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PRESIDENT HARMON:

The Senate of the 101st General Assembly is convened in its First Special Session. Under the practice of this Body since the 88th General Assembly, the rules adopted in the 101st General Assembly and its officers and committees are in effect for the continuous period of the 101st General Assembly, including any Special Session. There are two organizational resolutions that will be adopted today. These resolutions inform the House that the Senate is ready to conduct business and create a Senate Committee of three to approve Journals of the Senate for all days of the Special Session. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution No. 1, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

(Secretary reads SR No. 1)

...(microphone cutoff)...

Senate Resolution No. 2, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Muñoz moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate adoption of Senate Resolution 2. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Muñoz now moves for the adoption of Senate Resolution 2. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

For the purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

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PRESIDENT HARMON:

Please make your point.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Democrats will caucus at 2:30 for approximately one hour upon recess.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

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

SENATOR McCLURE:

Announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Please make your announcement.

SENATOR McCLURE:

The Senate Republicans will also caucus at 2:30 for the same amount of time.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The Senate Democratic Caucus and the Senate Republican Caucus have both requested caucus meetings. That request is in order. The Senate will stand -- Senate will -- will recess until the call of the Chair, returning to the Floor after caucuses for Floor action. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The First Special Session of the Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 3, offered by President Harmon.

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It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Call for the Committee on Assignments. The Committee on Assignments shall meet on the Senate Floor. The Senate will stand at recess {sic}.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

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

House Bill 64.

Passed the House, May 20th, 2020. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 64, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Cunningham in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been

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assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bills {sic} 264, House Bills 357, 2174, 2238, 2455, 3469, 2170, 2685, 2096, 823, 2682, 3597, 123, and Senate Resolution 3.

Signed, Senator Kimberly Lightford, Chairperson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

We will now take up Supplemental Calendar No. 1. On page 2 are Senate Rules -- I'm sorry, Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Senate Resolution No. 3. President Harmon. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution No. 3, offered by President Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Harmon, on your resolution.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I move for the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 3. The resolution contains Rules for the Special Session of the Senate that we have just entered. It attempts to strike a balance between the right of the public to observe our proceedings and the right of the press to be here with us in the Chamber against the needs for us to conduct our business to debate and vote on legislation in a way that is safest for the Members and for our staff. I'm happy to answer any questions and do move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 3 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed will say Nay. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we are now going to a vote. We will call Senators in groups of ten. As we call your name, please come to the Floor to vote your switch. We will

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move through the order. If we move to the next group of Members and you have not voted, you may still come to the Floor and vote. Again, we will be going through the order alphabetically, ten Senators at a time. The question is, shall Special Session Joint {sic} Resolution 3 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Senators Anderson, Aquino, Barickman, Belt, Bennett, Bertino-Tarrant, Brady, Bush, Castro, Collins, and Crowe, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Anderson, Aquino, Barickman, Belt, Bennett, Bush, Collins, and Crowe, please come to the Floor and cast your votes. Senator Bertino-Tarrant, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. We are prepared to go to the next group of Senators. Please come to the Floor to cast your vote. Senator Cullerton, Senator DeWitte, Senators Ellman, Feigenholtz, Fine, Fowler, Gillespie, Glowiak Hilton, and Harris, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. Senators DeWitte, Ellman, Feigenholtz, Fine, Fowler, Gillespie, Glowiak Hilton, and Harris, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. It is now time for the next group of Senators to come to the Floor: Senators Hastings, Holmes, Joyce, Koehler, Landek, Lightford, Link, Manar, Martinez. Senator Hastings, Senator Holmes, Senator Joyce, Senator Landek, Senator Lightford, Senator Martinez, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. The next group of Senators to come to the Floor are Senators Martwick, McClure, McConchie, McGuire, Morrison, Muñoz, Murphy, Oberweis, and Peters. Please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Murphy, Oberweis, and Peters, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. It's time for the next group of Senators to come to the Floor. Senators Plummer, Rezin, Righter, Rose, Schimpf, Sims, Stadelman, Steans, and Stewart, please come to the Floor to

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cast your votes. Senators {sic} Plummer, Senator Rose, Senator Steans, Senator Stewart, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. We're ready for the next group of Senators to come to the Floor. Senators Syverson, Tracy, Van Pelt, Villanueva, Villivalam, and Weaver, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Feigenholtz, Landek, Tracy, and Van Pelt, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Yeas, 1 Nay, 0 voting Present. Joint Resolution -- Senate Resolution 3 -- received -- received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, we will now move to Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1, Senate Bills on 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 264. President Harmon. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 264.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

President Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 264 is an appropriation title and it is perhaps the only appropriation bill I could explain without the help of Senator Manar, Senator Steans, or Senator Sims, or one of our budgeteers. It is a vehicle bill that we are sending to the House. The House has, earlier today, passed House Bill 64 to the Senate, also an appropriation title. These are the two vehicle bills we will use during the week to develop our budget and capital bills. I'd --

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I ask for your Aye votes and happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

He indicates he will. President Harmon, you're...

