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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 89th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks, and will our guests in the galleries please rise. Our prayer today will be given by the Reverend Jean Martin, United Methodist Church, Oakford, Illinois. Reverend Martin.

THE REVEREND JEAN MARTIN:

(Prayer by the Reverend Jean Martin)

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. Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Wednesday, March 20th and Thursday, March 21st, in the year 1996, be -- be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Butler moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Woodyard, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1633 Be Approved for Consideration; Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1749 Be Approved for Consideration; and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1777 Be Approved for Consideration.

Senator Madigan, Chair of the Committee on Insurance, Pensions and Licensed Activities, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill

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1243 Be Adopted and Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1246 Be Adopted.

Senator Mahar, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Energy, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1390 Be Adopted and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1811 Be Adopted.

And Senator Peterson, Chair of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1258 Be Adopted.

Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

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 concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 995.

We have a like Message on House Bills 1796, 2515, 2533, 3532 and 3578.

All passed the House March 21st, 1996.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Cronin, Chair of the Committee on Education, reports
Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1240 Be Adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 180, offered by Senators O'Malley, DeAngelis and all Members.

It's a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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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 adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 94.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 94)

Adopted by the House, March 21st, 1996.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Weaver moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 94. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Now Senator Weaver on Senate Joint Resolution -- Senator Weaver has moved for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 94. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 456, offered by Senators Rauschenberger and Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 995, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1796, presented by Senator Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2659, offered by Senator Woodyard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3177, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 3230 is presented by Senator Watson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is our intent to move very quickly into Senate Bills 2nd Reading. I would advise the Members, it is getting late, and if at all possible, please move your bills to 3rd Reading today. When we have concluded Senate Bills 2nd Reading, we'll -- we will then move, as time permits, to Senate Bills 3rd Reading, obviously recessing a few moments before 12 o'clock so we can go to the other Chamber to hear the Governor's Message. So very shortly we will be moving into Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

I rise on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Mr. President -- if I can the Members' attention for a moment. Senator Severns is not with us today. She is absent due to illness. And I think most of us know that -- what that illness is. And she will be out through the end of the Spring Session. I would like to make a request that the daily record reflect that she has an excused absence. And I would also like to note that -- as she has indicated to me, that this is the first day of Session that she has missed in nine years of the Senate. So, I know we're all praying for her that everything will work out, as we are with Senator O'Malley and others that are ill. But I would like the daily record to reflect that she has an excused absence rather than rising each day to make that request, if -- if that is in order.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

That request is in order, Senator Demuzio, and -- and that,

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obviously, will be granted. We thank you for that announcement and wish, obviously, Senator Severns well. Senator Philip, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As you know, Senator O'Malley is out of the hospital, home convalescing. He's doing well. Would appreciate if the record would so indicate. I've been led to believe he may be down next week.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The record will so indicate, Senator Philip. All right, Ladies and Gentlemen. Page 2 of your Calendar - top of page 2 - Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 522. Senator Parker. Senator Parker on the Floor? Senate Bill 1246. Senator Madigan. Senate Bill 1322. Senator Rauschenberger. ...Bill 1335. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1335.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government and Elections adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1363. Senator DeAngelis. Senate Bill 1370. Senator Mahar. Senate Bill 1380. Senator Philip. Senate Bill 1381. Senator Sieben. Senate Bill 1424. Senator Madigan. Senate Bill 1437. Senator Woodyard. Senator Woodyard on the Floor? ...Sieben, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

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SENATOR SIEBEN:

Mr. President, a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I would like to recognize today some Girl Scouts from my district, in the gallery above the President's seat. The Girl Scouts are from Junior Troop 2129 from Geneseo. Their leaders are Joy Clark and Jan Weber. If they'd please stand and be recognized.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be recognized? Welcome to Springfield. Senate Bill 1407. Senator Parker. Senate Bill 1424. Senator Madigan. Senate Bill 1437. Senator Woodyard. Senate Bill 1442. Senator Parker. Senate Bill 1490. Senator Lauzen. Senate Bill 1494. Senator Fitzgerald. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

...Bill 1494.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1504. Senator Petka. Senator Petka? Senate Bill 1511. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 1515. Senator Madigan. ...Bill 1556. Senator Palmer. Senate Bill 1578. Senator Mahar. Senate Bill 1633. Senator Woodyard.

