

82ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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1. PRESIDENT:

2. The hour of twelve having arrived the Senate will please come
3. to order. Will the members please be at their desks. Will our
4. guests in the gallery please rise. Our prayer this afternoon by
5. Reverend Norman C. Schnelller, Pastor and Administrator of the
6. Zion Christian School of Christian Fellowship Bible Church, Zion,
7. Illinois. Reverend.

8. REVEREND NORMAN C. SCHNELLER:

9. (Prayer given by Reverend Schnelller)

10. PRESIDENT:

11. Thank you, Reverend. Reading of the Journal.

12. SECRETARY:

13. Thursday, May the 28th, 1981.

14. PRESIDENT:

15. Senator Johns.

16. SENATOR JOHNS:

17. Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Journal just
18. read by the Secretary be approved unless some Senator has ad-
19. ditions or corrections to offer.

20. PRESIDENT:

21. You've heard the motion as placed by Senator Johns. Any
22. discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All
23. opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. So ordered.
24. Senator Johns.

25. SENATOR JOHNS:

26. Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the
27. Journals of Friday, May the 29th; Monday, June the 1st;
28. Tuesday, June the 2nd; Wednesday, June the 3rd; Thursday,
29. June the 4th; Friday, June the 5th; Tuesday, June the 9th,
30. in the year 1981, be postponed pending arrival of the printed
31. Journal.

32. PRESIDENT:

33. You've heard the motion as placed by Senator Johns. Any

1. discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All
2. opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. So ordered.
3. Senator Sangmeister, for what purpose do you arise?

4. SENATOR SANGMEISTER:

5. Mr. President, and members of the Senate. I rise, before
6. we get started today, to introduce to the Senate a group of
7. lovely senior citizens from...from Frankfort, and again, the
8. garden spot of the State of Illinois, Will County. They're in
9. the President's gallery, and I would like them to rise and be
10. recognized by the Senate.

11. PRESIDENT:

12. Would our guests please stand and be recognized. Welcome
13. to Springfield. Channel 20 has requested leave to film, Channel
14. 2, I guess, everybody. Is leave granted? Leave is granted.
15. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you arise?

16. SENATOR COLLINS:

17. Yes, while we are waiting to get started, I would, on a
18. point of personal privilege, I would like to introduce two...some
19. guests I have visiting down from the National Baptist Convention in
20. the gallery, Reverend Charles Murray, President of the Westside
21. Ministers Conference, and his lovely wife Laura, and Reverend
22. Newson, and his lovely wife.

23. PRESIDENT:

24. Will our guests please stand and be recognized. Welcome to
25. Springfield. It shouldn't be necessary to have to get your attention,
26. but I will certainly try. Let me just say, the Chamber is graced
27. with a special guest, and I will yield. The Chair will yield to
28. Senator Karl Berning.

29. SENATOR BERNING:

30. Thank you, Mr. President. Fellow members of the Senate,
31. today it is my special privilege to be able to present to you
32. an outstanding young lady from Lake County. Teresa Connor was
33. first elected queen for the Village of Mundelein, then she went

1. on to become Miss Lake County Fair Queen, and in January of this
2. year, she then became Miss Illinois State Fair Queen. Just let
3. me tell you briefly a bit about Teresa, as you can see, she is
4. a beautiful young lady. We in Lake County, as well as Illinois,
5. and the entire United States are most fortunate that this young
6. lady with her family came to the United States from South Wales.
7. Aren't we fortunate to have the kind of a new citizen that Teresa
8. Connor represents. She's accompanied this morning by...afternoon,
9. I beg your pardon, by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mosten Connor,
10. and of course, by our own Viola Suits, who as usual...has been
11. in charge for some time of the State Fair Queen Program, and
12. with them, is Tom Dobet from the Department of Agriculture, he
13. is the Bureau Chief of County Fairs, and the very fortunate
14. Delana Stevens who is chaperon for Teresa. Teresa, as you know,
15. will reign over the State Fair. She's looking forward to that,
16. and we are looking forward to visiting with her briefly today
17. as she will be circulating through the Chambers to distribute
18. to each of you, a County Fair pass, which will be good at any
19. of the County Fair Programs. I might add, now that Adeline
20. is here, it is both our pleasure to have sponsored a resolution
21. for Teresa. We will present that to her in just a moment, but
22. first, let me introduce to you, Teresa, and ask her to greet
23. you.

24. TERESA CONNOR:

25. (Remarks by Teresa Connor)

26. SENATOR BERNING:

27. Thank you, Teresa. And now, Adeline Geo-Karis...Senator
28. Geo-Karis and I take great pleasure in presenting to you this
29. resolution duly adopted by the Illinois Senate and signed by
30. our President and the Secretary. Well, in the absence of our
31. President or someone who is willing to take over his duties,
32. maybe I should stay right here. While I do have a moment, let
33. me tell you that today, I became a senior, senior citizen.

1. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

2. It's his birthday today.

3. SENATOR BERNING:

4. And if anyone...

5. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

6. (Senator Geo-Karis sings Happy Birthday)

7. SENATOR BERNING:

8. If you're...if you haven't already found it, there is cake
9. right down here on the side of the podium, please come and help
10. yourself. Thank you, Mr. President.

11. PRESIDENT:

12. While we...while we have...yet another moment. If I can
13. have your attention, we have another group of young people, very
14. active in our State, and we wish to present them to you as our
15. guests, and the Chair will yield to Senator John Maitland.

16. SENATOR MAITLAND:

17. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
18. Senate. This is the...this is the day for introductions, and I
19. think it's apropos that as the Queen was introduced, so there-
20. fore on the same day, might...this group of young people be in-
21. troduced also. This is the State's...Illinois 4-H Report to the
22. State Team, and the Cook County 4-H Report Team, visiting
23. Springfield today. And Senator Geo-Karis, they've indicated
24. to me they'd like to have you as their official song leader, also.
25. To...to speak to you just very briefly, is Mr. Scott Anderson,
26. who is from Cook County and would like to tell you just a little
27. bit about the Report Team. Scott.

28. SCOTT ANDERSON:

29. (Remarks by Scott Anderson)

30. SENATOR MAITLAND:

31. Thank you, very much, Scott, it's...it's nice to have you
32. with us, and you've got some strong support for 4-H in this
33. Body. Thank you, Mr. President.

1. PRESIDENT:

2. Committee reports.

3. SECRETARY:

4. Senator Vadalabene, Chairman of Executive Appointments,
5. Veterans' Affairs, and Administration reports out;

6. House Bill 1153, with the recommendation Do Pass.

7. Senator Jerome Joyce, Chairman of Agriculture, Conservation,
8. and Energy Committee reports out the following House Bills:

9. 219, 259, 260, 732, 847, 1814, with the recommendation Do
10. Pass.

11. 197, 405, 1157, and 1505, with the recommendation Do Pass
12. as Amended.

13. 470, with the recommendation Do Not Pass.

14. PRESIDENT:

15. Message from the House.

16. SECRETARY:

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

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

21. Senate Bill 900, together with House Amendment No. 1.

22. PRESIDENT:

23. All right, resolutions.

24. SECRETARY:

25. Senate Resolution 228, offered by Senator Degnan, it's
26. congratulatory.

27. Senate Resolution 229, offered by Senators Rock, Savickas,
28. Taylor, Berman, Jeremiah Joyce, and all Senators, and it's a
29. death resolution.

30. PRESIDENT:

31. Consent Calendar. All right, with leave of the Body, we'll
32. turn to page 21 on the Calendar, on the Order of House Bills 1st
33. reading. House Bills 1st reading, Mr. Secretary.

1. SECRETARY:
2. House Bill 437, Senator DeAngelis is the Senate sponsor.
3. (Secretary reads title of bill)
4. 1st reading of the bill.
5. House Bill 1356, Senator Degnan is the Senate sponsor.
6. (Secretary reads title of bill)
7. 1st reading of the bill.
8. House Bill 1503, Senator Bowers is the Senate sponsor.
9. (Secretary reads title of bill)
10. 1st reading of the bill.
11. PRESIDENT:
12. Senator Degnan, for what purpose do you arise?
13. SENATOR DEGNAN:
14. Thank you, Mr. President. I move to discharge the Committee
15. on Assignment of Bills from further consideration on House Bill
16. 1356, and have it heard in Local Government today at one o'clock.
17. PRESIDENT:
18. Okay, Senator Degnan has moved to discharge the Committee on
19. Assignment of Bills from further consideration of House Bill 1356,
20. and asks that the bill be immediately assigned to the Committee on
21. Local Government to be heard this afternoon. Is there any dis-
22. cussion? Any objection? If not, leave is granted. Senator
23. Degnan, for what purpose do you arise?
24. SENATOR DEGNAN:
25. Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to add Senator Nimrod
26. as a sponsor to House Bill 815, and thus show the sponsorship
27. Nimrod hyphen Degnan.
28. PRESIDENT:
29. You've heard the request. Is leave granted? Leave is granted.
30. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)
31. The Senate will come to order. Is there leave to go to the
32. Order of Motions...Motions in Writing? Leave is granted. Motions
33. in Writing. Mr. Secretary, do you have any motions?

1. SECRETARY:

2. A Motion in Writing.

3. I move to suspend all appropriate rules for the purpose
4. of considering Senate Bill 636. I further move that Senate Bill
5. 636 be discharged from the Senate Revenue Committee, and immedi-
6. ately placed on the Order...on the Calendar on Senate Bills
7. 3rd reading. Signed, Senator Weaver.

8. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

9. Senator Weaver is recognized.

10. SENATOR WEAVER:

11. Thank you, Mr. President. I think everyone understands
12. what Senate Bill 636 is. It would roll back the tax relief
13. on equipment. The budget was predicated on this roll back being
14. in effect. The State-wide impact is about two hundred and ten
15. million. The impact to the RTA would be about twenty-six million.
16. The impact to the City of Chicago would be about eleven million.
17. So, if there are any questions, this would be for about an
18. eighteen month period. I'll be happy to try to answer them,
19. otherwise I'd appreciate the adoption of the motion.

20. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

21. Is there discussion? Senator Rock.

22. SENATOR ROCK:

23. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
24. Senate. I rise in support of the motion to suspend the rules
25. and to discharge Senate Bill 636 so that this Senate may consider
26. it. I think this rollback is absolutely essential in these very
27. tight fiscal times. Frankly, if we're going to come down on one
28. side or another of the equation, the money that will be saved
29. by this rollback can be better spent, it seems to me, in areas
30. like education, like Medicaid, or some of the other things
31. that we will have to be considering. But if we don't do this,
32. the budget will be so far out of balance, that we will, frankly,
33. not be able to deal with any of these questions. And so, I urge

1. an Aye vote on this motion.

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

3. Further discussion? Senator Netsch.

4. SENATOR NETSCH:

5. Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, rise in support of the
6. bill, and I guess my most immediate comment is, I thought you'd
7. never call, Senator Weaver. The...the bill has been in Revenue,
8. we were certainly, at any time, willing to allow it to be heard
9. and given an opportunity to be voted out, the same was true on
10. the discharge motion. It is absolutely essential for a balanced
11. budget, and even that may not be enough. But I think any of you,
12. who have had a chance to sit through, as we did, until about mid-
13. night last night, one of the Appropriations Committees, and realizes
14. some of the really critical programs of State Government that are
15. being severely hurt by the budget cutbacks will realize that
16. this bill is critical to putting the State in a position where
17. it can live up to commitments and obligations that it has already
18. made. I strongly urge any of you who are concerned about major
19. programs, and responsibilities of the State, be it education,
20. mental health, funding, the staffs for the two new prisons, which
21. were not included in the Governor's budget. Whatever your com-
22. mitment, this is essential to it. And I urge many of you, partic-
23. ularly on the other side of the aisle, where you have an obliga-
24. tion to your Governor to support this bill.

24. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

25. Further discussion? Senator Totten. May we have some order,
26. please. Senator Totten.

27. SENATOR TOTTEN:

28. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
29. Senate. I rise in opposition to the motion to discharge. This is,
30. as the previous speaker had stated, one of the commitments we've
31. made, and that was to provide some tax relief to business. Now,
32. we're going to renege on that promise, and we're not going...we're
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1. not going to make some of the hard decisions that have been asked
2. to do regarding budget cuts, but we're going to renege on a promise
3. to do something about returning some money, and stimulating the
4. economy. I think to discharge this bill from committee is a
5. mistake, it's an abdication of our responsibility to see that we
6. have a healthy business climate in this State, and one that would
7. do more toward getting people off welfare rolls and other rolls
8. which are...are so demanding on our State funds. We ought to be
9. making the hard decisions in the other direction, we ought not
10. to be making the decision to discharge this bill. And I would urge
11. a No vote.

12. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

13. Further discussion? Senator Buzbee.

14. SENATOR BUZBEE:

15. A question of the maker of the motion, Mr. President. Does
16. this particular motion pertaining...does it pertain to a bill that
17. also includes the rollback on farm machinery or is that your
18. next motion?

19. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

20. Senator Weaver.

21. SENATOR WEAVER:

22. The farm machinery bill will be the next motion.

23. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

24. Senator Buzbee.

25. SENATOR BUZBEE:

26. Thank you.

27. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

28. Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis.

29. SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

30. Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I
31. supported the original concept of this bill...the original bill
32. that gave the relief, and I certainly think it's deserved. However,
33. I have a situation in my county, and I have an industrial county,

1. that needs transportation for its workers with the train situation
2. in Milwaukee, and Chicago Northwestern, and I feel that I should
3. speak in favor of this bill, because it's only going to be for
4. eighteen months. Because without workers, my industries and
5. business cannot operate.

6. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

7. Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator
8. Weaver may close.

