

81ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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1. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

2. The hour of ten having arrived, the Senate will come
3. to order. Will the guests in our galleries please rise.

4. Prayer by Father Joseph P. Havey of Saint Agnes Church,
5. Springfield, Illinois.

6. FATHER HAVEY:

7. (Prayer given by Father Havey)

8. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

9. Reading of the Journal.

10. SECRETARY:

11. December 3rd, 1980, Thursday, December the 4th, 1980 and
12. Friday, December the 5th, 1980.

13. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

14. Senator Johns.

15. SENATOR JOHNS:

16. Thank you, Mr. President. I move the Journals just read
17. by the Secretary be approved unless some Senator has additions
18. or corrections to offer.

19. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

20. Heard the motion. Those in favor indicate by saying
21. Aye. Those opposed Nay. The Ayes have it, the motion carries.
22. Communications.

23. SECRETARY:

24. To the Honorable - the President of the Senate, Sir.

25. In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of
26. the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith the enclosed
27. Senate Bill 2029, Public Act 81-1537, that has been...that
28. has item...reduced by the Governor. Yours truly, James Edgar,
29. Secretary of State.

30. To the Honorable - the President of the Senate, Sir.

31. In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of
32. the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith Senate Bill
33. 2033, Public Act 81-1538 that has been vetoed in part, Line

1. Item Veto by the Governor. Yours truly, Jim Edgar, Secretary
2. of State.

3. To the Honorable - the President of the Senate, Sir.

4. In compliance with the provisions of this Consti-
5. tution of the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith the
6. enclosed Senate Bill 1812, vetoed by the Governor together
7. with his objections. Yours truly, Jim Edgar, Secretary of
8. State.

9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

10. Resolutions.

11. SECRETARY:

12. Senate Resolution 737 offered by Senators Nash, Geo-Karis
13. and Rock. It's congratulatory.

14. Senate Resolution 738 offered by Senator Mitchler. It's
15. congratulatory.

16. Senate Resolution 739 offered by Senators Hall and all
17. Senators and it's congratulatory.

18. Senate Resolution 740 offered by Senators McLendon, Rock
19. and all Senators and it's a death resolution.

20. Senate Resolution 741 offered by Senators Mitchler, Davidson
21. and all Senators and it's a death resolution.

22. Senate Resolution 742 offered by Senator Schaffer, Mitchler,
23. Vadalabene and all Senators and it's a death resolution.

24. Senate Resolution 743 offered by Senators Nedza, Rock,
25. Savickas, Nash, Nega and all Senators and it's a death resolution.

26. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

27. Consent Calendar.

28. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

29. On your Calendar on page 3. Do we have leave to go to the
30. Order of Consideration Postponed? Leave is granted. Senator
31. Donnewald.

32. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

33. Well, Mr. President and members of the Body. As to House

HB 3638
Recalled

1. Bill 3622, I would now move that we nonconcur in Conference
2. Committee Report No. 1 and have a Second Conference Committee
3. appointed.

4. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

5. You've heard the motion. Is...is leave granted? Leave is
6. granted. A Second Conference Committee on House Bill 3622
7. will be appointed. And the Secretary will notify the House.

8. PRESIDENT:

9. Will those not entitled to the Floor, please vacate. If you'll turn
10. to page 2 on the Calendar on the Order of House Bills 3rd
11. reading. On the Order of House Bills 3rd reading is House
12. Bill 3638. Senator Joyce, do you wish that called? Senator
13. Joyce.

14. SENATOR JEREMIAH JOYCE:

15. Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Senate. House
16. Bill 36...

17. PRESIDENT:

18. Are...are there amendments filed, Mr. Secretary? All
19. right. Senator Joyce requests leave of the Body to move
20. House Bill 3638 to the Order of 2nd reading for the purposes
21. of an amendment. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. On the
22. Order of House Bills 2nd reading, House Bill 3638. Mr. Secretary.

23. SECRETARY:

24. ...Amendment No. 2 offered by Senator Bloom.

25. PRESIDENT:

26. All right. While we're waiting for Senator Bloom, Channel
27. 3 News has requested permission to silently film. Is leave
28. granted? Leave is granted. Senator Bloom, we are on the Order
29. of House Bills 2nd reading, House Bill 3638. Amendment No. 2,
30. I understand, was filed with the Secretary under your sponsor-
31. ship. Senator Bloom.

32. SENATOR BLOOM:

33. Thank you, Mr. President and fellow Senators. As you

1. know, this legislation is basically to iron out some wrinkles
2. in the Mandates Act which took effect on the 1st of this year.
3. This bill was the subject of discussion on...by staff of both
4. sides of the aisle and the second floor. Briefly, it changes
5. the exclusion of State Court Orders to limit the exclusion
6. to orders enforcing statutory or Executive actions. It
7. eliminates language classifying certain mandates as nonreimbursable
8. ...interlocal...equity mandates. It was...it's a...a very cum-
9. bersome term as well as a...a vague and fuzzy concept and would
10. have been...would have been an invitation to a lawsuit. It
11. clarifies what we'd call low-cost mandates...a...a...to exclude
12. only mandates with an annual net cost of less than one thousand
13. dollars for each unit of local government or in the aggregate,
14. fifty thousand...for several units of local government. Changes
15. the language in the Act from the word "operative" to the word
16. "effective", which we feel is more precise. And it clarifies
17. the authority for the Mandates Appeals Board to hear only claims
18. dealing with the application and disbursement procedure. It
19. narrows the scope of the application of the Act. Finally, it
20. leaves intact the effective date of House Bill...3638 as it
21. came over from the House and I'll read it to you. The...it
22. takes effect on 1 January '81 and applies to administrative
23. rules adopted on or after that date, meaning on or after 1 January
24. of this year, to Executive Orders filed on or after January 1,
25. and to legislation in the 82nd General Assembly, and subsequent
26. General Assemblies. I will try and answer questions...otherwise
27. I'd urge its adoption.

28. PRESIDENT:

29. All right. Senator Bloom has moved the adoption of
30. Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 3638. Is there any discussion?
31. If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The
32. Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there further
33. amendments?

1. SECRETARY:

2. No further amendments.

3. PRESIDENT:

4. 3rd reading. Senator Joyce, do you wish to get back to
5. that bill? We'll have to have intervening business. Okay,
6. thank you. Senator Berman, how about 1172?

7. SENATOR BERMAN:

8. Yes, sir.

9. PRESIDENT:

10. On Senate Calendar Supplemental No. 1, on the Order
11. of business of Conference Committee Reports, there's a
12. Conference Committee Report filed with respect to Senate
13. Bill 1172. Senator Berman.

14. SENATOR BERMAN:

15. Thank you, Mr. President. This matter was being handled
16. by Senator Bruce who was called back home because of illness
17. in the family and he asked me to handle this for him this
18. morning. Senate Bill 1172 is an amendment to the School Code,
19. to the Funding Formula Section 18. And what it does, is to
20. address a problem that arose in one school district, Richland
21. Community Unit School District, and their levy of their rate. Under
22. the changes that we made last year, we provided that certain
23. school districts that levy at 2.18 or over would be able to
24. phase-in for full access to the School Aid Formula. This
25. community school district through the...action of their
26. superintendent...miscalculated and missed that level. They're
27. at two dollars and seventeen cents instead of two dollars and
28. eighteen cents. This formula allows them, for this year only,
29. to obtain the amount of money that they would have had from the
30. State, as a result of this miscalculation. It amounts to
31. three hundred and sixty-seven thousand dollars for one district
32. in the State for one year only. I've discussed it with the
33. Minority Spokesman on the...Committee on Elementary and Secondary

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2nd Reading

1. Education and the appropriation has been passed and signed into
2. law. I solicit your Aye vote on the Conference Committee Report.

3. PRESIDENT:

4. All right. Senator Berman has moved the adoption of the
5. Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 1172. Any discussion?
6. Senator Davidson.