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Senate Bill 1640. Senator Weaver. Senator Weaver. Senate Bill 1643. Senator Dillard. Senate Bill 1712. Senator Lauzen. Senate Bill 1749. Senator Woodyard. Senate Bill 1557. Senator Stan Weaver. Senate Bill -- 1758. Senator Weaver. Senate Bill 1770. Senator Woodyard. Senate Bill 1777. Senator Donahue. Senate Bill 1823. Senator Syverson. Senator Syverson, on 1823. Senate Bill 1887. Senator Burzynski. ...Jacobs, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. We would request a Democratic Caucus in Emil Jones' Office at this time. And we will probably take about a half hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

That request is -- is in order, Senator Jacobs. I would -- it'd be about a half an hour you -- you think? All right. The Senate will stand in recess until ll a.m.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

... Senate will come to order. House Bills 1st Reading. SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 1645, offered by Senator Luechtefeld.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

...Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention, please. Senator Hawkinson has a group of special people here this

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morning who he'd like to introduce, so if you would give -- give us your attention, please. Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm going to turn the mike over to Senator Shadid because these young men and -- and ladies are -- are from his district, but they're from one of the cities that I represent and I'll say a word in a few minutes. But we'll turn it over to Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you very much, Carl. I'm sure -- I'm sure you're all aware, and you follow basketball, that we are very pleased, in Peoria area, that we've got the Manual Rams here today to honor them because they -- whereas -- we have a proclamation by Senator Hawkinson and myself:

Whereas, the Peoria Manual High School Rams basketball team won the IHSA Class AA State Basketball Championship on March 16: and

Whereas, this team is the second in history to win this championship three consecutive years; and

Whereas, the Rams were able to play this game in their hometown of the great City of Peoria with numerous fans in attendance; ...

Ladies and Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Manual Rams basketball team, the cheerleaders, the coaching staff of Wayne McClain. Where is Wayne? ...gives me great pleasure to present this proclamation to Coach Wayne McClain, who, by the way, has not lost. He's been the Head Coach at Manual. He succeeded Coach Van Scyoc, who is the largest or the biggest game winner in the history of high school basketball in Illinois, and this young man here has not lost a postseason game in two years. So how about a big hand for Wayne McClain and his staff.

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COACH WAYNE McCLAIN:

(Remarks and introductions by Coach McClain)

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

These young men of which we're so proud are also, of course, represented in the House by Representative Don Saltsman, who --who's here. Don. Right down here. Thanks for joining us. I take particular pleasure this year not only in representing Peoria, but in congratulating the City of Peoria for running the tournament for the first time since 1913. They did an outstanding job. We look forward to next year, and to -- as I said last year, to having these same young men, or many of them, back here for a unprecedented fourth State title. And with all due respect, Aldo, I also take particular pleasure, because thirty years ago the Thornton team defeated my Galesburg team. So I was really rooting for Manual this year. And I want to congratulate them again for a tremendous job.

COACH WAYNE McCLAIN:

(Remarks by Coach McClain)

SENATOR SHADID:

Not only are they great basketball players, and the cheerleaders are great, but they were great sportsmen. They really did a job, and we are very, very proud of them in the way they handled themselves and the way they handle success. Some people, you know, have a problem handling success. These young people, along with Coach McClain and his staff, did a great job. So, I want to thank you all for giving them the big hand and supporting us. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

A point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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State your point.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

