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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Father Jim Swarthout, Community Clergy Relations, Rockford, Illinois.

FATHER JIM SWARTHOUT:

(Prayer by Father Jim Swarthout)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Please remain standing for the Pledge Allegiance. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Lisa Yuscus, Blueroomstream.com, seeks permission to videotape. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Mr. Secretary, Approving of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Thursday, May 4th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 488, offered by Senator Bush.
It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar. No. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Committee Report Correction. The following correction was made on the report from the Senate Local Government Committee, which on May 3rd, 2017, reported House Bill 305 Do Pass and should have reported House Bill 305 as having been Postponed by the committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2439, offered by Senator Cunningham.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? We will be going to 3rd Readings. With leave of the Body, we'll go to printed Calendar, page 5, Senate Bill 1607. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1607.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities and

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Pensions adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

I ask for the adoption of the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

On a point of personal privilege, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, there is a group of high school seniors seated in the President's balcony directly above the Presiding Officer. They are seniors from Heyworth High School, which is not in my district - that is

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in Senator Rose's district. He is in a meeting and can't be out here on the Floor, but these people deserve to be introduced. They're all from a Civics class, here to learn, right on the front row, how Illinois government works. We promise that it's busier than what you see right now. If you guys could all get up and the Senate could give them a warm welcome, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Will all Members at the sound of my voice come to the Senate Floor immediately? Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor immediately? With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 27 of the printed Calendar. Senate Bill 1285. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1285.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, and good morning. Nice to start a Friday morning here in Springfield. Senate Bill 1285 is actually the Illinois Department of Revenue's annual omnibus technical cleanup. The most important part of the legislation that I need to make you aware of, it actually now provides if a taxpayer overpays on his or her return, the taxpayer may credit that excess payment for the following years or even transfer that credit to a similar taxpayer under the Act. This is something that people, our taxpayers, have asked for for a long time. The

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Department is taking that into consideration and granting that request. The rest of the bill actually really is just technical cleanup. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1285 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 49 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1285, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1319. Senator Bivins. Senator Bivins seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1319 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is -- Senate Bill 1319. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Bivins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bivins, on your amendment.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1319. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1319.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bivins, on your bill.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1319 amends the Probate Act of 1975 by adding a Section for video conferencing for adult guardianship proceedings. Includes in the notice of rights to patients that the court will hold a hearing in a convenient place that they will direct. The amendment does become the bill and I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1319 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1319, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1289. We've had a change of sponsorship to Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1289 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1289. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for

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consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask that the amendment be adopted and discussed on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1289. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1289.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1289 streamlines and modernizes the current statements of economic interest while increasing disclosure and transparency. The form will have six questions and will provide directions and examples. I'm happy to

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answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 12... Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill has been a long time in coming. I want to -- to thank Senator Morrison for her work on this. I also want to thank Senator McConchie for his partnership on the Republican side of the aisle. This is a bill that I've been working on for years with Senator Kotowski, now retired, and former Lieutenant Governor Sheila Simon. This is a -- a big improvement. I'm grateful to the staffs on both sides of the aisle for their hard work in putting this together. This represents a true bipartisan solution which will make our statements of economic interest easier to fill out and more meaningful to the folks that review them. So, I urge your Aye votes as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1289 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1289, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll return to page 4 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bills

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2nd Reading. Senate Bill 789. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 789.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1320. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1320.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1429. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1429.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1681. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1681.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1695. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1695.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1680. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Out of the record. Senate Bill 1691. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 1700. Senator McConnaughay. Senate Bill 1703. Senator Anderson. Senate Bill 1707. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 1715. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 1719. Senator Biss. Senate Bill 1747. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 1748. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 1749. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 1750. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 1751. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 1753. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 1754. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 1760. Senator McGuire. Senator McGuire. Senate Bill 1761. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Biss seeks permission -- Senator -- Senator Biss seeks permission -- leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1761 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order

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of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1761. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Biss.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss, on your amendment.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 and we can discuss it on the Order of 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1761. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1761.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss, on your bill.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 16 -- 1761, as now amended, is really quite simple. It simply says that the discovery, knowledge, or disclosure of the victim's

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sexual orientation cannot be a mitigating factor in a first degree murder case. Happy to take any questions and I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1761 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 41 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1761, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1773. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1774. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1775. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1782. Senator Collins. Senate Bill 1783. Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Stadelman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1783 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1783. Mr. Secretary, have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Stadelman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Stadelman, on your amendment.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Mr. President, I'll explain it on 3rd. I ask that it be adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1783. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1783.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Stadelman, on your bill.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1783 extends the River Edge Redevelopment Zone historic tax credit for another four years. It's scheduled to expire at the end of this year. This program has been vital to growth in downtown historic districts that struggle economically. This credit simply leverages private dollars to help put vacant, crumbling properties back on the market. It's really been the main economic development tool, I know, in Rockford and that's also the case in cities of Aurora, Elgin, Peoria, and East St. Louis. Important projects would be at risk in those communities as well. This legislation will grow economy in these areas, expand our tax base, and increase revenues in the State. Happy to answer any questions. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, Senate -- shall Senate Bill 1783 pass. All those in favor will 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 50 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1783, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Can we keep the conversations on the Floor down to a minimum, please! Thank you. Senate Bill 1796. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1796.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1796 establishes the Student Online Personal Protection Act. The bill prohibits the operator of an Internet website or an online service from engaging in targeted advertising based on information that the operator has acquired because of the operator site for K to 12 school purposes; using information about a student, except in furtherance of K through 12 school purposes; selling or renting a student's information on an operator's website; disclosing information about a student other than for K to 12 purposes or in accordance with legal requirements or judicial proceedings. This is a year and a half in the making of months' long, six long, conference calls -- six-hour long conference calls. And I want to thank my -- my cosponsors on this bill, to include a data privacy advocate, Senator Connelly. And I'd ask for an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1796 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1796, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1798. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1798 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1798. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I ask for its adoption, Mr. President. I'll discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

