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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

The hour of ten having arrived, the Senate will come to order. Will those in the gallery please rise. Our prayer will be by the Reverend Eugene L. Bungay of the St. John's Catholic Church.

REVEREND EUGENE BUNGAY:

(Prayer given by Reverend Bungay)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Reading of the Journal. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Monday, January 10th, 1983 be postponed pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

You've heard the motion. Those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Those opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 718 offered by Senator Demuzic and all Senators, it's congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 719 offered by Senator Egan, and it's congratulatory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Consent Calendar. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives has refused to recede from their Amendment No. 1 to a bill with the following title, to-wit:

Senate Bill 1324

And they request a conference, and the Speaker has appointed the members on the part of the House. Senator Grotberg is the Senate sponsor of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Senator Grotberg moves that we accede to the request of the House and a Conference Committee be appointed. Senator Netsch.

SENATOR NETSCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. Might I make an announcement at this moment? The Economic and Fiscal Commission was scheduled, originally, to meet at 10:00 a.m., and then both Houses were subsequently scheduled to come into Session at that time. Subject to checking with the Chairman, Dan Pierce, who is a House member, I'm going to suggest that we assume we might both be in Recess again at 12:00 noon, and that we meet in Room 118 at twelve noon. If, after checking with the House members, that appears not to be possible, we will make subsequent ...announcements about it, but I think that may work out. So, 12:00 noon for Economic and Fiscal Commission in Room 118 as previously scheduled subject to change with notice.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Are there further announcements? Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEC-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, on a point of personal privilege. I would like to introduce to this Assembly a young man by the name of William Gill, G I L L, of Zion who is one of my youngest precinct committeemen in Lake County. And Bill is sitting up in the President's Gallery, I'd like him to be welcomed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Bill, would you please rise and be recognized. Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. The National Guard Study Commission which originally was to meet at 10:00 a.m. will also meet upon the termination of the House and the Senate today. Hopefully, in the next couple of hours.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have just spoken with Senator Philip. The House is in Recess. We have, as you I'm sure are aware, two Conference Committee reports that are being drafted and then circulated. So, I would suggest that the Senate stand in Recess until the hour of one-thirty, and hopefully, we'll be in a position to deal with those three remaining matters at that point. Everybody can get some lunch.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SAVICKAS)

You've heard the motion. The...Senate will stand in Recess till one-thirty.

RECESS

AFTER RECESS

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The hour of one-thirty having arrived, the Senate will come to order. Leave to go to the Order of Resolutions? Leave is granted. Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 720 offered by Senator Nimrod, it's congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 721 offered by Senators Nimrod, Netsch and all Senators, and it's congratulatory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY:

House Joint Resolution...Senate Joint Resolution 118 offered by Senator D'ARCO.

(Secretary reads SJR 118)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

For what purpose does Senator D'Arco arise?

SENATOR D'ARCO:

To ask for the immediate suspension of the rules and for the immediate consideration of this Senate joint resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator D'Arco, can you explain just a...just a...

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Yeah, what it...it's the continuing resolution for the Condominium Study Commission, and we need this in order to continue the appropriation until June 30th. And what we are doing, we're in the process of...of passing about eighteen to twenty condominium related bills to recodify the Condominium Act of the State of Illinois. And we've done many...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator D'Arco, may I ask you a question?

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Sure.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Won't this require a roll call vote?

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Right, it will require a roll call, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

I'm glad you asked that, and so I thought perhaps if anyone wished to vote on it, they would come to the Floor. Senator D'Arco, did you have further comments?

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Well, it...it's a needed resolution because we are now in the process of recodifying the Act, and...Representative Ellis Levin and myself and the rest of the Condo Commission have been working very diligently in order to get the Act in its proper form. The Illinois Realtor Association and all...the Chicago Bar Association and the Illinois Bar Association have been working with us on this, and it would be great if we could have a roll call vote on it. I'm glad to see Senator Carroll has returned from California, and he's looking well, and Senator Keats is jumping to the Podium and

he wants to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The motion...

SENATOR D'ARCO:

...I think he wants to talk on this business.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Alright. The motion is to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 118, and it will require a roll call. Senator Keats.

SENATOR KEATS:

Yeah, I...not to give the chairman a hard time, but being a member of this commission and this not being one of the Legislature's more illustrious commissions, I was thinking we might give it a little better legislative hearing than just suspending rules. I...I just don't know that this is necessarily one we ought to be that excited about continuing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Totten. Senator Totten.