7. SENATOR DAVIDSON:

8. Mr. President and members of the Senate, I rise in support
9. of this conference committee. This was due to an error. This
10. bill, as the conference committee was written, applies only to this
11. school year, applies only to one district. It's not going to
12. affect any other district, it's not going to take any money
13. away from anyone. And this was due to...a new superintendent
14. coming to work who didn't understand the tax levy and rather
15. that penalize the students in that district, this amount of
16. money, this was the only way we could do it. I rise in support
17. of this 'cause it's...it wipes out after this year. It doesn't
18. carry on or doesn't penalize any other district. I urge a Yes
19. vote.

20. PRESIDENT:

21. Further discussion? If not, the question is shall the
22. Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill
23. 1172. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote
24. Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have
25. all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the
26. record. On that question the Ayes are 51, the Nays are none,
27. none Voting Present. The Senate does adopt the Conference
28. Committee Report on Senate Bill 1172 and the bill having
29. received the required constitutional majority is declared
30. passed. All right. With leave of the Body, we'll go back
31. to the Order of House Bills 3rd reading, page 2 of the
32. regular Calendar. On the Order of House Bills 3rd reading
33. is House Bill 3638. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

1. SECRETARY:

2. House Bill 3638.

3. (Secretary reads title of bill)

4. 3rd reading of the bill.

5. PRESIDENT:

6. Senator Jeremiah Joyce.

7. SENATOR JEREMIAH JOYCE:

8. Yes, Mr. President. Mr. President, an inquiry. Is
9. it necessary to move to suspend appropriate rules for a
10. delay before we can consider this? If so, I would
11. so move.

12. PRESIDENT:

13. ...All right. I...I think we might have already done
14. that, but just to be safe. Senator Joyce has moved to suspend
15. the applicable rules so that the full Body might consider
16. House Bill 3638. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Senator
17. Joyce.

18. SENATOR JEREMIAH JOYCE:

19. Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. House
20. Bill 3638, prior to the amendment...and it dealt mostly with
21. specific technical changes...as amended...by Senator Bloom.
22. We've heard the explanation of the amendment, both sides of
23. the House are in agreement on this as is the second floor
24. and I would move its adoption at this time.

25. PRESIDENT:

26. Is there any discussion? If not, we will have a roll
27. call on the passage of House Bill 3638 as amended. With
28. leave of the Body, we will defer momentarily. A couple of
29. the members seem to be absent their keys and they wish to
30. be recorded. So we will, as a matter of courtesy, afford
31. them a little time. Yes...Senator Simms.

32. SENATOR SIMMS:

33. Mr. President, if a...the record would show I did not

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3rd Reading
1-14-81

1. have a key in my switch, but had the...the record so show that
2. had I been able to vote, I would have voted Yes on Conference
3. Committee Report...1172 in the affirmative.

4. PRESIDENT:

5. Yes, the...recorded transcript will so indicate, Senator.

6. I understand the keys have been in place. The question is
7. shall House Bill 3638, as amended, pass. Those in favor will
8. vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open.
9. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have
10. all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question the
11. Ayes are 51, the Nays...52...the Nays are none, 1 Voting Present.
12. House Bill 3638, having received the required constitutional
13. majority is declared passed. Senator Knuppel. All right. If you'll
14. turn to page 3 on the Calendar on the Order of Consideration
15. Postponed is House Bill 2831, 2-8-3-1. Mr. Secretary, read
16. the bill again, please.

17. SECRETARY:

18. House Bill 2831.

19. (Secretary reads title of bill)

20. 3rd reading of the bill.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. Senator Knuppel.

23. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

24. Mr. President and members of the Body. This is the appropriation
25. which follows the Enabling Act of last summer which we passed. And
26. we held the appropriation to allow the Governor to review the
27. Enabling Act, which he found good, and signed. We waited until
28. this is the last minute to ask compliance by Chrysler and they
29. have tried very hard to meet these standards. They have had an
30. appraisal. They have been in communication with the Governor's
31. Office. They have furnished the Governor's Office a confidential
32. report of a four year plan. I shall not talk at length on this
33. bill, you all know what it is. Many times this summer and fall,
34. I felt like Horatio at the bridge, alone. But that's the way

1. I've operated best, alone, and as a maverick in this Body. And
2. I say to you today, the hour has never been darker for the
3. Chrysler Corporation than it is this morning in Washington, D. C.
4. They have said that Chrysler must come up with some pledges
5. of faith. And I've always heard that the darkest hour is just
6. before the dawn, and I think that's where we are right now.
7. The farther a man is from shore, the longer rope you have to
8. have to reach him. I think that in a State where the statistics
9. show we have a high percentage of unemployment and in...and in
10. an area where unemployment is at its highest in Illinois, that
11. this becomes a very important issue. And I think that where
12. Washington is waiting for a message, we should send one this
13. morning. We should make that pledge of faith because in
14. Illinois we are one of the states that benefits the most from
15. this Goliath of our free enterprise system. And when...we
16. vote here this morning to say that we're willing to put twenty
17. million dollars in the bank and wait for the Governor to spend
18. it and if Chrysler goes down in Washington, not a penny of it
19. will be spent. We've been assured of a first lien, worth one
20. hundred and thirty-three percent of what the loan would be.
21. Each year the workers pay over eleven million dollars in Income
22. Taxes so that we would have a return in taxes within two years
23. of what the loan is, and it is a secured mortgage. And I say
24. to you, here this morning, let's let our voice ring out loud
25. and clear, let's send that message. Let's send that message to
26. not only Chrysler Corporation, not only to the people in Washington,
27. but to the workers who work in those factories who would become
28. unemployed, and to all the world that we're willing to support
29. free enterprise in this country, and for...and the people who
30. work for it. Now, to do that I need your help, Chrysler needs
31. your help. Every man and woman who work on that assembly line in
32. Belvidere or...or the mechanic in some two hundred and forty-
33. six businesses throughout this State which employ an average over

1. twenty-five people each. I realize it's time, but it's time
2. that these people need your help, and America needs your help.
3. And I'd ask you to support me, the Governor would have the
4. power over whether this money is spent or not spent. I think this
5. is a good loan, I think it's what our economy at this time
6. desperately needs, and I think it will prevent a domino effect
7. with other automakers.

8. PRESIDENT:

9. Further discussion? Senator Dawson.

10. SENATOR DAWSON:

11. Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. In
12. the 30th Legislative District we have a plant that employed thirty-
13. five hundred members that closed down last year. And believe me
14. twenty million dollars is not much at all for the impact that was
15. caused to our neighborhood. With the unemployment, public aid,
16. and business, believe me, I cannot see how anybody cannot support
17. Chrysler on this issue 'cause when you see it firsthand you'll
18. understand the impact on your district. Thank you, very much.

19. PRESIDENT:

20. Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis.

21. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

22. Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The
23. auto industries, General Motors, Ford, Chrysler, and the American...
24. automobile hire the most people, I think, of any industry. I
25. cannot see a monopoly existing first with General Motors, and
26. then Ford, and a good automobile that Chrysler puts out, go out
27. of business, not for Chrysler's sake but it affects about three
28. hundred thousand people in unemployment. It behooves us to help
29. Chrysler because this bill does not tax the State...taxpayers'
30. money because if we give the money it's based on a clear title
31. of the property for which it will be pledged. I think, considering
32. that I have approximately twenty thousand people unemployed in
33. my district, and I think, that if we're going to help, we should

1. help where it should be...help should be given. We help Lockheed
2. in the Federal Government that doesn't employ one-tenth of all
3. the people that the industries and the...the automobiles employ.
4. I do not want to see Chrysler go down, and if we can do our little
5. bit we will be helping not only the thousands of people who are
6. out of work in my county, and in this State, but we will also
7. be helping thousands of others who are, by the domino theory
8. connected, either suppliers of little parts and so forth for our..
9. the automobile industries. It seems to me, we waste a lot
10. of the taxpayers' money doing other things which we could well
11. afford to cut down. If we give this money, we're giving it based on
12. a clear title to the property in Belvidere. And it is valuable
13. property. I think we should support this bill, and I feel that
14. as long as I know from the legislation that was passed and I
15. supported this past year, that the title is clear. I think we
16. should go ahead and give it a little help, and hopefully the
17. Federal Government will not let General Motors be the monopoly
18. that it is because it strikes me that when General Motors can
19. make motors for Brazil to use only alcohol instead of gasoline,
20. they should have done it for America too. So, let's help
21. Chrysler.