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Ask for its adoption, Mr. President. I'll discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1798. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1798.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill prohibits the State from doing business with or investing in "expatriated entities" that incorporate in a foreign tax haven in effort to avoid paying State and federal corporate income taxes and requires that the Illinois Investment Policy Board identify expat entities so that the retirement systems can engage in shareholder activism and divest from expatriate entities if the shareholder activism is unsuccessful. I'll answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose

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do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Hastings, what -- if this bill became law, what do you expect to be the effect in terms of the -- our pensions funds ability to invest -- make investments that provide the greatest rate of return?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Senator Righter, this bill brings Illinois law in line with federal law. And the Investment Policy Board can identify all expatriated entities and it would restrict those that incorporate in a foreign tax haven and it would prevent us from investing in those companies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

The -- when you -- you say that this brings us in compliance with federal law, Senator Hastings, I want to be really careful with that language because it implies that, well, this is something that the federal government does so we need to follow suit. I -- I -- and -- can you elaborate on what component of federal law you're suggesting that this bill brings us in compliance with?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

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SENATOR HASTINGS:

This bill amends the Procurement Code to prohibit an expat entity from submitting a bid or entering into a contract with a State agency. An expat corporation {sic} (entity) is defined as a foreign incorporated entity which is treated as an inverted domestic corporation under the federal Homeland Security Act of 2002.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So, Senator, I'll go back to my -- my first question, which was, what do you expect this bill, were it to become law, what do you expect the effect on our pension funds and rate of returns or opportunities for greater rate of returns to be?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Senator Righter, I'm not an investment banker, nor can I predict the rate of return for our investments. But I do think that -- if a corporation is dodging paying their taxes by incorporating in a foreign tax haven, I have a problem with that because they're not paying Illinois income taxes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator, you would -- you would agree, would you not, that these -- these entities that you want to bar Illinois from contracting with or investing in, what they're doing is legal under the federal Tax Code and has been under this administration and

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the previous administration. Would you agree with that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Senator, this bill levels the playing field among businesses that compete for State contracts and investments and it prohibits expat entities from bidding on or entering into contracts with the State. And I can -- for me, in terms of these expat corporations, they're not paying their fair share.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator, my -- my question was really simple, and that was whether or not you agree that these entities are complying with the federal Tax Code as it has been in existence not just under the Trump administration but the Obama administration as well. Would you agree with that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Senator Righter, this bill levels the playing field among businesses that compete for State contracts and it prohibits those that operate outside of this -- incorporate outside of this country into entering into contracts with State agencies. These that dodge paying Illinois corporate income taxes are prohibited from doing this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, when I was in law school, one of my professors told me that you shouldn't answer -- ask a question more than twice, because when the person being asked the question doesn't answer it, you've made your point, and I think the point has been made here. Okay, the entities described under Senator Hastings' bill are not in violation of the federal Tax Code, the Code that existed not only under this administration but the Obama Administration. And the reason that it's legal is because we want the opportunity, and the reason we want this opportunity here is because we want the opportunity to maximize our return on investment for our pension funds. So all of you who have any concern whatsoever for unfunded liabilities in our pension funds, I would suggest that you oppose this bill. For those of you who think that we should be wary with regards to political correctness dominating our policies, particularly our financial policies, you should vote No on this bill. This bill reduces return on investment; it makes us harder to be in compliance with regards to what we need to be with regards to our pension funds. Urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Hastings, to close.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill levels the playing field among businesses that compete for State contracts and investments by prohibiting expat entities from bidding on or entering into

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contracts with State agencies and restricting the State of Illinois and the State-funded pension systems in investing in expat corporations. Companies that engage in elaborate restructuring schemes avoid paying their fair share of State and federal taxes and should not be rewarded with lucrative State contracts and investments paid by Illinois taxpayers. This is unfair to those individuals and businesses that work hard and play hard and play by the rules and pay their fair share of Illinois income taxes. The State of Illinois should be doing business with and making investments in companies that are good corporate citizens and pay their fair share. The federal government has prohibited federal agencies from entering into contracts with expat entities since 2003. This legislation would piggyback on the federal prohibition and use the federal standards to identify expat entities. And by the previous speaker's arguments, it seems like he's okay with that; he's okay if you go ahead and you want to incorporate into a foreign country because you want to avoid paying your fair share of taxes. If that's the way you really feel, go home and tell your people about it, that it's okay to dodge your tax obligation. That's what the argument is here. People who dodge their fair share, I don't want to do business with you. But, obviously, the argument on the other side of the aisle is that that's okay. But that's not okay with me and that's why I brought this bill. And, Mr. President, I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1798 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 30 Ayes, 20 Nays,