SENATOR TOTTEN:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. Is it my understanding you're just suspending the rules and then you're going to go to a roll call on it? I have some of the same opinions Senator Keats has.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Alright. The first motion will be to suspend the rules. The motion is to suspend the rules. Is there discussion of that motion? On the motion, all in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator D'Arco now moves the adoption of Senate Joint...Resolution 118. Senator Totten is recognized.

SENATOR TOTTEN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As I indicated a little earlier, I share some of the same concerns that Senator Keats has. When I was a member of

the House and we created this commission, I was a member of it. This...this is not a commission that has had an illustrious career in its, I think, about six years of existence. It is now one that is being used by groups emanating from the City of Chicago to become involved in suburban politics, issues that are far beyond the scope of the original commission. And it's taken a very partisan flavor. Condominium associations are being brought before the commission, congealed into political blocks, and I think at...least this side of the aisle ought to look at the motion to extend its life, not only for the intellectual or the legislative scope of the commission but also what other people are using the commission for. I think it's to the detriment of the original intent of creating the commission, and it's to the detriment of maybe a lot of partisan concerns in the areas where the commission is holding hearings and putting groups together. I think we ought not to extend the life of this commission without a thorough legislative study.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

For what purpose does Senator Carroll arise?

SENATOR CARROLL:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. With all due respect to the last speaker and some of those others who have talked, you may not recall, but several years ago when former Senator Merlo was then...was then a House member we started off with the package of condominium bills because of the problems that that...element of society that was utilizing that form of ownership was facing. And those are unique and distinct problems that in all metropolitan areas we have found that this new and accepted form of ownership has to have someone overseeing what their needs are. They are not renters in the normal sense nor are they owners in the normal sense. Most often they are in high-rise developments that are not getting the type of benefits that

home ownership affords most people in terms of services and in terms of rights. And we found that a commission was necessary to revise and rewrite laws affecting condominiums, and I think that's becoming all the more imperative today as we are getting into the financial plight of many of those associations where condominiums were built, they were built as buildings to be condominiums or converted and they're not finding enough people to buy them, and you have the type of problems with developers holding the vast majority of the units and not paying what would otherwise have been homeowner dues and homeowner maintenance costs, and severe problems affecting people whose total worth and total savings have been invested in what they thought was going to be a safe and secure home, only to find that they are being displaced because of someone else's actions. We do need some type of oversight, and I think this is the right way to go about watching and drafting legislation and having a commission so to do. I see no reason to be changing that now when the need is even greater and looks like it's going to be, if Economic and Fiscal Commission was right, even greater as we go into this year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Keats.

SENATOR KEATS:

Just in closing, I would like to...to go for the roll call vote in the near future before you've gotten all your troops out of the bars or wherever you've got them. But I was going to say, this commission, I've been a member for as long as its been around, it did a little bit in the beginning, I no longer attend the meetings, I don't deny that, it has something to do with the merit of the commission that keeps me from going. If you're wondering where we're cutting back on mental health stuff, for any who was in Mental Health Commission with me this morning, and we're cutting back

chunks of money in patient care areas, this is a commission that...that can be handled just as well within committees or in private meetings. It's just plain a waste of the taxpayers money and I'd appreciate you not continuing it.

PREESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in support of Senate Joint Resclution 118 and would ask the membership to reflect, as I understand, Senator D'Arco's request. It is also an extension of the reporting date which we do rather routinely around here. I think the idea or the arguments that have been advanced by Senator Keats, who is a member and does not wish to be a member, I would suggest very strongly that he walk back two aisles and tell Senator Philip to get a replacement for him. We can handle that very quickly. But I think that in fairness to the membership, the membership being Senators Berman, Marovitz, Netsch and D'Arco, Senator Ozinga, Senator DeAngelis, Senator Becker. I think it's fair to say that this commission, which was as a result of an idea expressed by now Speaker Telcser to study this area as one that was really of great importance to his community and his district. The request to extend the life of this committee, absent any additional requests for funding, which is not before us, I think the argument as to whether or not it ought to be continued is more properly placed in front of the Appropriations Committee and ultimately on the Floor of this Senate when we get to that order of business. In the meantime, the members have...of the commission have decided that, in fact, they have not yet resolved to their satisfaction all the various problems, and they wish from this Body an extension of...of their life and their charge, and I think we ought to grant that. I would urge an Aye vote on Senate Joint Resclution



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Czinga.

