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114th Legislative Day

November 7, 1996

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

The regular Session of the 89th General Assembly will be in order. Will the Members be -- please be at their desks, and will our guests in the gallery please rise. Our prayer today will be given by Pastor Rick Wenneborg, Chatham Christian Church, Chatham, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR RICK WENNEBORG:

(Prayer by Pastor Rick Wenneborg)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Senator Sieben, for the Pledge of Allegiance.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journals of Tuesday, May 21st; Wednesday, May 22nd; Thursday, May 23rd; Friday, May 24th; and Saturday, May 25th, 1996.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Senator Butler. Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

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

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the President, dated August 23rd, 1996.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Rule Senate {sic} 3-3(d), I hereby establish, to be effective immediately, a special temporary committee which shall be called the Boat Safety

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Committee. Further, in accordance with Senate Rule 3-1, the Committee shall be composed of five Members: Three, one of whom shall serve as Chairperson, to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and two, one of whom shall serve as Minority Spokesperson, to be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

Another Message from the President, dated August 23rd, 1996.

Dear Mr. Secretary - As the Special Select Committee on Boat Safety has been properly established pursuant to Senate Rule 3-3(d), I am entitled to appoint three Members, including the Chairperson, of this Committee. Please be advised that I am at this time appointing the following Members, effective upon filing of this letter with you: Senator Sieben, Chairperson; Senator Woodyard and Senator Geo-Karis.

Sincerely, President Philip.

A Message from the Minority Leader.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Please be advised that I have appointed Senators John Cullerton and Denny Jacobs to the Special Select Committee on Boat Safety. This appointment takes effect immediately.

Sincerely, Senator Jones, Minority Leader.

A Message from the Secretary of State.

To the Honorable President of the Senate - In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith the enclosed Senate bills, as vetoed by the Governor, together with his objections.

Senate Bills 690, 946, 1416, 1448, 1773 and 1811.

Respectfully, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State.

Another Message from the Secretary.

To the Honorable President of the Senate - In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith the enclosed Senate bills that are being

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returned by the Governor with specific recommendations for change.

Senate Bills 366, 1122, 1425, 1440, 1467, 1781 and
1853.

Respectfully, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State.

A Message from Joseph Spagnolo, the State Superintendent of
Education, dated September 27th, 1996.

As required by Section 2-3.25g of the School Code, the
following report provides to the Illinois General Assembly
summaries of requests for waivers of School Code mandates for its
consideration. Also included are summaries of requests for
waivers and modifications acted on by the State Board of Education
and of applications that have been returned to school districts.

A Message from the Comptroller.

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, 89th General
Assembly - I have nominated the following named person to the
Comptroller's Merit Commission to fill an expired term and
respectfully ask concurrence in the confirmation of this
appointment by your Honorable Body.

...letter is dated July 25th, 1996, and signed by Loleta
Didrickson, Comptroller.

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Introduction of Bills.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1949, offered by Senator DeAngelis.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1950, offered by Senator DeAngelis.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1951, offered by Senators Hawkinson, President
Philip, Senators Bomke, Dudycz, DeAngelis and Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1952, offered by Senator Hawkinson, President
Philip, Senators Luechtefeld, Bomke, Dudycz and DeAngelis.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1953, offered by those same Members.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And Senate Bill 1954, -- offered by Senators Hawkinson, Philip, Dudycz, DeAngelis, Syverson and Bomke.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of those bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 232, offered by Senator Clayborne and all Members.

Senate Resolution 233, offered by Senator Jones and all Members.

Senate Resolution 234, offered by Senator Lauzen and all Members.

Senate Resolution 235, offered by Senator Lauzen and all Members.

Senate Resolution 234 (sic) {236}, offered by Senator Jones and all Members.

Senate Resolution 237, offered by Senator Jones and all Members.

Senate Resolution 238, offered by Senator Trotter and all Members.

Senate Resolution 239, offered by Senator Shaw and all Members.

Senate Resolution 240, offered by Senator Hendon and all Members.

Senate Resolution 241, offered by Senator Shaw and all Members.

Senate Resolution 242, offered by Senator Shaw and all Members.

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Senate Resolution 243, also offered by Senator Shaw and all Members.

Senate Resolution 244, offered by Senators Jones, Palmer and all Members.

Senate Resolution 245, offered by Senators Jones, Demuzio, del Valle, Welch, Shaw, Jacobs and all other Members.

Senate Resolution 246, offered by Senator Shadid and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 247, offered by Senator Hawkinson and all Members.

They are all death resolutions.

...Resolution 248, offered by Senator Klemm.

