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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

The Senate will come to order. We have Pastor Curt Fleck from the Civil -- excuse me... Excuse me. The regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will all our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Curt Fleck from Civil Servant Ministries, Springfield, Illinois. Pastor Fleck.

PASTOR CURT FLECK:

(Prayer by Pastor Curt Fleck)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Cunningham will lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please be seated. Have -- leave has been requested by Lisa Yuscus -- Yuscus from the Bluestream {sic} (Blueroomstream.com) to video; Jon Jenkins, WICS, to video; Bernie Schoenburg from State Journal-Register for photos; Mary Ann Ahern, NBC Chicago, to videotape; Mack {sic} (Mark) Losiniecki from WBBM-TV to videotape; Jim Masters {sic} (Mastri) and Craig Wall from ABC-7 Chicago News to videotape and photos; and Michael {sic} (Michon) Lindstrom from WAND to photo {sic} (videotape). Leave has been asked -- requested. There is no objection. Seeing there is no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of January 25th, 26th, and 30th; and February

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1st, 7th, and 8th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the... I move -- hold, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. There's a -- a correction. I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senators has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of Wednesday, October 25th; Wednesday, November 1st; and Monday, November 6th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to postpone the reading and -- reading and approvals {sic} of -- of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Also seeking leave to videotape

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is Joe Lynn from WGN-TV. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary,
Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1063, offered by Senator Hunter and all
Members.

Senate Resolution 1064, offered by Senators Bertino-Tarrant
and McGuire and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 1065 and 1066, offered by Senator Harmon
and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1068, offered by Senator McCann and all
Members.

Senate Resolutions 1069 and 1070, offered by Senator Brady
and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 1071 through 1074, offered by Senator
Harmon and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 1075, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton
and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1067, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

And Senate Resolution 1076, offered by Senator Bush.

They are both substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2262, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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And Senate Bill 2263, offered by Senator Bivins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Any motions in relationship to the Governor's vetoes?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes. I have motions filed with respect to the Governor's total veto on Senate Bills 1714 and 3419, as well as motions filed with respect to the Governor's total vetoes on House Bills 688, 732, 2778, 3298, and 3649.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please print the -- the motions on the Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1077, offered by Senators Bush, Althoff, and all Members.

It is a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Will the -- will the Members on Assignment, Members on Assignment, please report to the President's Anteroom? Will all Members on Assignments please report to the President's Anteroom? Emilee Fannon seeks leave to photograph/videotape the proceedings. Is there any objection? Seeing none, no objection, leave is granted. All Members at the sound of my voice, please report to the Floor. Will all Members at the sound of my voice please report to the Senate Floor? Will those Members on Assignments please report to the President's Anteroom? Mr. Secretary, are -- any motions in relationship to the Governor's vetoes?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, earlier I read a motion with respect to the Governor's total veto on Senate Bill 3419, which should have been House Bill 3419. That motion has been filed on House Bill 3419.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Thank you very much. Please print those motions on the Calendar. Daisy Contreras seeks leave to photograph/videotape the proceedings. Is there any objection? Seeing none, leave is granted. From NPR radio. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Executive Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1381; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1322; refer to Public Health Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 456 and Senate Resolution 936; refer to State Government Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 867 {sic} and Senate Resolution 1067; Be Approved for Consideration - House Bills 137, 171, 3452, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1345, and Senate Resolution 1076.

Signed, Senator James Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 137, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 171, and Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3452.

Signed, Senator James Clayborne, Chairman.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 936 can be heard today in the Senate Public Health Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Mulroe moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 936 can be heard today in the Senate Public Health Committee. Senator Mulroe moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that -- all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your purpose -- your point, sir.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I'd like to introduce to the Senate, Mr. Brandon Banbury. He owns a -- a company called Hailstorm Brewing Company, which is about ten minutes away from my house. Brandon is an engineer by trade, civil engineer, went to school with my sister at the great Southern Illinois University. He's a good Saluki. But more importantly, I'm really proud of Brandon and his company because they were just awarded the -- a gold medal and a gold medal at the Great American Beer Festival for the best beer. It's called Prairie Madness. It's an IPA, and when you waft it, it gives you a citrusy smell. It's hoppy. He also won a silver medal for his

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Maibock, which is a -- light -- a lighter bock. But two of the best beers in the entire country are brewed right here in the great State of Illinois. I want to say thanks to Gene and his son, Josh, Wabiszczewicz, who also operate the company as well. They had a great time in Denver, Colorado. They employ twelve employees and they brew over two thousand barrels of beer and growing. And if you want their beer in your district, come on over here and meet my man. I just want to give Brandon and a -- a warm Springfield welcome and a great congratulations for representing Illinois as one of the best beers in Illinois. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Welcome to the Senate, sir, and good luck in all your endeavors. Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your point.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to introduce you to Dixie Payne, who's my guest today. Dixie is here from Vermilion County. In fact, she's one of my legislative assistants in my Danville office. She has been a very loyal public servant for the citizens of the 52nd District. In fact, she came in at the same time Mike Frerichs came in, in 2006, and has continued to serve during my term as Senator. She has - if you look up here on the right side of the rear gallery - she has a pretty big fan club as well. She has six relatives, including her brother and sister and cousins. Just a terrific lady. And they don't get -- I think our

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district office doesn't get a lot of accolades, so if you'll please give a warm Senate welcome to Dixie Payne.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please give her a warm Senate welcome. Welcome to you and all your friends to the Illinois Senate. John O'Connor has seek {sic} leave to photograph the proceedings. Is there any objections? Seeing no objection, leave is granted. John O'Connor is from Associated Press. Mr. Secretary, are there any motions in relation to the Governor's vetoes?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes, Mr. President. I have motions in relation to House Bills 1797 and 3143.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please print those motions on the Calendar. Senator Van Pelt, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR VAN PELT:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your point.