SENATOR OZINGA:

Well, I have to take a last stand here. I'm on this commission, so there will be a replacement in the commission. But the all important thing with this commission is to establish uniformity throughout the State, and they're in the process of doing this. I have been one of the people that have been a little bit dilatory in not being on the commission...in being on the commission but not attending the minutes...the meetings. The result is, that I would advocate the extension of this commission regardless whether it want to be called a political committee or a nonpolitical, I don't care what you call it, but it is necessary for this commission to be extended so that we do, in a long-run, get uniformity throughout the State. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of the motion. If many of you recall, one of the most heated controversies that we had last Session was with the passage of the bill that made the Condominium Act uniform throughout the State and preempted local home rule. Now, a number of us had some very serious problems with that bill. Essentially, in my district, the City of Evanston, which is a home rule unit, their city council had held extensive hearings regarding the unique problems, as far as they were concerned, the unique problems in condominium ownership and the regulation of condominium ownership by the City of Evanston. They came up with what I consider to be one of the model acts with a very strong protection for purchasers in their Condominium Ordinance. If we're going to suggest that there be uniform-

ity throughout the State, one of the very crucial elements is to recognize what some of the local home rule units have done and to try to accommodate their local needs at the same time that we are building in uniformity. I think the Village of Oak Park had a similar situation. That is what this commission has been doing in a way that too often the standing committees of the Senate and the House just don't have the time and the expertise in which to do it with. I think that there is a very crucial role that this commission plays, and I would urge that we extend the life and reporting date of this commission. We do it for commissions that are certainly much less valuable to the interests of the people of the State of Illinois than this one. And I think that we ought to give Senator D'Arco a vote...a green light on the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Further discussion?...Senator Weaver. What was it, Senator Weaver?

SENATOR WEAVER:

Mr. President, I understand this just extends the reporting date.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Yes.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Is that true?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator D'Arco.

SENATOR WEAVER:

The commission would not expire until when?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator D'Arco.

SENATOR D'ARCO:

The...all this resolution does is extend the reporting date. The money has already been appropriated. I am...we

are not appropriating or reappropriating any new money. This is...this is money in the last...in the last fiscal year. So, we're not appropriating any new money. It's '83 money that's already been appropriated. All we're doing is extending the...reporting date on the...on the commission until June 30th. You know, it...it's extended until June 30th of '84; the end of the '83 Fiscal Year, and that is all we're doing. And I know Senator Keats is against every commission, and that's his prerogative to be against every commission, but to say that we are dilatory is incorrect, because we've held three substantive meetings on this commission and we've come up with some very important legislation that hopefully will be passed in the next General Assembly. Now, I know that some members on the other side just have it in their heart to be against it, but we've done a lot of work on this commission and we are, as Senator Ozinga said, doing a good job to make these laws uniform in the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator, another Senator is seeking recognition, perhaps you could have that in your closing debate. That was just an answer to a question of Senator Weaver. Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Thank you, very much, Mr. President. I rise in support of this motion. Sitting on the Condominium Laws Study Commission and having probably as many condominiums in my district as any district in the State of Illinois, I can attest to the need and the quality of the work done by this commission, and the...the...the problems that are created by the conversions of condominiums and the burgeoning of the condominium market were very prominent during the last Session of the Legislature, and the problems of condominiums are not political problems. They're problems that affect every citizen in the State of Illinois that lives in a condominium or a high-rise that is subject to conversion whether

he be Republican, Democrat or Independent. And so, I...I, personally, have not seen any politicizing of the commission itself. I've seen the commission work in a bipartisan effort with the entire real estate industry, with tenants rights people, landlords to...to improve the...the law as it presently exists and to hear the complaints of individuals who are on condominium associations and deal with condominium problems throughout the State of Illinois. I do think this is important, I do think we ought to extend the life of the commission. This is not one of those commissions that's a patronage haven, it's a commission that's doing the kind of work that's necessary for a...a problem that has arisen in recent years in the State of Illinois. Condominiums are a reality, they're something we have to deal with, and it's our obligation as elected officials to deal with that and to...to view the law and to change the law according to...to new...new things that come into existence and problems that arise that are brought to our attention both by landlords and by tenants. So, I would support Senator D'Arco as a member of the Condominium Law Study Commission and ask for everybody to join with Senator D'Arco in voting green.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ERUCE)

Further discussion? Senator D'Arco may close.