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none voting Present. Senate Bill 1798, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To seek a verification of that most recent roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter seeks verification on 1798. Will all Members be at their desk, please? Mr. Secretary, roll call. Mr. Secretary, please read the affirmative votes.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Members voting in the affirmative: Bennett, Bertino-Tarrant, Biss, Bush, Castro, Clayborne, Tom Cullerton, Cunningham, Harmon, Hastings, Holmes, Hunter, Hutchinson, Koehler, Landek, Lightford, Link, Manar, Martinez, McCann, Morrison, Mulroe, Muñoz, Murphy, Raoul, Sandoval, Stadelman, Steans, Van Pelt, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter, do you question the presence of any Member voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Muñoz, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz? Senator Muñoz? Please strike Senator Muñoz from the record. Senator Righter, is there any other Member that you question his presence?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR HASTINGS:

Have a inquiry of the -- of the Chair real quick. If -- if a Member is injured by it {sic}, do they have extended time to -- to come up to the Floor?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter, you're out of order, please. Will you -- you'll speak when you're addressed to. We'll check with that. If -- if he comes to the Floor before the verification is -- he -- he will be stricken from the record. On a verified roll call, there's 29 Ayes, 20 Nays. Senate Bill 1798, having not received the required constitutional majority, is -- is declared failed. Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill 1798 be put on Postponed Consideration? Thank you, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, please put Senate Bill 1798 on Postponed Consideration. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, in the gallery behind me, from Mansfield, Farmer City, Bellflower, and almost Le Roy, Illinois, are the Girl Scouts, and if we could welcome them from Blue Ridge Elementary School to Springfield.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

For an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your introduction.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I am very -- very pleased to welcome to the Floor of the Illinois Senate, my son Jim, who runs our investment business, and his two daughters, Lily and Kalina. They are residents of Naperville. They're actually constituents of Mike Connelly. And this is their first time visiting Springfield, although son Jim was a Page about twenty-five years ago. Please give them a welcome to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 15 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 419. Senator Clayborne. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 419.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Clayborne, on your bill.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Floor -- I mean, Senate Bill 419 is an initiative of one of my municipalities. It allows a firefighter to receive -- chief of police department -- I mean, I'm sorry, of the fire department to

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be in the Tier -- Tier -- Tier 1 pension plan as a result of a commitment that was made by the City of O'Fallon in 2008 to this firefighter -- to this chief to come on board. However, they did not start the process to create a pension fund for him and we passed the Pension Reform Law in -- that became effective in -- on January 1st of 2011, and as a result, he was not able to participate. We're trying to create this opportunity for him so that the City of O'Fallon can keep their commitment regarding his employment agreement. I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 419 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 46 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 419, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1830. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1830.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1830 isn't like the other bill I just had, but it allows jailhouse informant testimony to be challenged for reliability in the following cases: homicide, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual

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assault of a child, and aggravated arson. The bill requires the prosecution to disclose any discovery or intent to introduce testimony of an informant at least thirty days prior to any hearings. The bill allows the prosecution to disclose with less than thirty days' notice if the court finds that the informant was not known and could have not discovered been {sic} prior to the thirty-day notice. Finally, the bill allows the accused to request a reliability hearing even if a lawful recording of the incriminating statement is made or if there's a lawful recording of the informant's statement to law enforcement, including any deal or promise made to the informants. There are no opponents to this bill. And I'll answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to get up and say I think this is a fabulous piece of legislation. My only regret is that my name is not up there as a cosponsor. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1830 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 49 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1830, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just would like the record to reflect that, on Senate Bill 1761, my intentions were to vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Your intentions will be reflected. Senate Bill 1838. Senator Manar. Senate Bill 1839. Senator Manar. Senate Bill 1843. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary -- Senator Raoul seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1843 to 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. -- on the Order of -- now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1843. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, to explain your amendment.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, I would love to explain my amendment on 3rd as it becomes the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1843. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 1843.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a initiative of the Cook County State's Attorney. It indicates that if a court finds that there's sufficient evidence that the State's Attorney, the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, has an actual conflict of interest in an officer-involved death, the court must request that the Office of the -- the State Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor serve as a special prosecutor. And if the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor accepts the request, they shall be appointed by the court and shall have the same power and authority in relation to the case as the State's Attorney's Office would have. I urge your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1843 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 46 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1843, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1848. Senator Hunter. We'll skip over that for now and come back to it. Senate Bill 1869. Senator Aquino. Senate Bill 1893. Senator McCann. Senate Bill 1895. Senator McCann. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator McCann seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1895

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to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1895. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McCann.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann, on your amendment.