SENATOR VAN PELT:

I would like to ask the Senate to join me in welcoming my constituent here, Mark Legenza, who is the owner of the On Tour Brewing Company, and his company has just been recognized as winning the national honors from the 2017 Great American Beer Festival for having the very best small brewing company in the country and he also won the Very Small -- Very Small Brewing Company Award for the year for all breweries across this entire country. So we're proud to have Mr. Legenza here. He's an employer in my district. He's the fourth generation -- he has four

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generations of Legenzas that have been born in the City of Chicago. Had been living in Colorado, came back here because he wanted to build a business in his home city in his home state. So we're very happy to have Mark Legenza here with us today and I would like to ask the Senate Members to please recognize him. And we thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Mark, welcome to the Illinois Senate. Much luck in all of your endeavors and welcome home. On page 2 of House Bills 3rd Reading, we have House Bill 685. House Bill 685. Senator Bush. Senator Bush. We're going to House Bills again. House Bill 685 on page 2 of the Calendar. We have Senator Bush. Senator Bush, do you wish to proceed? She acknowledges that she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 685.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Members...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please give the Senator your attention. We're going to 3rd Readings. Please give Senator Bush your attention. Senator Bush, proceed.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. House Bill 685 defines "milkweed" and provides that counties and municipalities may not

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classify it as a noxious or exotic weed. This bill supersedes home rule. I know of no opposition and I would appreciate your support and an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 685 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 41 Yeas, 6 Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 685, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Clayborne, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Today, we have someone here who has -- who will affect -- I'm sure has affected a lot of us in terms of our retirement if you've worked for a municipality or governmental entity. He's been the Executive Director since 1991. He had joined IMRF in 1988 and he's become a trusted friend, as well as a hardworking public servant who's tried to do the best he could to protect our retirement. And I would like to recognize Louis Kosiba of the IMRF, the Executive Director.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Louis, please stand to be recognized. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Thank you, sir. For -- for all Members, if you would, we are proceeding on to 3rd Reading. All Members, please, we're

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proceeding on to 3rd Readings. We would like your attention on these important matters. We're now going forward, going to Supplemental Calendar No. 1. On Supplemental Calendar No. 1, we have House Bill 137. House Bill 137. Senator John -- Cullerton. Senator Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 137 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 137. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. The amendment becomes the bill. I wish to adopt the amendment and debate the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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 offered.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

3rd Reading. On House Bill 137, President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 137.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. On November 4th, the Legislative Ethics Commission appointed a special Legislative Inspector General to review the current backlog of complaints and begin any necessary investigations. This bill makes it clear and would allow that special Legislative Inspector General to initiate any investigation for any complaints received by the Legislative Ethics Commission or the Inspector General during the period of December 1st, 2014 through November 3rd, 2017. This is a provision that has been discussed with all four Legislative Leaders. Be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR NYBO:

Yeah, I just wanted to advise Members on our side that when we initially looked at the analysis, it was an -- an outdated analysis dealing with a -- a manufacturing proposal. And so I'd ask our Members on this side to make sure that their analysis is refreshed so that they know that their voting on a -- a statute of limitations proposal and not anything having to do with

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manufacturing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any further discussions? Any further discussion? On that question -- excuse me, we have Senator McConnaughay. Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm obviously going to support this. I -- I just find it incredibly unfortunate that we even have to pass this bill today. Had the Ethics Commission been in a position to do its job, we wouldn't be having to backtrack and create an acceptance {sic} to a statute of limitations in order to properly hear complaints that we were misled in thinking that they did not exist. In reality, we've had a backlog of twenty-seven complaints over the last two/three years. And now we are in a position where we have to pass legislation just so we can investigate these claims. I find it unfortunate. I am disgusted by it. I think that we can do and should do so much better. This is a must today. We've got to get this done. But moving forward, we need to essentially rewrite our entire ethics ordinance, because the General Assembly in Illinois has demonstrated again and again that it is incapable of policing itself. As we move forward, we need to take the process of investigating complaints against the General Assembly out of our control. We need to build something that prevents us from tinkering with the outcome of a complaint. If an individual wants to bring a complaint forward and they know the General Assembly has the ability to manipulate the outcome, who's ever going to really come forward and issue -- ask -- file a complaint about how we do business? This is the kind of culture that has permeated this place for way too long. And I ask that