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just to reiterate, to call this commission dilatory is incorrect. There is no question about the amount of work that the commission has done. We have had three substantive hearings on condominium legislation, and we have prepared a package of bills to be presented to the next General Assembly for enactment into law...and with whatever amendments that they deem necessary. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, all this does is extend the reporting date of the commission. I want to reiterate that we are not asking for any new money. It is money that

has already been appropriated, and all it does is extend the reporting date, and I ask for the adoption of this Joint Senate Resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The question is on the adoption of...Senate Joint Resolution 118. On the resolution, those in favor vote Aye. Those opposed vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are...the Ayes are 40, the Nays are 8, none Voting Present. The Senate does adopt Senate Joint Resolution 118. For what purpose does Senator Savickas arise?

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Just a point of personal privilege. I'd like to introduce to the Body a great friend of Mayor Jane Byrne, our Alderman of the 15th Ward, Frank Brady.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Alderman Brady, welcome to the Senate. Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if I can have your attention, there are three matters of some urgency that will be coming before us today. There are two Conference Committee reports and one bill on the Calendar, and once we dispose of that we can then adjourn for the day. So, with leave of the Body, I'd ask that we go to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading to deal with House Bill 884. The Secretary will then distribute copies of the Conference Committee reports and we can deal with those when the members have had an opportunity to familiarize themselves with it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Alright. For what purpose does Senator Dawson seek recognition?

SENATOR DAWSON:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have our former colleague State Senator Sam Maragos sitting in the back there.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Maragos is welcomed. With leave of the Body, we will now go to the Order of House Bills, House Bill 884. On Page 2 of your...Calendar, House Bill 2nd...House Bills 3rd reading. Senator Egan. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary, please.

SECRETARY:

House Bill 884.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Egan.

SENATOR EGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. House Bill 884 is in the Senate as it passed the House as it was originally introduced to add simply language authorizing satellite facilities of banking institutions to allow for safe deposit boxes the...providing and sustaining safety deposit boxes at those facilities. There's an ambiguity insofar as the authorization in the existing law. And the Commissioner of Banks has found it necessary to deny these facilities the...their existence, actually, unless we changed the wording in the Statute. It does simply that and I know of no controversy. I've checked exhaustively with all the members and I know of no controversy, and I ask that you favorably support this legislation. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Is there discussion? Senator Brock.

SENATOR BROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the

Senate. I, too, rise in support of House Bill 884. It is a very simple provision and one that was made necessary because, as you will recall, we did pass the Bank Holding Company Act which afforded the opportunity for banks to, in fact, acquire additional facilities. Some of the existing facilities they have acquired do, in fact, already have existing safety deposit box facilities, and rather than tear them out or make them nonavailable or shift the customers elsewhere, this is an accommodation, and one that, I think, we can...we can and should do. I would urge an Aye vote on House Bill 884.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm sure that if Senator Elcom were on the floor that he would speak in favor of this bill, so I would hope the Republican side would support it also.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I concur with the bill too.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Egan may close.

SENATOR EGAN:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I know no...no opposition. I urge that you vote Aye. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The question is, shall House Bill 884 pass. Those in favor vote Aye. Those opposed vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are 51, the Nays are none, none Voting Present. The Senate does adopt House Bill 884, and the bill having received the required constitutional

majority is declared passed.

PRESIDENT:

If I can have your attention, on the Calendar...page 3 of the Calendar, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, there has previously been distributed copies of the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 889. The additional Conference Committee reports will be distributed very shortly, the Secretary informs the Chair. In the meantime, we will deal with...with leave of Body, we'll move to the Order of Conference Committee Reports and deal with the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 889. Senator Davidson.

SENATOR DAVIDSON:

Mr. President and members of the Senate, this Conference Committee deals with this bill which we had in two years ago. It came out of the group life...a group...State Employees Insurance Commission. We found when they changed life insurance companies under a new companies low bid, a handicapped adult person who was a dependent of a State employee did not qualify for life insurance. The company was willing to write the life insurance, but the way the bill...the Statute had been...written in 1971 concerning group life insurance and group coverage for State employees they were excluded. This is to correct that error. The second part is an additional, it was put on in relation to the part of the General Assembly employees who will be leaving employment from the...the House, that is secretarial type help, so they can transfer vacation time...sick time accumulated, seniority into the Personnel Code System if they're fortunate enough to get a job under the Personnel Code. I'd appreciate a favorable vote. Senator Bruce is the co-sponsor of this. It came out of our group and he may want to also speak in favor of this.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.