9. SENATOR WEAVER:

10. Thank you, Mr. President. I'd appreciate a favorable roll
11. call.

12. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

13. The motion is to suspend all appropriate rules for the purpose
14. of considering Senate Bill 636, and the motion further moves that
15. Senate Bill 636 be discharged from the Senate Revenue Committee
16. and be immediately placed on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd reading.
17. There is a question, and the Parliamentarian and I have cleared
18. it up, it was on 3rd reading, it will go back to the Order of 3rd
19. reading, the motion would normally be 2nd reading, but it had already
20. been read a second time. It was on the Order of 3rd reading, so
21. the motion is to suspend the appropriate rules, have the bill dis-
22. charged and placed on the Order...Calendar on the Order of 3rd
23. reading. The motion will require thirty affirmative votes. Those
24. in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting
25. is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
26. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, the
27. Ayes are 34, the Nays are 17, 1 Voting Present. The motion to
28. discharge...to suspend the rules and have the bill placed on the
29. Order of 3rd reading, prevails. Further motions, Mr. Secretary.

30. SECRETARY:

31. I move to suspend all appropriate rules for the purpose
32. of considering Senate Bill 1064, and further move that Senate Bill
33. 1064 be discharged from Senate Revenue Committee, and immediately

1. be placed on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd reading. Signed,
2. Senator Weaver.

3. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

4. And Senator, if you'll wait just a second. Channel 3 News
5. has sought leave to film the proceedings. Is there leave? Leave
6. is granted. Senator Weaver.

7. SENATOR WEAVER:

8. Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1064 is the tax relief
9. on farm machinery. This would roll back that relief for a period
10. of twelve months. If there are any questions, I'll be happy to
11. try to answer them, otherwise I would appreciate a favorable
12. roll call.

13. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

14. Discussion? Senator Rock.

15. SENATOR ROCK:

16. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
17. Senate. I, too, rise in support of the motion with respect to
18. Senate Bill 1064. This is undoubtedly a bitter pill for all of us,
19. as was the last one, but it seems to me as a matter of sound policy
20. we ought to deal on an evenhanded...in an evenhanded manner with
21. everyone who was afforded, at the request of...of a majority of
22. the Assembly, everyone who was afforded this type of tax relief.
23. Fact of the matter is, we simply, for a period of twelve months
24. can't afford it, and so to deal evenhandedly, it seems to me, is
25. the best approach. And I would urge an Aye vote.

26. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

27. Further discussion? Senator Buzbee.

28. SENATOR BUZBEE:

29. Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in opposition to this motion,
30. and without spending too much time speaking to the merits of the
31. bill, I would point out to the Body that in the Governor's initial
32. address to the General Assembly concerning the necessity of rolling
33. back the manufacturing equipment sales tax relief, he never once

1. mentioned, because...he never once mentioned the farm machinery
2. sales tax rollback. I took very careful note of the exact words
3. that he used, because I was the sponsor of the farm machinery sales
4. tax rollback in the Senate last year, this bill that is now law.
5. So, I kept watching to see if he, in fact, was going to mention
6. farm machinery along with industrial machinery, he never mentioned
7. it, and, in fact, it was as late as about three weeks ago, as I
8. recall, was about...was the first time that he ever mentioned
9. farm machinery. This is an entirely separate question from the
10. industrial manufacturing equipment, because we have taken two cents
11. off of the four cent sales tax charged last September 1, on farm
12. machinery. The other two cents is due to come off this coming
13. September 1. It's an entirely separate question, because there
14. will be no impact on the State Treasury. If we take this action,
15. there isn't going to be any farm machinery sold in Illinois, at
16. least, not in those counties about three counties wide, around
17. the whole...the border of the whole State. So, the only thing
18. that's going to be left, is about Champaign County, will be about
19. the only county left, where perhaps, farmers may go ahead and
20. buy their farm machinery in the State of Illinois. If we take
21. this action, farmers are going to go to Kentucky and to Indiana,
22. and to Missouri, and to Wisconsin to buy their farm machinery.
23. There won't be any revenue to the State of Illinois at all,
24. because the farmers are not going to pay that additional revenue
25. to the State of Illinois when they can go to Wisconsin, or Indiana,
26. or Kentucky, or Missouri, or Iowa, and buy the farm machinery
27. and not have to pay sales tax. So, this is an entirely separate
28. question. I plead with you the...the impact...the fiscal impact,
29. even as determined by the Department of Revenue, and the Bureau
30. of the Budget, and we know how...how accurate those two stalwart
31. organizations are in their revenue projections. Even if we use
32. their data, the revenue impact of this particular law, is miniscule.
33. I suggest to you that we keep faith with the farmers of this State,

1. and with the farm implement dealers, and not close that industry
2. out in this State. There will be an industry that will take
3. flight, they will take flight to Kentucky, and to Missouri, and
4. to Iowa, and to Wisconsin, and to Indiana. They will take flight
5. immediately, they've been taking flight already. And if we
6. don't...allow this additional sales tax relief to come to the
7. farmers, and to the farm implement dealers, we're going to be
8. without an industry, and we're going to be without that revenue.
9. I urge a No vote.

10. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

11. Further discussion? Senator Totten.

12. SENATOR TOTTEN:

13. Thank you, Mr. President. Inquiry of the Chair. I...also
14. have a discharge motion filed, have had it filed for over a month,
15. seeing we're putting all these new taxes on, I wondered whether
16. that discharge motion is also included in the call, and if so...
17. why not?

18. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

19. You've anticipated. At the present time, the Chair anti-
20. cipates we'll handle this motion, and the motion by Senator
21. Rock on a series of bills that he would have. And because of
22. the press of business committees, we're supposed to start at
23. one o'clock, and we will be unable to take further Motions in
24. Writing. Senator Totten.

25. SENATOR TOTTEN:

26. Well, then Mr. President, I...I would have to speak against
27. this motion, also. The motion I have, is to put a limit on State
28. and local taxes, and it seems that we're going in the wrong dir-
29. ection. And I can't understand why members of my side of the
30. aisle want to increase taxes when we're not even allowed to limit
31. them. And I would urge a No vote.

32. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

33. Further discussion? Senator Johns.

1. SENATOR JOHNS:

2. If the members of this Body will reflect just a moment,
3. I led the fight for this bill, Senator Maitland joined me,
4. we worked hard on this bill, and we got it over to the House.
5. And I lost the bill over there because I wouldn't eliminate
6. entirely the threshold, we had a thousand dollar threshold,
7. at that time. I led this fight because the farmers were really
8. up against it, and especially the implement dealers. Now, most
9. of you that have any idea what farming is all about, know that
10. the implement dealers have to survive, and the reason they have
11. to survive is because they sell parts, and they keep employees
12. there that keeps the most disasterous part of farming at a minimum,
13. and that is down time. Down time, is when a piece of machinery
14. breaks down, and you've got to get that dealer there, and you've
15. got to have that part, and you've got to have somebody who knows
16. what to do with a complex piece of...machinery...

17. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

18. For what purpose does Senator Weaver arise?

19. SENATOR WEAVER:

20. A point of order, Mr. President. We're not debating the bill,
21. we have a discharge motion. Senator Johns will have plenty of
22. an opportunity to debate the...the merits of this in the next
23. day or so.

24. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

25. All right, Senator, if you'll keep your comments to the bill
26. before us. The motion is to discharge.

27. SENATOR JOHNS:

28. Well, the bill before us, affects the relief that's offered
29. to these people. The relief that we are offering to these
30. people meant their livelihood, and I say that this relief is necessary.
31. I thought I was right on target with...with the merits of this
32. motion. And I say that...I urge you with the deepest sincerity
33. to vote No on this discharge, because it means a great deal to our

1. agricultural economy and our survival in...in supplying food to
2. the world. Thank you, Mr. President.

3. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

4. Further discussion? Senator Netsch.

5. SENATOR NETSCH:

6. Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of the motion.
7. And, indeed, have been encouraging this, and the prior one for
8. some weeks. I would point out, that we are not talking about an
9. abandonment of the exemption on farm machinery and equipment, we
10. are talking about what amounts to a one year delay of the full
11. phase-out of that sales tax. The fifty percent will remain, it
12. will remain for one additional year before we go on to the next
13. ...the next step of the phase-out, which is a one hundred percent
14. eliminations. It seems to me, that that is not an unreasonable
15. burden, and the amount of money that we are talking about, which
16. is a critical part of balancing what is at the moment, a highly
17. unbalanced budget, is at least, twelve million dollars in Fiscal '82.
18. Again, we are not abandoning the program, we are delaying the
19. final phase-out for one year.

20. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

21. Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Jerome
22. Joyce.

23. SENATOR JEROME JOYCE:

24. Yes, thank you, Mr. President. Right now, a farmer has to
25. travel to an equipment dealer anywhere from fifty to sixty miles
26. to get parts. We might as well just go ahead and vote this out,
27. and we can all drive over to Indiana, it's only another hundred
28. miles or so. I think this is a terrible concept. I'd urge a
29. No vote.

30. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

31. Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

32. SENATOR DEMUZIO:

33. Yes, thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of

1. the Senate. I couldn't pass up the opportunity to rise in op-
2. position to this, since my seatmate had...rose in...in support.
3. I agree, also, with Senator Buzbee, that this is basically a
4. symbolic type action that we are about to take here, because,
5. in fact, the revenue will not be accrued to the State coffers
6. anyway, they in fact, will be...the purchases will be made out of
7. State, and I think it's a terrible concept. And I...I think that
8. the motion ought to be defeated.

9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

10. Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Weaver may
11. close.