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I would ask if Senator Manar could field questions on this bill as a -- as a cosponsor, if Senator Righter...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

That is in order. Senator Righter, your question.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Manar, can you just give us an idea of your thoughts with regards to process? So the House is shelling a bill. We're shelling a bill here. Obviously, both of them are appropriations. Walk through with us, if you would, what you hope will transpire over the next forty-eight hours on these bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. So let me start with the work that we've done so far. As you well know, Senator Righter, both President Harmon and Leader Brady gave us direction to work together, which we've been doing almost -- think on a daily basis since March the 16th, I believe. So this a -- a culmination of

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that process. And I know that when the Senate President said to us, as budget leaders in our caucus, "Work with the other side", he meant it, and that's what we've tried to do every step of the way. So I would tell you that I -- I -- I don't see that changing until -- until it has to change. I hope it doesn't. But, right now, the goal here is simple: Send a blank bill, as the Senate President said, to the House so that we can facilitate movement and closure to the budget process. Of course, each bill needs three days' reading in the opposite Chamber, so that's this step of that process. And we look forward to continuing to work with -- with you and our Republican colleagues, and hopefully, we'll be back with a -- a product that reflects that work before the full Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. I do think -- to Senator Manar, thank you for your time and effort in these budget work group meetings. Mr. President, thank you for your cordiality as well. I think you will see a number of No votes from our side of the aisle, but that is reflective of the fact simply that it's a shell. Certainly, not reflective of what has been the cooperation this far and the long hours that have been put into meetings in an effort to reach a bipartisan compromise and agreement. So, with that, thank you, Mr. -- Mr. President. Thank you, President Harmon and Senator

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Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

President Harmon, do you wish to close?

SENATOR HARMON:

See, I couldn't even handle an appropriation shell bill by myself. Thank you, Senator Manar. Yes, I'm looking forward to this coming back to us as a budget and us developing the capital bill here to send to the House. And I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 264 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. At this time, we again would like to ask Members to come to the Floor in small groups as your names are called. Senator Anderson, Aquino, Barickman, Belt, Bennett, Bertino-Tarrant, Brady, Bush, Castro, Crowe, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Belt, Bush, Castro, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. We're ready for the next group of Senators to come to the Floor. Senator Cullerton, Senator Ellman, Senator Feigenholtz, Senator Fine, Senator Fowler, Senator Gillespie, Senator Glowiak Hilton, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Feigenholtz, Fowler, Glowiak Hilton, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. We are ready for the next group of Senators to make their way to the Floor to cast their votes. Senators Harris, Hastings, Holmes, Joyce, Koehler, Landek, and Link, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Harris, Hastings, Holmes, Joyce, Landek, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. We're ready for the next group of Senators to come to the Floor. Senators McClure, Morrison, Muñoz, Murphy, Oberweis, Peters, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. We're ready for the next group of

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Senators to make their way to the Floor to cast their votes. Senators Plummer, Rezin, Schimpf, Sims, Stadelman, Steans, and Stewart, please make your way to the Senate Floor to cast your votes. Senators Plummer, Rezin, Schimpf, Stadelman, Steans, and Stewart, please come to the Floor to cast your vote. Senators Tracy, Villanueva, Weaver, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Senators Landek and Villanueva, please come to the Floor to cast your votes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there being 36 Yeas, 19 Nays, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 264, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. President Harmon, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARMON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

State your -- state your point.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. I'll ask the Parliamentarian to correct me if I have the Section wrong, but pursuant to Section 13.4 of our Special Session Rules, I am announcing that the Members excused from attendance today are Senators {sic} Martwick, Senators -- Senator Collins, and Senator McGuire.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

That will be noted in the Journal and the record. Thank you, Mr. President. We will now continue on Supplemental Calendar No. 1, moving to House Bills on 2nd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 123. Senator Steans, with Senate {sic} Bill 123. She indicates she wishes to -- proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 123.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. Next we move to House Bill 2096. Senator Murphy. She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2096.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2174. Senator Jones. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2174.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 2455. Senator Holmes. She

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indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2455.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 2682. Senator Koehler. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2682.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3469. Senator Crowe. She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3469.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3597. Senator Castro. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3597.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. There being no further business to come before the First Special Session, the First Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 1 p.m. on the 21st day of May 2020. The First Special Session stands adjourned.