SENATOR BRUCE:

I rise in support of this legislation. Most of this is current practice for your group health and accident insurance. It makes clear what is a dependent in two specific categories that we have already adopted, but I would like to have the concurrence of the Senate and the House, and that is, we declare as dependents those who are mentally or physically handicapped and presently under the care and protection of their parents. It also allows adopted children, when a petition for adoption is filed, that could take anywhere...statutory minimum of six months, it could take up to a year or two, those people are declared dependents and they can be covered in the dependent group insurance plan. The...the State employee pays that premium that allows them to be in the plan. That is the way we've already interpreted the word dependent, but this just clarifies for our carrier that, in fact, dependent includes mentally handicapped, physically handicapped and people for whom a petition for adoption has been filed. I would ask for your favorable support.

PRESIDENT:

Any further discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 889. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote 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, the Ayes are 49, the Nays are none, none Voting Present. The Senate does adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 889, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 722 offered by Senator Berning, it's congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 723 offered by Senator Marovitz and all Senators, and it's congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. Senator Becker, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR BECKER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT:

State your point, Sir.

SENATOR BECKER:

In the balcony above the President of the Senate we have one of the honored guests. One of our bachelor Senators who has just recently been married, we have the honor and the privilege of having his new bride with us today. I ask her to stand and be recognized by the Senate. Mrs. Keats.

PRESIDENT:

Will Mrs. Keats please stand and be recognized. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. If...if the time is appropriate, I'd like the record to show that Senator Coffey has been admitted to the Springfield Memorial Hospital. Evidently, he has pneumonia. So I'd like the record to show that.

PRESIDENT:

The record will reflect his excused absence. Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I filed a motion some weeks ago, if not a couple of months ago, concerning a resolution which came over from the House under the sponsorship of Representative Glen Bower who is leaving the House. And it relates to a State Trooper that was killed in our district in the line of duty, and the naming of a rest area outside of

Effingham in his behalf, and I would move to discharge the Committee on Executive from further consideration. I've spoken to Senator Egan and Senator Philip and they have no objections to this procedure.

PRESIDENT:

Alright. With leave of the Body, we'll move to the Order of Motions in Writing. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY:

I move to discharge the Senate Executive Committee from further consideration of House Joint Resolution 85. Signed, Senator Bruce.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

On the motion to discharge, I would...I think I've explained that Trooper Laten Davis was killed in March the 18th of 1976 while in...on active duty as a State Trooper. A very popular man, a War Veteran, and we would like to name a rest area that has been constructed just outside of Effingham on I-57 in his behalf.

PRESIDENT:

Alright. Senator Bruce has moved to discharge the Committee on Executive from further consideration of House Joint Resolution 85. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is discharged. Senator Bruce now moves the adoption of House Joint Resolution 85. All in favor of House Joint Resolution 85 indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. You go now to the Order of the Supplemental Calendar. Senator Grotberg, are you ready? Senator Euzbee, are you ready? Okay. Alright, on the Supplemental No. 1 Calendar we have Conference Committee reports on Senate Bill 1324 and Senate Bill 1524. Conference Committee report on

Senate Bill 1324. Senator Grothberg.

SENATOR GROTHBERG:

Thank you, Mr. President and fellow Senators. Senate Bill 1324 is the revised version of what it started out as, and it's now back as the vehicle for the amendment to the bond authorization bill for CEB. There are some details stapled to the description that you have on your desk, but it is a net effect of reducing the capital bond authorization by six million four hundred and eighty thousand dollars, bringing the total authorization from a billion eight zero three to a billion seven ninety seven. Within that decrease there are some line changes for various projects. Essentially, the big numbers are around the State of Illinois Building and the Revenue Building. If there are questions, I'll do my best to answer them. It's about a two hundred page report, and otherwise, I would move the adoption, Mr. President, of Conference Committee No. 1 on 1324.

PRESIDENT:

Alright. Senator Grothberg has moved the adoption of the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1324. Any discussion? If there's no discussion, the question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1324. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote 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, the Ayes are 45, the Nays are 2, 1 Voting Present. The Senate does adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1324, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. On Supplemental Calendar No. 1 is the Conference Committee report with respect to Senate Bill 1524. Senator Buzbee.