SENATOR McCANN:

Mr. President, I move for the adoption of the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1895. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1895.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann, on your bill.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This is a constituent initiative. It was brought to my attention by a local fire chief, not too far from here. He's also a member of

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the local rescue squad. Sometimes he has a little trouble at his place of work responding to phone calls and texts. And this seeks to clarify the rules that our emergency -- volunteer emergency responders work under. We've worked with the Illinois State Ambulance Association and they helped to take a good bill and make it better. And there's a little bit of clarity that needs to be brought to the forefront and CMS, who I think is the only other opponent, has agreed to allow us to pass it over to the House and work with the sponsor over there and we'll bring it back over here on Concurrence. I would ask for an Aye vote and would answer any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1895 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1895, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to page 32 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 1773. Senator Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1773.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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Senate Bill 1773 amends the Public Aid Code. It requires the Department to provide an update on the status of payments from both GRF and the Long-Term Care Provider Fund. I'm not aware of any concerns with the bill and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1773 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 46 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1773, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1774. Senator Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1774.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Mr. President, is there an amendment pending on the bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

No. ...mean that it's been adopted. Senate Amendment 1 has been adopted. Senate 2 is in Assignments, so if you know anybody to get it out, you need their help. Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

If we could take this out of the record, then I would like to continue presenting Senate Bill 1775.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Out of the record. Senate Bill 1775. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return 1775 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1775. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Now we're cookin'. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 4.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1775. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1775.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1775 creates the Task Force on Recycling Strategies to reduce greenhouse gas admissions. With all of the amendments, I believe we have included everyone with a passing interest in the issue on the task force. I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1775 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1775, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 19 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 654. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 654.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss, on your bill.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- 654 is the long-awaited annual State University {sic} (Universities) Retirement System technical corrections bill. I know of no opposition and would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 654 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed...

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Now, the question is, shall Senate Bill 654 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 654, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1902. Senator Brady. Senator Brady. Senate Bill 1933. Senator Manar. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1933 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1933. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your amendment.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask for adoption of the amendment and I would be happy to answer any questions regarding its contents on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on Floor Amendment No. 3.

SENATOR MANAR:

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I would like to repeat my request, Mr. President. Ask for the adoption of amendment. Be happy to answer any questions on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1933. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1933.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your bill.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill, with the two amendments that were just adopted, would incorporate negotiations that have occurred for the past two years to implement automatic voter registration in the State of Illinois. Since we first debated this bill in the Senate and in our committee process, other states have led the way and I think we've brought this to the point to where we have hammered out nearly every issue that has been brought forward both by the Rauner administration as well as Members on both sides of the aisle here in the Senate and

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over in the House. I'd like to go through a couple of the changes that specifically were incorporated into this bill as it sits today in the Senate. Again, these changes came from both the Governor's veto message that we took up last fall as well as from the Secretary of State's Office and advocates, county clerks, and others that have participated in this discussion. Number one, we align the language of the bill to better address concerns that are ongoing at the Secretary of State's Office with the implementation of REAL ID. Number two, we address concerns that were brought forward regarding mailed notifications when registration happens. Number three, we incorporate into the process name changes, not just address changes. We deal with federal disclosures. And we also deal with notification for current registration. There are other things in the bill, but I would also note that one change that's incorporated into Floor Amendment 3 adds two agencies at the Governor's request to those State agencies that would implement automatic voter registration. Those being the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. With that, Mr. President, I'd be happy to take any questions on the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill started quite a while

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ago, actually about a year ago. I know that I had a very similar bill, along with Senator Manar's bill. I do appreciate the sponsor and his ability to work to alleviate many of our concerns with this bill. And to date, I think that this bill is reflective of what we would like to see, both of us, especially.. I know that there's one outstanding issue and I appreciate that there's an agreement that there'll be some work in the House to alleviate the concerns that the State Board of Election {sic} (Elections) has. So thank you for that. And, again, I urge an Aye vote for this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCANN:

I would like to say thank you to the sponsor for all of his hard work on this bill. I was very proud to vote for a previous iteration of this bill in the 99th General Assembly and it will be an honor here today to cast another Yea vote. And I urge all of my colleagues in the Chamber to do so. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

He indicates he will.

SENATOR HARMON:

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Thank you. Senator Manar, does this bill prevent the Secretary of State from using its current voter registration process for persons applying for a non-REAL ID compliant driver's license or ID card?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

No, Senator. It does not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, will the Secretary of State convert to an electronic voter registration process for persons applying for a non-REAL ID compliant driver's license or ID card?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Yes. The office will when necessary technological upgrades have been funded and completed by both the Secretary of State as well as State Board of Elections.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

I, too, join my colleagues in saluting Senator Manar for all

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of his hard work on this initiative. It has been a -- a long slog, but this is an incredibly meaningful step forward in our -- our election laws. And I urge all of our colleagues to vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, to close.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to begin by thanking the previous speakers both -- on both sides of the aisle. All three of which and beyond have helped craft what the final product looks like today. A -- a couple of points on this bill: This is Illinois leading the way on a very critical issue, and that is access to the ballot box. Number two, I would hope, reflective of the roll call that's going to happen in a few moments, that this provides evidence to people in the State of Illinois that Democrats and Republicans can work together on an issue that oftentimes just goes right down the partisan hole in the Legislature. At the end of the day, what this bill's going to do, it's going to register people to vote whether they vote for a Democrat or a Republican. It's going to save money. It's going to streamline our process. It's going to modernize our system in Illinois, and that is, without question, going to lead to more people, more citizens of our State, regardless of where they live, regardless of party affiliation, participating in our electoral process. And regardless who wins an election, we all win as citizens of the State of Illinois. And I would just close by saying this -- I said this the first time that we took a vote on this bill, which was about a year ago. The first bill was introduced almost two years ago and, since that time, there has been an incredible effort on the grassroots level throughout the State of Illinois to

