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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will our Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Scott Marsh, Texas Christian and Marka {sic} (Maroa) Christian Church, Marka {sic}, Illinois.

PASTOR SCOTT MARSH:

(Prayer by Pastor Scott Marsh)

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. Chicago Daily Law Bulletin seeks permission to take video and photos. WCIA seeks permission to record videos. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of August 1st, 2nd, 13th, 17th, 28th, and 29th; September 7th and 15th; and October 18th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senators has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journals just read by the

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Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of Wednesday, November 28th, 2018, and Wednesday -- Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Letter dated January 3rd, 2019.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Rule 2-10, the Senate will convene at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8th, 2019.

Sincerely, John J. Cullerton, Senate President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 2271 through 2273, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 2274 through 2283, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2284, offered by Senator Sims and all

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Members.

Senate Resolutions 2285 and 2286, offered by Senator McGuire and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2287, offered by Senator Oberweis and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2288, offered by Senator Manar and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2289, offered by President Cullerton and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2290, offered by Senator Sims and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2291, offered by President Cullerton and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2292, offered by Senator Harmon and all Members.

Senate Resolution 2293, offered by Senator Murphy and all Members.

And Senate Resolutions 2294 and 2295, offered by Senator Anderson and all -- all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 2296, offered by Senator Link.

It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

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Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill of the following title, to wit:

Senate Bill 1298.

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 and 2 to Senate Bill 1298.

We have received a like Message on Senate Bill 3531, with House Amendment No. 3. Passed the House, as amended, January 8th, 2019. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A letter dated December 6th, 2018.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy of a Notification of Vacancy from the Legislative Committee of the Republican Party of the 45th Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 45th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Senator Tim Bivins, effective December 4th, 2018. Also enclosed is a copy of the Legislative Committee's Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in 45th Legislative District, Brian W. Stewart, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of State Senator in the 45th Legislative District of Illinois, effective December 5th, 2018.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

Letter dated January 7th, 2019.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy

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of the Notification of Vacancy from the Democratic Legislative District Committee for the 57th Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 57th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Senator James F. Clayborne, Jr. II, effective on December 31st, 2018. Also enclosed is a Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in the Office of State Senator for Christopher Belt, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of State Senator in the 57th Legislative District.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

Letter dated January 7th, 2019.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy of Notification of Vacancy from the Democratic Legislative District Committee for the 9th {sic} Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 8th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Senator Ira L. {sic} (I.) Silverstein, effective on January 4th, 2019. Also enclosed is a Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in the Office of State Senator for Ram Villivalam, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of State Senator in the 8th Legislative District.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

Letter dated January 7th, 2019.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy of a Notification of Vacancy from the Democratic Legislative District Committee for the 9th Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 9th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Senator Daniel -- Daniel Biss, effective on January 6th, 2019. Also

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enclosed is a Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in the Office of State Senator for Laura Fine, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of State Senator in the 9th Legislative District.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

Letter dated January 7th, 2019.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy of a Notification of Vacancy from the Democratic Legislative District Committee of the 13th Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 13th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Senator Kwame Raoul, effective on January 5th, 2019. Also enclosed is a Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in the Office of State Senator for Robert Peters, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in Office of State Senator in the 13th Legislative District.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

Letter dated January 8th, 2019.

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy of the Notification of Vacancy from the Legislative Committee of the Republican Party of the 21st Legislative District, declaring the existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 21st Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of -- of Senator Michael Connelly, effective December 21st, 2018. Also enclosed is a copy of the Legislative Committee's Certificate of Appointment to Fill Vacancy in Legislative District, John J. Fisher, Jr., who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of State Senator of the 21st Legislative District of Illinois, effective January 7th, 2019.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Illinois Times seeks permission to photograph. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? Senator Hunter in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

President Cullerton, what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Purposes of introductions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your announcement, President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Madam President, it appears that we have some new Senators, who have populated the Floor of the Senate. I thought it'd be appropriate if, on the Democratic side, we could introduce them. I'm going to start with the name that is easiest to pronounce. That would be Senator Robert Peters. Senator Robert Peters is here. Senator. Another really easy name to pronounce and a incoming Senator who will be part of the additional Members of our Caucus, forty-five percent of which will be female, this is Senator - soon to be fifty percent, I would imagine - Senator Laura Fine. Welcome to the Senate. Once again, very easy name to pronounce, Senator Chris Belt. And now we get to the hard part - a new Senator, Senator Ram Villivalam. And I -- I will let -- if there's any new -- if there's any new Republican Senators, I'll let someone else make those introductions. So welcome to the Senate, for all those Senators.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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Leader Brady, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Madam President, and happy New Year. Happy New Year...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you very much. Happy New Year to you as well. Thank you.

SENATOR BRADY:

Happy New Year to all the Members of the Chamber. I have also some introductions to make. If I might have everyone's...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your introductions, sir.