22. PRESIDENT:

23. Further discussion? And I will only caution the membership
24. to try to be a little more brief than was Senator Geo-Karis. We
25. have ten people who have wished to speak. Senator Schaffer.

26. SENATOR SCHAFFER:

27. Mr. President, and members of the Senate. When last we heard
28. this issue many of us had reservations due to what, at least, I
29. perceived as a lack of progress on the negotiations on the
30. appraisals, et cetera. In the interim period between the Fall
31. Session and now, I've had an opportunity to discuss this issue
32. with Julian D'Esposito in the Governor's Office, who appears
33. to be a...a...the head legal-eagle from the...the State's point

1. of view on this issue. With John Castle, Director of The
2. Department of Commerce, who will be...and deeply involved
3. in the negotiations, have had a chance to look over the
4. correspondence between the State and Chrysler and I don't
5. think it can be too secret, because I have a copy of it
6. and they don't give me much secret documents. And I am...
7. I am convinced at this point that the State and Chrysler
8. are, in fact, on the wavelength and in tune with what
9. we, as a Legislature, intended when the initial bill was
10. passed. My interest in this, specifically, and my reason
11. for hesitating, at least initially, is I want to see the twenty
12. million dollars safeguarded for the taxpayers and too, I
13. guess, as you might expect, from the Senator who has the
14. Belvidere Chrysler Plant in his district, I want us to have
15. a first lien on that plant and in the, I hope, very unlikely
16. event that Chrysler does, in fact, go bankrupt, I want the
17. State of Illinois to be able to step in quickly and put that
18. plant back into operation in some other capacity with some
19. other automobile manufacturer or some other form of major
20. manufacturing company. I am convinced now that the prudent
21. thing to do is to pass this appropriation and to let the
22. State Government get on with the negotiations on the contract,
23. hopefully at a quicker pace than they've done already. I urge
24. a favorable vote on this roll call.

25. PRESIDENT:

26. Further discussion? Senator Johns.

27. SENATOR JOHNS:

28. Thank you, Mr. President. I've supported this in the
29. past, I do so very strongly at this time because this State
30. is the second highest in the...in the United States in unemploy-
31. ment, second highest. The Great Lake regions that we are in
32. has been hit the hardest by the recession and the depression
33. and it's recovering very, very, slowly. The sunbelt states

1. are taking our industry. We ought to be looking at three
2. major industries in the United States. The automotive industry,
3. the rubber industry and the steel industry. And this State
4. ought to address those issues and try to entice industry
5. back into Illinois and to keep it. Ladies and Gentlemen,
6. we need this money for this industry and I'm not ashamed
7. to ask for it.

8. PRESIDENT:

9. Further discussion? Senator Rhoads.

10. SENATOR RHOADS:

11. Mr. President and members of the Senate. I think Senator
12. Schaffer answered one of my questions on the technical aspects
13. of the bill. I...I'm not sure I agree, Senator, that all that
14. much has changed from December 5th until now. But, secondly,
15. I remain in opposition to House Bill 2831 because we have
16. a policy question here, of whether or not Illinois ought to
17. join other states and the Federal Government and get into
18. the business of Corporate Loan Guarantees. Is this the
19. type of...thing that we should be involved with. It's ironic
20. with this particular bill with...with Chrysler and the attitude
21. of the Federal Government that in the same week last spring
22. that we passed the Enabling Legislation, the Federal EPA cost
23. Chrysler more than the twenty million dollars they were asking
24. us for because of some stringent standards that they had to...that
25. Chrysler had to make modification on some of...its existing
26. cars. They wouldn't...they weren't even willing to take that
27. simple step of suspending Federal EPA regulations in order
28. to save a company that was that much in trouble a little bit
29. of money. And yet they come to us and ask for a twenty million
30. dollar Corporate Loan Guarantee. It's just a...a bad practice,
31. a bad public policy precedent we're setting and we ought not
32. to get into it and it deserves a No vote.

33. PRESIDENT:

1. Further discussion? Senator Walsh.

2. SENATOR WALSH:

3. Mr. President and members of the Senate. When...when the...
4. the substantive legislation passed there apparently, you know, was...was
5. some hope for Chrysler and I guess there is hope now. We had
6. the Belvidere Plant operating and people employed and we were...
7. the argument was, let's do what we can to...to bring them back.
8. Now the...now the...the Belvidere Plant is not operating. The...if
9. so at a...at a very low rate. This is a bill that...some bills,
10. you know, get better with age, I'd say since December when this
11. appropriation was defeated this...this appropriation has even
12. gotten worse. Chrysler is in worse shape than it was in December.
13. There is some question as to whether they'll...they'll get the
14. Federal Guarantee Money that has been allocated to them. The
15. real beneficiary of legislation such as this is not the...is not
16. the public, is not the taxpayer, it's probably the bondholder
17. who...who is the real beneficiary of an appropriation to the
18. Chrysler Corporation. The...the money comes from the Lottery.
19. You know and I know and I'm sure we all have constituents who
20. say, "where's that lottery money going, it was supposed to...
21. it was supposed to go to education, why...why do we have to
22. spend so much more money for education." Well, the Lottery
23. money now, if this bill passes, is going to go to the Chrysler
24. Corporation. The Governor has told us we're not going to be
25. able to...to reduce that extra penny from Sales Tax on food
26. and drugs. Well, one of the reasons we're not going to be able
27. to do that is, we're passing an appropriation bill such as this.
28. we're criticized frequently by the second floor, by members of
29. the press because we overappropriate, we're spending too much
30. money. Well, this is a perfect example of an appropriation
31. for a private purpose that should not be made. I urge that
32. we vote No on this appropriation to the Chrysler Corporation.
33. PRESIDENT:

1. Further discussion? Senator Vadalabene.

2. SENATOR VADALABENE:

3. Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate.
4. Just briefly, I would like to go beyond the measure of aiding
5. the Chrysler Corporation. And I think this should be brought
6. to the attention of the members of the Legislature. We have
7. in my district, the transporter of all the Chrysler products
8. in about seven states with docks in Michigan, Missouri and
9. Illinois. Now, this transporter has approximately four hundred
10. transporters of which he hauls his cars all over the country.
11. And it seems to me that we forget that when we're trying to
12. bail out Chrysler that there's several related jobs under
13. consideration. Here we have an investment of over four hundred
14. transports, we have an investment of four hundred drivers,
15. chauffeurs, we have the mechanics, there's labor, there's fuel
16. being spent and I think you ought to take into consideration
17. that when you're trying to help Chrysler, you're also trying
18. to help hundreds and hundreds of people in the State of Illinois
19. who haul the Chrysler products. And I ask for your support on
20. this bill.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. Further discussion? Senator Maitland.

23. SENATOR MAITLAND:

24. Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
25. Senate. I rise in opposition, as I did earlier, on the guaranteed
26. loan to Chrysler. I think it's time that this Body look to next
27. year...that has already been suggested. We're looking at reduced
28. amounts of money available, of new money. And you're going to...going
29. to go back to your districts and you're going to talk to the education
30. people, you're going to talk to the transportation people, you're
31. going to talk to the Higher Education people and the Mental Health
32. people and you're going to say well, no, we can't do that now, because
33. we guaranteed Chrysler twenty million dollars. And they're going

1. to say to you, that's great, Chrysler is losing two million
2. dollars a day, you gave them twenty million dollars, you allowed
3. them to operate for ten days. So those...really concerned.
4. God helps those who help themselves. Government should not
5. help those who help themselves. When this legislation was being
6. debated last spring, an amendment was put on it. And that amend-
7. ment indicated that we had to guarantee...Chrysler had to guarantee
8. a certain level of employment at that plant. And yet when this
9. side of the aisle met with Chrysler one of the things that they
10. said caused their problems in the beginning was increased govern-
11. ment intervention. And then we amend the bill to tie more restraints
12. to Chrysler, to lock them in, perhaps to an unprofitable position.
13. I think this is a bad precedence to set. Senator Knuppel, you
14. talked about free enterprise, you talked about the domino theory.
15. If we don't give this money, if the Federal Government had not
16. given that money, we would have seen, I believe, the domino theory
17. in reverse. That is to say, better management, the ability to
18. stand on one's own feet and do the job right. Government cannot
19. be all things to all people and they should not be all things
20. to Chrysler.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. Further discussion? Senator Buzbee. Oh, pardon me, prior
23. to Senator Buzbee, Channel 17 wishes to take some pictures, I
24. presume of Senator Buzbee. Is leave granted? Leave. Senator
25. Buzbee. Okay.