I'm delighted to introduce to this august Assembly a good friend of ours and -- from Shields Township -- to a Supervisor of Shields Township, who is a constituent of my good friend, Senator David Barkhausen, none other than Charles Fitzgerald, III, known to us as "Chuck". I'd like you all to welcome Chuck.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please rise and be recognized. Welcome. We are -- for your information, Senators, we are going to the middle of page 11 on Consideration Postponed. Senator Weaver, on Senate Bill 1298. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1298.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill was before us yesterday and I think there was a little bit of a confusion. It allows counties to pay for courthouse and jail facility construction renovation through a sales tax levy of a quarter percent. We have given this authority to counties of over a hundred and eighty thousand population, and this would just extend it to all counties in the State who wish to take advantage. It is preceded with a front-door referendum before they could enact this. And if anyone has any questions, I would be happy to try to answer them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Will the sponsor yield?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, I think the -- the reason why there was some confusion yesterday is that, you know, we just came out of a primary season where we saw a lot of television ads where people would attack us for increasing taxes and how many times we voted to increase taxes, and if I understand it correctly, this would be misconstrued by some to -- to be able to describe us as having voted for a tax increase. So could you explain to me why that would not be accurate if someone accused us of voting for a tax increase?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

presently, Senator Cullerton, they issue bonds. Oftentimes the chief judge of a circuit will demand that the court facilities be improved, that jails' holding facilities for juveniles be built in the county, and they are now bonded and paid for through bonds on real property. This would give a county the authority to use sales tax revenues and abate the bonding on real So really it's a substitution, and in many counties, it's a more equitable way to pay for jail and -- and courthouse facilities than just on the real property of the county. said, we've given this authority to counties over a hundred and eighty thousand. This would just extend it to smaller counties statewide.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Weaver, to close.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I would appreciate a favorable roll call.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1298 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Last time. Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 21 Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1298, having not received the required constitutional majority, is declared failed. Senator Maitland, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Madam President. On a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

State your point.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Madam President, Members of Body, in the gallery beside the -behind the -- the Republican side of the Chamber is the fifth
grade class from Bent Elementary School in Bloomington. I would
like the Senate to please recognize them and welcome them to
Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you all please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Welcome. On page 5 of today's Calendar, the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. I would ask that you all be in your seats. And we are going to the Order of 3rd Reading. Senator Watson, on Bill 542. Out of the record. Senator Cronin, on Senate Bill 1239. Out of the record. Senator Cronin, on Senate Bill 1240. Do you wish this bill to be -- or -- returned to 2nd Reading for the purposes on an amendment? Senator Cronin seeks leave of Body to return Senate Bill 1240 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment. Hearing no objection, granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1240. Madam

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Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Butler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler, on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen, this amendment is the one that -- it pertains to driver's education and it is -- it removes the mandate and places the responsibility on the local school board as to whether or not they will provide a driver's education, and if so, they are permitted to use a private firm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator Butler, before someone can obtain a driver's license for the first time - a sixteen-year-old or a seventeen-year-old, for example - do they need to have taken driver's ed before they can obtain a license?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

If they're under eighteen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So, does the effect of this -- I take it that right now

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there's a mandate that driver's ed has to be provided by school districts, and this amendment makes that optional. I guess the question would be: What would happen if we pass this to those high school students that cannot get their driver's license unless they've taken driver's ed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Well, first of all, the option remains with the school district to provide this. They can provide — there are several ways: One is that they can use the classroom instruction and — and conduct it with a — with one of the teachers and have the on — the driver's ed behind—the—wheel conducted by a private firm, or they can continue as they are now, or the third option is that the child goes to the — goes to a private driving school.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Well, if the school district is poor and they are given the option to drop this and they -- they do it to save money and the students cannot afford to go to a private course, I take it then that they just have to wait until they're nineteen before they could go take the -- and get their driver's license.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Well, as I said, it's an option of the school district; however, we should understand that right now the State reimburses only a hundred and twenty-three dollars. So this -- the difference, which is estimated around four hundred dollars, it must be paid for by the taxpayers. So, you know, this is a question whether or not we -- we relieve the schools of some

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burden of -- of providing all of that extra money for driver's education.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So is it your intention with this amendment to hope that in some cases the driver's ed is dropped and so that taxpayer dollars would be saved, but that the service would not be performed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Senator, I don't hope anything. I -- I believe that the school boards are qualified to make that kind of a decision.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Palmer.