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continue to push and push and push until we could come to an agreement. And those organizations and individuals, some of which are in this Chamber this -- or morning -- this morning, they're too numerous to name. But I do want to recognize all of the efforts that have gone into bringing this bill to what I hope is a bipartisan conclusion so that we can open up the ballot box to as many of our fellow citizens as possible. Thank you for this debate and I would simply ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1933 pass. All those in favor will say -- vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 48 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1933, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A moment ago, I cast an Aye vote for Senate Bill 654. Due to a potential conflict of interest, I'd intended to vote Present and I'd ask that the record reflect my intent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record will reflect your intentions. Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCANN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR McCANN:

I would like to call the attention of the Chamber to the President's Gallery on the Republican side. I have some guests here joining me. Today is Girl Scout Day at the Capitol, as I think we're well aware. We have a group from the Carlinville area, which Senator Manar and I represent together, and we would like to welcome these Girl Scouts and their -- their leaders from the Carlinville area to the Senate today. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. For the same purpose.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, in the gallery behind me are some folks from the Unity School District, which is Tolono, Philo, Sadorus area in Champaign County, if we can welcome them to Girl Scout Day at the Capitol. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Senate Bill 1980. Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1980.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1980 amends the Criminal Code. It's an initiative of Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart. It adds several crimes to the list of offenses for which a bond court judge may set no bail for a defendant. This problem -- the problem we're trying to address with this bill is actually highlighted this morning in a story posted on the Chicago Tribune website about how repeat gun offenders sometimes bail out of jail at a higher rate than individuals charged with low-level drug crimes. Sheriff Dart has attempted to address this disparity in the past with legislation we passed, like the "Rocket Docket" bills that speed up low-level drug offenses through the system to ensure non-violent offenders aren't just languishing in jail because they can't come up with a couple hundred bucks to post bail. Senate Bill 1980 seeks to address the other end of that discrepancy by ensuring bond court judges place more scrutiny on repeat gun offenders. I know of no opposition to the bill. Would be happy to answer any questions and I ask for the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1980 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 46 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1980, having received the required constitutional majority,

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is declared passed. Senate Bill 1981. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1983. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1985. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1989. Senator Harmon. Senate Bill 1991. Senator Bennett. Senator Bennett seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1991 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1991. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment 2, offered by Senator Bennett.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett, on your amendment.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Mr. President, I believe there's also a Floor Amendment No. 3. Oh, I see, and that becomes the bill. I will -- I will discuss on 3rd. Oh...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

...you -- thank you, Mr. President. We'd ask to withdraw Amendment No. 2 and only proceed on No. 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Bennett.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett, on Floor Amendment No. 3.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 3 becomes the

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bill. I will discuss on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1991. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1991.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator -- Senator Bennett, on your bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you again, Mr. President, Members of the Chamber. We talk a lot about our number one industry in this State being agriculture, but we don't do nearly enough to protect it for the next generation. We have -- last year, all the Illinois public schools in total only graduated about eighteen graduates who were going into agriculture education. This bill would create a task force to study this issue and to try to address it. And I know of no opposition and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1991 pass. All those in favor will 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's 47 Ayes, no Nays, none
voting Present. Senate Bill 1991, having received the required
constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1902.
Senator Brady. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1902.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Brady, on your bill.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This allows us to --
allows the Department of Agriculture to open up a -- banking
accounts that will help secure resources with security deposits.
We do this with other State agencies. This will help the fiscal
impact to the Department of Agriculture. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall
Senate Bill 1902 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate
Bill 1902, having received the required constitutional majority,
is declared passed. Senate Bill 2012. Senator Weaver. Mr.
Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2012.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Weaver, on your bill.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a bill that I really appreciate Senator Hutchinson working on for us. This amends the Illinois Income Tax Act to provide an extension for the angel investment credit until December of 2021 and it makes, I think, some important changes. It includes creating a minimum investment threshold; it changes the reporting requirements; and most importantly, earmarks amounts to be awarded to female-, minority- and person with disability-owned businesses; also focuses on smaller counties. This language was result of DCEO and several sponsors working together. There are -- there's no known opposition. It came out as an agreed bill and I'd request a Yes vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2012 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 2012, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2038. Senator Rose. Senator Rose. Senate Bill 2047. Senator Weaver. Senate Bill 2059. Senator Rose. Senator Rose. Senate Bill 2069. Senator McGuire. Senate Bill 2084. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 2084.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, on your bill.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2084 is the County Assessment Officials' homestead exemption simplification bill. At the request of the Cook County Assessor, the homestead exemptions remain unchanged as applicable to Cook County. In all other counties, general provisions are drafted to apply to all homestead exemptions to simplify application and administration of these exemptions. I know of no opposition. Happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2084 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 2084, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2089. Senator Harmon. Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I would like to direct

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your attention to above the President's Gallery. I have a Girl Scout group here from Jordan Catholic School. And their leader, Heather Bishop, has brought 'em here. It is Girl Scout Day at the Capitol. So please give them a warm welcome, a warm Senate welcome. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to the Senate. Senate Bill 1667. There is a letter on file allowing Senator Mulroe to present this bill. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1667.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I believe there's Floor Amendment No. 2?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