26. SENATOR BUZBEE:

27. Thank you, Mr. President. I was the sponsor of the amend-
28. ment...that...that Senator Maitland just spoke of last spring.
29. And at the time I...it said that I was philosophically opposed
30. and still remain philosophically opposed. However, at the
31. moment, I became convinced that my philosophy was getting in
32. the way of...of pragmatism and that Chrysler Corporation...did
33. need the money and it would help save jobs in Illinois and it

1. was a good investment for the taxpayers of Illinois. A good
2. loan, I should say, and...as well as investment. But I think
3. our first commitment is to the taxpayer of the State of
4. Illinois. Our second commitment then is to...the businesses
5. and...and the working force that...that make up the citizenry
6. of Illinois. But our first...our first priority is to the
7. taxpayers. The fact of the matter is, that all of the conditions
8. that were required in that amendment I sponsored last spring
9. have not been met yet. I don't know, they tell me it's a
10. Catch-22 situation where when they try to meet a State condition
11. and the Feds get in their way, they try to meet the Feds condition
12. and the State is in their way. I...I don't know about that, but
13. the fact of the matter is, the bottom line is, that they have
14. not met all of the conditions yet. The second bottom line is,
15. are...the...the bottom of the page is, I guess, now, that...that
16. as of this morning, things look even worse for Chrysler. I would
17. like to be in a position of our helping them. I would like to
18. see that industry saved. I would like to see that...that plant
19. in Belvidere stay open, and I would like to see those jobs remain
20. there. But I'm becoming convinced that that may not be possible
21. ...for...for the...the time being anyhow. As I have said before
22. on this Floor, a friend of mine, a Chrysler dealer in...in my
23. town is a member of the Dealer's Advisory Council to the Chrysler
24. Corporation and I met with him back a few weeks ago and he showed
25. us the film from the...the latest Iococca proposal and it's all
26. up-beat. I believe that Chrysler Corporation is doing everything
27. they can, but I don't think this is a good investment for the
28. taxpayers of Illinois today. If...if they can get their problems
29. with the Feds straightened out in the next few days, we can come
30. back next Session and start all over again. But for...for today,
31. I'm going to be voting No.

32. PRESIDENT:

33. Further discussion? Senator Mitchler.

1. SENATOR MITCHLER:

2. Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. You
3. have on your desks a veto, Total Veto by the Governor of an
4. appropriation for transportation and nonpublic school children.
5. If you read that and have read the headlines in the newspapers
6. today you will learn that the Governor, in analyzing that
7. appropriation, which is estimated by the supporters of that
8. legislation to cost 3.5 million. To the opponents, they have
9. estimated the cost to be up closer to 17 million...in its
10. eventuality. The Governor has told us in that Veto Message,
11. that the State of Illinois does not have 3.5 million dollars
12. for the funding of the transportation of nonpublic school
13. children. Here you're talking about a twenty million dollar
14. loan and all of these assurances that you're going to get it
15. back, you have no assurances, I have no assurances. In other
16. words, you do not have twenty million dollars to even consider
17. to hand out and loan to somebody. Now, if you didn't have any
18. money in your pocket or you're just meeting expenses in your
19. home and someone come up, even your best friend, your brother or
20. some immediate member of your family, and want to get a loan,
21. you tell them I just can't do it, I don't have the money. And
22. that's the way the State of Illinois is in the first place. And
23. I've heard mention about that if we do this, make this loan, that
24. we'll be demonstrating to the world and everybody that we are
25. interested in free enterprise, on the contrary. If you make this
26. loan to the Chrysler Corporation, you're working in the exact
27. opposite, you're destroying free enterprise, you're showing that
28. government can interfere with free enterprise, and they'll all
29. be at the door. I hear that we have worked out some...sort of
30. an agreement and that we, as the legal party in the Governor's
31. Office and somebody representing Chrysler Corporation, someone
32. from the Director of the Department of...Business and Economic
33. Development in the State. And this is going to protect the

1. taxpayers' dollars because of this agreement. And I say to you.
2. right now, in answer to free enterprise and the taxpayers' dollars,
3. if you want to protect free enterprise, if you want to protect
4. the taxpayers' dollars, you'll vote No on this because you
5. don't have taxpayers' dollars to even consider a loan or a
6. give away or anything of twenty million dollars to Chrysler
7. Corporation or anybody else at this time. I urge a No vote
8. on this proposal.

9. PRESIDENT:

10. Any further discussion? Senator Savickas.

11. SENATOR SAVICKAS:

12. Yes, Mr. President. As a major stockholder of a corporation
13. that is a supplier to Chrysler, I would like to show my conflict
14. here, but I do intend to vote for the bill.

15. PRESIDENT:

16. Further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator
17. Knuppel may close.

18. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

19. I think everybody has heard the arguments and this will
20. be the last time. I'd like a favorable roll call.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. The question is shall House Bill 2831 pass. Those in
23. favor will vote Aye...pardon me? Yes, Senator Walsh, for what
24. purpose do you arise? Senator Walsh.

25. SENATOR WALSH:

26. A point of parliamentary inquiry.

27. PRESIDENT:

28. Yes, Sir.

29. SENATOR WALSH:

30. There are members of the Senate who apparently intend to
31. vote on this issue who were members of the House of Representatives
32. and voted on the bill when it was pending in the House. And I
33. would just ask the Senate President if it's in order for these

1. people to vote twice on the same matter?

2. PRESIDENT:

3. In...in the opinion of the Chair, it is, for the reason
4. that they are legally sworn and seated members of the Senate
5. and that this, as far as the Senate is concerned, is final
6. action and they are entitled to so vote. The question is shall
7. House Bill 2831 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those
8. opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted
9. who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
10. Take the record. On that question the Ayes are 34, the Nays
11. are 18, 1 Voting Present. House Bill 2831, having received
12. the required constitutional majority is declared passed.
13. Senator Walsh, for what purpose do you arise?

14. SENATOR WALSH:

15. For a verification of the...roll.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. All right. Senator Walsh has requested a verification
18. of the affirmative vote. Will the members please be in their
19. seat. ...Mr. Secretary, read the affirmative votes.

20. SECRETARY:

21. The...excuse me...the following voted in the affirmative.
22. Becker, Berman, Carroll, Coffey, Collins, D'Arco, Daley, Davidson,
23. Demuzio, Egan, Geo-Karis, Gitz, Hall, Johns, Jeremiah Joyce, Jerome
24. Joyce, Knuppel, Maragos or no, that would be Dawson...

25. PRESIDENT:

26. Yes, and the record should reflect...

27. SECRETARY:

28. ...and...

29. PRESIDENT:

30. ...it should be Senator Degnan in place of Senator Daley.

31. SECRETARY:

32. Right. Right. Simms, McLendon, Merlo, Moore, Nash, Nedza,
33. Nega, Newhouse, Regner, Rupp, Sangmeister, Savickas, Schaffer,

1. Vadalabene, Wooten, Mr. President.

2. PRESIDENT:

3. Senator Walsh, do you question the...presence of any member?

4. All right. The roll has been verified. On that question the
5. Ayes are 34, the Nays are 18. House Bill 28...1 Voting Present.

6. House Bill 2831, having received the required constitutional
7. majority is declared passed. If you'll turn again to page 3 on
8. the Calendar. We previously considered the First Conference
9. Committee Report on House Bill 3622. The Chair has been...been
10. advised that the Second Conference Committee Report has been
11. filed and distributed so we'll move, with leave of the Body,
12. to that order of business. On the Order of Conference Committee
13. Reports is a report filed with respect to House Bill...we,
14. technically, so that we are in proper sequence in the Journal,
15. the House has, I am reliably informed, acceded to our request
16. for a Second Conference Committee, so we have to read in the
17. formal notification, that they have acceded, it will be down
18. shortly...by wings of the angels here. Messages from the
19. House.