SENATOR PALMER:

Thank you, Madam President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Palmer.

SENATOR PALMER:

Senator Butler, couldn't this have been handled through the waivers that were passed last year, rather than through this piece of legislation, for those school districts that would -- might want to do this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

It could be, and I think, if you'll recall, that we have a number of requests, but it seemed to be a much -- a much more efficient way to do it this way.

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Senator Palmer.

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SENATOR PALMER:

Thank you. With all due respect, it would seem to me that this would be duplicative with -- since we already have a means by which school districts can make this choice. I would hope that they would consider it very seriously, because to make driver's education permissive, I think has an impact on insurance rates and everything else, much less safety. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Is your amendment, Senator, the bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Is that the only thing in the bill then?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you. This -- thank you, Madam President. This amendment was before us this morning in Education Committee. Let

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me tell you why I stand in strong opposition to this amendment and if it gets adopted to the -- to the bill. I'm using part of my district as the example, and I'm talking about the part that I represent where I have Chicago students that go to high and, at the present time, they get driver's education at no cost or a maximum of fifty dollars. If you vote Yes for this bill and if the Chicago Board of Education or your local board of education decides to eliminate - to eliminate - driver's education, what I heard this morning is that everyone of my parents - voters - who want their kid to take a driver's ed course is going to have to pay two hundred and seventy-five dollars. In addition to that, Chicago presently receives a hundred and twenty-three dollars from the Secretary of State's driver's education program, which will be terminated if the Chicago Board of Education decides that they want to drop driver's ed. And I've got to tell you, and you know this better than I, a high school diploma is important, but probably even more so to every one of those kids is their driver's license. If you vote Yes on this amendment or on this bill, you're saying that you're going to allow private enterprise to be preferred so that they can charge your -voters two hundred and seventy-five dollars to teach their kids how to drive and eliminate this from the high school curriculum where they're getting it either for nothing or for a nominal amount not to exceed fifty bucks. I think this is outrageous, and once your voters know it, you'll hear about it. I'd urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President. Senator...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Excuse me, Senator Clayborne. Senator Butler.

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SENATOR BUTLER:

Ladies and Gentlemen, I was just given some information that I think needs to be looked at. I will take this out of the record for the moment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Out of the record. Senator Hawkinson, on Senate Bill 1251? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1251.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1251 is, I think, important legislation in our ongoing fight to keep drunk drivers off the roads in Illinois. I introduced this bill because my experience over the years has been, as a prosecutor and as observer lately, that by far the majority of those who are charged with driving under the influence end up with what's called court supervision. And that that -- a disposition of court supervision means there is no conviction for the offense of driving under the influence, and perhaps more importantly, it takes away the deterrent of the revocation of the license for a year. I've been watching our area newspapers every week for dispositions, and by far most offenders are having this disposition. And it seems that in -- then in the fight that is being led now by George Ryan and formerly by our -- our Governor when he was Secretary of State that increasing the penalties and the fear of losing one's license can be a real deterrent to those who think about driving and drinking. We sponsored last year the initiative and -- was -were successful for zero tolerance for our young people who are

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not allowed to drive, but for our adults, with court supervision on the horizon, many of them don't have the deterrent. What this bill does is say that once you've had court supervision, you've gotten that break and have kept your license, that you will not be able to get it a second time. It doesn't eliminate court supervision. This bill doesn't. But it does say, if you've had court supervision for driving under the influence of alcohol and you've escaped the penalty of a conviction, that should you ever again be caught driving under the influence that you will not be able to get court supervision a second time. Right now, not allowed -- formerly you weren't allowed to get it within five years. Recently we've changed it to ten. But this would say, once you've had it, you can't get it a second time. I think it's supported by those who want to get drunk driving off the road. It's supported by Secretary Ryan, who in many ways has led the fight against drunk driving in Illinois, and I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Senator, as you indicate, if they have a suspended sentence once, they can't apply for it a second time. That's for the legal implications because -- am -- am I correct? Because the summary suspension, even if you have a suspended sentence, goes into the Secretary of State. So even if you had a suspended sentence, your second DUI would still be counted as a second DUI, correct?

