em up. It's very easy. So we're -- we're actually moving money to something that's really not even related to this and it's just -- it's really not a good idea. I would urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senator, I -- I'm just trying to understand the tire prohibition. My -- from my understanding of our analysis is there's a law evidently in place that says you can't have more than twelve tires in your yard. This would reduce that number to four. Can -- what's the -- you know, for -- for my district that has a lot of farm families, rural areas, where, you know, a farm may keep a lot of old tires around, can you explain how this piece may impact them and maybe what the penalties would be for violating this limit on tires?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

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Well -- well, Senator, I also have a lot of rural areas in -- in my district as well and -- and I'm aware that may be a -- an issue. My understanding of the bill is it only applies to waste tires that are not covered and are not dry. So if -- if they're inside in a -- in a shed or if they're covered by a tarp so that water can't collect there, I don't think they would apply. I'm not aware of any enhancement in the penalty that doesn't currently exist. So whatever penalty currently exists under the Environmental Protection Act would continue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

So, just to close. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

I'm coming along, slow learner. My -- I -- I appreciate what you're trying to do on the -- you know, some pieces of this bill. Not knowing more, I have reservations about this change from a twelve tire limit to four, because absent a further explanation -- I understand we're limited on time -- I do have some significant concerns to what this may mean to, specifically, farm families who may not store tires in a shed or in a covered area. I know my own family itself -- we have an operating farm -- I'm sure we have more than four tires sitting outside today. So I encourage people to think about that provision as they take a vote on this bill. Myself, I'm going to be a No vote, but I appreciate what you're trying to do. Thank you.

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Senator Bennett, to close.

SENATOR BENNETT:

This is a -- this is one of those instances where I will defer to the scientists. And when the Prairie Research Institute and the best science minds of the U of I say that we have growing issues that we need to address, I tend to take that seriously and defer to them. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1969 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 40 voting Yea, 11 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1969, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Althoff, on Senate Bill 1975. The lady indicates she wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1975.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much. Senate Bill 1975 is the State Historical Library cleanup bill. It modernizes the State Historical Library Act to reflect current preservation practices of historical records by removing references to specific photographic technologies, like microphotography and photo negatives. I'd appreciate an Aye vote.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1975 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 50 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1975, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Cunningham, on Senate Bill 1978. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1978.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you -- thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1978 creates the Home Care Consumer and Worker Protection Act. It's an initiative of the Home Care Association of America's Illinois chapter. This is an organization made up of many small businesses in our State, businesses that provide private pay home care services to thousands of seniors throughout Illinois. The bill is an effort to improve enforcement of a law that's been on the books for about ten years that requires private home care agencies to be licensed by the State. The home care industry has found that a number of agencies do not follow the law and, therefore, have proposed this bill, which will give the Department of Labor some tools to better enforce the law. It's our belief that that better

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enforcement will protect consumers, workers, and small businesses that are following the law. The Department of Labor has slipped against the bill in its current form simply because they fear it will overburden them. They won't have the resources to enforce it. The home care agencies and the Department of Labor are continuing to work on this. Both parties have asked me to continue to move the board -- the -- the bill forward, to pass it to the other Chamber, where they're hopeful they -- they will reach an agreement or perhaps put a new enforcement mechanism in place that doesn't require a change of the State law. So with that, I -- I ask for the Chamber's indulgence and that I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I mean, if -- if -- if you're aware of what needs to happen with this, why -- why wouldn't you just fix it before you send it over?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Well, as I stated, Senator, the -- the problem the Department of Labor has right now is they're fearful that they -- they just don't have the resources to enforce this law. They have presented

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the advocates an idea that involves setting up a portal, a reporting portal, that then would assign different enforcement tasks to different State agencies. But they haven't reached a final agreement on that. I've -- I've spoken with the Department of Labor about this. They feel that they're close to an agreement. They said that they're okay with the bill going to the other Chamber, where they would continue to work on it. I think they're very close to an agreement on this matter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

What -- Senator, what -- what do you -- what do we really gain by adding to this regulation? I mean, the -- the -- the -- the -- the guidelines are in place already. Why would we -- why do we need to do anything?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Well, as I explained earlier and as we discussed in committee, the regulations have been on the books for almost ten years and there's really no enforcement mechanism in place. So the Home Care Association developed this legislation to empower the Department of Labor to enforce some of those measures -- measures that -- that have been in place for a long time that are simply not being enforced now. This allows home care agencies that are not licensed by the State to go into homes, to put people in homes who have not undergone background checks. It's a problem for -- potentially for the safety of senior citizens. It also puts home care agencies, small businesses in our State who follow the law,