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everybody vote Yes on this today, but I also ask that everybody rushes -- that everybody also work just as hard to rewrite a new ethics ordinance that the people of Illinois can trust in. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

To the bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

I, too, support this bill. Also share concerns from the previous speaker that it's unfortunate that we have it. We have twenty-seven outstanding complaints. Each one of those has somebody who has issued the complaint, has a concern. Each one has somebody who has been accused. Not having the investigations does not serve either side well. It's highly unfortunate. So you have all these situations out there where both somebody remains accused and somebody has not gotten a complaint resolved. It's very, very unfortunate that these things have not been brought to fruition for both parties at the table. I -- I certainly share the previous speaker's desire to make sure going forward we really look comprehensively at how this is working or is not working. And certainly on the issues regarding sexual harassment, I think we really need to take a look at having a safe place to report, that women really do feel comfortable or anybody who has a concern feels comfortable doing that. I'm not sure in our entirety of what we're addressing today accomplishes that, so I'm very pleased that we will hopefully have a venue to continue having those

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conversations. Certainly think we need to get on this and I'm glad that the Senate President is bringing this bill forward. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

President Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

I would ask for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

On -- as the bill has an immediate effective date, the passage of this measure will require three-fifths majority. The question is, shall House Bill 137 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Yeas, none voting Nay, 4 vote -- not voting. House Bill 137, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Continuing on Supplemental Calendar No. 1, we'll go to House Bill 171. House 71 {sic}. Tom Cullerton. Tom Cullerton, wish to proceed? He -- gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. The Senator -- on House Bill 171, Senator Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 171 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 171. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Cullerton. Senator Cullerton is...(inaudible)...

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd -- I'd like to accept the

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amendment and explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

3rd Reading. On House Bill 171, Senator Cullerton wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 171.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- or House Bill 171, Floor Amendment 1, just codifies county board business. And I'd like to thank my friends on the other side of the aisle who helped to get this to an agreed-upon bill as we moved it through Local Government today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 171 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 Yeas, 3 voting

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Nay, 3 voting Present. House Bill 171, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I'd like the record to reflect that I intended to vote Yes on the previous bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Record shall so reflect. Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 1067 can be heard today at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate State Government Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hutchinson moves to waive all notice and -- posting requirements so that House Bill {sic} 1067 can be heard today at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate State Government Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Mr. President, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, for the purposes of an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please, sir, proceed.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

We have a guest here, Ladies and Gentlemen, from -- well, he's from Chicago, but if you ever talk to him, you'd know he's from a distant island called Ireland. His name is Mr. Billy Lawless, who is a restaurateur, a prominent restaurateur in Chicago. He also is very active with immigrant rights, since he's

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-- probably since he was born. And he happens to have the same title that we have. He's a -- he was appointed a Senator in Ireland by the Taoiseach in Ireland. So I'd like to have you all welcome Mr. Billy Lawless here to Springfield today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Lawless, welcome to the Illinois Senate, sir. Hope you find your visit pleasurable. Continuing on Supplemental Calendar No. 1, we're going to Senate Resolution 1076. Senate Resolution 1076. Senator Bush. Senator Bush, do you wish to proceed? She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1076, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members. I think we've heard a -- a lot and -- and read a lot over the last few weeks about sexual harassment in the Capitol. Today I bring before you a resolution that -- that truly is the product of many women, who worked over the weekend diligently, and I want to thank them and thank them for honoring me in -- in allowing me to carry this resolution. So SR 1076 creates the Task Force on Sexual Discrimination and Harassment Awareness and Prevention. The task force reflects the Senate view that this is critical to continue the conversation on preventing and responding to sexual discrimination and harassment and that appropriate legislative changes must be made to maximize legal remedies and protections for those victimized by sexual discrimination and harassment. The task force will hold its first

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meeting by December 15th and will make comprehensive recommendations to the General Assembly no later than December 31st, 2018, with interim reports encouraged to ensure the task force is making progress. We are serious about this. We believe that more needs to be done. And this is something that, going forward, we must do a better job. I would appreciate an Aye vote. I am happy to entertain any questions, but I think we all in this Body know the seriousness that this issue must be taken with.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator Bush. I look forward to working with you on this task force. And again, as I said earlier, it's unfortunate that we even have to do things like this. But I also want to offer some words of caution as we all, you know, get excited to start a task force that's going to talk about this. I want just -- and it's not -- it's, I think, was beyond your control. But a little concerned that we have our own task force and the House has a different one. Lot of people in this town believe that that is a recipe for failure, that -- that we will never actually get to a solution when one Chamber works very separately than the other. So I -- I hope that that's not the case, but I put that warning out there that we need to be diligent in our efforts on this to ensure that we -- this actually results in legislation that moves this State forward as it relates to sexual harassment. My second caution on this is, the resolution doesn't - I -- and I apologize, I didn't have a chance but to read it very quickly - doesn't say a lot about the Ethics Commission

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and -- and it is imperative that this task force also talks about the Ethics Commission, because it's likely where any complaint about sexual harassment is going to go. And as I said before, we have to change the way our ethics ordinance or Ethics Commission actually operates to ensure that when an individual comes forward and files a complaint that they know that there won't be retribution, that it won't get swept under the carpet, that it will be legitimately, responsibly administered, and the case will be evaluated by a trained professional who is in no way influenced by a single Member of the General Assembly, and eliminates the ability for anyone in this building, whether in the Senate or in the House, to be able to control the outcomes on any complaint that comes forward. So I just -- I'm just offering that caution. Those are things that I think are really going to be important to also talk about as a part of the task force.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you. To the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

To the resolution.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Senator Bush, for bringing this up. Thank you, Senator McConnaughay, for saying what you just said. I want to add some clarity to some of this. Our resolution contains a identical line that talks about the two separate task forces working together. It was one of the main concerns we talked about, because we really do want to ensure that this is a follow-up to what the substantive statutory changes would be as a first step.