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Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

I -- I believe that is correct. And, of course, even if you get supervision the first time, if you have failed the Breathalyzer or refused to take it, there are those summary suspensions. But the difference between that and a conviction is the revocation of a license for at least a year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson, to close.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

I think this is an important tool in -- in the fight that Secretary of State Ryan is leading and that all of us want to do to keep drunk drivers off the road, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1251 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1251, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bomke, on Senate Bill 1255. Senator Bomke? Senator Bomke, on Senate Bill 1256. Out of the of the record. record. Senator Parker, do you wish to have Senate Bill 1258 returned to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of amendment? Senator Parker seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1258 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is -- granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1258. Madam Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Amendment No. 1, offered by Senators Carroll and Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Carroll, on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR CARROLL:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Amendment No. 1 would add to the potential checkoff list a Children's Cancer Fund. This -- the Senate two years ago had adopted a similar method but it got bogged down in the multiple checkoffs and -- and was not a surviving one at the time. Senator Parker has been nice enough to say that this is consistent with what she wishes to do. And this would just allow on the checkoff system for income tax a Children's Cancer Fund, and I would urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any other Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Maitland, on Senate Bill 1266. Out of the record. Senator Syverson, on Senate Bill 1268? Out of the record. Senator Geo-Karis. Out of the record. Senator Madigan, on Senate Bill 1279? Senator Madigan. Senator Klemm, on Senate Bill 1288? Out of the record. Senator Parker, on Senate Bill 1300? Out of the record. Senator Jacobs, on Senate Bill 1350. Out of the record. 15. Excuse me. Senator Maitland. Out of the record. Senator Raica, on Senate Bill 1326. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1326.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Raica.

SENATOR RAICA:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1326 has to do with the heat -- is as a result of the heat wave that we had last year in Cook County and throughout the State of Illinois. Basically what this bill does, it amends the EMS Act and allows the Department of Public Health to determine if a hospital went on bypass, whether it did so properly. It asks them to review the various hospital plans for their bypass procedures. And Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 made the bill applicable throughout the State of Illinois. And I would just ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rea.

SENATOR REA:

Just a question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Rea.

SENATOR REA:

Since the hospital bypass problem appears to only affect Cook County, how come you're including the rest of the State?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Raica.

SENATOR RAICA:

Hospital bypass doesn't only affect Cook County. Any hospital in the State of Illinois has the opportunity -- or the ability to go on either diversion or bypass, and we just feel -- we wanted to treat the whole State fairly and give the Department of Public Health the authority to review policy throughout the State of

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Illinois and not limit it just to Cook County.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Raica, to close.

SENATOR RAICA:

No, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1326 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1326, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raica, on Senate Bill 1327. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1327.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Raica.

SENATOR RAICA:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1327 is also a result of those heat hearings that were held in Cook County. And what 1327 does is it says that the Department of Public Health will review internal hospital plans that various hospitals throughout the State of Illinois have as far as evacuation, should some type of an emergency occur. And it — basically that's exactly what it has. Just allows the Department to review the plans. I just ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the

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question is, shall Senate Bill 1327 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1327, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Weaver, on Senate Bill 1338? Out of the record. Senator Hawkinson, on Senate Bill 1354. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1354.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. I would like to yield to Senator Bowles to explain Amendment No. 2, as amended by No. 3, which was originally her -- a bill of hers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