We have already adopted that amendment. Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Well, thank you very much. Senate Bill 1667 would allow a title insurance company to obtain reinsurance {sic} (reinsurance) for all or any part of its liability under one or more of its -- of its title insurance policies from an assuming insurer that meets certain financial strength criteria. I know of no opposition. I'd ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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Senate Bill 1667 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 49 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1667, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if you could direct your attention to the left side of the President's Gallery, I have some very special guests here as part of Girl Scout Day in the Illinois State Capitol. We have some Girl Scout groups from Georgetown in Vermilion County - thank you for standing - including -- we have some chaperones: Kolaya Horne, Jamie Bonomo, Jennie Sollars, and Heather Arlington, along with Troop 2059 from Georgetown. Please give them a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

I -- we're having a bunch of introductions for Girl Scouts

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all across the -- the -- the time on the Senate Floor. And I just wanted to say, for any of the Girl Scouts that are in here today - Hi - that I honestly truly believe that when you start off saying "On my honor" from five years old, you really grow up to be a special kind of person who understands what it means to help people. So I wanted to tell all you young ladies while you're here that little girls who are Girl Scouts grow up to be Senators. Thanks for being here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. With leave of the Body, we're going to go to Resolutions now, but we will be coming back to Senate Bills. We're waiting for some paperwork to come. So we will be going back to final action on bills. Senate Resolution 93. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings. Senate Bill -- or -- Senate Resolution 94. Senator Hastings. Senate Resolution 118. Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 118, offered by Senator Castro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Castro, on your resolution.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 118 is a recommendation of a constituent of mine. It urges the State of Illinois to monitor and, wherever feasible, to cooperate with the federal agencies that are examining the long-term effects of crumb rubber exposure on human health. The resolution further urges the owners and operators of any indoor or outdoor facility that has artificial turf containing -- and that it is utilized by children between the ages of eighteen months and twelve years to post at

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the facility a notice indicating that the facility uses an artificial turf with crumb rubber infill. The resolution also calls for the notice to inform users of the facility about the 2016 multiagency crumb rubber study and where additional information can be obtained. I see no opposition and I ask for adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

As this resolution requires expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 118 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 46 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Resolution 118, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Resolution 155. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 155, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your resolution.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Resolution 1-5-5 urges the Department of Central Management Services to partner with the Illinois Regional Insulator Contractors Association to -- to conduct live {sic} (five) free energy efficiency audits at five State buildings across location {sic} in Chicago, Cook County, McHenry or Will County, Central Illinois, and/or Southern Illinois, if possible. There's no opposition to this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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As this resolution requires expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 155 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 49 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Resolution 155, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senate Resolution 212. Senator Hastings. Senate Resolution 217. Senator McCann. Senate Bill - - Senate Resolution 241. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 241, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your resolution.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 241 creates the Work {sic} (Working) Group on Local Government Consolidation to identify ways to eliminate barriers on consolidation. This is in District 31 only. I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 241 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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State your point.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'm here to join my -- with my colleague, Senator Anderson, in announcing that the Senate will again have its one shining moment. On May 15th, we will have the second annual Senate versus House basketball game, and it will benefit the charity, Outlet, which is an organization that helps fatherless male youth ages eight through twenty-two develop the ability to make responsible life decisions. Given our lack of success on the softball field, I intend on making sure that we have a great representation and we bring home the trophy, and at the same time, we benefit a good local charity. So, I hope all can come and support this "May Madness" event and the Senate will again have its one shining moment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, I think there may be a correction on that. It's May 17th, not the 15th. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

The 15th is the victory. 17th, I don't know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senate Resolution 284. Senator Barickman. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 284, offered by Senator Barickman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Barickman, on your resolution.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thanks -- thank -- thanks -- thanks, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 284 designates June 15th, 2017 as Illinois Elder Abuse

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Awareness Day in Illinois. Mr. President, I am thoroughly confused. I would ask for its adoption though.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 323. Senator Clayborne. Senate -- Senate Resolution 352. Senator Hunter. Senate Resolution 375 {sic}. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 377, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your resolution.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This urges Congress to adopt a farm bill that supports and promotes the development of local and regional food systems. It's known that local food economies are a vital source of employment in Illinois. There's an increasing demand for it and it's a -- a very good way to access very healthy food. So I'd appreciate support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none -- oop! Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion on the bill -- or resolution? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 377 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you

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rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR TRACY:

On this special Girl Scout Day in Springfield, I have a group of young ladies from Macomb and McDonough County. Their leaders Jana Moon -- Jana -- Dana Moon and Natalie Gok are here with these little ladies, young ladies, beautiful ladies. And "On my honor", right? Thank you very much for coming to Springfield. Let's give 'em a warm welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR SANDOVAL:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR SANDOVAL:

I'd like to wish everyone in the Illinois Chamber -- the Illinois Senate a happy Cinco de Mayo (remarks in Spanish). That's in the Capitol of Illinois. I feel a rough night. I want to invite, on behalf of the Senate Latino Caucus - Senator Martinez, Senator Castro, Senator Aquino, Senator Muñoz, Senator Sandoval, yours truly - want to invite everyone to the annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Cinco de Mayo plus five. That's May 10th, next Wednesday, at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel from 6 o'clock to unknown.