SENATOR BRADY:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have the privilege of introducing two new Republican Senators today, both of whom I consider very good friends, one who will be with us a little longer than the other, and that is former Member of the House, now Senator Brian Stewart. If you would join me in recognizing him. The other's also a good friend, someone who's filling in for Senator Connelly's seat. He may set a record. I don't know. We're going to do a little research. He may be the shortest term-serving Member of the Senate and maybe the only one to serve without pay. But I would ask you to join me in welcoming Jay -- Jay Stewart to the Senate Floor. And I may -- I -- Madam President, I may have just also set a record for introducing a Senator with the wrong name. I meant to say Brian Stewart, as I did, but Jay Fisher. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate, everyone. Mr. Secretary, Committee

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 1987, Senate Bill 3102, Senate Bill 3127, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2744, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3174, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3430, Senate Resolution 2296.

Signed, Senator Kimberly Lightford, Chairperson.

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1987, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3102. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain -- scratch that.

Signed, Senator Kimberly Lightford, Chairperson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Sims, what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SIMS:

For -- for purpose of an introduction, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Speak your introduction.

SENATOR SIMS:

Madam President, we have been joined with one of my -- my very good friends and colleagues, one of our colleagues from the City Council of the City of Chicago, the 6th Ward Alderman from the City of Chicago, Alderman Roderick Sawyer. Let's give him a warm welcome to the Illinois Senate.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate, Alderman Sawyer, who is also one of my aldermen as well. Good to see you down here. Thank you. Senator Aquino, what's the purpose that you seek recognition?

SENATOR AQUINO:

...President. Happy New Year, Madam President. I wanted to -  
- purpose for announcement, excuse me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Everyone -- if I can have everyone's attention. I wanted to extend an invitation. As the new Co-Chairman of the Latino Caucus representing the Senate, I want to invite you all to come to our Latino Caucus Inauguration Ball that is going to be tomorrow evening at the Crowne Plaza. Doors open at 5 p.m. and we'll be going there until they kick us out of the Crowne Plaza. You all should...(microphone cutoff)...receiving a flyer with the agenda on the back at your desks. The Pages are passing those around. So we would love to celebrate the new 101st General Assembly together. Please join the Latino Caucus. And I thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Supplemental Calendar has been printed and distributed. Supplemental Calendar No. 1 is the Order of the Secretary's Desk, Senate Bills... On Supplemental Calendar 1 is the Order of Secretary's Desk, Senate Bills, Concurrence. This is final action. Senate Bill 2744. Link. 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 2744.

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Signed by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Link, please explain -- is there any discussion?  
Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. This just amends -- provides for property tax exemption for all property belonging to water commissions formed under the -- joint acquisition -- acquisition and operation of water supply and waterworks systems under the Illinois Municipal Code. I know of no objection.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President. I heard literally nothing that Senator Link said about the -- about his motion. I wonder if I could ask him to please repeat and present the motion again, please. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Quiet the Chambers -- Chambers. Members, please be in your seats. Members, please be in your seat. Senator Righter. Senator Link, to explain your motion.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. As I said earlier, this amends and provides for property tax exemptions for all property belonging to water commissions formed under a joint acquisition and operations of water supplies and waterworks systems under the Illinois Municipal Code. I know of no objection to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

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shall the -- shall the Senate concur in House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2744. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 54 Yea and 0 Nay. The motion -- having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2744, and the bill is so -- is -- is declared passed. Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Could I have the noise, please, calm down? I know there's a lot of former House Members in here, but this is the Senate. Senate Bill 3174. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3174.

Signed by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz, on your motion.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill is advanced by the Illinois Insurance Guaranty Fund to make technical corrections to the Illinois Insurance Code in response to provisions found in the Senate Bill 1737. The bill was the omnibus bill -- insurance bill that became law in November after the General Assembly successfully overrode the Governor Rauner's veto. The bill included provisions allowing insurance companies to divide into two or more insurance companies. It also ensures Guaranty Fund's coverage will continue for policyholders

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of newly formed property and casualty insurance company that results from a company division provision found in the bill. I know of no opposition to the bill. I ask for its concurrence.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3174. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur -- concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3174, and the bill is declared passed. Senate Bill 1987. Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1987.

Signed by Senator Castro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Could we please keep the noise down? The conversations. You can't even hear anything. Please. Senator Castro, on your motion.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. House -- I move to concur with the House amendment that serves as a trailer bill to the bill that we passed this spring, House Bill 4100, known as the Health Care Violence Prevention Act. I'll add, the House Amendment 1 adds the Illinois State Police alongside the Department of Corrections and DJJ in the training requirement section of the Act so that the training from ISP would also be accepted - guards accompanying

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committed persons in a non-DOC/DJJ facility. I know of no opposition and I ask for concurrence.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1987. 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. The Senate -- having -- having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur with House amendment to Senate Bill 1987, and is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I just wanted to take this opportunity to invite all of you to the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus celebration after inauguration tomorrow at the Windham from 4 p.m. till 7 p.m. There'll be much fun and many libations and lots of hugs. And hope to see you all there. Again, 4 to 7 tomorrow, after the inauguration, at the Windham. Thanks, guys.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Following adjournment -- immediately following adjournment, the Caucus -- we'll caucus and meet for one hour in the President's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Republicans would request a caucus, same time as the Senate Democrats, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands -- Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 9 a.m. on the 9th day of January 2019. The Senate stands adjourned.