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There was no way to dig deep and go into best practices and really get at this problem the way we need to in forty-eight hours when this stuff started rolling. So the good thing about the task force is that it does show the -- the seriousness of both Chambers to look at this and the absolute participation of the women in the Legislature as participants about this, because one thing we do know is there cannot be a bill largely about us and for us without us. So that task force is going to be critically important and this is, I think, our way to hold everyone's feet to the fire as to what happens next. So I'd like to say thank you to Senator Bush for bringing this forward. We have a lot of work to do. The point of today and what we will take up tomorrow is that this is just the beginning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Bush, to close.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to thank you for your comments, Senator McConnaughay. We are in one hundred percent agreement. I know that you were instrumental in helping move this forward. I know you take this seriously, as we do. And thank you to Senator Hutchinson for clarification on the task force working together, and I assure you the Commission is something we will absolutely be talking about. Thank you, very much. I appreciate your comments and I would urge that you all vote Yes and let's get this moving forward and make sure that, going forward, this Body is doing a better job of dealing with sexual harassment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

As this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. Pursuant to the -- the question

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is, shall House -- Senate Resolution 1067 pass. All those in favor will vote -- 1076, I apologize. Senate Resolution 1076 pass. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. All opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that vote, there are 55 voting Yea, no voting Nay, no voting Present. Senate Resolution 1076, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Going back to the regular Calendar, House Bills 3rd Reading, we have House Bill 1479. House Bill 1479. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson states that she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1479.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hutchinson, to the bill.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1479 is a trailer bill to House Bill 3904, which creates a permanent Women's Division under the direct supervision of the Director of Corrections. House Bill 1479 removes a provision in 3904 requiring the Director of Women's Division of the Department of Corrections be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. This is a product of an agreed -- an agree -- an agreement between the Chambers and between the sponsors. Representative Juliana Stratton promised that she would do this. She was able to get it out before we ran out of town -- I mean ran out of time, not ran out of town. So,

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all in all, this is an easy, simple thing that actually codifies the end of the agreement so everybody keeps their word. And we thank the Governor for signing the legislation even though we hadn't had a chance to finish this trailer bill. So I'd appreciate all of your support for this landmark division that we've created in the Department of Corrections.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1479 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, no voting Nay, no voting Present. House Bill 1479, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. ...Milner of Illinois Times requests leave to photograph the proceedings. Erin Hoolex {sic} (Hooley) of the Chicago Tribune requests permission to {sic} still photos. Tina Sfonpeles {sic} (Sfondeles) from the Chicago Sun-Times requests permission to photograph. Seeing no object... Seeing no opposition, permission is granted. Want -- want to remind the Body that there are committees from -- previously reported earlier today. The Licensed Activities and Pensions will meet today at 1:30 p.m., Room 400. State Government will meet today at 1:30 p.m. in Room 409. Public Health will meet today at 2:30 in Room 400. Criminal Law will meet today at 3:15 p.m., Room 212. We will then return to the Floor after committees for further Floor action. Mr. Secretary, any motions in relation to the Governor's vetoes?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a motion filed with respect to the Governor's total

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vetoed on House Bills 2462 and 2977.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Mr. Secretary, please print the motions on the Calendar. The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After committee meetings, the Senate will reconvene for further Floor action. The Senate -- Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The Senate will come to order. Will all Members please come to the Senate Floor? Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Landek, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Resolutions 534, 546, and 1067 Be Adopted.

Senator Jones, (Vice) Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports Motion to Concur - House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1322 Recommend Do Adopt; and House Bills 1279 and 1281 Do Pass.

Senator Van Pelt, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Health, reports Senate Resolution 936 Be Adopted; and House Bill 1059 Do Pass.

Senator Hastings, Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Law, reports House Bill 185 Do Pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1078, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton and

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all Members.