12. SENATOR WEAVER:

13. Appreciate a favorable roll call.

14. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

15. Senator Weaver has moved to suspend all appropriate rules
16. for the purpose of considering Senate Bill 1...1064, and he further
17. moves that Senate Bill 1064 be discharged from the Senate Revenue
18. Committee, and immediately be placed on the Order of Senate Bills
19. 3rd reading. On that motion, those in favor will vote Aye. Those
20. opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who
21. wish? Okay. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
22. Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are 32, the Nays
23. are 22, none Voting Present. The motion...motion to...to dis-
24. charge...suspend all rules and have the bill be placed on the
25. Order of Senate Bills 3rd reading, prevails. Senator Buzbee,
26. for what purpose do you arise?

27. SENATOR BUZBEE:

28. I'd request a verification of the affirmative votes.

29. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

30. There's been a request for a verification. Will the members
31. please be in their seats. Will you please clear the aisles, Mr...
32. Sergeant-At-Arms. Will the members please be in their seats.
33. Will the Secretary call those who voted in the affirmative. Under

1. our Senate rules, would you please respond when your name is called.

2. SECRETARY:

3. The following voted in the affirmative:

4. Becker, Berman, Berning, Bowers, Carroll, Chew, Collins,
5. D'Arco, Dawson, DeAngelis, Degnan, Egan, Etheredge, Geo-Karis,
6. Lemke, Mahar, Marovitz, McLendon, Nash, Nedza, Nega, Netsch,
7. Newhouse, Nimrod, Ozinga, Philip, Rhoads, Sommer, Taylor, Walsh,
8. Weaver, Mr. President.

9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

10. Senator...Senator Buzbee, do you question the presence of any
11. member?

12. SENATOR BUZBEE:

13. Yes, I do, several. Senator Carroll.

14. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

15. Senator Carroll is right here.

16. SENATOR BUZBEE:

17. Senator Dawson.

18. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

19. Senator Dawson on the Floor? Yes, he is, the center aisle.

20. SENATOR BUZBEE:

21. Senator Lemke.

22. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

23. Senator Lemke on the Floor? Senator Lemke is right by the
24. Flag.

25. SENATOR BUZBEE:

26. Senator Nash.

27. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

28. Senator Nash.

29. SENATOR BUZBEE:

30. Senator Nega.

31. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

32. Senator Nega on the Floor?

33. SENATOR BUZBEE:

1. Senator Bowers.

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

3. Senator Bowers on the Floor? Just came out of the phone booth.

4. SENATOR BUZBEE:

5. Senator Newhouse.

6. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

7. Senator Newhouse on the Floor? He's in the phone booth...

8. SENATOR BUZBEE:

9. Senator Nimrod.

10. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

11. Senator Nimrod on the Floor? Senator Nimrod. Strike his
12. name.

13. SENATOR BUZBEE:

14. Senator Sommer.

15. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

16. Senator Sommer is in his seat. Senator Buzbee, do you
17. question the presence of any other member? On a verified roll
18. call, there are 31 Ayes, 22 Nays. And the motion prevails.

19. For what...for what purpose does Senator Marovitz...we're not...
20. we have more motions, Gentlemen, we're not going to take announce-
21. ments yet if it's in the nature of an announcement. All right. Any further
22. ...motions, Mr. Secretary?

23. SECRETARY:

24. A Motion in Writing.

25. I move to suspend the appropriate Senate
26. rules for the purpose of discharging the following bills from the
27. named Senate committees, and to place those bills on the Calendar
28. on the Order of 3rd reading for consideration by the Senate,
29. Senate Bill 854 in Transportation, 855 in Revenue, 856, 857, 858, and
30. 859, in Transportation. Signed, President Rock.

31. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

32. Senator Rock is recognized.

33. SENATOR ROCK:

1. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
2. Senate. Senate Bills 854 through 859 represent, I think, a rea-
3. sonable attempt to solve the transportation crisis. I am told
4. that amendments have been prepared by the other side. I think
5. for...for the moment, at least, in order that we might have ..
6. appropriate vehicles out on the Calendar, the negotiations are
7. continuing. I was in contact with the Governor this morning in
8. Chicago, and will be meeting later this afternoon with him and
9. the other leaders. But in order to have vehicles out, I would
10. solicit a favorable vote for...for the motion to discharge],
11. regardless of what you consider to be the merits or demerits of
12. these bills as they are presently constituted. I think the
13. motion to discharge should enjoy the unanimous support of all
14. of us, in that all of us, I think, truly want to see this crisis
15. concluded and some solution be offered to the Governor for his
16. approval. So, I would ask for a favorable vote on the motion to
17. discharge.

18. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

19. You've heard the motion to discharge. Is there discussion?
20. Senator Philip.

21. SENATOR PHILIP:

22. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
23. Senate. Are you saying you're going to be...put the bills on
24. 2nd reading and tomorrow we're going to have a chance to amend
25. this series of bills, Senator Rock?

26. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

27. Senator Rock.

28. SENATOR ROCK:

29. Well, what I...what I am saying is...is, consistent with
30. what I have been saying, it was reported to me, reliably, by
31. no lesser a person as...yourself some three weeks ago, that
32. your side was working on some amendments, and I underline amend-
33. ments, plural. And I indicated at that time, that I would be

1. willing to entertain amendments offered by your side, some of
2. which I would agree with, obviously, some of which I would not
3. agree with. What has transpired to date, is that this morning I
4. received a corrected copy of an amendment that's about the size
5. of a small telephone book, containing various provisions, some
6. of which, frankly, I agree with, most of which, frankly, I do
7. not. But in order to expedite this, and I think we...this is
8. something we can discuss at our meeting this afternoon with the
9. Governor, in order to expedite this, I would like to have these
10. bills on the Calendar, and then we will decide when and if to
11. bring them back for the purpose of handling that amendment, or
12. a series of amendments.

13. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

14. Further...Senator Philip.

15. SENATOR PHILIP:

16. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
17. Senate. I think the key word is expedite, and I couldn't agree
18. with you more, Senator Rock. Our amendment is prepared and ready,
19. we would be happy to try to put that amendment on one of your
20. bills right now. It certainly would indicate to the...the
21. Federal Court and our Illinois Supreme Court that some move-
22. ment has taken place here in the Illinois Senate, and quite
23. frankly, I think we ought to proceed with that attitude. I
24. wouldn't say move the bill if we amend it, move it to 3rd reading,
25. but leave it on 2nd reading, amend it, so that everybody gets
26. a chance to see the amendments and perhaps we can make some
27. adjustments later.

28. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

29. Further discussion? Senator Grotberg.

30. SENATOR GROTBURG:

31. Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the maker of the
32. motion.

33. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

1. Indicates he will yield. Senator Grotberg.

2. SENATOR GROTBORG:

3. Mr. President, my own motion on the...the little vehicle
4. bill 398, which has been lying around for a week or two, and
5. you have talked about it, do you have any objection to rolling
6. that out too? You do have objection? I thought I saw you nod
7. your head. At the appropriate time, I would like a roll call
8. on that motion while we're on the Order of Motions. Thank you,
9. but I do support Senator Rock's motion.

10. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

11. Senator...if we get time, we may take up other motions.
12. Further...for what purpose does Senator Walsh arise?

13. SENATOR WALSH:

14. A point of parliamentary inquiry. We are on the Order of
15. Motions, there's a written motion on the Secretary's Desk filed
16. by Senator Grotberg. Are you suggesting that we might not get
17. to it immediately after this motion is heard?

18. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

19. That is correct, Senator committees were scheduled to start
20. at one o'clock, according to the clock now, it's one-twelve, and
21. we would like to dispose of this motion and get into...we have
22. several witnesses who are waiting as usual.

23. SENATOR WALSH:

24. Mr. President, it...it just isn't right to...not to hear
25. Senator Grotberg's motion. It...it's...it was filed prior to
26. ...to this motion having been filed. It...the number of the
27. bill is prior to...in sequence to the number of this bill. I
28. don't understand by what rules you're...you're presiding, if you
29. refuse to entertain a motion which has been on the Secretary's
30. Desk for some weeks now.

31. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

32. Well, we're just trying to conduct the business of the Senate
33. in an orderly fashion. Senator Rock.

1. SENATOR ROCK:

2. Yes, I might point out, that I thought, at least, there was
3. some agreement, that we would entertain Senator Weaver's two
4. motions out of any order, and then entertain this one, and that
5. would be all. Now, you know, I just don't understand the necessity
6. for dealing...there is a Transportation Committee meeting this
7. week, there are a number of House Bills that deal with the sub-
8. ject of the Regional Transportation Authority. It seems to me, by
9. the end of the week, or the first of next week, there will be
10. vehicles all over the place. I...I just don't see the necessity
11. for that motion at this time.

12. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

13. Senator Walsh.

14. SENATOR WALSH:

15. Mr. President, and members of the Senate. I, for one, intend
16. to support Senator Rock's motion, as a matter of fact, I...I
17. thought it could probably be done without a roll call, by un-
18. animous consent. It would seem to me, that the same procedure
19. could be followed with Senator Grotberg's motion. But if there
20. is objection, I still think he should have the opportunity to
21. have the question put. And I take exception with the Chair, ar-
22. bitrarily saying that we can hear Senator...Senator Rock's motion
23. but not hear Senator Grotberg's motion. And it's just business
24. as usual in the Illinois State Senate.

25. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

26. Well, I would point out, that's why we took Senator Weaver's
27. motions out of order. Senator Totten.

28. SENATOR TOTTEN:

29. Thank you, Mr. President. Would the sponsor of the motion
30. yield for a question?

31. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

32. Indicates he will yield. Senator Totten.

33. SENATOR TOTTEN:

1. Senator...Senator Rock, did I...did I hear...this motion
2. is to move it to 3rd, have you also indicated a commitment
3. to bring it back to 2nd?

4. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

5. Senator Rock.

6. SENATOR ROCK:

7. Yes.

8. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

9. Senator Totten. Further discussion? Senator Philip.

10. SENATOR PHILIP:

11. Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
12. Senate. I didn't get any comment out of Senator Rock when I
13. suggested that we put our Senate Republican Amendment on his
14. bill, and he listened to me very closely, but I didn't get any
15. kind of an indication at all. And I'm...as I said, once again,
16. I realize the seriousness of the problem, we should expedite
17. it. It would seem to me, you're the sponsor of the bill, I
18. can't do anything about moving it, but if we could put that
19. ...our amendment on your bill on 2nd reading today, it would
20. show a positive step to the courts, that maybe the courts would
21. give us a few more days breathing time. And then, of course, we
22. could work out some amendments to that amendment.

23. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

24. Senator Rock.

25. SENATOR ROCK:

26. Well, I...I think by virtue of this motion, and the fact
27. that the bills are resurrected and in a position to be dealt with
28. will, in fact, show some effort to Judge McMillan. I cannot,
29. frankly, as an officer of that court, however, indicate to the
30. judge that some progress has been made by virtue of an amendment
31. that I find objectionable, that, in fact, does not offer a
32. solution to this problem. So, I am not prepared, frankly, today
33. to do anything except meet at five o'clock or whenever the Governor

1. calls us in to talk about it. The...the amendment, as I read
2. it, simply contains a number of things which we found, and I
3. say we, collectively found to be objectionable in our lengthy
4. meeting Sunday night in Chicago. And to offer that as...as what
5. purports to be a solution, simply isn't the fact. And I'm pre-
6. pared to call it back and give you a chance to offer it, but I
7. would prefer not to do it today, because I intend to try to beat
8. it. And that is not substantial progress as far as Judge McMillan
9. is concerned.

10. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

11. Further discussion? The motion is to discharge. Further
12. discussion of that motion? Senator Rock has moved to suspend the
13. appropriate Senate rules for the purpose of discharging the following
14. bills from the named Senate committees, and placing those bills
15. on the Calendar on the Order of 3rd reading for consideration by
16. the Senate, Senate Bill 854 from Transportation, 855 from Revenue,
17. 856, 857, 858, and 859 from the Committee on Transportation. On
18. that question, those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will
19. vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have
20. all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who
21. wish? Take the record. On that question, the Ayes are 46, the
22. Nays are 4, 5 Voting Present. The motion to suspend the rules,
23. discharge the committee, and place them on the Order of 3rd read-
24. ing, prevails. For what purpose does Senator Grotberg arise?

25. SENATOR GROTERBERG:

26. Well, Mr. President, now that we've kept our commitment on
27. that...I don't know of any games that are going to be played with
28. my silly little bill...it gets at some things, it could be a...
29. a vehicle for anybody that wants to amend it, too, it's going to
30. 2nd reading. Who knows what trouble lies ahead, it's been filed
31. for ten days, and I would request, Mr. President, that we do...dis-
32. charge Senate Bill 398, as my motion has been filed for so long
33. and just in fairness, and then we'll love you and you'll love us

1. and we can get on with the day's work...

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

3. Senator...Senator, why don't you take that up with President
4. Rock. I'm the Presiding Officer, but I only blow the whistle.
5. Senator the only...my only suggestion is, that the Presiding
6. Officer was given three motions that we would take care of, and
7. then go to committee. And if...you ought to talk to Senator
8. Weaver and Senator Rock to see if there is some way we can get
9. to 398 in an expeditious way. Senator Bloom, for what purpose
10. do you arise? Senator Bloom. Senator Bowers.

11. SENATOR BOWERS:

12. Well, a parliamentary inquiry. What...what is the...what
13. is the posture of the Body at this time? What...what order
14. of business are we on?

15. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

16. We are on the Order of Motions in Writing.

17. SENATOR BOWERS:

18. Well, the Senator has filed his motion, and...and under
19. the rules he's entitled to an immediate hearing, and he's asking
20. for a hearing. And I think you ought to rule on that question.

21. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

22. For what purpose does Senator Rock arise?

23. SENATOR ROCK:

24. Well, I would move to adjourn until noon tomorrow.

25. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

26. The motion is to adjourn until the hour of noon tomorrow.
27. On the motion to adjourn, all in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay.
28. The Ayes have it. The Senate stands adjourned until noon tomorrow.

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