20. SECRETARY:

21. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

22. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate
23. the House of Representatives has acceded to the request of the
24. Senate for a Second...Committee of Conference to consider the
25. differences between the two Houses in regard to Senate Amendment
26. 1 to House Bill 3622. The Speaker has appointed the members on
27. the part of the House.

28. PRESIDENT:

29. All right. On the Order of Conference Committee Reports,
30. is a conference committee filed with respect to House Bill 3622.
31. Mr. Secretary.

32. SECRETARY:

33. Second Conference Committee on House Bill 3622.

1. PRESIDENT:

2. Senator Donnewald.

3. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

4. Yes, Mr. President and members of the Body. This is the
5. Second Conference Committee Report on House Bill 3622 which
6. is Senate Amendment No. 1. And what it does, very briefly,
7. it appropriates one million two hundred and twenty thousand
8. dollars for the costs associated with printing and publishing
9. an explanation of the two Constitutional Amendments that
10. were voted on in the last election. In addition, thereto,
11. the Senate Amendment No. 1 adds five hundred twenty-seven
12. thousand, three hundred and ninety dollars to pay back wages
13. to employees as ordered by the Federal District Court when
14. the previous Secretarys of State were in office. I would
15. solicit your support.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. Is there any discussion? Senator Donnewald has moved
18. the adoption of the conference committee. Any discussion?
19. Senator Rhoads.

20. SENATOR RHOADS:

21. Yes, Mr. President, I've discussed this with Senator
22. Donnewald and I rise in support of the bill, the transition
23. money, as I understand it, has been deleted. I think there
24. still may be a question about the printing and postage money
25. but we can tackle that next year. And I urge an Aye vote.

26. PRESIDENT:

27. Any further discussion? If not, the question is shall
28. the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on House
29. Bill 3622. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will
30. vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have
31. all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record.
32. On that question the Ayes are 54, the Nays are none, none Voting
33. Present. House Bill 36...the Senate does adopt the Conference
34. Committee Report on House Bill 3622 and the bill having received
35. the required constitutional majority is declared passed.

1. PRESIDENT:

2. All right. Resolutions.

3. SECRETARY:

4. Senate Resolution 744, introduced...or offered by Senators
5. Shapiro, Rock, and all Senators...and it's congratulatory.

6. Senate Resolution 745, by the same sponsors, and it's
7. congratulatory.

8. Senate Resolution 746, by the same sponsors, and it's
9. congratulatory.

10. Senate Resolution 747, by Senators Rock, Bruce, Shapiro, and
11. all Senators and it's congratulatory.

12. PRESIDENT:

13. Consent Calendar. Messages from the House.

14. SECRETARY:

15. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

16. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate
17. the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the
18. adoption of their amendment to a bill with the following title:

19. House Bill 3629, with Senate Amendment No. 1.

20. I am further directed to inform the Senate the House of Represent-
21. atives has refused to concur with the Senate in the adoption of
22. the following amendment:

23. Senate Amendment No. 2.

24. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

25. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the
26. House of Representatives has accepted the Governor's Specific Re-
27. commendations for Change which are attached to a bill with the
28. following title, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask
29. concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

30. House Bill 3636.

31. I am further instructed to deliver to you the objections of the
32. Governor which are contained in the attached copy of this letter
33. to the House of Representatives.

1. PRESIDENT:

2. All right. Those Messages will appear on the Supplemental
3. Calendar No. 2. Oh, yes, I'm sure everyone in the Chamber is
4. aware that the...the antique clock at the...on the wall of the...
5. back wall of the Chamber has ceased functioning today. It is
6. currently about five minutes after eleven, we are rapidly approaching
7. the hour of truth. Yes, Senator Merlo, for what purpose do you
8. arise?

9. SENATOR MERLO:

10. For the purposes of an introduction.

11. PRESIDENT:

12. You are...you are in order, because I know who you are going
13. to introduce.

14. SENATOR MERLO:

15. Well...we're privileged this afternoon to have present on
16. the Senate Chamber's Floor here today, a very distinguished Judge,
17. a Judge of the Federal Court, the senior Judge of the District
18. Court, none other than Judge Abraham Marovitz. And, of course,
19. you know he is the uncle of the young man that's going to take my
20. seat. It's a privilege just to ask your recognition of Senator...
21. or pardon me, Judge Marovitz.

22. PRESIDENT:

23. Welcome Judge. Resolutions. Senator Donnewald. Senator
24. Donnewald will be the sponsor of this.

25. SECRETARY:

26. All right. Senate Resolution 747...or 748, offered by Senator
27. Donnewald.

28. (Secretary reads SR 748)

29. PRESIDENT:

30. All right. Senator...Senator Donnewald.

31. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

32. I move for the adoption of the resolution.

33. PRESIDENT:

SB 1812
1-14-81
Sen. Geo-Karis' remarks

1. All right. Senator Donnewald has moved to suspend the
2. rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of...of Senate
3. Resolution 748 which calls for the appointment by the Committee
4. on Committees of a committee to approve the final Journals some-
5. time when they're back from the printer in the next couple of
6. weeks. Any objections? If not, all in favor signify by saying
7. Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted.
8. Committee Reports.

9. SECRETARY:

10. Pursuant to...to Senate Resolution 748, the following Senators
11. are appointed to approve the final Journals of the Senate of the
12. 81st General Assembly: Senators Vadalabene, Demuzio, Hall, Davidson,
13. and Maitland. Signed, Senator Gene Johns, Chairman.

14. PRESIDENT:

15. All right, let me point out to the membership, it's now
16. ten minutes after eleven, we have the second Supplemental Calendar
17. being prepared at this moment for distribution. I have been in-
18. formed by the House that there are, at least, three or four matters
19. of substance yet to be considered, and we will afford each member,
20. each sponsor, an opportunity to run with or have disposed of what
21. they will. On the Order of Supplemental Calendar No. 1, the item
22. of business of Total Vetoes, Senate Bill 1812. I've been informed
23. that a motion has been filed. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

24. SECRETARY:

25. I move that Senate Bill 1812 Do Pass, the veto of the Governor
26. to the contrary, notwithstanding. Signed, Senator Geo-Karis.

27. PRESIDENT:

28. Senator Geo-Karis.

29. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

30. Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the...the Senate.
31. Although I filed my motion to override the Governor's Veto on
32. my Senate Bill 1812, which has brought so many lobbyists from the
33. public schools down here, I have been informed I do not have enough

1. votes in the House to override the veto and therefore I will not
2. proceed in the motion. But I ask for leave to address this...this
3. Senate on a matter of personal privilege.

4. PRESIDENT:

5. All right. Is there leave first to withdraw the motion?

6. Leave is granted. Senator Geo-Karis, on a matter of personal privilege

7. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

8. Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate
9. Bill 1812, which I sponsored through all kinds of barrages of
10. lobbyists from the public school sectors because they do not wish
11. the existence of private schools and yet they are not considering
12. the safety of the children for transportation where buses go empty
13. and which was watered down to come under the State Mandate's Act,
14. and which would save the taxpayers' money who do send their children
15. to private schools and pay the taxes for the public schools, would
16. have been a worthy bill. I can appreciate the Governor's comments,
17. but I will say this, he mentioned in his comments that he thought
18. it was not...expedient for...economically at this time. Perhaps
19. I can agree with him, however, the amount that some of his aides
20. told him it would cost was way out of line, they never had a
21. survey, we did. I'm not Catholic, so I'm not supporting the
22. archdiocese on it on that basis, I'm supporting it because I
23. believe in public and private schools co-existing. I believe in
24. competition, I believe in the safety of children for transportation
25. where they go down the downstate roads in Senator Knuppel's area,
26. and the highways where they walk, and I do believe that the taxpayers
27. who pay Real Estate Taxes should get a break back home. Now, I
28. have approximately thirty-one non-public schools in my county, fine,
29. we forget about them now, but I'll tell you right now, and I'm sending
30. a message to the Illinois Education Association, and others who
31. pretend that they're for good education, who couldn't care less
32. only by just blowing their horn, and let me see the results when
33. I know young people can't even read, write, or spell, or add

1. decently in the public schools. I say clean up your act, do a
2. better job, and I can tell you that some of your own public school
3. teachers have supported this bill, because they believe in the
4. concept as I do about private and public schools co-existing in
5. this country, because this is America where we have freedom of
6. choice, and this is a country where we should have the best in
7. education. And we should look first to the transportation of the
8. safety...for the safety sake of the children and for the taxpayers'
9. dollar.