...Madam President, and thank you, Senator Hawkinson. This amendment provides that the Criminal Code would be amended to include child endangerment to anyone eighteen years of age or older and knowingly and without legal justification and by any means causes bodily harm to an individual under the age of thirteen years. What has happened is that it was a misdemeanor and we had two occasions where children were killed because they were put into an endangered situation by the person under whose custody they were being kept, and there was nothing that could be done by the prosecution except to declare it a misdemeanor. The State's Attorney of Madison County suggested that I try to get an

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amendment to the Criminal Code to incorporate this amendment. And I would be welcome to answer any questions, but I certainly would like to request an affirmative vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Senator Hawkinson, to close.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. I think it's a good bill. It fills a -- a needed gap in those cases where the bodily harm may not be life-threatening and otherwise qualify for the aggravated battery of a child, and I would urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1354 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1354, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Dudycz, on Senate Bill 1357. Read the bill, Madam Secretary. ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1357.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1357 contains enabling language to implement the Cook County boot camps. Last year we passed boot camps for Cook County, and the contents of Senate Bill 1357 is a combined effort brought between the Sheriff of Cook County, the State's Attorney, and the Department of Correction. They all agree to the language. This is something

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that they worked out to be able to implement boot camps.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1357 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1357, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raica, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAICA:

Madam President, point of personal privilege, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

State your point, please.

SENATOR RAICA:

Thank you, Madam President. In the visitor's gallery, on the Republican side of the aisle, we have no stranger to Springfield. He's a Police Chief from Elmhurst who's been involved in -- in -- in law enforcement for many years. He's been appointed to numerous committees by the Attorney General and by the Governor of the State of Illinois. With him also, we have Sergeant Tom Tureck, Sergeant Bob Kopchinski, and then John Milner, who is the Police Chief of the Elmhurst Police Department, and with him is the newest member who just graduated the Academy of the Police Academy, from Elmhurst, Recruit Ken Laffin and his family. And I would just ask if they would be -- stand and be recognized by the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you please stand and be recognized by the Senate? Welcome. On the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1360. Senator Luechtefeld. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Senate Bill 1360.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1360 simply clears up some language of an earlier bill. It amends the Environmental Protection Act. And this bill replaces the term "coal combustion by-product" with "coal combustion waste" in the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act regarding disposal. This will allow the current disposal program to continue. I would ask for a favorable vote on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1360 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 50 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1360, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Luechtefeld, on Senate Bill 1361. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1361.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Madam -- Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1361 would remove a -- a tax on coal equipment and spare parts of under two hundred and fifty dollars. This -- this

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tax was removed on coal equipment and machinery above two fifty a number of years ago. We have done this, for instance, for a number of other industries, in particular the farming industry, and we feel that this would help the coal industry in southern Illinois, which is in -- in really bad shape, and actually throughout the State -- help them possibly survive the next few years, until phase two of the Clean Air Act. I would appreciate a very favorable vote on this issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

There any questions? Any discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, when we vote for a bill that results in the loss in State revenues of two and a half million dollars, does that -- is that something that you contact the Governor's Office on and -- have them work that into the budget in some way before we end up passing a budget for next year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

No. I have not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So when we pass the bill and there is this loss of two and a half million dollars, do we then cut two and a half million dollars out of some other State appropriation, or do we just maybe add another day on to our -- the time it takes us to pay our Medicaid bills?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Well, I would think that if we can keep just a -- a couple of those mines open, we can save that kind of money in unemployment and a lot of other things.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So, then, you would dispute the Department of Revenue's estimate that this would result in a two-and-a-half-million-dollar loss. You're -- you'd suggest that maybe we're going to make money if we pass this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

That -- that particular loss is what -- what they will lose in the tax. But that -- we -- we'd have no idea what will be made up in the other areas, such as possibly doing away with some of the unemployment and that sort of thing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Rea.