It is a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Resolutions Consent Calendar, Mr. Secretary. Mr. Secretary, do you have any motions regarding vetoes?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes. We have a motion filed with respect to the Governor's amendatory veto of House Bill 302.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please print that on the Calendar. Senator Link, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LINK:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR LINK:

Up in the gallery, we have my mayor. I should say one of my mayors, but he's my mayor of the City of Waukegan, the first African American to be elected Mayor of the City of Waukegan in its history, the Honorable Sam Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will our guest in the gallery please rise? Welcome, Mayor, to the Illinois Senate. Will all Members please report to the Senate Floor? All Members of the Senate, report to the Senate Floor. We will be going to Supplemental Calendar No. 2 for final action. Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

With leave of the Body, we'll turn to Supplemental Calendar 2, House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 158. Senator -- 185, I'm

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sorry. 185. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 185.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senator Muñoz in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Next on the Calendar, we have 1059. Senate -- House Bill 1059. Senator Mulroe. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1059.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 1279. Senator Emil Jones III has permission to move the bill, which was the primary sponsor Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1279.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1281. Again, Senator Jones will be moving the bill, but it is Senator Martinez's. Mr. Secretary,

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read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1281.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

3rd Reading. We'll now proceed to Senate Resolutions. Senate Resolution 534. Senator Murphy. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 534, offered by Senator Murphy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Oh, loud. Mr. President and Members of the General Assembly, this is a resolution that encourages the United States Congress to continue to look for MIAs. It is something -- MIAs and POWs that have been missing in action since -- for decades and decades. So I think that this will help the federal government know that we in Illinois want to encourage them to continue these efforts and support our veterans.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 534 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 5-4-6. Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Resolution 546, offered by Senator Murphy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- actually, it's 534. I think the numbers got transposed. But this resolution, too, has to do with veterans and Americans with disability. And actually, at the State Fair in 2016, there were no provisions for Americans with disabled -- with disabilities. So this is a constituent driven resolution. They asked that the State be particularly cognizant of ensuring people with disabilities' needs are met in public venues.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Resolution 546 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 936. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 936, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Resolution 936 declares September of 2017 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Resolution 936 pass. All those in favor will say

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Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 1067. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson, on your resolution. Out of the record. Members, be advised, we're just waiting on some paperwork from the House to do three concurrences. It should be coming shortly. (at ease) Senator Weaver, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Please proceed, Senator.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to have this gentleman stand up with me. This is Ian McCormic and he's my Page for the Day, but also an intern in my district office. And he's a student at Bradley University, a freshman in poli-sci and also in international studies. He's been involved in the American Legion Boys State as a citizen and counselor. And he's -- it's great to have him here today. But I just got to say about this young man that I've got a number of interns, but this gentleman is so detailed in his work and does just a great job for us. But would you please welcome him to Springfield today? Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Welcome to the Senate. Congratulations. We'll now proceed to page 5 of the Calendar. Senate Bill -- Order of Motions in Writing to Override the Total Veto of the Governor. This is final action. On page 5, Senate Bill 321. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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I move that Senate Bill 321 do pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

Signed by Senator Murphy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill that had unanimous support in both Chambers requires that an audit be conducted, a performance audit be conducted of the MCOs, the managed care organizations, on a yearly basis. The Auditor General will conduct these performance audits because the provisions to do that under HFS are not available. They are not proficient in conducting audits. It's something that the Auditor General should perform. And I would ask that the Body support this veto override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 321 pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 50 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 321 -- 0 voting Present, correction. Senate Bill 321, having received the required three-fifths majority, is declared passed, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the

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passage of a bill of the following title, to wit:

House Bill 402.

Together with the following amendments which are attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Amendments 1, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 402.

We have received like Messages on Senate Bill 770, with House Amendments 1 and 2. Passed the House, as amended, November 7th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

Correction from the last Message: It is Senate Bill 402.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Will all Members on the Committee of Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom immediately? All Members on the Committee of Assignments. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

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

House Joint Resolution 83.

Offered by Senator Hutchinson and adopted by the House, November 7, 2017.

We have received a like Message on House Joint Resolution 86, offered by Senator Collins and adopted by the House, November 7th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House. They are substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Can we have our legislative assistants please send your

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Members that belong to the Committee on Assignments to the President's Anteroom immediately? Michael McGovern, NBC-5, requests permission to video. There being no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Resolution 582, Senate Bill 867, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 867, Motion to Concur with House Amendments 1, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 402, Motion to Concur with House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 770, and House Joint Resolution 86.

Signed, Senator James Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

On page 3 of the Supplemental Calendar, Order of Secretary's Desk, Senate Bills, Concurrence. This is final action. The Supplemental Calendar 3 has been distributed. On the Order of Concurrences, Senate Bill 402. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 402.

Signed by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

So the -- which amendment are we on, Mr. -- Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

The whole motion, Mr. President. 1, 4, and 5.

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SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This concurrence motion comes over from the House this afternoon. They passed this 117 to nothing. The bill would require lobbyists and State officers and employees, including Members of the General Assembly and legislative staff, to receive sexual harassment training. It also clarifies the procedure for making complaints of sexual harassment against State officials, General Assembly Members, State employees, and lobbyists, and allows the appropriate ethics commission to adjudicate these claims. And there's some specifics that I would point out. It amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act and the Lobbyist Registration Act to expressly prohibit sexual harassment. It clarifies that the Inspector Generals {sic} have the power to investigate complaints of sexual harassment. Clarifies that the Legislative Ethics Commission and the Executive Ethics Commissions {sic} are empowered to review reports of sexual harassment from Inspectors Generals {sic} and make recommendations, rulings, and administrative fines. It allows the jurisdictional authority for the Senate or the House to impose discipline, including discharge. Requires all officials, Members, employees, and lobbyists to receive sexual harassment training. It requires governmental entities and lobbyists to adopt a policy prohibiting sexual harassment and requires the ethics commission {sic} (commissions) to post on their websites the procedures for reporting an ethical violation and to accept complaints via email. And it creates a sexual harassment hotline at the Department of Human Rights. I would urge that we unanimously pass this bill, as the House has done, and be happy to answer any questions.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