It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

May I have your attention, Ladies and Gentlemen? May I have your attention? Senator Shadid has some distinguished guests from Russia that he would like to introduce. Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Mr. President. If I could just -- you'll bear with me, I'd like to introduce you to a delegation from Russia who are in our great State of Illinois and they're touring our prison system, and they are guests of the FHL, which is the Faith, Hope and Love prison ministry that originated in 1978. So if you'll bear with me. And when I get to reading their names, if I need any help, I'll ask for Senator Dudycz to read the Russian names for me. And I'm kidding you, Senator. Okay. I'm very pleased to welcome to Springfield today four Russian delegates and their interpreter who are visiting Illinois at the invitation of Ed Meister, Chairman of Faith, Hope and Love, and Senior Chaplain Paul Meister, to inspect and tour the prison systems in Illinois. Faith, Hope and Love is a nondenominational, volunteer organization chartered in 1978 to minister to spiritual and other

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needs of men and women in Illinois' prisons, jails and work release camps. During the past year, Faith, Hope and Love's over four hundred volunteer chaplains logged over fifty thousand volunteer hours at Illinois correctional centers and over ten thousand volunteer hours at county jails, as well as operating a program for troubled youth and a halfway house in Peoria for recently released prisoners. When Faith, Hope and Love volunteer Howard Getz served as a missionary in Russia, he took time to continue his prison ministry by visiting with prisoners in the corrections system in the Republic of Karelia in northwestern Russia. Karelian officials were so impressed with Faith, Hope and Love's work they expressed great interest in visiting the United States to observe the operation of the corrections system in this country. And if you'll bear with me, I will introduce these folks, and if I have a little problem with some of the names, just overlook that, please. The names of the delegates, as follows: Colonel Aleksandr Safronov, who is the Vice Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Karelia. If you'll -- if you'll hold your applause until I introduce them all, I'd appreciate it. Colonel Aleksandr Safronov. He's the Director of Karelian Penalty Execution Service - which doesn't mean what you think. What he does is execute the system and the paperwork; he doesn't execute all the people. Lieutenant Colonel Vladimir Shabalov. He's the Head of the Organization -- Organizing and Inspecting Department of the Karelian Penalty Execution Service. Lieutenant Colonel Anatoliy Skonknin, Chief of the Prison of the Karelian Penalty Execution Service. And our Interpreter, who will introduce Colonel Safronov to make a brief statement, Larissa Mikhailova.

(Introduction of and Remarks by Colonel Aleksandr Safronov,
Vice Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs
of the Republic of Karelia

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and Interpretations by Larissa Mikhailova)

SENATOR SHADID:

I also want to recognize Director Odie Washington and just commend him for the great job him and his staff has done in helping these people get acquainted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Chair would like to remind all Members that motions on veto measures should be filed with the Secretary as soon as possible. It is the intent of the Chair to take motions on veto measures beginning Tuesday, November the 19th. So please get your motion filed, if you so desire. Motions. Mr. Secretary, have there been any motions filed?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Yes, Mr. President. Motions have been filed by the following Members on the following bills: Senate Bill 1781, Senator Burzynski; Senate Bill 1122, Senator Klemm; Senate Bill 1467, Senator Donahue; Senate Bill 1425, Senator Madigan; and Senate Bill 1781, Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

The Chair requests that these motions be printed on the Calendar. So ordered. For what purpose Senator -- Berman seek recognition?

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I just want the record to reflect, Senator Howard Carroll, my seatmate, is observing the death of his mother, who passed away last week. And under his religious rules, he will be observing the -- and mourning the death of his mother from last Sunday to this coming Sunday, and that is the reason that he's not present today. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Thank you, Senator Berman. Resolutions.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 110 and Senate Joint Resolution 111, both offered by Senator Berman.

They're both substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

We will 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 on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

If not, the question is, 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. For what purpose Senator Donahue seek recognition?

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Well, thank you, Mr. President. I would like -- like to request a Republican Caucus immediately upon adjournment in Senator Pate Philip's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

It is the intent of the Chair to stay open for awhile in case anyone wishes to file a motion, but pursuant to the adjournment resolution, after that time, we will stand adjourned until Tuesday, November the 19th, at noon. Senator Syverson...

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator Cronin...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

...for what purpose?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Yes, sir. Point of personal privilege. Senator Cronin is not here; he's late, I guess. But it is Senator Cronin's birthday

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today. Thirty-seventh birthday. And I know there's cake over here for him as well. So happy birthday to Senator Cronin, who's not here yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Happy birthday, Senator Cronin. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. You have any idea how long you might stay open?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Well, I would say that probably we could stay open for a couple of hours before adjournment, if that gives everyone sufficient time to get their motion filed. Senate will stand in recess until the call of the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

...purpose does Senator Jacobs seek recognition? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

A Democratic Caucus in Senator Emil Jones' Office immediately.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WEAVER)

Democratic Caucus in Senator Jones' Office immediately.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senate will come to order. There will be no further business. Pursuant to the adjournment resolution, the Senate will stand adjourned until Tuesday, November 19th - Tuesday, November 19th -

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at the hour of noon. Senate stands adjourned.

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