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at a competitive disadvantage when they are undercut by agencies that don't follow the law. So this bill seeks to correct that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter, to close.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, sir.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Yeah, thank you. I -- I -- here -- here's -- here's my problem with this. You -- we've got a problem already with the -- the -- the definition of an employee in this State and independent contractors -- who applies, who actually is an independent contractor. I mean, this is -- this is a whole large issue that has the -- affect on every one of you, and you -- you may not even know it. Think -- think about how you claim your people that work for you on your campaign side and whether they're independent contractors and paid through 1099s or through payroll. I guarantee you, the majority of you, those people working for you don't qualify according to the law. So, I -- here again, I think the -- the guidelines -- the ABC test is not clear. Most cannot pass it. And I think this just complicates what's already bad law. I -- I would just urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Madam President. Just for a point of information for our side, all of our Members voted No and some of them may still be No, because of, you know, the nature of the bill, but I

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do want to say I've heard from our committee monitors that, indeed, the Department of Labor is fine with it going over to the House at this point. They are -- committed to continuing to work on it. So I intend to support this bill, given that that is the process everyone seems to have agreed to.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Cunningham, to close.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

I ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there -- oh! The question is, shall Senate Bill 1978 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 42 voting Yea, 9 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1978, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Cunningham. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1979.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you -- thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1979 amends the Property Tax Code. It will relieve senior citizens of the burden of having to reapply for their senior homestead

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exemption each year. This bill would -- would ensure once that exemption is on file, it will remain in effect as long as that senior citizen lives and owns the home. The bill also puts in place some reporting requirements to ensure that a home doesn't improperly retain that homestead exemption after the senior sells the home. I am aware of no opposition and I would appreciate the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1979 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1979, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Please turn your Calendars to the top of page 32. Continuing on Senate Bills 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 1981. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 1981. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 1983. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 1985. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 1987. Please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1987.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1987 is identical to a bill we passed

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unanimously out of the Senate in the last General Assembly. It modernizes the requirements for a notice provided by lawn care services when they're treating your lawns. I'm not aware of any opposition to the bill and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1987 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 47 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1987, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 1989. Out of the record. Senator Bennett, on Senate Bill 1991. Out of the record. Senator Nybo. No, no, that's a hold. Senator McConchie. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Senate Bill 2022. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2022.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Thank you, Madam Chair {sic}. This bill simply clarifies that assessors have the ability to revise and correct assessments and equalize property in any year. I don't know of any opposition. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Madam President. Is there any

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discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2022 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2022, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise? Senate -- Senator Fowler. Please -- he indicates he wish to proceed. I have to make up for that last mistake. Please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2023.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Madam President. This is simply a -- Senate Bill 2023 is a DCEO initiative. It's simply a program improvement that -- reforms are needed to -- in order to level the playing field in regards to smaller communities and smaller businesses to satisfy criteria that is needed to gain DCEO approval for enterprise zone status. I'm not aware of any opposition. I request an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2023 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



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question, there are 49 voting Yea, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2023, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator T. Cullerton, on Senate Bill 2028. The gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2028.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Senate Bill 2028, as amended, allows a school bus that complies with all requirements under the Vehicle Code to be used to transport passengers other than students to non-school-based events without changing the registration of the bus. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2028 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 51 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2028, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Silverstein, on Senate Bill 2034. The gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2034.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. This just expands the definition of "public officials" in the offense of threatening public officers or human service providers. Includes several other individuals.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2034 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 50 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2034, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, on Senate Bill 2038. Out of the record. Senator Steans, on Senate Bill 2046. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2046.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is an initiative of the -- Illinois Collaboration On Youth initiative. Creates an income tax checkoff for Thriving Youth to be used by Department of Human Services for grants to providers delivering

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non-Medicaid services to community-based youth programs in the State. Urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2046 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2046, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Weaver, on Senate Bill 2047. Out of the record. Senator Weaver, on Senate Bill 2048. Gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2048.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

..Madam President. This is an initiative of the State's Attorneys Association. It amends the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Fingerprint Act of 2004 {sic} (Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004). And this bill basically provides the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to issue a firearm control card to an elected or appointed State's Attorney or State's Attorney designated assistant who has passed an approved firearm training course, has met all the requirements, and possesses a valid firearm owner identification card. There's no

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opposition. Came out of committee unanimously and I would request a Yes vote, ma'am.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2048 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. That question, there's 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2048, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, on Senate Bill 2057. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2057.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

The amendment's on the bill, right, before we start? Yes? Okay. This -- thank you, Madam Chair -- Madam President. This bill simply clarifies that private residential leaseholds are not eligible for inspection by health districts unless they would otherwise inspect a private residential property. With the amendment, I believe, all opposition's been removed. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2057 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed,