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

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Question -- question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you. I just have one quick question on legislative intent, Mr. President. Mr. President, under this legislation, will someone subject to monetary fines for ethics violations under the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, including sexual harassment, be permitted to pay that fine out of political campaign funds?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Yes, you were kind enough to let me know you were going to ask me that question and I researched it and therefore my answer is that it is not the intent of this legislation or current law to allow someone who has committed an ethics violation to pay ethics fines with campaign funds. Under Illinois' campaign finance law, campaign funds may not be used to satisfy or repay any debts other than loans made to the committee, loans made to the candidate on behalf of the committee, or loans to repay for goods and services purchased by the committee under a credit agreement. Use of campaign funds to repay personal loans is not permitted. If at any point an ethics commission, the State Board of Elections, or some other entity determines that this prohibition does not

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encompass ethics fines, I will support legislation that would close that and change that outcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Steans, for what -- what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR STEANS:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR STEANS:

Again, I want to thank the Senate President. I know there's been a lot of work in a short period of time on this bill and really appreciate the fact that he sought a lot of input and really helped make amendments to this bill I think to improve it. I -- I -- clearly, right now, we don't have anything that even has sexual harassment as part of a -- a policy that we as General Assembly Members are held accountable for. So doing this and having training on it, I think is incredibly crucial. The concern that we have talked about is that this isn't necessarily sufficient - it's necessary, but not sufficient. And I understand that the intent here is to have the sexual -- sexual harassment task force really take a look at best practices and make sure we're putting in place a mechanism to make sure that women do have a safe place to go and report issues. And with that, I have -- much greater confidence in moving forward with this bill as a good first step and really appreciate all the work that's been done on this. Thank you and encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator McConnaughay, for what purpose do you seek

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recognition?

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you. Thank you, Senate President, for bringing this bill forward. And when you think about where we were just a mere week ago, we certainly have come a long way in this conversation. But I think my concern is -- and I'm -- and I'm going to vote Yes for this, because I think it's important to take this first step. But I -- I am a little troubled that, here in the Senate, we have not had the opportunity to have a robust discussion on this issue. Certainly, I don't think that the female legislators of this -- of this Chamber have had an opportunity to really -- well, they've -- we've been given a chance to participate in offering amendments and things of that sort, but we need to have a -- I think a very public discussion that -- that we invite the general public to participate in to make sure that whatever we do to respond to sexual harassment in this State is the best gold standard of anywhere. The -- the -- the scandal that sort of has broken out here in the past week as it relates to this has put a dark mark on all of us and -- and -- so we need to do this. But I just hope that as we move forward that the task force that we've put together, that I talked about earlier, that it is not just window dressing on this; that it is in fact meant to bring us to a bill. I also am very concerned about the fact that we're doing one task force and the House is doing something different. It really makes me very suspect as to whether or not when the dust all settles and

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the national conversation about this is toned down, will we sincerely be aggressive in addressing sexual harassment in this State. And while we're at it, there's no way you can have this conversation without talking about our Ethics Commission, how we approach ethics complaints in -- in the General Assembly. And I have said it many times over this past week, we have demonstrated an inability to police ourself. And so as we move forward with this task force, I'm -- I am, on the record, hoping that we are very, very serious about a major overhaul to how we police ourselves and we change to a method that allows the general public, the people of this State, to know that there's a process in place that is not tainted or manipulated by the General Assembly. I -- again, I'm going to support this. I encourage everybody in -- in this room to support this. But I also hope that we do not forget the seriousness of this after the heat dies down. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Bush, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BUSH:

Excuse me. To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR BUSH:

I, too, support this bill and -- and I -- I want to reiterate what I said this morning. The task force that we are forming is meant to be serious in nature and it's also meant to protect men and women that might be victims of some kind of unwanted treatment. I think that -- look, this is a really easy time to talk more about politics than issues and policy. And I want to say thank you. I know that there were people that worked very, very hard over this

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last weekend with the Senate President to make sure that there were amendments made to this. This is a good first step and Senator McConnaughay is right - this does need to be taken seriously. But that's why we have to make sure we're policing that process and making sure that we're a part of it and watching it going forward. But I -- I want to be clear that I wouldn't have brought that resolution forward today if I didn't absolutely believe to my core that this is a serious look at this issue to make sure that men and women, those that are accused and those that are also - what's the opposite of being the accused? It starts with an A. It's one of those days - whether you're the person that's being accused or -- or you're the supposed perpetrator. Both of those people need to be protected. So, anyway, I just want to urge everyone to vote Aye and just know the task force is serious and -- and I hope that we're going all work together on that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HOLMES:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