SENATOR REA:

Thank you, Madam President. I rise in support of this legislation. The original legislation passed in 1986 and we — at that time, of course, we had left the two hundred and fifty. Anything below that would not be exempt. However, with the clean air legislation that has taken place at the federal level and the need for more equipment and parts for cleaning of the coal so we can use high sulfur, this legislation is very important. We've lost many coal-mining jobs, and as a result, this will help us as far as the economy and will — in our opinion, will help offset

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the loss of revenues through other means, including the income tax returns that will come into the State. So I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator O'Daniel.

SENATOR O'DANIEL:

Thank you, Madam President. I also rise in support of this legislation. I handled the original legislation several years ago to exempt all except the two-hundred-and-fifty-dollar threshold. And at this time, we're having all kind of problems with miners being laid off as a result, as Senator Rea said, of the Clean Air Act. If we can keep from losing so many of these jobs till the year 2000 when the second phase of the Clean Air Act kicks in, where they require all coal-burning power plants to — to have scrubbers, then I think, you know, our coal industry might begin to pick back up. We also — we don't have the threshold on manufacturing equipment, farming equipment, a lot of different other tax breaks that we give different industries. So I would ask a favorable vote for this legislation. Think it's very important.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Luechtefeld, to close.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Yes. I would simply ask the support of this Assembly on the -- on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1361 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1361, having received the

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required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Resolutions Consent Calendar. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 181, offered by Senators Maitland, Madigan, and all Members.

It's a death resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Consent Calendar. We'll now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution? SECRETARY HARRY:

No objections have been filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 83, offered by Senator Weaver.

(Secretary reads SJR No. 83)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Weaver moves to suspend the rules for the purpose the immediate and adoption of Senate Joint consideration Resolution 83. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Weaver has moved to -- for the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 83. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and resolution is adopted. Now, for the edification of the Members of Senate, let us -- let me explain to you what's going to happen: We are now going to proceed to the Governor's Joint Session the House of Representatives. And the following

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Senators have been appointed as a Committee of Five from the Senate to wait upon his excellence, Governor Jim Edgar, and invite him to address the Joint Assembly. Those are Senator Maitland, Senator DeAngelis, Senator Madigan, Senator Smith and Senator Dunn. We encourage all of you to attend this. But immediately following the Governor's Address, the Senate will reconvene. We will reconvene to continue our business. And we will do 2nds and 3rd Readings after the Governor's Message. Have I made myself clear? All right. The Senate will stand at ease till the conclusion of the Governor's Message. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

A point of inquiry. Do you have any idea what time we might be adjourning today, so our Members could make their travel plans? I know we are coming back.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Demuzio, I'd like to be very specific, but at this point, all I can say is when we complete our business. Thank you. Any other inquiries? Any other questions? That point, we stand at ease and we'll reconvene after the Governor's Message.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Senate will come to order. Is there leave of the Body to allow Senator Petka to move -- Senator O'Malley's bills to the Order of 3rd Reading? Leave is granted. Senator Petka, on Senate Bill 1243? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1243.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Insurance, Pensions and Licensed Activities adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Thank you -- yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This amendment was adopted this morning in the Insurance Committee. It allows for an early retirement option for the Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund, which is identical to the option that is now available for the downstate teachers. Move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Is there discussion? If not, all in favor -- excuse me. All in favor, signify by saying Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment's adopted. Are there further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1313, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1313.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1502, Mr. Secretary. ...of the record. 1550, Mr. Secretary. ...of the record. Senate Bill 1881, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

...Bill 1881.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

3rd Reading. ... Bill 1550, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1550.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

3rd Reading. ...appears that there's no further business to come before the Senate. So if not, the Senate will stand adjourned until 4 p.m., Monday, May the 25th. ...what purpose does Senator Demuzio arise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Yes. Mr. President, I'd like the record to reflect that Senator Collins and Shaw and Hendon are here -- are not here today. They are absent due to illness.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

The record so -- shall so indicate. If not any more business, the Senate will stand adjourned.

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