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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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2057, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, on Senate Bill 2059. Out of the record. Senator Rose, on Senate Bill 2060. Gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2060.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill is a cleanup to an Act which was originally passed in 1935 to look at various processes and terms that are no longer used. I believe that there -- everybody's okay with the bill now and it's neutral and there are -- is no opposition. At least I'm not aware of any. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any questions? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2060 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2060, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Please turn your Calendars and your attention to the top of page 33. Continuing on the Order...(microphone cutoff)...Reading is Senate Bill

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2066. Senator Righter. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed.  
Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2066.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. Senate Bill 2066 amends the DCEO statutes with regards to their biennial catalog of State mandates. Specifically, it would require, in that catalog, DCEO also publish the estimated statewide cost of each mandate at the time of the compliance. I know of no opponents. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2066 pass. All those in favor will vote -- 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2066, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator McGuire, on Senate Bill 2068. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2068.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McGuire.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 2068 provides that the board of trustees of a local library or a library district may, through a majority vote, authorize an advisory question of public policy to be placed on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election. I know of no opposition. Ask for a Yes vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

...you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2068 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2068, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator McGuire, on Senate Bill 2069. Out of the record. Senator Anderson, on Senate Bill 2070. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2070.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. This simply repeals the Specialty Farm (Product) Buyers Act. It's actually costing the Department

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more to have it implemented than it is bringing in revenue. There's no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2070 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2070, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, on Senate Bill 2084. Senator Hutchinson, on Senate Bill 2084. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 2089. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please turn your Calendars to page 8. Page 8. Beginning on the order of Senate Bill 57, Senator Stadelman. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 57.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 57 will help victims of domestic violence leave abusive situations. The bill allows victims to separate from their abuser's cell phone plan while keeping their same phone number. Technically, the bill amends current law to allow victims of domestic violence to petition the court for the right to continue the use of the phone number as



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part of a petition for an order of protection. One of the reasons people will not leave a -- an abusive relationship is a dependence upon the abuser and abusers often control household finances and other household arrangements and that leaves victims with less resources to try to move out of a bad situation. Being able to keep their phone number will help save victims from domestic violence so they avoid the hassle and the costs associated with having to start up a new plan. So, again, the goal is allowing -- removing obstacles for people to get themselves out of a bad situation. There is no opposition to this bill; however, in the interest of full disclosure, the Illinois Association of Court Clerks has reached out to me regarding a technical issue that still has not been resolved. Under the legislation, clerks have to serve the order of protection with the wireless telephone service provider's agent listed with the Secretary of State's Office. They want to make sure that they can identify the provider's agent in the website. There's some concern whether they will be able to do that. I don't need to go into a lot of details, but I have agreed with the Association to continue working on this problem in the House. The House sponsor of this bill is also willing to work through this issue. It's technical and I believe it can be overcome. I'm happy to answer any questions. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 57 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay,

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0 voting Present. Senate Bill 57, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hunter, on Senate Bill 58. Out of the record. Senator Clayborne, on Senate Bill 60. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 60.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 60 is basically a cleanup from a bill that we passed last year that was signed into law, 99-0481. I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 60 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 60, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Clayborne, on Senate Bill 81. The gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 81.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 81 would exempt employees of minor league baseball teams from minimum wage and overtime provisions. The exemption would apply to players ages twenty-eight or younger, as well as managers, coaches, athletic trainers, regardless of age. Only minor league teams that are not affiliated with a major league team and that operates seasonally will qualify. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 81 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 48 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 81, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 83. Senator Link, on Senate Bill 87. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 87.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. This just provides for surviving spouses of veterans who -- whose death was determined to be service-connected and who is certified by the United States

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Department of Veterans Affairs {sic} (Affairs) being current recipients, this allows them to have the Homestead Exemption Act {sic} for all surviving spouse. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 87 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 87, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 190. Senator Connelly. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 190.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 190 passed here unanimously and died in the House Rules Committee, so we're going to give it another shot. It amends the Alternative Fuels Act. It repeals a program that no longer exists. It gives a little polishing to Illinois law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 190 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?  
Take the record. On that question, there are 52 voting Yea, 1  
voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 190, having received  
the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the  
top of page 9, Senate Bill 191. Senator -- Senator Righter, for  
what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President. I apologize. I would like the  
record to reflect my intention to vote Aye on Senator Connelly's  
bill that was just up on the board.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect, Senator. Thank you. Senator  
Silverstein. Please -- please read the bill, Mr. President -- Mr.  
Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 191.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. This would amend the Liquor  
Control Act and prohibit the possession of powdered alcohol.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Okay. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question  
is, shall Senate Bill 1 -- 191 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay,