...the bill, Senator.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I just want to say, this -- this past week, I think, has definitely been an eye opener for all of us. And this is certainly a story that has hit the national headlines, as well as everywhere around, and everyone has a very strong reaction to it. And then some came out and you look at something like Senate Bill 402 and you say, "Oh, my gosh, look, they're rushing into this." But it

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was very important that we address the issues that are addressed in Senate Bill 402. It -- I think it was very responsible of us to behave as quickly as possible as a reaction. However, I think we know as we look at this topic, this is major. There are a lot of moving parts, there's a lot to be considered, and if we rush in because of a situation and in a couple days throw together a piece of legislation without getting the input from everybody we need to be getting the input from and sitting down and carefully considering it and coming up with a measured response, you will hear when we talk about this that people are saying what we actually need to talk about here is not just a piece of legislation, it's a change in culture. Well, a change in culture isn't going to happen overnight with a piece of legislation. It's something that's going to take a very thoughtful approach. It's going to take a great deal of time. And the task force that's been created is going to create that opportunity. So I want to say when it comes to 402, it is an absolutely essential interim step that we're taking during this time. And, Senate President, thank you for bringing it. But I also want to take time to thank Senator Bush for bringing the task force, because I think that's where we're going to be able to research what other states are doing, what the best practices are, and approach this and deal with it in the most responsible, comprehensive, and long-term manner, and finally address that big question of changing the culture. So I urge everybody to support this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

President Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

No. I just simply ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Since -- this bill requires three-fifths majority because of the immediate effective date. The question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments 1, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 402. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 402, having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments 1, 4, and 5 to Senate Bill 402, and the bill is declared passed. Senate Bill 770. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 770.

Signed by Senator Holmes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. This basically is a trailer to the Collective Bargaining Freedom Act, which was Senate Bill 1905 that we just recently passed and -- and did the override. And this deletes the liability provision in the bill. It passed in both Chambers, it was vetoed by the Governor, and we overrode it in the Senate. What they needed to do in the House to address that issue to come to a compromise was they ended up taking out these -- the penalty for it, where it was basically a Class A misdemeanor. And that's the change we made in agreement with what the House Republicans wanted in order to pass the bill in the

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House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 770. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 770, and the bill is declared passed. Senate Bill 867. Senator Cullerton, Tom Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 867.

Signed by Senator Tom Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 867 passed out of here unanimously. We are bringing it back. There were a couple more added fees to be reduced on the LLC bills. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments {sic} 1 to Senate Bill 867. 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

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55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 867, and the bill is declared passed. Will all members, Committee on Assignments, please go to the Anteroom immediately? All members, Committee on Assignments. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Introductions of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2264, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - House Joint Resolution 83 and House Bill 2505.

Signed, Senator James Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Supplemental Calendar No. 4 has been printed and distributed. House Joint Resolution 83. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 83, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I know it's been a very long day and we've had a lot of conversation on multiple pieces of

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legislation...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

...ahead, Senator.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

...as it relates to a topic that is not easy to talk about. This resolution - and we're going to have another one that comes that's just as important right after this - House Joint Resolution 83 provides that by supporting this resolution, Members of the House and Senate are committed to changing the culture of sexual harassment in Springfield and politics in Illinois. It's important that we do this last piece on this topic today because we've had a number of people stand up and talk about how it doesn't matter how many bills we pass as to whether or not this gets addressed. So I'm going to tell you a little story, and I hope that there are people in here who can hear this little story, because it goes to the disconnect that people see when we say we want to end the culture and there are enough folks walking around that still don't know what "it is" that they're not supposed to be doing. So when I was younger and I was just starting out and I was -- it was my first lobby contract. It was the very first time I had ever pitched a client and landed the deal. And I knew at the time that you eat what you kill, so if I could land this contract, then I would be able to get paid for this. It was a contract, so there was no HR to go to. So I'm feeling really good and I'm at a luncheon and there's about twelve people at the luncheon. As we sit around the table, the head person on this bill told me that the only reason that I was there was so that we could put my beautiful black breasts on sale. Right. Now, I was just starting out. I hadn't gone to law school yet. I had absolutely no power

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to speak of. I just had one client in my pocket that I was trying to work. That was an example of a conversation that crosses three different things. It was generational, it was racist, and it was sexist. It's how you can have racist behavior that can become sexualized and sexist behavior that can become racialized when you're dealing with women of color. I didn't know there was any place that I could have gone to say anything about that at the time. So I did what many, many, many women do. You make the situation go away. You change the topic of conversation. At that point in time, I got up, I excused myself from the table, 'cause it was humiliating. It was literally, truly humiliating. Luckily for me, there were two people at the table who jumped up and came to follow me and said, "Come back, come back to the table. He didn't -- he didn't mean it. He talks like that to everybody. Don't worry about it, Toi, it's -- it's not that big a deal." And I didn't want to come back to the table. And the reason I didn't want to come back to the table is 'cause I was humiliated in that moment. But you do what you have to do to keep working, to put one foot in front of the other. I had no -- if you could have told me then that I'd be sitting as a Member of this Chamber today. Truthfully speaking, enough time had gone by, I'd forgot about it, because there's so many instances over the course of our lives where you just do what you have to do to keep making a way. It's across all industries. It's when you go to college. It's in your first job. It's in your -- it -- it permeates a part of our culture that just is. But that doesn't have to be. So this is a hard conversation, it's a complicated conversation, it's a complex conversation. But nothing will change if we do nothing, number one. It's also not an impossible conversation, which is what the

