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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The regular meeting of the General -- regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will Members please be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Pastor John Wehrle, Family Worship Resource Center in Vandalia. Pastor.

PASTOR JOHN WEHRLE: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please remain standing. Senator Johnson, will you lead us in the pledge?

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We have requests from Associated Press, from Gray TV, from WCIA, from Blueroomstream, from Capitol Hill News, from the Daily Line, and from WTAX for permission to audio, video, and photo. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, October 25th, 2023.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 553, offered by Senator Doris Turner. It is congratulatory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 765 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 950; Motion to Concur - House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1769 Recommend Do Adopt; Senator Joyce, Chair of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 853 and Senate Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 854 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Reading of Senate Bills for the first time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2628, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 2629, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning conservation. Senate Bill 2630, offered by Senator Tracy, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 2631, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning State government. And Senate Bill 2632, offered by Senator Doris Turner, an Act concerning State government. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

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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 4148. Passed the House, October 25th, 2023, John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4148, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning government. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Request from Capital News to photo and record. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the appointments set forth in Appointment Message 390 through 404, 406 through 413, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 428, 429, 433, 436, 438, 443, 444, 446, 449, 456, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 471, 473, 474, 469, 521 of the 102nd General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy, would you please start again with 496 and read the rest of those.

SENATOR MURPHY:

496 and 521 of the 102nd General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on Appointment Messages

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just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is now resolved into Executive Session. Mr. Secretary, are there any Motions in Writing?
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a Motion in Writing from Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, print the motion on the Calendar. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Messages 1020411.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission, Brian Sullivan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 Yeas, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. One second for a technical difficulty. All right, Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 1020422.

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Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission, Patricia Pulido Sanchez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020436.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Electric Vehicle Coordinator for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Megha Lakhchaura.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor vote Aye.

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Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020443.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following non-salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Illinois Finance Authority, Ameya Pawar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020456.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Kurt A. Carlson.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020461.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Roma Dalal.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by

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record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020462.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, William R. Gallagher.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate Advise and Consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senate concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020463.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Michael Glaub.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor of 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, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020464.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Edward Lee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Discussion. The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote. The Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020465.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments,

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recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Elaine Llerena.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020466.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Dennis S. O'Brien.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020467.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Frank J. Soto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020471.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, Jacqueline Hickey Haralelli.

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Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020473.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers Compensation Commission, William J. McLaughlin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr.

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Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1020474.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Pollution Control Board, Michelle Gibson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made. 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, I have a Motion in Writing - Supplemental Calendar No. 1 is to be printed and distributed on Supplemental Calendar No. 1 Mr. Secretary, Motions in Writing Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a Motion in Writing from Senator Murphy, Chair of the Executive Appointments Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 10-1(c), as the Chair of the Executive Appointments Committee, I move to compile the following

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Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate: Appointment Message 1020390, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Alexander County; Appointment Message 1020391, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Franklin County; Appointment Message 1020392, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Hardin County; Appointment Message 1020393, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Johnson County; Appointment Message 1020394, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Massac County; Appointment Message 1020395, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Perry County; Appointment Message 1020396, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Pope County; Appointment Message 1020397, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Pulaski County; Appointment Message 1020398, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Randolph County; Appointment Message 1020399, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Saline County; Appointment Message 1020400, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Union County; Appointment Message 1020401, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Williamson County; Appointment Messages 1020402, 1020406, 1020413, 1020417, 1020418, and 1020444, Illinois State Museum Board; Appointment Message 1020403, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Grundy County; Appointment Message 1020404, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Kankakee County; Appointment Message 1020407, Public Administrator for Cook County; Appointment Message 1020408, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for St. Clair County; Appointment Message 1020409, 1020415 and 1020423, Energy Transition Workforce Commission; Appointment Message 1020410, Illinois State Board of Health; Appointment Message 1020412, 1020428, 1049 -- 429, Secure Choice Savings Board; Appointment