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We'll be there very late. We have several bands, mariachis, Pitbull, Michael Jackson, laser show extravaganza. We have received support from all over the State and you will have never seen a Cinco de Mayo celebration like you've -- like never seen in Springfield, Illinois. And this is cosponsored this year by the Illinois Association of Hispanic State Employees, the Illinois Hispanic Association of Higher Ed Employees, the Illinois Hispanic Law Enforcement Association, and LULAC. We have all come together collaboratively to bring to you the annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration, and food and spirits are on your colleagues from the Senate Latino Caucus. Viva Cinco de Mayo on May 10th, Cinco de Mayo plus five, at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel. Bring a friend, bring a pal. Enjoy yourself next Wednesday.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senate Joint Resolution 16. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 16, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your resolution.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate -- Senate Joint Resolution 16 designates the last week of October 2017 as Dyslexia Awareness Week in the State of Illinois to continue to raise awareness about dyslexia and promote early diagnosis. I know of no opposition and I would urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 16 pass. All those in favor will say Aye.

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Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted.
Mr. Secretary, read in resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 489, offered by Senator Lightford.
It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2209, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 30 of the printed
Calendar, Senate Bill 1593. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary,
please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1593.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, on your bill.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1593 amends the
Property Tax Code to provide a property tax exemption for parking
areas that are owned by religious institutions and are being leased
or rented to a municipality for the purpose of providing free
public parking. I know of no opposition and would appreciate a
Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1593 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 43 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1593, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 26 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 1122. Senator McConnaughay. Senator McConnaughay seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1122 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1122. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McConnaughay.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, on your amendment.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd be happy to explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1122. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1122.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, on your bill.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, again, Mr. President. This is actually a very simple bill. It provides that there shall be no place of detention and criminal processing established or maintained on the grounds of any school, effective immediately. In -- in simple terms what this bill does -- and it's hard to believe that it even exists. Currently, we do have schools that main -- where the police department maintains a booking station for children. And what this bill does, ensures that that practice is discontinued. The thought that our kids go to school knowing that somewhere in their building there is a booking station to incarcerate other children is just unacceptable in today's society. So I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1122 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 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1122, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 20 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 852. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill

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852 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 852. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, on your amendment.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 852 extends the sunset on the Live Theater and the -- oh, we have to adopt the amendment? We need to adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 852. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 852.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, on your bill.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

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Senate Bill 852, as amended, extends the live theater production tax credit and the film production services tax credit to January 1, 2027. One of the things we were doing in the Senate Revenue Committee, especially since we had no budget, was not taking up any tax credits that increased or had a GRF impact. These two are extending sunsets of a tax that's already contemplated, so it ends up being mostly revenue neutral. So for that reason, we're extending it. It had no opposition, was on an agreed bill {sic}. Happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall -- Senator McCarter, I'm sorry, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the speaker -- of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, how do they not have an impact? Can you explain that, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

In a -- they both currently exist. We're not adding; we're not expanding. They exist in the budget right now. They're already currently contemplated in what we do right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Are -- are these salable credits?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

The film production tax credits are.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

And -- and that's exactly what we're talking about here is these credits, right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To -- to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I -- I -- I -- I personally -- salable tax credits are, I think, are a great thing, but if they're good for this industry, they're good for every industry. What they do is allow you to actually sell those at a discount, obtain the cash, invest in the project immediately. You don't have to wait and invest your money, file your return, and then take that against what you -- what you -- revenue you made. So I -- I like them; I'm just not -- I just don't think that we're in a position to be doing that. Now the question is, without them, would this industry be here or not be

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here? And I think that's the question. We don't really know that. And that's the risk that you take, is that, would they be here or not be here if we didn't do this? I'm not sure that this industry would vanish. Could it -- could -- could some go away? Honestly, I think the setting for most of these is pretty real and enticing from an entertainment standpoint that it's probably not going to go away. I don't think they're going to rename the show "New Orleans" or some other city's name. I think they're going to be just fine. So, with all due respect, I -- I understand the push here, but I'm -- I'm -- I'm going to be a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

You know, this is -- this is really an excellent piece of legislation and I'd like to take a moment to point out to the Body that unlike similar legislation in other states that provide credits to the film industry, Illinois was one of the very first states that crafted this type of legislation and it's unique in that the legislation in this State is a credit for jobs created in this State. Not just in the live or the motion -- live theater or motion picture industry, it's in this State. It is a great piece of legislation that we should consider extending. And -- with regard to the previous speaker, I know it's difficult to absorb the concept of giving a credit to another entity, but - Senator Bush and I have had this conversation amongst ourselves - we

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actually wrap that same benefit in the proposed EDGE enhancement, THRIVE, whatever you want to call it. It's really, if used appropriately, is an excellent vehicle. So I would urge the Body give this an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Senator Hutchinson, to close.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

One of the things that is a -- a piece of conversation across all states are exactly what one of the previous speakers stated, in that what would happen in the absence of a tax credit? That is something that we are grappling with across all fifty states - I'll just say that when I put my NCSL hat on. One of the things we know about, when you can measure them and you can see the return on the investment, those are some of the -- the criteria that goes into how we decide whether or not this is beneficial. So I just want to point out that the industry is changing, both for theater and for film, in that it used to be a -- a foregone conclusion that there would be, you know, film in Los Angeles and theater in New York and Chicago had some mix of the in between and now there's more theater in LA, there's more film in New York, and there's more theater and film happening all over Illinois. And when we're competing with the fact that you can make Vancouver look like any major city in the country, we're really happy to have Chicago Med, Chicago Fire, Empire filming here, major movie productions that are creating jobs that you can see and expanding the economy that you can see right now, today - not to mention my favorite, Hamilton. So, I -- I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 852 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 42 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 852, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 20 of the printed Calendar, Senate Bill 870. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 870.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

President Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. When the Senate organizes at the beginning of each new General Assembly, the Governor states that the Senate is governed by the rules of the prior Senate, but actually we don't have a statutory basis for that, and for some reason - it's an anomaly in the law - the House does. So all this bill does is to amend the General Assembly Operations Act and provide that for the organization and the operation of the Senate, the rules adopted by the Senate of the previous General Assembly shall prevail and be the rules governing the Senate of the new General Assembly. Be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 870 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 47 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 870, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1439. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1439.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

President Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is an initiative of the National Runaway Safeline, which is actually operated in my district. When -- when children are missing and they file missing children's reports, the purpose of this bill is to help those parents hear about the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. And so, this -- we enable law -- local law enforcement agencies to provide information about the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The information would include the organizations' twenty-four-hour toll-free numbers and description of their services. Be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sandoval, for what purpose do you rise? Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1439 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

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are 49 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1439, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise, once again, on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR McCANN:

Mr. President and my colleagues here in the Senate, I would like for you to point your attention to the Republican side of the gallery. We have two Girl Scout troops up here. We have a troop from the Springfield/Sherman area. And I have a troop visiting from Jerseyville, which is about an hour, a good hour and a half. two hours from here. And so if we could welcome these Girl Scouts and their leaders from the Springfield area and the Jerseyville area. Thank you so much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will the Committee on Assignments please -- please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? The Committee on Assignments, please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. Upon the -- upon the -- the end of Assignments Committee, we will be going back to 3rd Readings. Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TRACY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR TRACY:

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Senator McCarter has a group of Girl Scouts, Troop 717, from Troy, Illinois. Raise your hands there, ladies. We would like to welcome you to Springfield. Their troop leader is LeAnn Kitchen and they are from Troy, Illinois. Welcome, ladies. Senator McCarter welcomes you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - House Bill -- House Bills 470, 3090, 3272, and 3273; refer to Commerce and Economic Development Committee - House Bills 1560, 2698, and 3032; refer to Criminal Law Committee - House Bills 649, 2559, 2829, 3251, 2373, 2390, 3712, and 3803; refer to Education Committee - Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 449, House Bill -- House Bills 261, 2461, 2545, 2898, 2950, 3298, 3368, 3437, 3745, 3820, and 3903; refer to Environment and Conservation Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1774 and House Bill 1914; refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 100, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1095, House Bills 539, 3419, 3164, 3519, 2878, and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 791; refer to Gaming Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 620; refer to Government Reform Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Joint Resolution 25; refer to Higher Education Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 518; refer to Human Service -- Human Services Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3161, House Bills 2388, 2474, 2589, 3161 {sic} (3168), 3502, and 3709;

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refer to Insurance Committee - House Bills 1954, 1955, 3072, 3223, and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 817 {sic}; refer to Judiciary Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 444, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 568, Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1334 {sic}, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 2516, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2537, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2713, House Bills 188, 1273, 2572, 2626, 2702, 2810, 2937, 3001, and 3755; refer to Labor Committee - House Bills 690, 2771, 3216, and 3539; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 350, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 309, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 364, House Bills 688, 3464, 3462, 3897, 656, 313, 418, 2577, 2630, 3528, and 3908; refer to Local Government Committee - House Bills 659, 1896, 2778, 2756 and 3400, and Senate Resolution 482; refer to Public Health Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 763, House Bills 173, 1952, 3157, 3488, and 3773; refer to Revenue Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 155, House Bills 159, 2831, and 3036; refer to State Government Committee - Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 262, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3737, House Bill 2664, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 267, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1606, House Bill 3649, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2482, House Bill 123, 140, 2987, 3514, and 3855; refer to Telecommunications and Information Technology Committee {sic} (Special Committee on the Oversight of Medicaid Managed Care) - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 321, Senate Resolution 480, and House Bill 2907; refer to Transportation Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1687, House Bills 607, 3045, and 2953; refer to Veterans Affairs Committee -- returning to Transportation Committee - also House Bill 3004; refer to Veterans Affairs

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Committee - House Bills 3261 and 3095; re-refer from Executive Subcommittee on Governmental Operations to Executive Committee - Senate Bill 643; re-refer from Executive Subcommittee on Special Issues to Executive Committee - Senate Bill 82; re-refer from Environment Committee to Agriculture Committee - Senate Bill 1272 and 1273; Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1592, Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1351, House Bills 737, 2465, 2685, 2732, 2820, 3033, 3044, 3188, and 3631. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 441, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 543, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1091, and Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1754.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

With leave of the Body, we'll return to page 6 of the printed Calendar, 2nd Readings. Senate Bill 1882. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1882.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask that we adopt the amendment. I'll discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1592. Senator Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1592 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1592. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 4.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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 LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1592. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1592.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1592 eliminates a government entity, the DuPage County Election Commission, and consolidates it into the Office of the DuPage County Clerk. This is an initiative of the DuPage County

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Chair, and I believe, with the amendments, we have worked out concerns of both Democrats and Republicans with respect to the bill. I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1592 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 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1592, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will now proceed to the Order of Resolution Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all 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, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. And the resolutions are adopted. Just a friendly reminder to everybody: Deadline for filing committee amendments to House bills is today at 4 p.m. 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 9th day of May 2017, or until the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.