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point of the task forces are for. I heard a quote about the word "impossible" - that nothing is impossible, even the word itself is "I'm possible". There was a time, decades ago, when somebody who looked like me wasn't possible in this Chamber. But today, I'm possible, which means I'm a part of a stream of history. I'm a part of a conversation that we all get to have here on this Floor that talks about all issues and sexual harassment - actually, let me back up - harassment, discrimination, in all of its forms, including racism, that are rooms in the same house that's time for us to tear down. Nothing that we're attempting to do here is impossible. It is extremely necessary and the first step, besides the housekeeping bills that we did today, the things that we have to do, like statute of limitations and putting in an IG and making sure it's in the Code of Ethics and dealing with campaign funds, all those things that we could do quickly. This resolution says that all of us are going to commit to taking this seriously and understanding that talking about one person's pain doesn't -- does not negate another person's situation or lived realities. So when we're talking about all these things that we need to eradicate under the Capitol to make this a safe place for anybody to be, it's because we are all acknowledging that we want all people who have a call to public service to have a place and a role in this building in all of its iterations. Whether you're an advocate, a lobbyist, a Member, someone who's sitting in the gallery, people who are sitting at home listening right now, we all have a role to play in this democracy and we need your talent and we need your brilliance and we need all of your possibilities, because this is where we make laws. So this conversation is not impossible to have as hard as it may be, but it is necessary. Eleanor Roosevelt

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said, "You have to {sic} (must) do the things you think you cannot do." This is one of those times. And for all the people who didn't think that it was okay for you to say something about this, there's another pretty cool Congressman sitting on a floor in D.C. who said, "I'm reclaiming my time." And that's what we're going to do with this. It's well past the time to think about what's possible. This could be political, but the magic of politics isn't talking about how bad things are right now. It's about what we want in five years, what we want in ten years, who do we want to be in twenty years, and I, for one, am tired of having to warn young women when they start working here about how to protect themselves. We're done with that. So this resolution is an acknowledgement that while we see and hear all of the #MeToo stories and the -- the fact that the #MeToo was actually started by an African American woman named Tarana done ten years ago without the benefit of social media. A black woman said that so she could tell other people that there were folks who can hear you and who see you and who believe you. She didn't have the benefit of Snapchat and Facebook and Instagram and all of the various ways we communicate today that made this thing go viral the way it did. So today what we're saying is that pretty soon these "Me Too" stories are going to end and we're going to move to "No More". This is the last piece of legislation that we'll take up today on this topic. I appreciate your indulgence, 'cause I know it's been a long day. But I also choose to believe in the possibilities, and we're just getting started. Due to the significance of the matter, I think it's appropriate to ask for a roll call vote. I would appreciate your indulgence if all Members would oblige. Thank you so much and I ask for your support.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any other discussion? Being none, a roll call vote has been requested. The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 83 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 83, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Back to Supplemental Calendar No. 3. House Joint Resolution 86. Senator Collins. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 86, offered by Senator Collins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Taking a cue from what we've been able to accomplish today in the Illinois General Assembly as it relates to sexual harassment, I thought it was only apropos that we also look at House Joint Resolution 86, which also -- along with every lobbyist, legislator, staffer, or campaign worker, to commit to doing a better job of eradicating the culture of racism that persists within State government. We know that racism exists in society and State government is just a reflection of that society. The reason I think that's important is because we want to make America as good as its promise. And sometimes we forget that in this United States how long it has taken us to make "We the People" mean people that look like me. Condoleezza Rice once said,

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Americas -- "America was born with a birth defect" and that birth defect "was slavery". And in this country, we have not had an honest conversation about race and how the race has conditioned a disparate impact on many of the citizens of this United States. So, like my colleagues today who've taken an historic step in saying as a State we'll -- will not tolerate racism, discrimination, or sexual harassment, I would like you also to join with me, going on record for a record vote on this issue. And I thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? There being none, a roll call vote has been requested again. The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 86 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 86, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. We will now go back to Supplemental Calendar No. 1, Motions in Writing, Override Total Vetoes, Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1714. Majority Leader Clayborne. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move that Senate Bill 1714 do pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

Signed by Senator Clayborne.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Majority Leader Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Members of the Senate and Mr. President. This is

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a very simple bill. It requires that consultants with pension -- with pension funds -- that work for pension funds disclose whether they have any financial relationship with any firms that they either fund or recommend to be funded. It's a -- an apporancy {sic}, open disclosure bill that -- we had hearings a few weeks ago and some of my colleagues contested -- testified to the fact that no one, even -- even on the consulting side, said that they were opposed to transparency. So I would ask for your favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MUÑOZ)

Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1714 pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1714, having received the required three-fifths majority, is declared passed, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned till the hour of 12 noon on the 8th day of November 2017. The Senate stands adjourned.