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Message 1020416, Illinois Forensic Science Commission; Appointment Message 1020419, 1020421 and 1020446, Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission; Appointment Message 1020424, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Jackson County; Appointment Message 1020425, Illinois Community College Board, Appointment Message 1020433, University of Illinois Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1020438, Guardianship and Advocacy Commission; Appointment Message 1020449, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority; Appointment Message 1020496, Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board; Appointment Message 1020521, Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Monroe County. Dated October 26th, 2023. And signed, Senator Laura Murphy, Assistant Majority Leader and Chair of the Executive Appointments Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Murphy moves to compile the Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate. All those in favor will say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. Mr. Secretary, read the Compiled Appointments.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Alexander County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020390; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Franklin County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020391; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Hardin County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020392; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Johnson County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020393; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Massac County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment

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Message 1020394; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Perry County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020395; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Polk County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020396; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Pulaski County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020397; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Randolph County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020398; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Saline County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020399; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Union County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020400; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Williamson County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020401; To be Members of the Illinois State Museum Board, Beth Shadur, Appointment Message 1020402; Donna Sack, Appointment Message 1020406; Tamira Brennan Blodgett, Appointment Message 1020413; Andrea Carlson, Appointment Message 1020417; Leverne Backstrom, Appointment Message 1020418; and Chris Pappan, Appointment Message 1020444; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Grundy County, Dawn Weekly, Appointment Message 1020403; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Kankakee County, Dawn Weekly, Appointment Message 1020404; To be the Public Administrator for Cook County, Louis -- Louis Apostol, Appointment Message 1020407; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for St. Clair County, Carolee Maxine Hoerner, Appointment Message 1020408; To be Members of the Energy Transition Workforce Commission, Sameer Doshi, Appointment Message 1020409; Patrick Devaney, Appointment Message 1020415; and Angela Morrison, Appointment Message 1020423; To be a Member of the State Board of

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Health, Erica Salem, Appointment Message 1020410; To be Members of the Secure Choice Savings Board, Roderick Bashir, Appointment Message 1020412; Erica Marquez Avitia, Appointment Message 1020428 and Lotika Pai, Appointment Message 1020429; To be a Member of the Illinois Forensic Science Commission, Cris Hughes, Appointment Message 1020416; To be Members of the Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission, Daniel Fenske, Appointment Message 1020419, Johanes Maliza; Appointment Message 1020421 and Erica Zunkel, Appointment Message 1020446; To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Jackson County, Rebecca O'Neill, Appointment Message 1020424; To be a Member of the Illinois Community College Board, Sylvia Jenkins, Appointment Message 1020425; To be a Member of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees, Joseph Gutman, Appointment Message 1020433; To be a Member of the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission, Donald Dew, Appointment Message 1020438; To be a Member of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, David Olson, Appointment Message 1020449; To be a Member of the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board, Henry Brownback, Appointment Message 1020496, To be a Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Monroe County, Rebecca A. Cooper, Appointment Message 4020521.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

You meant -- you meant the last one 1020521.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes, To be Public Administrator and Public Guardian from Monroe County, Rebecca A. Cooper, Appointment Message 1020521.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

I -- I was paying attention. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

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Mr. President, I move that the Senate Do Consent to the compiled nominations just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the compiled nominations. 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 56 voting Yea, and none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the compiled nominations. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the front room in the Chamber. Committee on Assignments, please meet. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration: House Joint Resolution 38 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 950. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Jones, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Point of announcement, Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

I would like to ask the Chamber to have a moment of silence for the people of the State of Maine. As we all heard, late yesterday evening, there was a mass shooting. The situation is still fluid. As we know, gun violence is a serious problem in this country. I hope and pray one day Congress acts and get their act together to stop this carnage in our country. So, I'd like to ask for a moment of silence for the people of Maine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Will Members please be at their desk and let us observe a moment of silence? (Moment of silence observed) Thank you. We're going to go to 3rd Readings. On page 2, we have Senate Bill 765. I have a letter from -- to the Secretary, Pursuant to Rule 5-1(b), I give my consent for Senator Bill Cunningham to present Senate Bill 765 on the Order of 3rd Reading on my behalf. And it's Signed, Napoleon B. Harris, III. Mr. Secretary, Senate Bills 765. Senator, you wish to proceed? Senator -- Senator Cunningham seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 765 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now is Senate Bill 765. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harris.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