SENATOR BUZBEE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This appropriates six million nine hundred twenty-six thousand dollars for various capital

projects, the University of Illinois tuitions increase and the Department of Mental Health projects. The fund is broken down nine hundred and thirty thousand dollars from GRF; one million six hundred fifty-five thousand four hundred dollars from Capital Development; two hundred eighty-six thousand dollars from the SIU Income Fund and four million fifty-four thousand six hundred dollars for the U of I Income Fund. The...by far and away, the largest amount of money in here is the University of Illinois Income Fund increase. This reflects their tuition increase which will start at the beginning of the second semester to make up for their shortfall that they're going to receive from the State in GRF, and the University of Illinois Board of Trustees has decided that they are going to increase their tuition in the middle of the year. It has the agreement of the student body, I am told, and it has the agreement of...of the U of I Board of Trustees, obviously, the Governor and everybody else. There's a two hundred and eighty-six thousand dollar SIU Income Fund for SIU Edwardsville. This is not an additional amount of money, this is an amount of money that will be spent on the Theater Building at Edwardsville and other SIU Edwardsville projects will be frozen to accommodate the project. There is a five hundred and fifty-two thousand six hundred dollar Food for Century Three project at SIU Carbondale; a four hundred eighty thousand dollar land acquisition of the north branch of the Soldier Creek near Bradley; a three hundred and fifty thousand dollar capital development for roof repair for the Brighton School; two hundred ninety-five thousand dollars for the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for Personal Services and related items at the Institute of Juvenile Research; one hundred thousand dollars for the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for the pilot project for the disordered adolescents at Henry Horner Home; five thousand

dollars capital development for roof repairs at the Kankakee Training Center; ten thousand dollars capital development for repairs at the Champaign County Courthouse; two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the Secretary of State in capital development for planning a new State Library; one hundred and eighty-thousand dollars to the Attorney General for transition and audit purposes, and a three hundred and sixty-two thousand eight hundred dollars capital development for the University of Illinois Food for Century Three remodeling the Agricultural Engineering Research Laboratory. As I said, a total of...of six million nine hundred twenty-six thousand dollars of which about two-thirds of that is the U of I Income Fund, four million fifty-four thousand six hundred dollars. And I would ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDENT:

Alright. Senator Buzbee has moved the adoption of the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1524. Any discussion? Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL:

Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDENT:

He indicates he'll yield, Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL:

Senator, I understand that you said there was a tuition increase. Now, how much tuition increase are we talking about?

PRESIDENT:

Senator Buzbee.

SENATOR BUZBEE:

The tuition increase at the University of Illinois, and I can't recall the exact figure, it's about a hundred dollars a semester, as I recall, and this is a mid-year tuition increase to make up for the shortfall in general revenue because of the State's inability and unwillingness to provide

the necessary dollars to operate that great university. And so, the folks that are there have decided that they will tax themselves by increasing their tuition, and this is the reflection of the appropriation of that money.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Hall.

SENATE HALL:

Just for clarification, now, did I understand you to say that the people themselves, and you're talking about the student body themselves, are willing to increase their tuition, is that right?

PRESIDENT:

Senator Buzbee.

SENATE BUZBEE:

I have been told by the administration at the University of Illinois that they have general support from the student body for this tuition increase. I cannot speak for every student there, obviously, but at least there is general consensus that the people...the students of that university feel like that they ought to go ahead and tax themselves more so they can continue their...their education at that great institution.

PRESIDENT:

Further discussion? Is there any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1524. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote 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, the Ayes are 36, the Nays are 15, none Voting Present. The Senate does adopt the Conference Committee report on Senate Bill 1524, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. Any further business to come before the Senate? Any announcements, further business?

If not, Senator Bruce moves that the Senate stand adjourned until Wednesday, January 12th at the hour of 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. we will wind up the 82nd General Assembly. Senator Buzbee.

SENATOR BUZBEE:

Mr. President, was it your intention to have a Democratic caucus at this time?

PRESIDENT:

Yes, I think that's in order. I was kind of waiting. Senator Johns.

SENATOR JOHNS:

Mr. President, I don't know which room you would decide to have it in, Sir, 400? There will be a Democratic caucus immediately in Room 400.