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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

...regular Session of the 89th General Assembly will please come to order. Will our Members please be at their desks, and will our guests in the galleries please rise. Our prayer today will be given by Pastor Joe Eby, Chatham Presbyterian Church, Chatham, Illinois. Pastor Eby.

PASTOR JOE EBY:

(Prayer by Pastor Joe Eby)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will you please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journals of Wednesday, February 21st, 1996, and Thursday, February 22nd, 1996.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Mr. President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Butler moves to approve the Journals just read. There being no objection, so ordered. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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

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

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concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 2738.

Passed the House, February 22nd, 1996.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 164, offered by Senator Lauzen and all Members.

It's a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Consent Calendar. Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Well, thank you, Mr. President. Just to state that Senator Parker is absent today because she's out of town on legislative business.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Senator Fawell, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FAWELL:

For the purpose of an announcement. It is -- Transportation Committee is scheduled at 1 o'clock. We are canceling it because there was only a shell bill so far to be heard. So I wanted to announce that an hour ahead of time.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Thank you, Senator Fawell. House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2702, offered by Senators Luechtefeld, O'Daniel and Rea.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

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Page two of today's Calendar, in the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 1246. Senator Madigan. Senator Madigan. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1251. Senator Hawkinson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1251.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 1268. Senator -- read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1268.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1288. Senator Klemm. Senate Bill 1288. Senator Klemm. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1323. Senator Petka. Senator Petka? Senate Bill 1323. Read the bill.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1323.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any other Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Hawkinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Question of the Chair, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your question.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

On our -- our screens - at least on my screen - it is flashing that there are no -- no staff analyses available. I know that staff analyses do exist because these came -- the last bill, in any event, came through the Judiciary Committee. Just an inquiry as to when those analyses would be loaded onto the system.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

I -- I've been told that they should be on there. We don't know why they're not; we will certainly check on it. Senate Bill 1342. Senator Bowles. Senate Bill -- read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1342.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments, Mr. President.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1388. Senator Geo-Karis. Take it out of the record. ...completes our business today. We will recess to -- by the call of the Chair, and we're going to leave it open because we're going to have some Rules and committee reports. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Does that -- does that mean we're not going to conduct any business today, that we're just going to go to Rules, read in the report?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

That's correct.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The Senate will come to order. Committee Reports, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation - Senate Bill 1473; to the Committee on Commerce and Industry - Senate Bills 1669 and 1671; to the Committee on Education - Conference Committee Report 1 to Senate Bill 19; to the Committee on Financial Institutions - Senate Bill 1648; to the Committee on Insurance, Pensions and

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Licensed Activities - Senate Bills 1424, 1425 and 1535; to the Committee on Judiciary - Senate Bills 1467, 1650 and 1684; re-referred from the Judiciary Committee to the Rules Committee - Senate Bill 1535; referred to the Committee on Local Government and Elections - Senate Bills 1228 and 1708; to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare - Senate Bill 1440; to the Committee on Revenue - Senate Bills 1298, 1378 and 1428; to the Committee on Transportation - Senate Bills 1762, 1763 and 1764; and Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 542.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Cronin, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR CRONIN:

For purposes of an announcement, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

State your announcement, sir.

SENATOR CRONIN:

The Senate Education Committee will meet in approximately one hour, at 2:15 - 2:15 sharp - in Stratton A-1 to consider the -- the conference committee report on charter schools.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

I will repeat Senator Cronin's statement: The Senate Education Committee is going to meet at 2:15 promptly - Is that correct? - in an hour, 2:15 in the Stratton Building, to consider the conference committee report on charter schools. Is there any -- are there any further announcements? Any -- may I have your attention, please. Mr. Secretary, is there any further business to come before the Senate? Hearing none, the Senate will stand adjourned until 11 a.m., Wednesday, February 28, 1996. I repeat: We stand adjourned until 11 a.m., Wednesday, February 28th, 1996.

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