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0 voting Present. Senate Bill 191, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Link, on Senate Bill 193. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 193.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. This provides that -- that insurance -- insurers must offer an exception to -- process from treatment limitations to patients diagnosed with primary or secondary progressive multiple sclerosis. I know of no opposition. It's been an agreed-upon bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 193 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 49 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 193, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 207. Senator Muñoz. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 207.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The Amendment 1 deletes all and becomes the bill. It creates a scratch-off for a game for the benefit of the State police memorials. I know of no opposition to the bill and I'll answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 207 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 207, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Fowler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FOWLER:

I apologize, Madam President. Would you reflect on the record that -- my Yea vote for Senate Bill 193, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect your intention, Senator. Senator Clayborne, on Senate Bill 262. Senator Clayborne. Out of the record. Senator Clayborne, on Senate Bill 263. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 265. Excuse me, with leave of the Body, we will return to 263. 263. Senator Clayborne seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 263 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 263. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for

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consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Clayborne.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne, on your amendment, please.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Yes, it just -- I would ask to explain it on 3rd Reading. I would ask for it to be adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, 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 LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 263. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 263.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you. At the end of each calendar year, IDOT is required by a -- an Administrative Code to evaluate each contractor. And basically it determines -- there are certain categories that the contractors must meet with an average of at least six in order to



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stay in good standing with IDOT. In -- in most instances, this Code is not being followed, and in some instances, this Code is being changed. Therefore, I decided to codify the Administrative Code to hold IDOT and its supervisors accountable for making sure that they follow not only the Code, but the law. I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 263 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 263, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 265. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 265 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 265. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon, to explain your amendment, please.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and

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the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 265. Senator -- Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 265.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 265 is the Secretary of State's modernization of the Notary Public Act. I am not aware of any interest in this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 265 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 51 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 265, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 266 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 266. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor

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amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. The Floor amendment becomes the bill. I ask that it be adopted and I'd be happy to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, 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 LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 266. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 266.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, again, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 266 establishes the Illinois Veterans Home at Chicago and the Chicago Veterans Home Fund. The amendment requires that

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the Department of Veterans' Affairs shall operate and maintain the Illinois Veterans Home at Chicago. I know of no opponents. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 266 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 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 266, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Please turn to page 10 of your Calendars. On the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 282. Senator Hunter, on Senate Bill 282. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill. Senator Hunter seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 282 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 282. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 282 designates April 16th of each year as Esther Golar Day to remember the accomplishments of State Representative Esther Golar and to honor her legacy of public service. And I would ask for a Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall

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Senate Bill 282 -- oh, excuse me. Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

...Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 282. Senator Hunter.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 282.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I would ask for an Aye vote, please. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 282 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 50 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 282, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Clayborne, for what purpose do you rise? Senator Martinez, on Senate Bill 308. The -- the lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 308.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you. Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. As amended, Senate Bill 308 amends the Pharmacy Practice Act by removing the requirements that applicants for licensure as pharmacists be U.S. citizens or legal -- or legally admitted person. The bill also amends the Civil Administration {sic} (Administrative) Code to invoke a federal opt-out provision that allows the State to issue professional licenses to undocumented person if -- if enacted by the State law. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 308 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 40 voting Yea, 3 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 308, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please turn your Calendars on the order of page 37, Senate Joint Resolution 10. Senator Hunter. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 10, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Senate Joint Resolution 10 creates the Statewide Task Force on Developing Opportunities for Youth and Young Adults Who Are Jobless and Out-of-School in order to develop programs to address the growing numbers of out-of-school and jobless youth in Illinois. The task force will submit interim reports and I would ask for a Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. As this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 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 45 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution 10, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed {sic} (adopted). With leave of the Body, we'll return to Senate Bills 3rd Reading on page 14 with Senate Bill 652. Senator Clayborne. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 652.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is just a reauthorization of the new market {sic} (markets) tax

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credit, which has been very successful in the State of Illinois. I know of no opposition. I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 652 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 -- there are 51 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 652, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 55.

Offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 55)

Adopted by the House, April 27th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

On the Order of Resolution is House Joint Resolution 55. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 55, offered by Senator Clayborne.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne moves to suspend the rules for the purpose



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of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 55. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Clayborne moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 55. All in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

Madam Chairman, on Senate Bill 652, I'd like the record to reflect that I -- my intention to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The President will -- show those reflections of your intention. We -- we will now proceed to the Order of Resolution Consent Calendar. With -- with leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolution {sic} on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, pursuant to House Joint Resolution 55, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 noon on the 2nd day of May 2017, or until the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.