10. PRESIDENT:

11. All right. The motion has been withdrawn. Is there...are
12. there any motions, Mr. Secretary, filed on the Order of Item
13. Vetoes?

14. SECRETARY:

15. No...no motions have been filed, Mr. President.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. All right. Any motions filed with respect to Item Reductions?

18. SECRETARY:

19. No motions have been filed.

20. PRESIDENT:

21. All right. Message from the House.

22. SECRETARY:

23. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

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

27. Senate Bill 1338, along with House Amendment No. 3.

28. PRESIDENT:

29. All right, that too will...that Message will show up on the
30. Supplemental Calendar. All right, if I can have the attention of
31. the membership and those who have repaired to their offices with
32. their guests and friends and family and supporters, if they would
33. please return to the Floor. It is now twenty-five minutes of

1. twelve, we have five matters of substance remaining to be dealt
2. with prior to the adoption of the Sine Die Adjournment Resolution.
3. Senator Egan. On the Order of Secretary's Desk Supplemental Senate
4. Calendar No. 2, is Senate Bill 1338. Senator Egan...or Mr. Secretary.
5. All right, it's on the Order of Secretary's Desk Concurrence.
6. Senator Egan.

7. SENATOR EGAN:

8. Yes, thank you, Mr. President. The motion is to concur in
9. Amendment No. 3, House Amendment No. 3 to...

10. PRESIDENT:

11. All right, please, I'm going to have to ask our guests to
12. please vacate from the Floor on...temporarily, or at the very least,
13. please try to remain quiet. We have, frankly, some serious business
14. ahead of us in these remaining thirty minutes. Senator Egan.

15. SENATOR EGAN:

16. Yes, thank you, Mr. President. The motion is to concur in
17. House Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1338, and...and briefly what
18. it does, it provides that the authority will be able to fix the
19. rate at which bonds can be sold from the existing limit of 10.5
20. percent for one year. The reason being that all of the authority
21. has been used and the money that has been allocated...the request
22. to sell seventy million dollars in bonds exists but there is no
23. market for the bonds. So, it is essential to sell the seventy
24. million dollars in authorized...currently authorized bonds over
25. the next year. And I...I move, Mr. President, that we concur
26. in House Amendment No. 3. I think that's the proper motion. And
27. I would just further add that all of the authority that the department
28. has is...all of the authority that it is possessed of has been
29. committed. And this does not grant any further authority, it merely
30. removes the limit on the bonds so that they can sell the...the
31. limit on the interest so that the bonds can be sold. And I move
32. for its...I think, Mr. President, the proper motion is to concur
33. in Senate Amendment 3.

1. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

2. Is there further discussion? Senator Rock.

3. SENATOR ROCK:

4. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
5. Senate. I rise in support of the motion to concur with House
6. Amendment No. 3. This is a matter of great urgency for our State.
7. There are seventy-five million dollars worth of Illinois Housing
8. Development Authority Bonds that are currently in the marketplace,
9. but currently unmarketable because we, in our wisdom, have imposed
10. a ten and a half percent ceiling on the interest. What this
11. amendment says, is that for a period of one year we will leave
12. the interest rate to those members and directors of the board to
13. negotiate in the marketplace. We have seventy-five million dollars
14. worth of projects that are at a standstill. This is absolutely
15. essential to the continued economic vitality of our State and
16. I urge an overwhelming Aye vote.

17. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

18. The Chair will advise that we have twenty-three minutes remaining
19. in this Session. Senator Carroll.

20. SENATOR CARROLL:

21. Thank you, Mr. President. Very briefly, with the admonition
22. of the Chair, I will be supportive of this measure today. I have
23. not been, in the past, supportive of any measure that takes a cap
24. off of interest rates. I do recognize in this instance that we have
25. projects in place and that the authority is without any further
26. authority to issue any future bonds, that this will only apply
27. to those that have already been authorized by the General Assembly
28. and are already in their pipeline. I am not one yet convinced that
29. fifteen percent is a legitimate tax free rate. I am not yet
30. convinced that that is in the best public interest. However, I've
31. not always been right in the past, and this is a good test because
32. these are projects in line. If they do, in fact, stir the economy,
33. then maybe this is the right way to go this one instance, and again

1. I repeat since they are out of further authority, I think we are
2. jeopardizing very little by taking a very minor test step. And I
3. will be supportive.
4. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)
5. Senator Rhoads.
6. SENATOR RHOADS:
7. A question of the sponsor. Senator Rock, the...what is the
8. term of time that we're dealing with here? Is it twenty-five years?
9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)
10. Senator Egan is the sponsor. Senator Egan.
11. SENATOR EGAN:
12. Yes, one year, Senator...
13. SENATOR RHOADS:
14. No...no...no...no, the term...the term of the bonds.
15. SENATOR EGAN:
16. Oh, the term of the bond. Fifteen years.
17. SENATOR RHOADS:
18. Fifteen years...
19. SENATOR EGAN:
20. Yes.
21. SENATOR RHOADS:
22. ...and the...and the interest rate will float or will be at
23. the...
24. SENATOR EGAN:
25. The cap is removed for one year.
26. SENATOR RHOADS:
27. ...discretion...
28. SENATOR EGAN:
29. At the discretion of the authority.
30. SENATOR RHOADS:
31. Why don't we have any flexibility on the term...why are we
32. locked into the fifteen years? We had twenty-five years on a lot
33. of other bonds.

1. SENATOR EGAN:

2. That's in the existing Statute. I don't know why.

3. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

4. Senator Demuzio.

5. SENATOR DEMUZIO:

6. Thank you, Mr. President. Very briefly, I just wish to identify
7. myself with these remarks of Senator Carroll and have the record
8. so reflect, and that'll save a speech.

9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

10. Is there...is there further discussion? Senator Egan may
11. close if you so desire.

12. SENATOR EGAN:

13. Yes, just to ask for your favorable consideration, Mr. President.
14. Thank you.

15. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

16. All right, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House
17. Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1338. Those in favor vote Aye.
18. Those opposed Nay. The voting is open. Have all those voted
19. who wish? Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted
20. who wish? Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are 49,
21. the Nays are 4, 1 Voting Present. The Senate does concur in House
22. Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1338, and the bill having received
23. the required constitutional majority is declared passed. On the
24. Supplemental Calendar No. 2, under the title of Non-Concurrence,
25. House Bill 3629. Senator Schaffer. We have eighteen minutes left.

26. SENATOR SCHAFFER:

27. Mr. President, I'll attempt to be as brief as possible. This
28. bill is a supplemental for the Department of Children and Family
29. Services. It allocates three and a half million dollars of Federal
30. funds which are available and...and this State is entitled to.
31. It transfers 1.2 million dollars in various line items to implement
32. Senator Joyce's bill for child welfare at the local level. The
33. amendment that the House refused to accept is an amendment put on

1. by Senator Sommer, three hundred, and I believe, twenty-seven
2. thousand dollars, eliminate some positions. I would suggest to
3. you that at this point in time if we wish to see these Federal
4. dollars come to the State, and let's face it, we need the money,
5. and we wish to see child care at the local level, and those who
6. are critical of the department should be in favor of that, we
7. should recede from this amendment. I will suspect there'll be
8. a couple of comments about the department and the number of jobs
9. they've had at it. And there's some truth to what is said, but
10. I would...respectfully submit to those who feel that way that the
11. job freeze probably solves that problem. The two major purposes
12. of this bill are...are things that I think we all should agree on,
13. and we have to recede right now, we do not have time for a Conference
14. Committee Report. I urge your support on this matter.

15. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

16. Senator Sommer.

17. SENATOR SOMMER:

18. Mr. President, and members. I would like to point out that
19. this agency in the year 1979 spent one hundred and eight million
20. dollars. This year they're going to spend a hundred and seventy-
21. four million dollars, in two years that's a sixty percent increase
22. in expenditures. In the last two years we have authorized nine hundred
23. and ninety-eight new employees for this agency. This measure that
24. Senator Schaffer wants to pass will authorize another what, a hundred
25. new employees. The effect of my amendment was simple it did not
26. reduce the Federal funds, we still get the Federal funds, what
27. occurs is we simply take some General Revenue funds that we need
28. badly in other areas, and...and replace them with the Federal funds.
29. In light of that, the department has sent out memos indicating
30. that a disaster will occur, in the event they can't
31. hire another hundred new employees. What happened to the last
32. election? Why do we have to hire another hundred new employees
33. in the last minutes of this General Assembly? In an agency that's

1. received nine hundred and ninety-eight new positions in the last two
2. years, it doesn't seem likely that we...we necessarily have to
3. do that. I've passed out a memo to all members refuting every
4. point, every point in the letter sent to us by the Department of
5. Children and Family Services. Every point was refuted in...in our
6. memo and our staff work. This is simply an effort to jam this through.
7. Senator Schaffer is wrong when he says there's a job freeze that
8. will affect this. Sure they might not hire them immediately, but
9. this will be built into their base so next year instead of nine
10. hundred and ninety-eight we're going to have a thousand and ninety-
11. eight into their base. We say this every...every six months, we're
12. here saying well, we won't really hire them. But they're in the
13. base and they're going to be hired. It's a good opportunity to
14. ...to save some State dollars if you would reject Senator Schaffer's
15. motion.

16. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

17. We have fourteen minutes remaining. Senator Buzbee.

18. SENATOR BUZBEE:

19. Thank you, Mr. President. I attempted to fight Senator Sommer's
20. amendment back in the fall when he put this amendment on. Un-
21. successfully I fought it at that time. However, I...I'm convinced
22. that...that Senator Schaffer perhaps...pardon me, Senator Sommer
23. suffers from something...when I was in college there used to be a
24. favorite term called the knee-jerk liberal reaction, I think
25. Senator Schaffer suffers from the knee-jerk conservative reaction
26. and put the amendment on without really deciding what this would
27. do to the program. And I think that the time has come for us to
28. recede from his amendment and I think the effective lobbying effort
29. that has been going on, every organization in the State has been
30. writing letters to all of us, and my guess is that we're going
31. to be able to recede from his amendment today, and I certainly hope
32. so.

33. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

1. Senator Rock.

2. SENATOR ROCK:

3. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
4. Senate. I rise in support of the motion to recede from Senate
5. Amendment No. 2. The amendment was opposed by me at the time it
6. was adopted. I think we acted in haste, we cannot, however, repent
7. at leisure, the time to repent is now, and I would urge an Aye
8. vote on the motion to recede. This is final action.

9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

10. Senator Schaffer may close.

11. SENATOR SCHAFFER:

12. Roll call.

13. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

14. All right, the question is, shall the Senate recede from
15. Amendment No...Senate Amendment No. 2. Those in favor vote Aye.
16. Those opposed Nay. The voting is open. Have all those voted who
17. wish? Have all those voted who wish? Take the record. On that
18. question, the Ayes are 47, the Nays are 6. The Senate recesses
19. from Amendment No...Senate Amendment No. 2, and the bill having
20. received the required constitutional majority is declared passed.
21. On Supplemental Calendar No. 2, under the title of Conference Committee
22. Reports, Senate Bill 1752. Senator Regner. Senator Regner.

23. SENATOR REGNER:

24. Mr. President, and members. Since this bill no longer does
25. what the synopsis said, I'd like to have my name removed as the
26. sponsor of Senate Bill 1752.

27. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

28. Is there leave? Substitute sponsor. Senator...Senator Don
29. Moore, do we have leave to have Senator Don Moore as sponsor? Leave
30. is granted. Senator Moore.

31. SENATOR MOORE:

32. Thank you, Mr. President, and members of the Senate. Conference
33. Committee Report on Senate Bill 1752 does four things that do affect

1. both the House and Senate in two particular items. One, it makes...
2. or it increases the salary which is now zero of the Majority and
3. Minority Conference Chairmen in the House of Representatives and
4. the State Senate, and sets a salary of five thousand dollars. This
5. applies to both the House and Senate, your Conference Chairmen will
6. receive five thousand in the next Session of the General Assembly.
7. The second thing it does, it creates one additional Assistant Majority
8. Leader, and one additional Assistant Minority Leader in the House of
9. Representatives. The third thing it does, it places the Governor
10. ...transfers the Governor from the State Employees Retirement
11. System to the General Assembly Retirement System, the same as the
12. other constitutional officers...are presently. Governor Walker
13. removed himself from that bill, we're putting the Governor into
14. our retirement system. The fourth thing it does, it will allow
15. those State employees who retired on or before January 1st, 1971
16. to receive an increase of a dollar per month for each year of
17. creditable service. This proposal also allows for the survivor
18. or widow of any State employee to receive a one percent increase
19. for each year of survivorship if they were receiving such benefits
20. on or before January 1, 1971. This conforms to the Governor's
21. Amendatory Veto of House Bill 1009 which affected the Teachers'
22. Pension Fund. This will now make our State Employees' Pension
23. Fund the same as is the present law with our downstate, Chicago,
24. and university teachers. I'd be happy to answer any questions.
25. The changes in the matters are...were requested by the Leadership
26. in the House of Representatives and I would be happy to answer any
27. questions. If not, ask for a favorable roll call.

28. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

29. Is there discussion? The question is, shall the Senate
30. adopt the...just a moment. Senator Bloom.

31. SENATOR BLOOM:

32. Thank you, Mr. President, and fellow Senators. Apparently
33. the Legislature wants to show that we're slow learners. We invite

1. the kind of retribution that is visited upon us when we take
2. such actions in the waning moments of the 81st General Assembly
3. 'cause the heat is going to be generated on the 82nd. And perhaps
4. if we do support this kind of last minute measure we deserve the
5. kind of criticism we get. I won't belabor it, but I think you
6. all get my point.

7. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

8. Is there further discussion? Senator Rock.

9. SENATOR ROCK:

10. Thank you, Mr. President. Only to say that I consider this
11. a very important piece of legislation. It is particularly important
12. to the prospective officers of the 82nd General Assembly in the
13. House, and I would urge all members to vote Aye.

14. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

15. Is there further discussion? Senator Moore may close.
16. The question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee
17. Report on Senate Bill 1752. Those in favor vote Aye. Those
18. opposed Nay. The voting is open. Have all those voted who
19. wish? Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted
20. who wish? Have all those voted who wish? Take the record.
21. On that question, the Ayes are 30, the Nays are 21. The Senate
22. does adopt the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 1752,
23. and the bill having received the required constitutional majority
24. is declared passed. On the Order of Specific Recommendations
25. for Change, House Bill 3636. Senator...just a moment. Senator
26. Rock...no. Senator Egan, as to House Bill 3636, Specific Re-
27. commendations for Change. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

28. SECRETARY:

29. I move to accept the Specific Recommendations of the Governor
30. as to House Bill 3636 in the manner and form as follows. Signed,
31. Senator Egan.

32. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

33. Senator Egan.

1. SENATOR EGAN:

2. Yes, thank you, Mr. President, and members of the Senate.
3. As you...if you'll remember Senate...House Bill 3636 established
4. new procedures with respect to the extension of Property Taxes
5. for overlapping taxing districts. We passed the bill, I think,
6. with very little opposition, and the Governor saw fit to make
7. three, I think, rather minor changes. And I'll...briefly explain
8. these three changes. He...in the...number one, the bill as it
9. originally left the Senate required that in the event that a
10. County Clerk refused to provide the estimated property valuation
11. the clerk in the other county could use the prior year as the
12. ...preceding year's valuation on the rate. The Governor changed
13. that to allow the...the clerk to...to use the estimated valuation
14. and make his own independent valuation rather than having to use
15. the prior year, which certainly seems fair and I would concur
16. in. Secondly, the bill had applied to all tax years, and the
17. Governor has limited it to 1980 and 1981, which also seems fair, in
18. the event that it doesn't work we'll change it. In the event
19. that it works we can extend it at that time. And thirdly, the
20. bill would have prohibited any adjustments which are necessary due
21. to the use of the estimation provision for exceeding the maximum
22. tax rate. The Governor would permit the tax rate required by the
23. adjustment to exceed the maximum rate because it...it is a possibility
24. that may arise and will not, in fact, increase the amount of tax
25. that is required...that is due. So, all three of these amendatory
26. veto items I think are eminently fair and move for their concurrence.

27. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

28. Senator McMillan.

29. SENATOR McMILLAN:

30. ...President, and members of the Senate. I would just indicate
31. that these proposed...these amendments do clean up substantially
32. what was a relatively shaky bill. It is much better particularly
33. because it ends this provision in a couple of years. And I

1. would seek a favorable vote on these proposed changes.

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

3. Senator Rock.

4. SENATOR ROCK:

5. Yes, thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of
6. the Senate. I, too, rise in support of the acceptance of the
7. Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change. I think his
8. changes are reasonable, it affords the Local Government Study
9. Finance Commission an opportunity to conclude its work. And I
10. would urge again an Aye vote.

11. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

12. Is there further discussion? Senator Grotberg. Is there
13. further discussion? All right, the question is, shall the Senate
14. accept the Specific Recommendations of the Governor as to House
15. Bill 3636 in the manner and form just stated by Senator Egan. Those
16. in favor vote Aye. Those opposed Nay. The voting is open. Have
17. all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? Take
18. the record. On that question, the Ayes are 55, the Nays are none.
19. The Specific Recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill
20. 3636 having received the required majority vote of the Senators
21. elected are declared accepted. Senator Grotberg, for what purpose
22. do you arise?

23. SENATOR GROTBORG:

24. In the interest of the remaining moments. On the Calendar
25. appears House Bill 3103 on Specific Recommendations for Change.
26. That message is physically on the way downstairs. It corrects,
27. and Mr. Wooten would be glad to know that the Governor agrees
28. with you, the land transfer bill for Saint Charles was the amend-
29. ment, and it's now exactly according to Statute. I'd like permission
30. to suspend any particular rule that it takes to move this before
31. the hour of twelve because the Yorkville...property is in
32. there, and that grant dies...

33. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

1. I'm advised that it will be brought directly to the Floor,
2. I don't think we'll have that problem. We do have a...while we're
3. waiting on that delivery, there's a Consent Calendar on resolutions.
4. Are there any objections filed to the Consent Calendar on resolutions
5. concerning Senate Resolutions 737 through 747?

6. SECRETARY:

7. No objections have been filed, Mr. President.

8. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

9. All right. The question is, shall they be adopted. Those in
10. favor indicate by saying Aye. Those opposed Nay. The Ayes have
11. it. The resolutions are adopted. Resolutions...Rock.

12. SENATOR ROCK:

13. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
14. Senate. I have just been informed by the House that the Message
15. from the House with respect to Senator Grotberg's bill is, in fact,
16. on the way, and that and the Adjournment Resolution calling for
17. the 81st Assembly to adjourn sine die are the only two remaining
18. items of business. So, in deference to Senator Grotberg, we have
19. afforded all the members an opportunity to call, in these closing
20. moments, what they wish to call. I would hope everybody would just
21. sit at ease for about a minute until that message gets here, and then
22. we can quickly dispose of the 81st General Assembly. And while
23. I'm on my feet let me thank all of you, particularly my assistant
24. leadership, and the most eminent Minority Leader for what I think
25. was the single most significant and productive Session of the
26. Assembly that this State's ever seen.

27. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

28. Senator Wooten.

29. SENATOR WOOTEN:

30. Mr. President. In order to save time, it is with considerable
31. pleasure and much surprise that I rise in support of Senator Grotberg's
32. bill. You're right, the Governor did take...come down on the right
33. side of this, the bill will now say that the land can be transferred

1. for fair market value. It's only fair to warn you, we have one
2. evaluation for a million dollars Jack, so I don't know what that
3. means. But although I don't...I'm not too crazy about letting the
4. State land go, under those terms I'd be happy to support the bill,
5. and urge members on both sides to do so when it gets here in its
6. new improved form.

7. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

8. Senator Rhoads.

9. SENATOR RHOADS:

10. To kill thirty seconds, Mr. President. On a point of personal
11. privilege, I'd like to introduce the distinguished twenty year
12. veteran of the Congress from Illinois, the Congressman from the
13. 4th District, Congressman Ed Derwinski.

14. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

15. He's already standing. Be recognized, Congressman. On the...
16. Senator D'Arco.

17. SENATOR D'ARCO:

18. Thank you, Mr. President. My Congresswoman is here, the
19. eminent, and the distinguished Congresswoman from the 7th Congressional
20. District, Cardiss Collins.

21. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

22. She's standing. Please be recognized. As to House Bill
23. 3103...just a moment. Senator Berning, for what purpose do you
24. arise?

25. SENATOR BERNING:

26. May I, then, on a point of personal privilege just rise to
27. say to our distinguished President, Senator Rock, that speaking, I
28. think, for all the members on this side of the aisle, we want to
29. congratulate you, Sir, on running a very, very efficient and tight
30. ship. We congratulate you.

31. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONNEWALD)

32. House Bill 3103. Read the message, Mr. Secretary.

33. SECRETARY:

1. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

2. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the
3. House of Representatives has accepted the Governor's Specific
4. Recommendations for Change which are attached to a bill with the
5. following title, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask
6. concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

7. House Bill 3103.

8. I am further instructed to deliver to you the objections of
9. the Governor which...contained in the attached copy of this letter
10. to the House of Representatives.

11. PRESIDENT:

12. Senator Grotberg.

13. SENATOR GROTEBERG:

14. I would just ask a favorable roll call to accept the Governor's
15. Amendatory Veto.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Senate
18. accept the Specific Recommendations of the Governor as to House
19. Bill 3103 as just...in the manner and form as just stated by
20. Senators Grotberg and Wooten. Those in favor will vote Aye.
21. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted
22. who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
23. Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are 54, the Nays are
24. none, none Voting Present. House Bill 3103, the Specific Re-
25. commendations of the Governor as to House Bill 3103, having
26. received the required constitutional majority vote of Senators
27. elected are declared accepted. Resolutions. Gentlemen, if I
28. can have your attention. Gentlemen and Ladies, if I may have
29. your attention. We have two remaining items of business. And
30. I'm going to ask the Doorkeepers to please close the doors moment-
31. arily. Mr. Doorkeeper, will you please close the door...moment-
32. arily. The members of the Senate on both sides of the aisle
33. for many years, were privileged to be served by one who is

1. no longer with us, and we wish to honor his memory with a
2. death resolution. I'm going to ask the membership to please
3. remain seated, we will formally adopt the Adjournment Resolution
4. first and then the death resolution, and that, frankly, will
5. conclude our...the business of the 81st Assembly. Resolutions.
6. SECRETARY:

7. Senate Joint Resolution 138, offered by Senator Donnewald.
8. (Secretary reads SJR 138)

9. PRESIDENT:

10. Senator Donnewald.

11. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

12. I move for the suspension of the rules for the immediate
13. consideration and the adoption of the resolution.

14. PRESIDENT:

15. You've heard the motion. Is there any objection? Any
16. discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All
17. opposed. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator
18. Donnewald now moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution...

19. SECRETARY:

20. 138.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. 138. All in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The
23. Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Resolutions.

24. SECRETARY:

25. Senate Resolution 749, offered by Senators Rock, Shapiro, and
26. all Senators.

27. PRESIDENT:

28. All right, will the members please be in their seats. Senator
29. Donnewald, will you please read the resolution.

30. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

31. (Senator Donnewald reads SR 749)

32. PRESIDENT:

33. Is there any discussion? Those in favor of the adoption of

1. Senate Resolution 749 please rise. The resolution is adopted.
2. Pursuant to the earlier resolution, Senator Donnewald now moves
3. that the 81st General Assembly stand adjourned, sine die. The
4. Senate stands adjourned.
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