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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Rabbi Mendy Turren, Chabad Jewish Center of Springfield, Springfield, Illinois.

RABBI MENDY TURREN:

(Prayer by Rabbi Mendy Turren)

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)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Thursday, February 8th, 2018.

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 Resolutions 1398 through 1400, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 1401 and 1402, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 1403 through 1406, offered by Senator Althoff and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1397, offered by Senator Rose.

And Senate Joint Resolution 54, offered by Senator Schimpf. They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Muñoz, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive Appointments, reports Appointment Messages 1000142, 1000151, 1000152, 1000155, 1000158, 1000159, 1000169, 1000170, 1000173, 1000174, 1000182, 1000183, 1000184, 1000213, 1000215, and 1000216 Do Recommend Advise and Consent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 100-0346

Comptroller's salaried appointment

To be a Member of the Merit Commission for the Office of the Comptroller, Elizabeth Drea

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2659, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2660, offered by Senator Bennett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2661, offered by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2662, offered by Senator Murphy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2663, offered by Senator Weaver.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2664, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2665, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2666, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2667, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2668, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2669, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2670, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2671, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 2672, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2673, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2674, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2675, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2676, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2677, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2678, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2679, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2680, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2681, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2682, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2683, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2684, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2685, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2686, offered by Senator Brady.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2687, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2688, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2689, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2690, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2691, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2692, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2693, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2694, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2695, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2696, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2697, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2698, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2699, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2700, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 2701, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2702, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2703, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2704, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2705, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2706, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2707, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2708, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2709, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2710, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2711, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2712, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2713, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2714, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2715, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2716, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2717, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2718, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2719, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2720, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2721, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2722, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2723, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2724, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2725, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2726, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2727, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2728, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2729, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2730, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2731, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2732, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2733, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2734, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2735, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2736, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2737, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2738, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2739, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2740, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2741, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2742, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2743, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2744, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2745, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2748, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2749, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2750, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2751, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2752, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2753, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2754, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2755, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2756, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2757, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2758, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 2759, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2760, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2761, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2762, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate -- Senate Bill 2763, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2764, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2765, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2766, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Schimpf, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Yes, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, I would -- I have some special guests that are here with me today that I'd like to introduce. As my honorary Pages for the Day, I do have Grace -- Grace Haney and Ryan Myers, who are both seniors at DuQuoin High School, which is in my district. Grace is a basketball, volleyball, and softball player. Ryan plays football and baseball.

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They -- Grace wants to study agribusiness and Ryan is going to study business after he -- after he graduates. I also want to introduce in the gallery, we have their other government teacher. Ryan Summers is here. And then we also have another -- we have an elected official. We have Josh -- Josh Gross, our Perry County Clerk. So I'd ask -- ask that we give a warm Springfield welcome for all of my quests today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2767, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2768, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2769, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2770, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2771, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2772, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2773, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2774, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2775, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2776, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2777, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2778, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2779, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2780, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2781, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2782, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2783, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2784, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2785, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2786, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2787, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2788, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2789, offered by Senator Brady.
(Secretary reads title of bill)
Senate Bill 2790, offered by Senator Brady.
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Senate Bill 2791, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2792, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2793, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2794, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2795, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2796, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2797, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2798, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2799, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2800, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2801, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2802, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2803, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2804, offered by Senator Brady.

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Senate Bill 2805, offered by Senator Brady.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2806, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2807, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2808, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2809, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2810, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2811, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2812, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2813, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2814, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2815, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2816, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2817, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2818, offered by Senator Sims.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2819, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 2820, offered by Senator Oberweis.

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Senate Bill 2821, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2822, offered by Senator McConchie.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2823, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2824, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2825, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2826, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2827, offered by Senator Murphy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2828, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2829, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2830, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2831, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2832, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2833, offered by Senator McConnaughay.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2834, offered by Senator Syverson.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2835, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2836, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2837, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2838, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2839, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2840, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2841, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2842, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2843, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2844, offered by Senator Aquino.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2845, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2846, offered by Senator Castro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2847, offered by Senator Castro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2848, offered by Senator Castro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 2849, offered by Senator Van Pelt.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2850, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2851, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2852, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2853, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2854, offered by Senator Bush.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the appointments set forth in Appointment Messages from the 100th General Assembly 142, 151, 152, and 155. These four appointments are on day sixty today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Can we please keep the conversations down? Thank you. Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the Appointment Message {sic} just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate resolves in

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Executive Session. Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been printed and distributed. Mr. Secretary, on the Order of Executive Appointments, please read Appointment Message 1000142.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Assistant Secretary of the Illinois Department of Human Services, Maria Bruni.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 1000151.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 1000152.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a Trustee on the Children and Family Services Advisory Council, Brittani Kindle.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the nominations {sic} just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nominations {sic}. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 1000155.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate Do Advise and Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Havana Regional Port District Board, Michael Perkins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate arise from Executive

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Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate arises from Executive Session. Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BUSH:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you. If I could have the attention of the Members. Thank you very much. So, employees of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services are in the front line of defense in protecting children from abuse and neglect. In this important work, DCFS employees often encounter families in crisis related to substance abuse, mental illness, domestic violence, and other challenges. DCFS workers insert themselves into these stressful, often dangerous situations in order to keep kids safe. Unfortunately, as a result, employees themselves often face threats, harassment, and violence on the job. DCFS workers have been threatened with guns, shoved, choked, and severely beaten. Although no comprehensive list of assaults is available, the Chicago Tribune recently reported that at least a dozen DCFS employees have been attacked or seriously threatened since 2013, with several employees hospitalized due to their injuries. Just such an assault occurred last September 29. It was a Friday evening when DCFS Child Protection Specialist Pamela Knight of Sterling, Illinois, was sent to take custody of a two-year-old whose father had attacked another child and other members of the family. Pam was fifty-nine years old and an eleven-year employee of DCFS, a member of AFSCME Local 448, who was previously -- she

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previously served the public in law enforcement and as a foster mother. That evening, when she arrived at the home to protect this small child, the father assaulted Pam as she was getting out of her car. He kicked her repeatedly in the face - so savagely that she was caused serious injury to her brain stem. Pam was rushed to the hospital and into emergency surgery, the first of many she underwent in Sterling, Rockford, and Chicago. Sadly, she was never expected to fully recover or to be able to care for herself, and ultimately succumbed to an infection. On February 8th, 2018, Pamela Knight passed away. Pam Knight died in the service of our State, her community, and to protect a small child who could not protect himself. We have a responsibility to do everything we can to ensure that a tragedy like this doesn't happen again. DCFS must take steps to improve workplace safety so that no other family member has to live through such a -- tragedy. We mourn Pam's passing and extend our deepest condolences to her family, friends, coworkers in the Department of Children and Family Services in Sterling -- in the Sterling office, and all who knew and loved her. I would just ask for a moment of silence for Pam.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will we please stand for a moment of silence? (Moment of silence observed) Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2855, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2856, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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I just want to make one announcement. Friday, February 16th, is the deadline to file Senate bills. Please have all bills filed by 3 p.m. on Friday, February 16th. And for those who don't understand that, that's two days after Valentine's Day. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

For an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR HUNTER:

The Senate Democrats will caucus in the President's Office for one hour immediately upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate Democrats want a one-hour caucus immediately upon adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 11:30 a.m. the 14th day of February 2018. The Senate stands adjourned.