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SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Mr. -- Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I'd like to explain it on 3rd Reading. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 765. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 765, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 765 is designed to address changes to the reinsurance market for farmers in the State of Illinois. If we don't take this action, due to changes in the reinsurance market, we'll put the insurance policies of more than 50,000 Illinois farmers in jeopardy. The bill attempts to address a problem that we're experiencing in the reinsurance market, and it does it by changing a few words in the law. Specifically, what this bill will do, will require Farm Mutual Insurance Companies to maintain "adequate catastrophic reinsurance" rather than unlimited catastrophic reinsurance. I know of no opposition to this bill.

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I'd be happy to entertain any questions, Members may have. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there discussion? Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and thank you, Senator Cunningham, for this piece of legislation. You outlined it very, very well. And as a lot of us sit in here, you may not know just how important of a piece of legislation this is. I represent west central Illinois from Rock Island County, all the way down to the top of Adams County and all the way over to Mason, Menard County line and up to Stark County. I represent a lot of farmland, and if we don't do this, these 51,000 policyholders would lose their coverage at the end of the year. As we all know in this room, whether you're from the inner City of Chicago or anywhere else in the State, agriculture and agribusiness is the number one economic driver in this State and a lot of that is farmers. If farmers lose their policies and they can't be covered, they go belly up. And if they go belly up, we starve, and the world starves. So, this is one of the most critical pieces of legislation this Body has seen in a very long time. And I just want to say thank you again to the sponsor, and I would appreciate an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion. Senator Cunningham, to close.

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SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank, Senator Anderson for his remarks in support of this bill, and I ask for the rest of the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 765 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 765, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to move over to page 3 at the top of the page is Senate Bill 950. Senator Bryant, do you wish to proceed? Senator Bryant seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 950 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 950. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

There we go, thank you. Just move for approval of the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Bryant.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Move for passage of the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 950. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 950, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. This is a very simple bill. It just allows the City of Chester to purchase for \$1 a tract of land that will allow them to sink a deep well, for clean water for the City of Chester and Menard Correctional Center, is a part of that instead of taking water from the Mississippi River.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 950 pass. All those in favor of 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

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question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 9 -- 950, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Supplemental Calendar No. 2. We have House Joint Resolution No. 38. Senator Bryant. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 38, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. House Joint Resolution 38 is naming of a bridge, "Don Welge (Memorial) Bridge". It connects Illinois to Missouri, been years in the making, and the groundbreaking is on Tuesday. I'm proud to -- to offer this House resolution and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing that this resolution requires expenditure of State funds a roll call vote will be required. So, the question is, shall Joint Resolution -- House Joint Resolution 38 pass? All those in favor, please 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 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Joint Resolution 38, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Leader Lightford, what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of an announcement.

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Please make your announcement.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Maybe it's personal privilege, because I like to have the personal privilege to share with everyone, there's this young man, and today is his birthday. And he has grown through the ranks and he's standing right here, staring at me, and his name is Mike Hoffman and he was my Senate Education staffer and now he's like the big wig. You guys, please tell Mike, Happy birthday!

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Happy birthday, to Mike.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions. Mr. Secretary, Message from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives has adopted the following House Joint Resolution in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Joint Resolution 43, RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the House of Representatives adjourns on Wednesday, October 25th, 2023, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, November 7th, 2023, and when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, October 26th, 2023, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, November 7th, 2023. Adopted by the House October 25th, 2023. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Joint Resolution 43, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

On the Order of Resolution, is House Joint Resolution 43.
Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 43, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 43. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, say No. The Ayes have it, and the rules have been suspended. Senator Cunningham moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution Number. 43. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Celebration of Life Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those resolution -- all those in favor of the resolution say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. Happy Halloween to everybody. There being no further business to come before the Senate pursuant to House Joint Resolution 43. The Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 7th day of November, 2023, or the call of the Senate President.

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The Senate stands adjourned.